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Mayor Marty Walsh's 2021 State of the City Address

"We must keep drawing on our strength — and on each other."

Good evening, my fellow Bostonians. *One year ago*, I delivered my State of the City address at Symphony Hall with an audience of over 2,000 people. Together, we celebrated our city and I laid out plans to move Boston forward in 2020.

The year turned out different than we expected, to say the least. Tonight, we may not be in the same room. But we are still together, united by our belief in Boston. And we are still moving forward.

I'm joining you live from one of Boston's newest civic treasures, the *completely rebuilt Roxbury branch of the Boston Public Library* in Nubian Square. Despite the pandemic, we made sure to advance this project — along with *new parks*, schools, and *affordable housing* — to be ready for you as we recover and rediscover our great city.

2020 was a tough year. 2021 is a year for healing. But we have some work to do first. So I'm going to talk tonight about how we must keep each other safe; get through this final stretch of the pandemic; and build a recovery that moves all our neighborhoods forward.

I'm also going to talk about how we will sustain this work through an upcoming transition. As you may know, President-Elect **Joe Biden** and Vice President-elect **Kamala Harris** have *nominated me to be Labor Secretary* in their administration. I have accepted this honor.

If confirmed by the United States Senate, I will step down as Mayor, and City Council President **Kim Janey** will become Acting Mayor. I have spoken with Councilor Janey. I am confident that the operations of City government, including



our COVID response, will continue smoothly. And I want you to know, the work we have done together for the past seven years has prepared Boston to build back stronger than ever.

I want to start by honoring the **1,060** Bostonians we have lost to COVID-19. They are loved and missed and their families are in my heart.

We're a city aching with loss. Not a day goes by that I am not speaking with a grieving family member; a worker facing unemployment; or a small business owner struggling to hang on.

COVID has affected all of us, but there's no doubt, it hit some harder than others. In black, Latino, and immigrant communities, inequities in health, housing, and work opportunities caused more illness and job loss. Older Bostonians and those with disabilities face the highest risk and the most isolation. Most students have been out of classrooms since March, and families have struggled with childcare.

There's a mental health impact to all of this. I encourage anyone feeling overwhelmed to reach out to the City. We have help. If you call 311, we can connect you to resources, counseling, or recovery services.

But if 2020 was a year of struggle, it was also a year that *brought out the best in our city*. We saw nurses, doctors, and medical staff gearing up and going into battle to save lives and provide comfort. We saw EMTs on the frontlines of a pandemic, helping over 4,000 COVID patients. Firefighters brought recovery coaches to calls, to help those struggling with addiction. Police officers took 800 guns off the street, keeping us safe no matter the risk. Essential workers and City employees answered the call, day after day. Residents stepped up to help each other in a thousand different ways. The heroes are all around us.

As mayor, I made decisions I never thought I'd have to make:

to *close schools; pause construction; turn our convention center into a field hospital; and cancel the Boston Marathon* for the first time in its history.

These decisions, and many others, were not easy. But *we had to act*, to save lives. So we worked with the state; with hospitals and universities; with businesses small and large; nonprofits and residents in every neighborhood and culture — and *we moved forward together*, one day at a time.

The urgency of our work has never been more clear. Last summer, **George Floyd's** murder sparked a long-overdue reckoning with racism. I thank black Bostonians for the way you made your voices heard. And I thank everyone who joined the movement — black, white, Latino, Asian, and indigenous peoples standing together.

The gravity of this moment weighed on me. I'm proud of the work we've done in Boston. But doing better than before isn't enough. We need to address all the ways systemic racism hurts people in our city.

In the end, I went back to what I learned in recovery. I listened to those who have been there tell their stories and speak their truth. Young black members of my team shared their thoughts first. I held Zoom calls with our Black Employee Network, to listen. I reached out to leaders, activists, and clergy. They spoke about daily fears that something will happen to a loved one. They described lifelong anxiety around being pre-judged and denied opportunities. I heard grief, not just over lives lost — but over children's futures limited.

I will never forget those conversations. And I resolved to take action. We declared racism a public health crisis. We launched a Health Equity plan to end the disparities for good. We shifted millions of dollars into youth, trauma, and mental health programs. We enacted historic police reforms, with black and brown Bostonians leading the work. The result is a new national model for oversight and accountability. And we re-organized City government, appointing a Chief of Equity to drive the work forward.

The pandemic made it clear: a community crisis demands a community-wide response. So I'm asking all of us to accept this responsibility as our own and commit to fighting racism. It's our deepest moral obligation — and it's our greatest opportunity for growth.

No city is better prepared than Boston to meet this moment. I know that, because

I've spent every day for seven years working with you to strengthen our city. We set a new standard for fiscal management, earning perfect triple-A bond ratings every single year, even 2020.

Now, that hard work is paying off. A national study reported in the *New York Times* named Boston the city best prepared to come back strong from COVID. We made the right decisions in the good times, so Boston has the strength to move forward now.

Here's what that means for you.

It means this beautiful new library in Roxbury. It's part of a \$130 million citywide investment, the biggest upgrade for Boston's libraries since the branch system was created, over 100 years ago.

You'll also see completely rebuilt parks and playgrounds from the North End to Mattapan, and major upgrades at Boston Common and Franklin Park. We're investing more in our parks than any time since the Emerald Necklace was created in the 1800s.

You'll also see a new senior center in East Boston, a fully renovated Curley Community Center in South Boston, revitalized public housing in Charlestown, and a world-class Boston Arts Academy high school in the Fenway.

You'll see a renovated EMS Academy and a new ambulance bay in West Roxbury, for quicker response times, and Boston's first brand-new firehouse in 30 years, at Engine 42 in Roxbury.

You'll see miles of resurfaced roads and rebuilt sidewalks, with new bus and bike lanes to make getting around our city safer and easier.

To top it off, we'll complete the first full makeover of City Hall Plaza since it was built over 50 years ago.

These are the goods we hold in common as Bostonians. We have strengthened them more than ever, and now we need them, more than ever. They are the places we will gather as we emerge from this pandemic, to reconnect, bring every voice into our democracy, and build a future together.

I believe in Boston. This is the city that welcomed my immigrant parents. This is the city that picked me up when I needed a second chance. This is the city where I fought side by side with you for marriage equality, immigrant rights, addiction treatment, criminal justice reform, education funding, and good middle-class jobs.

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Ousted Puerto Rico Governor Returns

Pedro Pierluisi just became the governor of Puerto Rico, 16 months after he was bounced out of office by the PR's Supreme Court. The new governor, the head of the pro-statehood New Progressive Party, was elected in November in a six-way race with 33 percent of the vote after having beaten sitting governor, Wanda Vazquez in an August primary.

In 2019, Pierluisi served six days as de facto governor during the period after Gov. Riccardo Rossello was forced from office by mass protests over insulting text messages, however, the island's Supreme Court ruled that Pierluisi, who had been appointed Secretary of State, but not confirmed by the island's Legislature, could not legally serve.

This time, Pierluisi took the oath of office in an outdoor ceremony in San Juan due to COVID-19 protocols.

Antifa Storms Hawley Home

A group of far-left radicals carried out a protest at U.S. Senator Josh Hawley's Washington, D.C., home over his decision to object to President-elect Biden's Electoral College victory, while his wife and baby were home alone! On Monday evening (January 4th), Hawley (R-MO) tweeted "Antifa scumbags came to our place in D.C., and threatened my wife and newborn daughter, who can't travel. They screamed threats, vandalized, and tried to pound open the door."

Kamala Tale Has MLK Ring to It

A story Vice President-elect Kamala Harris related in an interview for the October issue of *Elle* magazine has resurfaced after readers saw parallels to a story once told by Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1965.

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by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



SACRIFICIUM (The Sacrifice)



Most readers understand that “sacrificium” is the Latin root for our English word “Sacrifice.” The pagan sacrifice was serious business to the pre-Christian ancients, as it formed the major part of every religious act.

Their sacrifices were either bloodless offerings or blood offerings. The bloodless variety used fruits, cakes, and choice articles of food that were either burned at the altar or placed on special tables before it. Liquid offerings were also made and these included wine, milk, water, and honey. Cattle, goats, swine, and sheep were normally used for blood offerings; however, special animals were also used as they identified with certain gods. Horses were sacrificed to Poseidon (Roman-Neptune), and dogs to the goddess Hecate, as she was often associated with the dog of the lower world and together they haunted gravesites. Both ancient Romans and Greeks followed the rule of sacrificing male animals to gods and females to goddesses, while dark or black colored animals were sacrificed to the gods of the lower world.

The Romans eventually established special rules regarding the victims that were considered appropriate to the various divinities. A young white steer was reserved for Jupiter, Neptune, or Apollo, while a red calf was used for Vulcan, and a

male goat for Mercury, to name just a few. Firm rules were also established regarding the condition of the animals; only those that were without blemish, and had not yet been used for labor were sacrificed.

Rules were also set down to govern the age of the victims. Lambs could not be offered before their first shearing, and sheep could be offered only after they had given birth to lambs. Suckling pigs had to be five days old, and calves had to be thirty days old. Mature animals that were used for sacrificial rites were considered to be those whose upper and lower rows of teeth were complete. It appears that the use of animals for religious sacrifices was controlled by firm rules, and those who varied from the exact requirements were required to atone, or make amends if discovered. When victims meeting the specific requirements could not be obtained, the law permitted the substitution of a wax representation, one made of dough, or a specific substitute animal. Instances where animals were sacrificed in great numbers at one time have been recorded but are rare. One such mass sacrifice occurred in commemoration of the Athenian victory at the battle of Marathon, where five hundred goats were slain.

NEXT WEEK:
The Sacrificial Altar

Res Publica

by David Trumbull



Liberty and Union, Now, and Forever

On Monday, January 18th, U.S. government offices, and much of private business other than retail, will close in observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**. A century after a *violent* civil war freed African-Americans, the promises of equality set forth in the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution went unfulfilled until Dr. King's *non-violent* protests brought change. For this, he is one of just three mortals honored with a federal holiday. King was born into a time and place in America where people were divided by the color of their skin. There were many important actors in the 1960s civil rights movement, but Dr. King stands out for his insistence on uniting Americans.

The Italian navigator **Christopher Columbus** is justly honored with a federal holiday for his discovery of the New World. For uncountable thousands, possibly tens of thousands, of years, the human family was divided into an Old World of Europe, Asia, and Africa, and a New World of the Americas, Australia, and many islands. Each World wholly unaware of the existence of the other. With advances in science and navigation it was just a matter of time until someone re-introduced the two halves of humanity. The man who did it was Columbus, on October 12, 1492. It is sad that many today seek to divide Americans into “us” and “them,” and even do so around the date that we celebrate the one man most directly responsible for re-united mankind.

The third person honored with a federal holiday is our first president, **George Washington**. In many ways he made the office of President of

the United States what it is. The Constitution created a president, with certain enumerated powers, but left many details to be worked out. Was the president to reign like a king? Or would he merely preside, as administrator of the acts of congress? A man accustomed to military command, Washington was far from a figure head leader, but he eschewed such honorific titles as “His Excellency,” preferring the functional title of “Mr. President.” Most importantly, he stepped down from the presidency, overseeing a peaceful transition of power, and retired from public life.

