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### **News Briefs**

by Sal Giarratani

### **Trump Now Claims** He Only Wanted the "Cool" Folders

Former President Donald Trump claimed on Wednesday, January 18th that he never took classified documents to Mar-a-Lago; he only retained the folders the papers came in as a "cool keepsake." Trump argued on Truth Social that the fake news media and crooked Democrats are claiming he had a "large number of documents" to lessen the severity of the current Biden classified document scandal.

According to Trump, "When ... papers were distributed to groups of people and me, they would often be in striped paper folders. When the session was over, they would collect the paper(s), but not the folders and I saved hundreds of them.'

#### Morning Joe Gives Biden Harsh Wake-Up Call

MSNBC's *Morning Joe* fore into the administration's "stumbling and bumbling" response to the classified documents debacle on Monday, January 16th, following the weekend news that more records that are sensitive were found at the president's Delaware home.

"By stumbling and bumbling around, by not getting their timeline right ... we just showed a graphic that says an unknown number of documents found in Biden's garage," said co-host Joe Scarborough, "No more unknown. No more unknown. At this stage, we're two months in. They need to clean this up, amateur hour is over, they need complete transparency, and they just mishandled it from day one."

### "Kill List" Student Returns to School

A 14-year-old Kentucky student who allegedly penned a "kill list" last year reportedly was allowed to return to school this month infuriating parents. During a recent School Board meeting, dozens of parents blasted the Bonne County School District's decision to admit the student to Conner High School in Hebron, according to local reports.

Last school year, the student, then in middle school, allegedly made threats against classmates including

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### **Boston's COVID-19 Numbers Show Promising Trends,** But Risk of Transmission Remains

As Boston's COVID-19 metrics continue to improve following a spike in cases and hospitalizations, the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) is reminding residents that the risk for getting COVID-19 remains and that individuals need to get their bivalent booster to avoid severe infection and hospitalization. BPHC also encourages everyone to mask indoors, test before and after large indoor gatherings, and to stay home when ill.

Daily COVID-19 cases in Boston have decreased by 23% over the past week and by 42% over the last 14 days (as of 1/20/23) and new COVID-19 hospitalizations are down by 10% and 16% during the same time frames (as of 1/20/23). In another positive sign, the CDC moved Suffolk County back down to medium community risk last week, after a short period of being at high.

Data from BPHC's newly launched wastewater surveillance program show the number of COVID-19 particles in the city's wastewater decreased by 52% over the past two weeks and are now at an average of 1,856 COVID RNA copies/mL throughout Boston. Six of the 11 neighborhoods in Boston fall below this average.

"All of our metrics are currently trending in the right direction. But it is important to remain vigilant. Nationally, hundreds of people still die from COVID daily," said Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Commissioner of Public Health and Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "I encourage everyone to get boosted, test for COVID-19, access treatment if positive, wear masks indoors and stay home if you are sick."

Boston has also seen considerable improvement on the spread influenza, with 79 confirmed cases from January 14th - 20th, down significantly from the peak of 944 cases observed December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>. While this is another encouraging trend, it is important to note that flu season can be bimodal and have two peaks of activity. As such, getting an annual flu vaccination remains critically important for ensuring protection during the remainder of flu season.

The Boston Public Health Commission has several free, walk-in standings sites