Next Wednesday we shall see another peaceful transfer of power, from Mr. Trump to Mr. Biden. It is the nature of our Republic that we have but one President at a time. Like him or not, he's the only one we have. It is in the interest of every American that we pray that Mr. Biden's Administration fosters the blessings of peace and prosperity. With that in mind I invite all my readers, whether you supported Mr. Biden or not, to say on the afternoon of January 20, 2021:

“Almighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; Have mercy upon this whole land; and so rule the hearts of thy servants the President of the United States, *the Governor of this State*, and all others in authority, that they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honor and glory; and that we and all the People, duly considering whose authority they bear, may faithfully and obediently honor them, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.”

Boston Public Schools Announces Tentative Schedule for Reopening Additional School Buildings

Agreement with Boston Teachers Union Expands Health and Learning Protocols To All School Buildings, Ensures Safety of Students and Staff

On Monday, January 11th Boston Public Schools (BPS) Superintendent Brenda Cassellius and Boston Teachers Union (BTU) President Jessica Tang announced an update to the *Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)* between the union and the district to extend key health, safety, and staffing protocols to the future reopening of all school buildings for the remainder of the school year.

These protocols and standards, which will be implemented system-wide, are an extension of those originally implemented through prior MOAs and applied to all 32 schools currently open. As BPS continues reopening, these safety measures already in place will be extended to any school reopening in the future.

BPS also announced a new timeline for returning students to in-person learning, starting in February. The hybrid learning model remains opt-in for parents and caregivers. The tentative timeline for returning students whose families have selected hybrid learning is as follows:

Monday, February 1st: All students who have qualified for high in-person priority*

Monday, March 1st & Thursday, March 4th: Students in K0 - Grade 3 (Group A & B)

Monday, March 15th & Thursday, March 18th: Students in Grades 4 - 8 (Group A & B)

Monday, March 29th & Thursday, April 1st: Students in Grades 9 - 12 (Group A & B)

“Throughout the pandemic, we worked diligently to implement the appropriate planning and safety measures to allow more students to return for in-person learning because we understand the importance of providing a range of learning options for families,” said Mayor Martin J. Walsh. “Under the Superintendent's leadership, in partnership with President Tang, I am grateful that BPS and BTU have reached a significant agreement that outlines the return to in-person learning for additional students in a safe and sustainable manner. I look forward to welcoming more students and teachers back into school buildings, while also remaining committed to the continued success of remote learning for families that prefer that option.”

Through the system-wide agreement, BPS, BTU, and the Boston Public Health Commission will be working collaboratively to take key building preparedness steps in order to further cultivate trust and codify our commitment to implementing the same health and safety protocols currently in place at the 32 schools currently open across all school buildings, including:

- limiting the number of students and staff in a building at one time to ensure social distancing,
- instituting creative scheduling and staffing, among other approaches on hybrid instruction,
- providing air purifiers into

classrooms, offices and common areas or highest grade HVAC filters in schools with HVAC systems

- increasing air quality testing and reporting,
- installing data loggers that provide daily air quality measures in our schools,
- delivering additional personal protective equipment to schools for students and staff,
- offering access to free COVID-19 testing for teachers on site or nearby their school,
- expanding a pilot program for student COVID-19 testing, and
- continuing to report all positive confirmed cases in schools to the school community and the public.

“The best learning environment for our students is in their classrooms, with their peers, under the care of our educators and staff. This agreement charts the course for the rest of the school year and establishes a safe return to in-person learning for additional students and staff,” said Superintendent Cassellius. “Our announcement today provides stability and clarity for our students, families, and the entire BPS community. I am thankful to President Tang for her leadership on this agreement and appreciative of the dedicated work of the High In-Person Priority Task Force, our school leaders, educators and staff who work tirelessly every day. I look forward to our continued collaboration with

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LAST MINUTE IMPEACHMENT SERVES ONLY TO DIVIDE AMERICA

by Sal Giarratani

Whatever your views are on President Trump, it is clear this last minute attempt to attack him starting this past week is being orchestrated for the sole purpose of humiliation toward President Trump and to the near 75 million who voted for him for re-election in November.

There is no way to complete this process by House Democrats and it most likely is not their intent. This despicable action only serves them as they wrap themselves in the American flag.

Even the soon-to-be Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer has joined forces with Speaker Nancy Pelosi in seeking a strategy to force the outgoing Majority Leader Mitch McConnell into fast-tracking the Senate trial which won't happen. It is all just politics and disgraceful too.

The Democrats in Washington, DC have been trying to oust President Trump from the White House since BEFORE day 1 and now seem intent to kick him when he is down and almost out.

How in the world can America heal when the Democrats, BIG Tech, the Fake Media have all colluded to seemingly destroy the integrity of our election process in the eyes of so many Americans?

President Trump did not intend to incite a riot at the U.S. Capitol on January 6th. It seems there are many American voters who no longer believe their votes counted and their frustration boiled over that day. I do not condone in any way, shape or form the violence and the way to stop it is to heal together and not apart.

The actions being taken right now inside the U.S. Capitol and the silence of President-elect Joe Biden speaks out loud and clear that he has contempt for anyone who believed in the MAGA movement.

The actions by Big Tech to silence all opposition is no way to heal a divided nation. To paraphrase George Orwell, "When Big Tech controls speech, speaking the truth becomes a revolutionary idea."

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Anna (Ciampa) Guarino

Anna (Ciampa) Guarino, 81, a lifelong resident of Boston's North End, passed away peacefully on January 6, 2021.

She was born in Montefalcione, Avellino, Italy, a daughter of the late Gaetano and Antonietta (D'Amore) Ciampa.

She was a devote Catholic and a member of St. Leonard Church Choir, loved cooking and shopping at the "old" Downtown Crossing. She will be remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, Nonna, and friend.

Anna is survived by her beloved husband of 60 years Antonio Guarino, her loving daughters Assunta D'Alelio and her husband Ignazio of Saugus, Tonia Guarino and her husband Emidio Magno of Wakefield, her loving son Carmine Guarino of Boston, four cherished grandchildren, Christian A. Guarino, Anna G. Magno, Luigi A. Magno, and Antonio E. Magno,



her loving sisters and brother in Italy, Ester Ciampa and her husband Reginaldo Indaco, Maria Ciampa and her husband Roberto Rubechini, and Mario Ciampa. Also survived by loving nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her sister Maria Grazia and her brothers Gennaro and Raffaele Ciampa.

The family received visitors on Saturday, January 9th at St. Leonard Church, with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated in the church immediately after. Entombment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett, MA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Leonard Church, 320 Hanover Street, Boston, MA 02113.

For more information or to leave an online condolence, please visit: www.watermanboston.com.

1919 Great Molasses Flood Disaster Anniversary

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021 - Commercial Street -
Near Bocce Courts at Langone Park



The Boston Molasses Disaster, also known as the Great Molasses Flood and the Great Boston Molasses Tragedy, occurred on January 15, 1919, in the North End neighborhood of Boston, Massachusetts in the United States. A large molasses storage tank burst, and a wave of molasses rushed through the streets at an estimated 35 mph (56 km/h), killing 21 and injuring 150. The event has entered local folklore, and residents claim that on hot summer days, the area still smells of molasses.

Anniversary of Brinks Garage Robbery

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021 - Brinks Garage, Corner of Prince and Commercial Streets

Brinks Garage was robbed on January 17, 1950 by a gang that stole \$2.78 million from the facility at 155 Prince Street. The location is now a parking garage with the address of 600 Commercial Street.

Managing a Difficult Insect Pest on Houseplants

by Melinda Myers

A sticky substance on plant leaves, plant stands, and the floor are often the first clue alerting gardeners to a problem. If a closer look reveals bumps on the upper and lower surface of leaves and stems, it means scale insects have moved in to dine on your houseplants. Severe infestations can cause leaf yellowing, stunting and dieback of the plant.

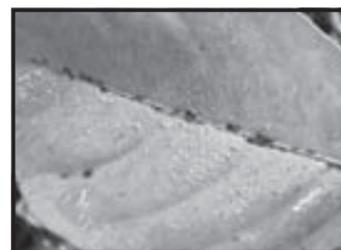
If you have battled these insects, you know they can be challenging to control. Arm yourself with an understanding of their lifecycle and be persistent to successfully manage these pests.

Scale insects have needle-like mouthparts that allow them to pierce the leaf and stem surfaces. They suck plant sap through a tube-like structure just as if they were drinking from a straw. These are one of several insects that secrete drops of a clear, sticky substance, called honeydew, as they feed. A black fungus known as sooty mold may grow on the honeydew. It does not directly harm the plant, but it looks bad. In severe cases, sooty mold can prevent sunlight from reaching the leaves, causing them to yellow.

Adult scale insects form coverings that protect them from adverse environmental conditions and most chemical controls. Eggs hatch under this protective covering and the immature scale; called crawlers, emerge looking for a place to feed. Once settled, the crawler continues to grow, shedding layers of skin. These layers of shed skin, or waxy layers, form their protective covering.

Isolate infected plants as soon as you discover the problem. This will reduce the risk of this pest spreading to your other plants.

You can remove the adult scales with a



Scale insects may be dining on your houseplant if you notice a sticky substance on its leaves and bumps on the upper and lower surface of the plant's leaves and stems.

(Photo courtesy of
MelindaMyers.com)

toothpick, tweezers, or an old toothbrush. Repeat every few weeks until you have this pest under control. This may be sufficient to control small populations, but if you miss even one adult the problem persists.

The crawler stage is the most susceptible to chemical control. You will need a hand lens or magnifying glass to see these short-lived crawlers. Insecticides and washing small plants with a plant-safe soapy water solution can help manage small populations. Cover the pot and soil to prevent any scale knocked off during the bath from crawling

back onto the plant.

Increase your chance of success with the help of an organic insecticide like *Summit Year-Round Spray Oil* (SummitResponsibleSolutions.com). This lightweight oil suffocates and controls all stages of the scale insect, including the adult and eggs housed under the protective covering. Repeat applications are needed to get this insect under control.

This product is safe for people and pets while harmful to this and other houseplant pests. As always read and follow label directions for the most effective results.

Clean the pot, saucers, plant stands and the area around infected plants to remove any honeydew and unseen crawlers. This along with proper control will reduce the risk of these insects infesting treated and nearby plants.

Continue to monitor all your plants for scale and other insects each time you water. It is much easier to manage small populations than larger infestations on more plants.

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

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Love You to the Moon!

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

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



Every January, I look forward to a certain kind of dark and still night. During a night like this, a mystical hush infuses the air, as if the whole Earth stands holding its breath, interrupted only by quiet wafts of chilly wind. Gray clouds scuttle across the dusky sky, obscuring the stars. I hear the gurgling of melting snow as it rushes down the drainage system, a sound indicative of the frequent January thaws and the cyclical turning of the year. Indeed, the sensation of the coming spring permeates this night, as only short hours before the sky had been a jewel-like hue of deep blue. However, the sight which makes me shiver with the most awe on this night is the full moon suspended above me. She glows with a pearly white incandescence as she winks from behind the passing clouds, adding to the enigmatic mood of the evening. Seeing such a moon reminds me of all the reasons why this heavenly orb resonates so strongly with me: her mysterious beauty, her link to powerful femininity, the way her graceful silver light whispers promises of the changing seasons. The January moon has always been particularly meaningful for me, as she brims with the energy of the new year and forms an elegant and radiant counterpoint to the dark winter skies. She carries the anticipation of the spring, much in the same way as women-centered January holidays like St. Agnes's Day. In all of manifestations and stages, the moon has captured the attention of societies worldwide, boasting her own slew of folklore and superstitions.

In part, my love from the moon appears woven into my DNA, a characteristic of my Italian heritage. When I was a child, my dad would frequently sing a catchy pop hit he remembered from his Italian boyhood, whose lyrics intoned: "*La luna, la luna, ti porterà fortuna*" — meaning "the moon will bring you luck." Several Roman deities, the majority of them women, presided over the moon. Diana, the forest-dwelling huntress, was associated with the crescent moon, perhaps because it resembled the shape of her bow. The darker side of the moon belonged to the goddess Trivia, most commonly known by her Greek name Hecate, who ruled over witchcraft, crossroads, and all the spooky aspects of night. Finally, the goddess Luna served as the very personification of the moon, and her name lent itself to the Italian name for "moon." Contemporary Italians still include mentions of the moon

in their folklore, especially in the realm of superstition. The most famous Italian moon-related superstition, also repeated frequently in the United States, declares that the full moon exerts an influence over human behavior, encouraging romance but also lunacy. In fact, the word "lunacy" shares the same root as "luna." Italians also whisper stories of the *lupo mannaro*, or werewolf, who changes into a frightening beast under the full moon. Sundry moon superstitions include cutting one's hair during a waxing moon, to ensure that it will grow back lusciously as the moon gets bigger, and that pointing at the moon is considered rude and unlucky. These pieces of lore speak to moon's immense cultural significance.

One January holiday in particular boasts the same sense of magic and mystery I associate with the moon. January 21st is St. Agnes's Day, or *la Festa di Sant'Agnese* in Italian, honoring a Roman virgin and martyr killed in the early fourth century. In Italy, this feast is linked to lambs, possibly because of the similarity between the name *Agnese* and the Italian word for lamb, *agnello*. Every year, the Pope blesses two lambs brought to Rome on January 21st specifically for the feast of St. Agnes. Significantly, sheep begin birthing lambs and commence the process of lactation around the middle of January. Therefore, *la Festa di Sant'Agnese* is one of those January holidays that looks ahead to the promise of spring, that honors rebirth and the new life blossoming under the winter snow. However, in addition to livestock, old St. Agnes's Day celebrations sparked with enchantment and secrets. In the England of yore, the eve of St. Agnes's Day was set apart for romantic divination. Since St. Agnes is the patron of young women, girls would seize this opportunity to perform a plethora of charms in order to dream about their future spouse. These charms involved mysterious activities such ranging from silently walking backwards to bed, baking a cake at night without uttering a word, or repeating a magical rhyme while throwing grain into the soil. The romantic, supernatural nature of St. Agnes's Day perfectly accentuates the frigid, moonlit nights of January, when the moon illuminates the shadowy skies and hints at the spring to come.

Though she is often eclipsed by the warm and fiery sun, the moon provides us with a unique blend of mystical beauty and starry-eyed magic. She is a prominent figure in folklore

and mythology, having long amazed people with her changing faces and powerful nocturnal presence. Wielding the mighty ability to affect tides but gentle enough to form lacy patterns of moonlight through the bare winter tree branches, the moon continues to enjoy her place in superstition, as people still repeat tales of her influence on human behavior. I encourage everyone to take time out of their busy lives to glance at moon in all her splendor — whether she stands as a full white orb, or a glimmering sliver in the sky, or shyly peeks behind slate-colored clouds. One of my favorite moon moments was years ago, when I was driving back home with my mother after visiting my grandmother. As we passed a lake whose waters gleamed like polished glass in the nighttime, we immediately noticed an enormous full moon suspended in the sky, sending her spangles of light flitting across the tranquil waters. This moment reminded me that there is still so much beauty, magic and mystery in our world, which will only continue to be revealed as the winter melts into the renewed life of spring.

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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Also Known As

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Date of Death: November 28, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Thomas E. Sweeney of Lowell, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Thomas E. Sweeney of Lowell, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

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

Date: January 13, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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THINKING OUT LOUD



by Sal Giarratani

Politically Correct Echo Chambers Anthem on College Campuses

When it comes to debating issues and taking positions on various political and social issues that divide society, I have a big problem with politically correct echo chambers on college and university campuses.

I look back to my freshman days in January 1968, another raucous time in U.S. history. I bemoan what I see for today's college students who pretty much are seemingly forced to keep quiet about political debates like racial reckoning, endless wars, President Trump, the media, or face the wrath of the Liberal/Progressives who believe they control all debates on campus. If you oppose their viewpoints, you can't say so without being ridiculed.

I believe strongly in our Democratic Republic, our Constitution, Bill of Rights, and the rule of law. You can't tell someone to keep all their opinions as thoughts. That is not Freedom of Speech. The notion that if my opinion offends you, I must stay silent is just bogus and un-American. Colleges are where we should have constant battles of speech. Our right to speak cannot be considered a relative right. We are Americans. We hold all kinds of views and should be able to speak to them. We should be able to defend them!

In my college days, I served on the campus newspaper and we had a spirit of outrage over a war being waged 6,000 miles away. When I was a freshman, I and all of America witnessed the assassinations of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., and Robert Kennedy in a matter of 60 days in 1968. Colleges across the nation became hotbeds of political activism on all sides of the political spectrum. I remember the so-called "Clean Gene Kids," when young people across American college campuses campaigned for U.S. Sen. Eugene McCarthy seeking to take on an incumbent president.

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EVAN R. LUNNY

Date of Death: November 18, 2020

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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Colleen L. Plant of Burlington, MA.

Colleen L. Plant of Burlington, 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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Date of Death: November 07, 2019

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FORMAL ADJUDICATION

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

The Petitioner requests that David J. Colantuoni of Saugus, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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

Date: January 13, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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

Four Women “Quattro Donne”

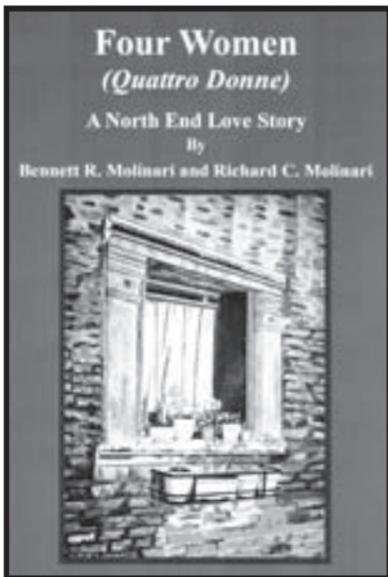
subtitle, *A North End Love Story*

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

CHAPTER 38

Trouble on the Beach

Pietro sprinted toward Carla. His lean, muscular body wet with sea water, glistened in the sunlight. Reaching her, they embraced. The curves of their bodies seem to complement each other perfectly. They were god and goddess on a white sandy beach, under a timeless sun. Incomplete on their own, they completed each other as a single organism, not to be separated. “Carla, I missed you.” Pietro, barely able to get the words out. He repeated his words, “Carla, I missed you,” as they stood in each other’s embrace, slowly turning in the sand without thoughts of overly meddling families, just the two of them in each other’s arms. “I also missed you, Pietro,” confessed Carla. Her words tearful, full of the same uncertainty faced through the ages by young star-crossed lovers, meant to be together, but kept apart. “I love you Pietro. I needed to say these words to you.” Together, they dropped to their knees burying their faces in each other’s arms. The sound of a pan dropped by Grandma, crashing into the dishes below, seemed to shatter the moment taking place only yards away. Grandma appeared stunned, as she witnessed the scene unfolding before her eyes. Uncle Tino, sitting on his striped canvas beach chair, was strangely amused by what was going on, for he knew it could only mean trouble, and trouble is what Uncle Tino delighted in. Glancing up to Grandma from his prone position, he said in somber tones to his sister, “Hey Lucia, I think we’re going to have a new niece in the family.” When the meaning of Uncle Tino’s words finally registered on Grandma, she reached down for the pan she had dropped seconds before, pulled herself up to her entire 4 feet 11”, lifted the pan high in



the air, and said, “Potrei colpirti con questa padella! (I could hit you with this pan!)” Uncle Tino, seeing the sight of this tiny woman looking so angry, couldn’t help laughing, for no matter how hard she tried, her small stature and angelic face countered any show of anger Grandma could muster. Auntie Angie, taking in the entire scene, shouted out, “Carmela, grab the pan from Mama, she wants to hit Uncle Tino!” At the same time, Auntie Stella kept urging Grandma to bash her nemesis, the guy who made it a point to call her “Skinny Stella”, every time he saw her. Auntie Angie shouted out, “Stella, are you going crazy, don’t encourage her! Carmela, grab the pan before she swings it!” Uncle Tino was laughing uncontrollably, driving Auntie Stella crazy. She now made a play for the pan Mom wrestled away from Grandma. Auntie Angie shouted out, “We’re making a disgrace of ourselves!” All this while Carla and Pietro remained lost in each other’s arms. When Carla finally looked up to see what was happening around them, she burst into tears. “Pietro, can you see this will never work? Your family hates me. They will never let us be together. They think

I’m a temptress who took you away from God and becoming a priest.” When it seemed that things could not get worse, they managed to.

Four Women “Quattro Donne” *A North End Love Story*, is available at R. Del Gaudio Gift Shop, 17 North Square North End (617-227-5915), adjoining Paul Revere House; Post-Gazette; Saint Francis Book Store and Gift Shop at Saint Leonard Peace Garden; lulu.com; molinariesign.net; Amazon.com; Barnes and Noble.com; Bookshop.org; Barbara’s Bestsellers, South Station (857-263-8737); Greetings from Boston, Faneuil Hall.

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Also Known As
JAMES M. O’HARE
Date of Death: November 20, 2020
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner James L. O’Hare of East Falmouth, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
James L. O’Hare of East Falmouth, 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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ALICIA REYES GUTIERREZ
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JOAN F. MORGAN
Date of Death: October 18, 2020
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Tanya S. Andrews of Medford, MA.
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Commuter Rail Schedule Changes Take Effect January 23rd

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The MBTA is reminding customers that, as of January 23, 2021, MBTA Commuter Rail schedules take effect which were approved in December 2020 by the MBTA’s Fiscal and Management Control Board (FMCB). It represents an increase in weekday service levels from the current schedule and provides more than 50% of weekday service levels from the same time last year, while current ridership levels are approximately 10%.

As part of the Board’s direction to align service with ridership while maintaining access for transit-critical communities, effective January 23, 2021, Commuter Rail weekend service will only run on select lines and weekday service will increase slightly. New Winter Service Schedules will be available at: www.MBTA.com on January 15, 2021, and print copies will be available at major stations starting the week of January 18, 2021. The Reduced Service Schedule currently in place will remain through January 22, 2021.

The new Winter Service Schedule starts to align service with the lower ridership levels experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic. Beginning January 23, 2021, Commuter Rail will only offer weekend service on the Newburyport/Rockport, Framingham/Worcester, Fairmount, Providence, and Middleborough Lines. These lines experienced more ridership gains over the last several months compared to other lines and serve transit-critical communities. All other Commuter Rail lines will not have weekend service. Ridership has remained low during the pandemic with approximately 8% of regular weekday ridership during the morning rush hour period in the fall of 2020 compared to fall 2019.

The new Winter Service Schedule includes additional trains on the Middleborough Line, Fairmount Line, and Newburyport/Rockport Line. These added trains help to fill in service gaps that existed in the previous schedule and help to offer more consistent train intervals, such as clockface service which makes riding simpler for passengers.

For instance, on the Fairmount Line, the new Winter Service Schedule offers clockface service every hour. From Readville, a train will depart on weekdays every hour at 30 minutes past the hour between 6:30 A.M. and 10:30 P.M. This consistent interval is maintained for all stops on the Fairmount Line, and during higher ridership times additional trains are available.

Since March, Keolis and the MBTA have introduced new technologies, such as electrostatic sprayers, to help sanitize passenger areas quickly and thoroughly. As part of this enhanced cleaning, added attention is given to touch surfaces, employee areas, and air filtration systems. All coach cars continue to be cleaned at least every 24 hours as a protection for passengers and train crews.

The MBTA’s Forging Ahead initiative aims to preserve access and quality of service for transit-critical communities and to match service to existing ridership levels. Commuter Rail ridership is approximately 10% of its pre-COVID levels. As part of its Forging Ahead initiative, the MBTA organized a months-long process to solicit the public’s input, including more than 7,000 comments from riders and stakeholders and which was used to shape the final plan approved by the FMCB.

For more information, visit: mbta.com/ForgingAhead, or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram @theMBTA.

Commentary

Could Richard Thornburgh Even Be Elected Today?

by Sal Giarratani

A friend of mine and a really good political observer Sean T. Flaherty of Charlestown recently sent me the following. I thought it was very good stuff and wanted to share it with *Post-Gazette* readers:

I'm reading the obituary for Richard Thornburgh, a two-time Republican Governor of Pennsylvania. From *the New York Times*: "Mr. Thornburgh balanced the budget eight straight years, eliminated 15,000 state jobs, streamlined bureaucracy, cut taxes and state indebtedness, and left office with a \$350 million surplus. He also reduced unemployment, carried out welfare reforms, and pushed economic development. The private sector added 50,000 businesses and 500,000 jobs. By the end of his term, he had a 72 percent approval rating."

The obvious question is — where are today's Richard Thornburgh's? Why don't we have more people in elected office today who know how to govern? Are colleges not teaching government anymore? Why are political activists so influential today when they seem to show such little regard to results-based governing? Why does every politician today seem to have an agenda? Why don't they just show up and get to work? My guess is that they have chosen to identify a narrative and then they build their political brand by closely identifying with that narrative. Ayanna Pressley will never exhibit a talent for governing or legislating, but put a microphone and a cause in front of her and she will build her brand like a pro. That's why we don't have any Richard Thornburgh's anymore, but we do have many Ayanna Pressley's. They're using politics and the media's adoration of causes to build their brand. Richard Thornburgh knew how to govern successfully. In today's world, he wouldn't even last one term."

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Freedom of Thought, Freedom of Speech

by Sal Giarratani

I went through the late sixties and early seventies in college where protesting was the biggest thing happening across the nation. Crazy period, endless protest and violence erupting from time to time. America was choosing sides over everything, but mostly a horrible war halfway around the world in Southeast Asia.

Dueling demonstrators with loud and opposing views! Sounds a lot like today. Everyone seemingly throws their freedom of speech around

like weapons of war. Today, we dress better, but still yell and protest loudly.

At the moment America seems more divided than at any other time in U.S. history since the Civil War. However, there appears to be far more adversity toward the Bill of Rights, especially, I'm thinking, freedom of thought and freedom of speech; two sides of the same coin. You can't have one, without having the other. That was true in 1968, and remains true today.

However, nowadays, liberals,

progressives, anarchists, and the like think that only they have freedom of speech. Any unwanted speech is unacceptable. The only acceptable speech must be politically correct speech.

Conservatives can say whatever they want, except I guess on social media where they get banned. I guess BIG TECH, Facebook, Twitter, Google, or whatever thinks some speech is better left unsaid.

Our Founding Fathers all must be rolling over in their graves!

• State of the City Address (Continued from Page 1)

We have faced down big challenges together, just as we are doing with COVID. We have always prevailed, and we're not about to give up now. In eight days, we'll have friends and allies in the White House who believe in cities and share our values. As a member of that Administration, I will work to make sure it's the best federal partner Boston and America's cities ever had.

The truth is, I'm not going to Washington alone. I'm bringing Boston with me. This city is not just my hometown, it's my heart. It's my mother and father at the kitchen table on Taft Street in Dorchester, talking about helping people. It's the teachers, nuns, priests, and clergy who guided me. It's every kid I coached in Little League or CYO, or at the Little House; everyone who shared recovery with me or reached out for help; my union and labor family; my mentors and colleagues at the

State House; and all the elected officials I serve with in Boston.

It's the staff at City Hall, and every employee of the City of Boston:

Police officers, Firefighters, and EMS first responders; Public Works and Transportation, library and parks workers; security officers, custodians, city inspectors, neighborhood liaisons and 311 call takers; teachers, principals, and BPS staff; those who serve veterans, seniors, youth, immigrants, women, the disability community; everyone who works on housing, homelessness, recovery services, and public health; and all my fellow public servants.

In the end, I carry with me the people of Boston, from every neighborhood: every child who shared a dream with me; every senior who shared a memory; every business owner who welcomed me in; every nonprofit or community leader I worked with;

and everyone watching right now who cares about their family and the future of this city.

Seven years ago, at my first inauguration, I said "I will listen, I will learn, I will lead. We are sworn in together and we are in this together — all of us." I meant it. Every minute of every day in this job, I spent listening to you, talking with you, working with you and working for you. I will never forget it, and I will forever be grateful.

We have tough days ahead of us. But we've been knocked down before, and we always get back up. In 2021, Boston will rise up again. We will leave no one behind. And our city will be stronger than ever.

I want to thank you. God Bless you and keep you safe. God Bless the City of Boston. And God Bless the United States of America.

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- Reality TV's Spelling
- Assistant to regional manager Michael Scott
- Missing a limb
- More, in Madrid
- Like acne-prone skin
- Pimple fluid
- "Shirley's roommate and fellow bottle-capper
- "Rory Gilmore's mom
- Make an effort
- Legal org.
- Long stories
- Scottish valleys
- Doctor Dolittle, e.g.
- "One of The Carpenters duo
- Bone-dry
- Opposite of WSW
- Red or orange announcement

DOWN

- Slightly wet
- "Malone and Stockton of the _____ Jazz
- Skirt length
- Shrove-tide dish
- "Mary-Kate and Ashley
- Geologists' studies
- _____ and cheese
- Moved under the rug
- "All _____, no bite"
- Footnote word
- "Amy Poehler's comedic partner
- Welsh alternative to Siobhán
- Was almost out of gas, e.g.
- Source of indigo dye, pl.
- "_____ Be Home for Christmas"

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- In the best possible way
- Coffee burn, e.g.
- "Bow and _____
- Spherical bacteria
- "Corona's main squeeze?"
- What willow did
- Read-only chip
- Greek bazaar
- "Clark's fellow traveler
- College party chant
- Celestial bear
- Dancer's beat
- Daisy dukes, e.g.

- "Wizard of Oz" man
- Archimedes' exclamation
- Furlough
- Flower part
- Frog delicacy
- Wheel shaft
- Swerve
- European sea eagle
- "David and Paul on the "_____ Show"
- Italian currency, pl.
- Maple genus
- Negative contraction
- "Jerry's fellow treat-maker

(Solution on Page 10)

Saint Arnold Janssen

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Janssen was born November 5, 1837 in Goch in the Rhineland, Germany, close to the Dutch border, one of eleven children. He was a child of deep simple faith. He attended an Augustinian High School in Gaesdonck, which is near his birthplace. He took up the study of philosophy at the Academy of Munster, and then entered the University of Bonn. Entering a minor seminary in Gaesdonck, in 1849, he went on to study mathematics and the natural sciences. Janssen was ordained to the priesthood for the diocese of Muenster on August 15, 1861.



For twelve years, he taught in a public school. During this time, he became involved in a movement called the Apostleship of Prayer League, and soon became its director. To support its cause, he wrote a small pamphlet, which became quite popular. He left his teaching position in 1873 to focus on the apostleship and to become chaplain of a religious order of women, the Ursuline sisters, in Kempen. He began publishing a magazine, *The Little Messenger of the Heart of Jesus*, which was also quite successful.

He soon discovered two things: there was a market for such printed materials and there was support in Germany for a missionary society.

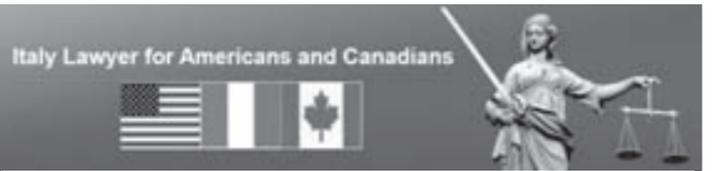
Janssen, with a deep faith in Divine Providence and being encouraged to create a German missionary society, moved with three candidates across the German border to a rundown inn in Steyl, Netherlands, where he founded the Society of the Divine Word in 1875, which would be funded by the sale of his printed publications.

After a rocky start, he had to add onto the small inn almost immediately to accommodate the flow of new candidates, followed by four new buildings over the next five years.

In 1879, he sent his first missionaries, Fr. John B. Anzer, SVD, and Fr. Joseph Freinademetz, SVD, to China. Meanwhile, Janssen added religious brothers to his society in 1878, and co-founded two orders of religious women, the Missionary Sisters Servants of the Holy Spirit in 1889, and the cloistered Missionary Sisters Servants of the Holy Spirit of Perpetual Adoration in 1896.

Father Janssen continued to guide his missionary order for 34 years. At the time of his death in 1909, his society included 1,500 priests, brothers, Missionary and Adoration Sisters working in missions in ten countries. Today those societies number nearly ten-thousand members in over 80 countries.

Father Janssen was canonized a Saint of the Church by Pope John Paul II, in 2003. The Feast of Saint Arnold Janssen is celebrated on January 15th.



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A Too Tall Tower for Charlestown?

by Sal Giarratani

I was not that happy to read about plans by developers to build a new living space over by the old Flynn Junkyard on the Charlestown-East Somerville line, which is also near where the old Mystic Lounge and long ago ramp to old Sullivan Square Station stood.

Building a 29-story high-rise with 695 rental units seems too big and the height of the structure too tall. Oh, and with only 240 parking spaces, this sounds like one of those SmartGrowth ideas the state has been pushing all over Greater Boston to get folks out of their vehicles and on to public transit.

The developers say basically it is a short walk over to Sullivan Station on the Orange Line. It might be a short walk, but you have to pray to get there with all the traffic around you. It appears the Sullivan Station location and the nearby Assembly Row are being used as enticements, but we are talking about the area where Main Street turns into Mystic Avenue. I wonder if this is why there

seemingly has always been a junkyard located on the site of this proposed development.

I have been to several meetings in the past about the re-imagining of the future of the Sullivan Square-Rutherford Avenue area and what it might end up looking like. Maybe it can be an urban gateway, and maybe it is far enough away from residential areas in either East Somerville or Charlestown with minimal negative impacts, or so they say.

In the Business section of the *Boston Globe* there was this paragraph, "The traffic-choked tangle of Charlestown's Sullivan Square could undergo major changes if plans for a development project filed with the city come to fruition."

"Traffic-choked tangle?" Is this tower just seconds away from Sullivan Square going to make it less or more tangled? Just asking.

Talking about additional housing is a positive, but just as I see the high-rise too tall, will it also be too expensive for young people from Charlestown

to rent? Many are being priced out in the Town, how will this new development have a positive effect on keeping people in the city?

Maybe I'm just being too pessimistic, but I am a realist. Like State Representative Dan Ryan, D-Charlestown says, I too will listen to what folks in the community seek and wait for additional information on this project from the development team.

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

Bruce A. Gage of Lowell, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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ELBOW – LEADERS OF THE FREE WORLD + DEAD IN THE BOOT + THE TAKE OFF AND LANDING OF EVERYTHING (Vinyl)
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Fans of **elbow** are now able to own the band's first three studio albums on vinyl, as two were recently reissued and reviewed in *Facts on Wax* (January 1, 2021). The heavyweight vinyl pressings cover debut, *Asleep in the Back* (2001), and the follow up, *Cast of Thousands* (2003). The remaining three albums recently released, are included in this week's column, *Leaders of the Free World* (2005), was the first album to be recorded at **elbow**'s current home, Blueprint Studios, Manchester, and was co-produced by the band and Tom Rothrock, and mixed at LA's legendary Sunset Sound Studios. Accompanied by full-length film from collaborators Soup Collective on its release, the album contains several tracks that grace **elbow** sets to this day including "Great Expectations" and "Station Approach." In addition, the band's B-sides collection *Dead in the Boot* (2012) and 2014's *The Take Off and Landing of Everything*, which were recently restocked to stores, meaning that the entire **elbow** album catalog is now available on vinyl. *Asleep in the Back* was the album that introduced **elbow** to the world. Produced by Ben Hillier and containing the singles, "Newborn," "Any Day Now," "Red" and "Powder Blue," it established the band with the UK public and led to Mercury Award and Brit Award nominations. The album closes with perennial fan favorite "Scattered Black and Whites," recently revisited by the band in lockdown for their elbowrooms sessions. *Cast of Thousands*, was recorded at legendary Liverpool's legendary Parr Street Studios, with Ben Hillier again at the helm, introduced cover stars Elle and Bo to the world, their life size statues causing traffic jams when sighted next to the motorway during festival dates to promote the album. Taking its title from the vocal contributions of the Glastonbury crowd to "Grace Under Pressure," and recorded in a landmark performance on The Other Stage in 2002, the album artwork features the names of all those who contacted the band to say, "yes, I was there and singing." An early indicator of **elbow**'s power to produce inclusive, uplifting moments, *Cast of Thousands* also features "Fugitive Motel" – another track featured during the recent elbowrooms recordings. All three albums have been awarded 9/10 by the NME, marking the beginnings of a record run of consecutive 9/10 album reviews in the title that persisted through *The Seldom Seen Kid* (2008) and *Build a Rocket Boys!* (2011), and all have surpassed gold status in the UK with *The Seldom Seen Kid* achieving quadruple platinum status.

BRIT TAYLOR – REAL ME (CD)
Cut a Shine Records

Somewhat overlooked in my

pile of albums to review, I found *Real Me*, by a talented young lady — Brit Taylor. The East Kentucky native hits a 'home run' by delivering ten tracks rooted in traditional country music. Imagine sultry vocals combined with strings and a heart wrenching steel guitar, and you have found soulful country music that will make the hair on the back of your neck — stand up and take notice. Brit also had a hand in the songwriting, with help from hit songwriters as Dan Auerbach, who co-wrote half the songs with her. Empathy and empowering spills from Brit's lips show vulnerability, longing and melancholy all wrapped up in an awesome collection of country music. Get an earful with the song "Waking Up Ain't Easy" the title track "Real Me," and eight other gems!

THE TRIAL OF THE CHICAGO 7 - SOUNDTRACK (CD)

Varèse Sarabande Record/Netflix

The album *The Trial of the Chicago 7* is comprised of the original score by 3-time Golden Globe-nominated composer Daniel Pemberton and three original songs performed by breakthrough Polydor recording artist Celeste. Told is the story of the violent clash with police at the 1968 Democratic National Convention. In what was intended to be a peaceful protest, the organizers — Abbie Hoffman, Jerry Rubin, Tom Hayden, Bobby Seale and others — are charged with conspiracy to incite a riot, leading to one of the most notorious trials in history. Pemberton explained, "The first time I met Aaron Sorkin to talk through our ideas for the film, he'd already formulated the entire plan in his head. He knew the moments where the music should be strong and bold, and then also the ones where it should take more of a subtle and supporting role," says Pemberton. "I wanted there to be two worlds juxtaposing against each other — from the perceived restraint and control of the courtroom to chaos of the riots, which were some of my favorite moments to score." Pemberton added, "One of the first things Aaron Sorkin talked to me about was his vision for a song that could end the film, that could leave us with a sense of hope and possibility, of light beyond the darkness. I wanted to write something that captured the ideals of protest, that every person has a voice and a dream for the world and that those voices deserve to be heard. "Hear My Voice" was that idea. "I knew straight away I wanted to collaborate with Celeste, as her voice is one of the most magical things I have heard in recent times. Her voice soars on the track, and is an expression of freedom, defiance, and hope. I am incredibly proud that together, we've made a song with a strong, powerful and simple message at its heart that feels as relevant to now, as it does to the events in Chicago in 1969, and I'm very excited for the rest of the world to hear it."

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS
of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giaratani

SAYING GOODBYE TO ANNA

Many believe that God gives each of us our destiny to find. Many of us actually search for and find it, fulfilling their reason for being and purpose in life. However, many just get satisfied with where they are and that's all they want out of their life.

About one year ago, while delivering the *Post-Gazette* one Thursday morning, I met Anna DePalma, who was then in her late eighties and still mourning the loss of an adult son a few years past. She was always a big fan of this newspaper and enjoyed reading it.

I didn't know her that long but I liked her and many of her neighbors and friends said the same thing. Hers was a positive view on life no matter the circumstances experienced in her long life.

After her passing, I found out back during her working days over in Winthrop, she used to drop off copies of this newspaper in shops across that town. She wanted folks to read it and enjoy it like her.

Anna was a special lady no doubt and made everyone the better after chatting with her. Perhaps that was her destiny to bring some needed light to those searching for it. She was a beacon of light and will be missed by me and so many others in her passing.

SPIRIT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP ALIVE AND WELL IN EASTIE

Recently, over at the Maverick Marketplace Cafe in East Boston relaxing with my delicious vanilla latte once again made special for me by Clara, best barkeep in Eastie. While sipping on my coffee, I noticed two young ladies sitting at a good social distance from me and started chatting up with them. Their names are Chelsea and Anna and both love to hang out at this establishment, too.

Turns out Chelsea (Chelsea Graham) is one smart entrepreneur working in interior design at a couple of locations. It hasn't been easy for anyone in the small business economy and she is surviving the pandemic and all. She owns a business called Chalk's Landing, which sells handmade art, jewelry, and decor. Check out her stuff at: [@chalkslanding](https://etsy.com/shop/chalkslanding).

REAGAN'S PLACE IN HISTORY

I have always been more conservative than not conservative. Ideology was never my thing. Trouble with ideologues is they narrow all their choices. I have always liked hanging around, either slightly left or slightly right.

Which is why I have always thought Ronald Reagan held a special place in U.S. history. Folks always underestimated him. For years, I always considered myself a Reagan Democrat until this past summer when I became so disgusted with the leftward shift of the Democrat Party, I switched to unenrolled status for election purposes.

Today's Republicans in Washington, D.C. are just as bad as their Democrat counterparts.

They're all in the same club standing for the same things, which is themselves. Both could care less about us!

Reagan had a motto during his presidency, "First, you must always know your enemies in the world of geopolitics and second, you should always trust but verify everything." Reagan was great at using his smile as a weapon compared to Trump's sarcasm.

President Reagan will be remembered for his strong leadership and courage in very troubled times of our nation's history. He made a difference by just standing up for America.

WHAT IS GOING ON OVER AT WRKO RADIO?

Jeff Kuhner takes a two-week vacation at the end of the year from his morning drive-time radio show. Hey, even the Kuhnerman deserves a vacation. The first week of his vacation, Sandy Shack fills in and does a pretty good job. She's the center of the political spectrum, smart and polite to callers and gets involved in discussing issues with them. She doesn't have the Kuhnerman's outspoken passion and affect, but she's okay.

However, during the second week of Kuhner's vacation, no Sandy! WRKO Radio ran a boring outsourced news program. I guess they had no in-house replacement and wasted five days with programming few listened to for sure.

As Kuhner always says, his show has the smartest callers in the talk radio business, and I know I couldn't wait until Kuhner came back on the air. What is wrong with WRKO management?

GERRY FROM THE PACEMAKERS DEAD AT 78



Liverpool flag

As an aging baby boomer who remembers the British Invasion in music. Remember the Beatles back in the sixties? Well, recently, the world lost Gerry Marsden, lead singer for the British pop band Gerry and the Pacemakers that had some great hit tunes like "Ferry Cross the Mersey" and "Don't Let the Sun Catch You Crying," passed away on January 3rd, after a short illness. The band was part of Liverpool's Mersey beat. The Pacemakers were in fact the Beatles biggest competition back in Liverpool.

The band's version of "You'll Never Walk Alone," became the anthem for the Liverpool Football Club. Marsden said of that song, "I thought what a beautiful song. I'm going to tell my band to play that song," which was first heard in the musical *Carousel*. When the group's cover version was released in October 1963, it became their third No. 1 British hit.

GRACE CURLEY OFF TO GOOD START

Grace Curley has a new radio

show on WRKO 680 on the A.M. dial. It airs 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. weekdays. Curley also does a great Sunday column in the *Boston Herald*, too, as she says "I am ecstatic for this huge opportunity to host a talk radio show and offer my perspective on politics, pop culture, and more."

HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY TO ...

Last Friday (January 8th) was Elvis Presley's birthday. Anyone who really loved him and his music remembered Elvis would have turned 86 years old. If alive, I could still see him singing, but thinking those hips of his might stay stationary, huh?

All this just leads me up to wishing a good friend of mine from the past, Lisa Aprea a happy birthday on January 8th, too. She's resettled down in North Carolina nowadays and still a good friend.

WHAT'S WITH THESE OLDER WHITE GUYS?

Early on Christmas morning a guy drives an RV drives into Downtown Nashville and warns folks to get away according to police reports. Then, parking on a city block in front of AT&T business, blows up the place and several city blocks, too as the RV starts exploding causing massive destruction. The guy is killed, luckily only three folks are injured because of his warnings.

Law enforcement is clueless as to why he did what he did. Some reports speculate he didn't like AT&T. I also read he had something against 5G, too.

What was his motive? Will it ever be uncovered? His neighbors say he was pretty quiet and to himself. Said hi and bye and that was about it.

Police will be searching his computer, checking what he was looking at as clues to what led up to this Christmas bombing. Seems there are lots of folks out there, many seemingly older white guys, who many times have come to fit a profile of sorts.

SOME OF US I GUESS LIVE IN PARALLEL WORLDS

How many folks are out there living in fictional worlds with fictional enemies who try righting perceived wrongs? True believers of conspiracy theories thinking they must save humanity by becoming martyrs to a greater cause. Always dangerous stuff to take fictional causes into the actual real world. When that happens, mayhem happens as in Nashville, TN.

Maybe police authorities will find the guy's motives or maybe not. The mind is always a terrible thing to lose as people get lost in their own imaginations.

MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen.
Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

N.M.

Nanna & Babbonnonno

by John Christoforo
A Nostalgic Remembrance



My first permanent assignment teaching was at Hyde Park High School. When I started in Boston, my first job was for one year, to cover for a faculty member at Boston Tech, who took the year off. When I settled in at Hyde Park a year later, I made a lot of new friends, many who were young teachers around my age.

When I was offered the job at Hyde Park, I met with the director of the Industrial Arts/Vocational Department who told me I would be teaching several levels of drafting, a subject I happened to love and was good at. My plate was full, five classes a day, courses toward a master's degree several afternoons per week, and music at night and on weekends. I was busy.

One of the young female teachers belonged to a ski lodge in New Hampshire and invited a few of us younger male teachers to join her one January weekend. I decided I needed a break and took the weekend off, picked up two of the other invitees, and pointed my '58 Thunderbird northward and off we went on a Friday afternoon.

Before I left, Babbonnonno warned me about the dangers of skiing even though he had never been on skis. Mom pulled out every sweater I owned and told me to pack them as New Hampshire ski country was a lot colder than Boston in January. It was a good thing I listened to her.

Following the directions given me, we arrived at a private lodge near Cannon Mountain in Franconia, New Hampshire, around 8:00 p.m. After dinner and a drink with our hostess and several of her friends, we were shown our sleeping accommodations and headed to bed a bit earlier than usual.

The next morning, Saturday, we had breakfast and headed to take a ski lesson. I had never been on skis before and knew nothing about the sport. The instructor explained everything especially how to make turns and how to slow down and stop. I listened carefully and headed to the novice slope to try my luck. When I got there, I couldn't do anything as the other novices were falling down and made maneuvering impossible.

I decided to take the T bar and head for the intermediate slope half way up Cannon Mountain. It was too crowded for me and a bit intimidating to boot. I jumped into the gondola that headed to the top of the mountain. When I reached the summit, there were less people, but the ones I saw knew how to ski. These were the experienced ones.

Well, I snapped on my skis, pointed them in the direction of the lower slopes, pushed off with my poles and dragged them in the snow so I wouldn't be going too fast. All the while as I headed down the slopes, I silently said many Hail Mary and an Act of Contrition, just in case.

The expert skiers were passing me as if I was standing still,

yet I held my own, I reached the middle of the mountain without falling once and kept heading down dragging the poles to minimize my speed. Finally, I reached the novice slope at the bottom of the mountain. I had to zigzag around the people who kept falling as they practiced. I saw the side of the lodge coming closer to me, I pointed my skis at each other and snow plowed to a stop. When I was within inches of a side wall of the lodge, I twisted my body and came to a stop within a couple of those inches.

I next snapped of my skis, stood at attention and saluted the mountain as if it was a uniformed general, turned in my skis and poles, and have never been on skis since that episode. I headed inside the lodge, gobbled down a hot chocolate with a drop of rum in it ... OK, a jigger of rum, and sat next to the fire place in the main room waiting for my friends to show up.

Everyone eventually arrived, cold, wet, and sore. I was the only one who hadn't fallen, and discovered in conversation that Cannon Mountain is one of the more difficult to ski on the east coast. We partied when everyone was back and a few headed to bed a bit earlier than the rest of us, hoping to try the slopes on the next day, a Sunday.

My out was that I was Catholic and wanted to find a church where I could attend Mass. A couple of others joined me. I don't know if they were religious or fearful of trying to ski again. I think I fell into both categories.

My friends and I stayed for lunch and when the sun began to set, I warmed up the Thunderbird, said goodbye to our hostess, and pointed the vehicle toward Massachusetts. We stopped for dinner when I cut through the North End and all was well.

The next day during breaks between classes at Hyde Park High, all of us skiers had stories to tell about the weekend at Cannon Mountain. Well, as I said, that was the only time I was ever on skis.

A generation later, when son John was living in Switzerland, Loretta and I brought him and son Michael to St. Moritz to ski. Living in the mountains of Europe, John had become quite proficient at the sport and Michael took to it without a problem. What I discovered in St Moritz, was the hired help drove Mercedes Benzes. I don't think I have ever seen as large an assortment of Rolls Royce's, Bentleys, Ferraris, and Lamborghinis. This location was where European royalty hung out. I kid you not. If they were part of the city's in-crowd, they drove antique American cars, '55 Chevys, late '50s Corvettes, '50s Cadillacs, '60s Lincolns and an assortment Chrysler 300s and Imperials from the '50s and '60s. Most got less than 10 miles per gallon, and at that point in time, gas was about \$8.50 a gallon in Switzerland.

After John moved back home, we took the family on a ski trip to Franconia one year and as I hung out in a chalet and sipped black coffee laced with cognac, I reminisced about my one time on skis. My kids, as men in their 30s today, still like outdoor activities during the winter months. At my age, all I want to do is spend winters in Florida, where the daytime January and February temperatures are in the high 70s and I'm in a pair of shorts accompanied by a T shirt that says something stupid on the front. If I want to go somewhere formal, I'll wear sox. I hope by the time you read this I am basking in the Florida sunshine. I'll let you know next week.

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Estate of
JOSEPH V. DeMARINIS

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Date of Death: July 04, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION
FOR REMOVAL

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by **Paul A. Hagar of Burlington, VT** requesting that **Thomas E. Hagar of Wayland, MA** be removed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate.

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

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

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

Date: December 29, 2020

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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by
**Marianna
Bisignano**

At this time of year nothing can be warmer or more comforting than sitting down to a piping hot bowl of homemade *Pasta e Fagioli* or Pasta and Beans! This well-known and highly nutritious complete "meal in a soup" has its origins in Italy. However, the way it's prepared varies greatly from region to region. Pasta and beans are the required ingredients, though they too can vary. Pasta is traditionally short, and the beans typically range from white or red kidney to borlotti. Some like the classic soffrito of onions, celery and carrots, many use just onions, and others prefer to create a combination all their own. Tomatoes range from fresh to canned, and some to none. The broth tends to vary in both taste and texture and can be made thick or thin. Some prefer a meat base, others vegetable, and many use just plain water. Herbs range between rosemary, bay leaves and garlic to a simple shake of salt and pepper or sometimes even the spicy addition of red pepper flakes. Regardless of the way it is made, *Pasta e Fagioli* continues to be one of the most favored peasant dishes around today!

My Nonna made pasta and beans or what she referred to in Sicilian dialect as "*Pasta e Fasule*" in a variety of ways, using a number of different ingredients. The recipe she used that most resembled the traditional version often found from Southern Italy, is the one I am sharing today. It is simple and easy, yet hearty, nutritious and amazingly delicious. A bowl of this *Pasta e Fagioli* is sure to bring you back to the days you spent in your own Nonna's kitchen. Dean Martin definitely said it best when he sang "When the stars make you drool, just like a *pasta e fasule*, that's *amore!*"

PASTA and BEAN SOUP
Pasta e Fagioli



- 8 cups water
- 6-8 cups chicken stock/broth
- 1-pound beans (white or red kidney, or borlotti), soaked and washed
- 2 large russet potatoes, peeled and washed
- 2-3 bay leaves
- 1/2 tsp fresh rosemary (optional)
- 4-6 ounces pancetta
- 4 cloves garlic
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 large onion, finely chopped
- 2-3 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 2-3 celery stalks, chopped
- 1 (28-ounce) can San Marzano tomatoes
- 1-pound short pasta (ditalini is preferred), cooked al dente
- 1 cup or more grated parmigiano reggiano cheese salt and pepper, to taste
- red pepper flakes, to taste (optional)

In a large stockpot, add water, chicken stock, prepared beans, potatoes, bay leaves and rosemary (if desired). Cook over medium to high heat until boiling, lower and cook for 45 minutes to an hour. At the 20-minute mark, while the beans are cooking, begin to prepare the rest of the soup.

In a food processor, pulse the garlic and pancetta until you get a smooth pastata. Heat the oil in a large stockpot over a medium flame, add the garlic and pancetta pastata and cook for about 5-6 minutes. Add onion, carrots, and celery, and cook until tender, about 8 to 10 minutes. Take just the whole pieces of plum tomatoes from the can, hand crush them and add them to this soffrito/vegetable mixture, and cook for an additional 5-8 minutes. Season with salt and pepper and red pepper flakes (if desired), set aside.

When the beans have finished their allotted time of cooking, remove stockpot from heat. Carefully remove the potatoes and set them aside to cool. Remove the bay leaves and discard. Take the soffrito/vegetable mixture and add to the stockpot with the beans and broth. With your hands, mash the cooled potatoes and then also add them to the soup. Place stockpot on low to medium heat, cook for about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Remove stockpot from heat and allow soup to cool slightly, then add cooked pasta. Mix thoroughly and allow to sit so as to meld all of the flavors together. Ladle the soup into bowls, sprinkle with grated cheese, and serve. Best when served with Italian bread, and even better if allowed to settle and then served the next day!

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

THOUGHTS BY DAN ABOUT THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso



The Beatles Come to America



Most likely, Ed Sullivan thought he was doing just another episode of his show on February 9, 1964, when he told the 73 million viewers who tuned in that night, "Ladies and Gentlemen ... the Beatles." Suddenly, the boy band from Liverpool that was gathering steam in England made their debut on American television. Almost instantly, the British Invasion came to America and the Swinging London became a term back home across the pond. More specifically, Beatlemania entered the lexicon.

Of course, Rock 'n Roll was already turning heads in America. Elvis shook the stage in the late '50s, and with the invention of the electric guitar, music was changed forever. Meanwhile, in Europe, the Beatles were already gaining popularity after touring Hamburg and Sweden. In their native country they released their debut album,

1963s *Please, Please Me* to great acclaim, but their fan base in America only came to be when "I Wanna Hold Your Hand" made it to the airwaves.

Still, their popularity in the United States looked promising enough for Brain Epstein to launch a marketing campaign in America and, on February 7, 1964, Ringo, Paul, George, and John left England for America.

From the moment they lighted the stage on the *Ed Sullivan Show* with "All My Lovin," moving to "Til There Was You," and finishing with "She Loves You," music history was made. For the nation's youth still mourning the death of a beloved president less than a year earlier, the Fab Four revitalized their identity and gave them hope for the future. They opened the path to American labels for the Rolling Stones, The Animals, The Kinks, and many other British bands and singers. For the music industry, well, the rest is history.

• Boston Public Schools (Continued from Page 2)

the Boston Teachers Union as we return strong and maintain our focus on advancing equitable outcomes for our students and supporting our families through these challenging times."

The Memorandum of Agreement outlines the shared expectations for school building readiness, health and safety protocols, and approach to staffing buildings. The agreement is built on the foundation of the two Memorandum of Understandings signed on September 9 and 29, 2020, and further developed in the November 14, 2020 agreement.

"Throughout the pandemic, BTU educators have long

advocated for and emphasized the importance and value of returning to in-person learning, especially for our highest-need students. Achieving this system-wide framework for health, safety, and staffing protocols will help us do so with essential protections for students, families, educators, and administrators alike. This framework adopts important safety standards that union educators have been advocating for on a system-wide basis in order to protect the learning experience and health of not just our high-need students, but of all students, educators, and families throughout Boston and beyond," said BTU President Tang. "We are thankful to Mayor Walsh and Superintendent Cassellius for hearing and understanding these needs — and for helping to implement these common sense and concrete provisions with regard to PPE, ventilation and filtration, testing, room temperature, hand washing, in-person status notification, staffing, and more. We are thankful to the district for leading the formulation of the High In-person Priority Task Force proposed by BTU educators. We look forward to continued dialogue and collaboration this new year as we continue to address the needs of families, students,

and educators during this pandemic.

The MOA is effective through the duration of the school year, ending in June 2021.

"On behalf of the Boston School Committee, I thank the Superintendent, BTU President Tang and their teams for their collaboration on reaching this agreement," said Boston School Committee Chairperson Alexandra Oliver-Dávila. "With this announcement, BPS families can be certain that their children are entering buildings where critical measures have been taken to ensure the health and safety of our entire community, and our educators and students can remain focused on teaching and learning."

*Students recognized as high in-person priority include:

- High needs/Level 4 students with disabilities
- English Learners who are EL levels 1 and 2
- Students who are in the care of the Department of Children and Families
- Students who are experiencing homelessness
- Students with limited or interrupted formal education
- Students identified by their school's Student Support Team (SST) as requiring additional in-person schooling

For more information on BPS reopening, visit: bostonpublicschools.org/reopening.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
Middlesex Probate and Family Court South
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000
Docket No. MI20P5588EA
Estate of
WILLIAM LOUIS WILSON
Date of Death: August 31, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Clarence E. Wilson of Weeki Wachi, FL**. **Clarence E. Wilson of Weeki Wachi, 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.

Run date: 01/15/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Notice is hereby given by D & G Towing and Auto Repair Services, Inc., 2 Emery Road, Allston, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after January 23, 2021 beginning at 10:00 am by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

- 2005 CHEVROLET ASTRO VAN
VIN # 1GCDM19X85B121348
- 2002 HONDA CIVIC
VIN # 1HGES16642L018814
- 1999 FORD F-350
VIN # 1FTWW32F0XEB05386
- 1997 TOYOTA COROLLA
VIN # 2T1BA02E3VC195961
- 1993 YAMAHA SH50 RIVA RAZZ
VIN # JYA3EPA00PA195510
- 2005 HONDA PILOT
VIN # 2HKYF18615H567795
- 2002 MITSUBISHI GALANT
VIN # 4A3AA46G72E153748
- 2021 YONGFU SCORCH YN50QT
VIN # LL0TCAPR5MG000321
- 2020 YONGFU AMIGO CITI50
VIN # LL01CAPP9LG000044
- 2017 HYUNDAI ACCENT
VIN # KMHCT4AE8HU276612
- 2020 HONDA CIVIC
VIN # 2HGFC2F66LH521105
- 2005 NISSAN SENTRA
VIN 3N1CB51D85L565969
- 2003 MERCEDES C CLASS
VIN # WDBRF61J83E013956
- 2010 TOYOTA PRIUS
VIN # JTDKN3DU5A5196871
- 2003 TOYOTA TUNDRA
VIN # 5TBBN44183S405473
- 2016 JEEP PATRIOT
VIN # 1C4NJRBB2GD556660

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

Signed
D & G Towing

Run dates: 01/08, 01/15, 01/22/2021

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

In the *Elle* magazine interview, she detailed becoming lost from her parents at a civil rights march in Oakland and when the family was reunited, Harris recalls, "My mother ... (is) like, 'Baby, what do you need?'" and I just look at her and I said 'Fweedom.'" She has also spoken of this story in two books she has written.

The interview resurfaced on Twitter recently when multiple users noted similarities to a story told by King in January 1965 in an interview

with *Playboy* magazine. King recalled a moment he witnessed between a young black girl and white police officer.

"I will never forget a moment in Birmingham when a white police officer accosted a little Negro girl, 7 or 8 years old, who was walking in a demonstration with her mother," King added, "What do you want?" the policeman asked her gruffly, and the little girl looked him straight in the eye and answered, 'Fweedom.'"

A spokesperson for Harris could't be reached for comment.

ATTENTION ATTORNEYS

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LEGAL NOTICES

For information on placing a Legal Notice in the POST-GAZETTE, please call (617) 227-8929; or mail notice to: POST-GAZETTE, P.O. BOX 135, BOSTON, MA 02113
Attn: Legal Notices



LEGAL NOTICE

Denver Probate Court
Denver County, Colorado
1437 Bannock Street, Room 230
Denver, CO 80202

Case Number 2020PR434
Division Courtroom

In the Matter of the Estate of:
BARBARA JEAN HOLMES
aka **BARBARA HOLMES**
BARBARA J. HOLMES
Deceased

Date of Death: September 27, 2020

**NOTICE OF HEARING
BY PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO
§ 15-10-401, C.R.S.**

To Laurence Holmes, Jr.
Last Known Address, if any; Boston, MA
A hearing on Petition for Adjudication of
Intestacy and Formal Appointment of Personal
Representative of Family Member's Estate
will be held at the following time and location
or at a later date to which the hearing may be
continued:

Date: 01/25/2021 Time: 8:00am
Courtroom or Division: Denver Probate Court
Address: 1437 Bannock Street, Room 230,
Denver, CO 80202
The hearing will take approximately 2 hours.

Run dates: 01/08, 01/15, 01/22/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI20C0720CA

In the Matter of
ANDREW LOUIS PIOTTE

**CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME**

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has
been filed by **Andrew Louis Piotte** of Billerica,
MA requesting that the court enter a Decree
changing their name to **Andrew Louis Pearson**.

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 January 26, 2021. 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: December 29, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 01/15/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI20P5292EA

Estate of
CELIA ROSE BROWN
Also Known As
CELIA R. BROWN, CELIA BROWN
Date of Death: September 11, 2020

**INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above
captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner
Elizabeth A. Brown of Winchester, MA, a Will
has been admitted to informal probate.

Elizabeth A. Brown of Winchester, 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 Representa-
tive under the Massachusetts Uniform Pro-
bate Code without supervision by the Court.
Inventory and accounts are not required to be
filed with the Court, but interested parties are
entitled to notice regarding the administration
from the Personal Representative and can
petition the Court in any matter relating to the
estate, including distribution of assets and
expenses of administration. Interested parties
are entitled to petition the Court to institute
formal proceedings and to obtain orders ter-
minating or restricting the powers of Personal
Representatives appointed under informal pro-
cedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any,
can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Run date: 01/15/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI20P5700EA

Estate of
MARY LOIS DISESSA

Date of Death: November 05, 2020

**INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above
captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner
Jodi L. Purches of Marlborough, MA, a Will
has been admitted to informal probate.

Jodi L. Purches of Marlborough, 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 Representa-
tive under the Massachusetts Uniform Pro-
bate Code without supervision by the Court.
Inventory and accounts are not required to be
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formal proceedings and to obtain orders ter-
minating or restricting the powers of Personal
Representatives appointed under informal pro-
cedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any,
can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Run date: 01/15/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Stephens Automotive
Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA
02155,** pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255
539A, that on **February 4, 2021 at 10AM,** at
said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will
be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public
sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon
for towing, storage, and expenses of notice
and sale:

2004 NISSAN SENTRA, SILVER

Vin: 3N1CB51D94L886059
Glen P. Richards
6 Alpena Ave.
Woburn, MA 01801

2007 MERCEDES BENZ ML350, SILVER

Vin: 4JGBB86E37A267475
Sylvain Joseph
86 Long Hill Dr.
Leominster, MA 01453

1996 TOYOTA COROLLA, RED

Vin: 2T1BA02E5TC122037
Angela L. Lucas
200 Leisure Ln., Apt. 116
Stoneham, MA 02180

2008 BUICK LUCERNE, RED

Vin: 1G4HP57288U140316
Lisa M. Tango
242 Mountain Ave., Apt. 1
Revere, MA 02151

2007 CHEVROLET IMPALA, GRAY

Vin: 2G1WB58N779224456
Margaret L. Donlon
43 Dudley St.
Arlington, MA 02476

1999 AUDI A4, SILVER

Vin: WAUGB28D8XA308255
Victor V. Alves
645 Fellsway West #2
Medford, MA 02155

Run dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **MJS Towing,
Inc., 1589 Hyde Park Ave., Hyde Park,
MA,** pursuant to the provisions of Mass
General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A,
that they will sell the following vehicles on
or after January 23, 2021 beginning at
10:00 am by public or private sale to satisfy
their garage keepers lien for towing, storage,
and notices of sale:

2009 TOYOTA CAMRY

VIN # 4T1BE46K79U330200

2008 TOYOTA CAMRY

VIN # 4T1BE46K68U207650

2008 HONDA ACCORD

VIN # 1HGCP36758A033503

2003 HONDA ELEMENT

VIN # 5J6YH28533L038911

2007 BMW 328xi

VIN # WBAWV53517P077703

2009 BMW 750

VIN WBAKB83509CY62474

2015 MASERATI GHIBLI

VIN # ZAM57RTA2F1144318

2011 KIA SORENTO

VIN # 5XYKTC18BG009776

2015 BMW 535i

VIN # WBA5B3C51FD540979

2014 NISSAN ALTIMA

VIN # 1N4AL3AP1EN380345

2015 FORD FOCUS

VIN # 1FADP3K24FL285280
Vehicles are being stored at **MJS Towing
Inc.,** and may be viewed by appointment
only.

Signed
MJS Towing, Inc.
Run dates: 01/08, 01/15, 01/22/2021



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



**Lasorda with the Brooklyn
Dodgers in 1954, his rookie
season**



Alston in 1955

**Dodgers' Lasorda
Dies at 93**

Tommy Lasorda once claimed
to "bleed Dodger blue" from
the moment he entered the
Brooklyn Dodgers organiza-
tion in 1949, and decades later
became a very successful man-
ager of the Los Angeles Dod-
gers with which he won two
World Series titles. He passed
away on January 7th suffering
a sudden cardiac arrest at his
home.

Former Mets and Red Sox
manager **Bobby Valentine**
tweeted, "A friend and mentor
for 52 years is no longer with
us. Tommy, no one will ever
fill the void you left. Thank
you for everything. RIP."

In 20 seasons as Dodgers
manager (1976-96), he led the
franchise to two world cham-
pionships, four pennants, and
eight division titles. Lasorda
was inducted into the Hall of
Fame in 1997, and at the time
of his death, was the oldest
living member enshrined in
Cooperstown.

He came up with the Brooklyn
team in 1949 as a left-handed
pitcher, but appeared in just 26
games over parts of three sea-
sons with the Dodgers and the
Kansas City Athletics. He origi-
nally signed with his hometown
Phillies for Brooklyn in 1954-
55, then sent to the minors in
June 1955, when the Dodgers
brought up a rookie 18-year-old
by the name of **Sandy Koufax**,
the kid who would become the
greatest left-hander in the his-
tory of the game.

Lasorda made one start for the
Dodgers on May 5, 1955, and
was pulled in the first inning
after throwing three wild pitches
and then sent to the minors and
never pitched for the Dodgers
again. He eventually returned to
the Dodgers as a scout, and then
worked his way up in the minors
before being named third-base
coach in 1973.

Following the 1976 season,
Lasorda replaced Hall of Fame
Manager **Walt Alston**, who also
made his way to the Hall. His
lifetime managerial record was
1,599-1,439 and I am sure he
cursed a blue streak in fall-
ing one win from winning 1,600
games.

The Brooklyn/Los Angeles
Dodgers franchise had two of
the all-time best managers in
baseball history following each
other. **Walt Alston** was man-
ager (1954-76). Alston won 2,040
games as manager. By the way,
Alston signed 23 one-season
contracts during his time as
manager.

Happy Birthday To ...
Jon Lester (60), the right-
hander appeared in 10 games
for the Red Sox from 1987- 90.
Ted Boesfield (86), who was
a left-hander for the Sox who
went 5-5 in 38 games with the
Sox from 1958-60.

Tommy John Has COVID
Former baseball great **Tommy
John** has contracted COVID-19
and is currently hospitalized.
While on oxygen, **John, 77,** told
reporters he had no symptoms
and just wanted to go home as
soon as possible.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
DIVISION OF ST. THOMAS AND ST. JOHN
FRENCHMAN'S COVE CONDOMINIUM
OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

CASE No. ST-2019-CV00569

Plaintiff

vs.

VIRGINIA C. ALEX,
CHRISTOPHE G. ALEX, GEORGE C. ALEX,
the known heirs of **JAMES C. ALEX,** and
"JOHN DOE" the unknown heirs of
JAMES C. ALEX, Deceased,

and all other persons Claiming a right, title,
lien, estate or interest in Timeshare Interest
Number 0223P04 with Usage of unit on an
annual basis within the Platinum Season, in
Frenchman's Cove
Condominium St. Thomas, United States
Virgin Islands, *Defendants.*

**ACTION FOR DEBT FORECLOSURE OF
LIEN AND BREACH OF CONTRACT
SUMMONS**

To: "John Doe", the unknown heirs of
JAMES C. ALEX

301 Berkeley Street, Boston, MA 02116

Within the time limited by law (see note below)
you are hereby required to appear before this
Court and answer to a complaint filed against
you in this action and in case of your failure to
appear or answer, judgment by default will be
taken against you as demanded in the Com-
plaint, for **DEBT, FORECLOSURE OF LIEN
AND BREACH OF CONTRACT.**

Witness my hand and the Seal of this Court
this 4th day of November, 2020.

TAMARA CHARLES

Clerk of the Court

Matthew J. Duensing, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiff,
Law Offices of Duensing & Casner
9800 Buccaneer Mall, Bld. 2, Suite 9
P.O. Box 6785
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00804

Frenchman's Cove Condominium Owners'
Association, Inc.
Law Offices of Duensing & Casner,
P.O. Box 6785,
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00804

NOTE: This defendant, if served personally, is
required to file his answer or other defenses
with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy
thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney within twenty
one (21) days after service of this summons,
excluding the date of service. The defendant,
if served by publication or by personal service
outside of the jurisdiction, is required to file his
answer or other defense with the Clerk of this
Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the
attorney for the plaintiff within thirty (30) days
after the completion of the period of publication
or personal service outside of the jurisdiction.
Run dates: 12/25/2020, 01/01, 01/08, 01/15, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI20P5321EA

Estate of
GEORGE ALLAN JANES
Also Known As
GEORGE A. JANES

Date of Death: October 31, 2020

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

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

The Petitioner requests that **Margaret A.
Hoag of Acton, MA** be appointed as Personal
Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With-
out Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised**
administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the
Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court.
You have a right to object to this proceeding.
To do so, you or your attorney must file a
written appearance and objection at this
Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of
February 04, 2021.

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

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

Witness, **HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,**
First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 07, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 01/15/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI20P5112EA

Estate of
JAMES BRAGDON LAWRENCE, JR.
Also Known As
**JAMES B. LAWRENCE,
JAMES LAWRENCE,
JAMES BRAGDON LAWRENCE**

Date of Death: September 07, 2020

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

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

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the
Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court.
You have a right to object to this proceeding.
To do so, you or your attorney must file a
written appearance and objection at this
Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of
February 02, 2021.

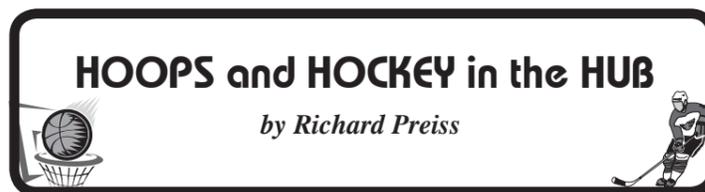
This is NOT a hearing date, but a dead-
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**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

Witness, **HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,**
First Justice of this Court.
Date: January 05, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 01/15/2021



Happy Birthday FLOYD PATTERSON

"It's easy to do anything in victory. It's in defeat that a man reveals himself."

On January 4th, Floyd Patterson would have celebrated his 86th birthday. Floyd was the first man to regain the heavyweight championship after losing it.

Patterson is somewhat of an enigma when being judged on how he would do if matched up against the other men who held the title over the years. Floyd was fast and possessed a decent punch. He had a reputation for having a glass jaw having been stopped five times. He had also been decked numerous times over his career.

His biggest achievement was to regain the title from Ingemar Johansson in 1960, the man who had taken it from him the year before. Up until then the knock on Patterson was he had been avoiding the top contenders. This was more due to his manager Cus D'Amato than his unwillingness to face them.

After his third fight with Johansson, he knocked out Tom McNeeley and then, against the wishes of D'Amato, agreed to face Sonny Liston. Sonny obliterated Floyd in the first round and then repeated the victory in a rematch. At this point Patterson seemed destined for obscurity.

He came back and in 1964 had what could be considered his biggest win, outside of the Johansson victories, when he decisively beat top ranked Eddie Machen. This, along with a win against George Chuvalo, led to a title shot against Muhammad Ali.

In what turned out to be a debacle of a match with Floyd fighting with a bad back, Ali tormented him for 12 rounds before the referee mercifully stopped the bout. Again, Patterson seemed to be at the end of his career.

A little less than a year later Floyd was back again. He put together some wins including a devastating kayo of Henry Cooper. In a fight with a young Jerry Quarry in 1967, he was held to a draw. The two would fight again in a rematch that was also part of the WBA tournament to name a successor to Ali who had been stripped of the title for refusing to be inducted into the military. Quarry pulled out the decision this time.

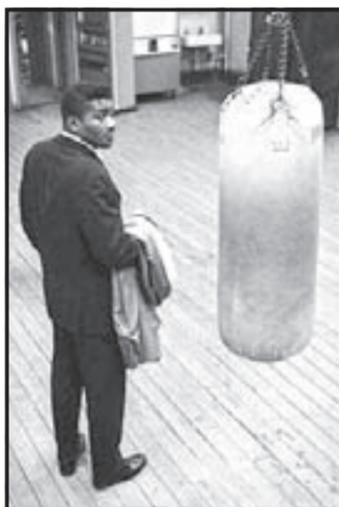
Floyd still wasn't done. A year later he fought Jimmy Ellis for the WBA Heavyweight Championship. The fight was held in Sweden and after fifteen rounds everyone but the referee, who was the sole judge, thought Patterson had won the fight.

After taking two years off, Floyd embarked on what would be his final comeback. After racking up nine straight wins including a decision over Oscar Bonavena, he faced Muhammad Ali one more time. Ali was not champion at the time of the fight. Floyd did much better this time, but was stopped in the 7th round due to a cut eye.

All totaled, Patterson had 64 bouts over a 20 year



Floyd Patterson



The Champ reflecting on a long career.

professional career. His biggest wins were over Johansson, Machen, Bonavena, Chuvalo, and Cooper. He won the title after Rocky Marciano retired by defeating Archie Moore in an elimination bout. There are many who believe that fight was not on the up and up.

For a time there were rumors Rocky would come out of retirement to fight Floyd, but nothing came of that other than speculation over who would have won.

Patterson, who never weighed over 200 pounds, had a very respectable career with 55 wins,

8 losses, and 1 draw. He won the Gold Medal in the middle-weight division at the 1952 Olympic Games in Helsinki, Finland.

Floyd had a reputation as a gentleman and was extremely popular with the fans. He went on to serve on the New York State Athletic Commission. Eventually, he would suffer the fate of so many boxers; dementia. He died on May 11, 2006 at the age of 71.



Floyd and Frank Sinatra in 1961



After kayoing Henry Cooper



Patterson lands a left on Eddie Machen



Jerry Quarry vs. Patterson

REUNION TIME — That's what former Bruins star Zdeno Chara will be engaging in on a number of occasions now that the NHL season is finally underway. The big (6-9) defenseman, now with the Washington Capitals, will be facing his former team a total of eight times before the end of the regular season on May 8th.

Chara will go up against his former teammates for the first time on January 30th and February 1st, when the B's travel to Washington. His first action in the Hub since signing a contract with the Capitals will come when Washington plays in the Hub on March 3rd and March 5th.

Another two-game set in Washington is on the docket for April 8th and April 11th before a return visit to Boston on April 18th and April 20th.

If this had been a trade, rather than a free-agent situation, you can bet the B's would have dealt him to another division since that would have guaranteed that he would have not faced the Bruins at all this season because of the unique divisional formats.

But it was not a trade and thus Chara was free to sign with any team. He chose the Caps. He truly wanted to remain in Boston but the Bruins "chose to go in another direction" — a description that is often applied to transactions in pro sports today.

Exactly why this decision was not announced until a few days before NHL teams opened training camps in late December is not known. What is known is that Chara is 43 and that yes, there are younger players in the system.

But all that was known back in the fall. The Bruins could have signed him to a new contract back in October or November but they did not. And, by the way, that \$795,000 pact with Washington is not really a "one-year deal" since this regular season only has a duration of 116 days followed by the playoffs. Would the B's have been taking that big a chance by keeping Chara for another four months plus the playoffs? We don't think so.

Since we doubt that fans will be allowed into the Garden during the next few months, their absence means that Bruins management will not have to endure Chara's initial return to the Garden in March. Can you imagine the ovation that Chara would receive in the Garden if fans were permitted to attend? It would be unbelievable.

GONE IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE — That's the way it was portrayed in his first NHL game, gave up three goals in the first four minutes against the St. Louis Blues and was replaced. He never played in the NHL again.

But there is a more complete story concerning what led up to that brief appearance in the NHL and the time that followed.

Stewart was born in Cambridge, raised in Hudson

and attended high school at St. John's of Shrewsbury where he played both hockey and baseball. His NHL appearance in the Garden that day against the Blues really wasn't the first time he made it to Causeway Street. There was another.

It occurred eight years earlier (1972) when Stewart was playing for St. John's. "It was a real rags to riches story," he told the *Metrowest Daily News* in a 2007 article. "We beat Wachusett, Auburn and Springfield Cathedral and then played Norwood (in the state championship game) in the old Boston Garden."

St. John's lost that game but Stewart went on to a fine collegiate goaltending career at Holy Cross where he was a four-year starter and served as team captain during his senior year. He was selected as an All-American in 1978. He later was inducted into the Holy Cross Hall of Fame.

His collegiate career was good enough to attract the attention of the Bruins. He was with the organization for four years. And it was during that time that James M. Stewart, Jr. took to the ice at the Garden.

He got the call because Gerry Cheevers was suffering from a knee injury and Gilles Gilbert was out with the flu. Stewart got the nod over fellow rookie Marco Baron. Things didn't go well from the start with St. Louis scoring the game's first goal just 66 seconds into the contest.

The player who tallied that first score for the Blues would go on to have a significant role with the Bruins. Some two decades later Brian Sutter would come to Boston where he would serve as head coach of the B's for three seasons in the early 1990s.

By the end of the first period St. Louis had scored five goals on 20 shots and coach Fred Creighton had seen enough. Baron took the ice for remainder of the game and Stewart never donned a Bruins jersey again. Baron remained a third goalie option for the Bruins over the course of the next three seasons.

"I didn't play well at all," said Stewart. "I just didn't dot the I's and cross the T's that night."

Stewart played for several minor league teams the next season, including the Springfield Indians. He later played in Sweden. His playing days concluded during the 1981-1982 season as a member of the Nashville South Stars.

From there it was on to the coaching ranks, first as an assistant at the University of New Hampshire and then as an assistant at RPI. He later served as an assistant for 13 years at Holy Cross and then at UMass-Amherst for several seasons.

During his time with UMass he coached Jonathan Quick, who went on to win the Stanley Cup with Los Angeles in 2012. Quick, who won the Conn Smythe Trophy (MVP of the playoffs) that year, noted those who played a role in his success — including Jim Stewart. As his name rang out across America, it capped a career of dedication to the game, overwhelming the shortcomings of a lone night decades earlier and bestowing an accolade that was richly deserved.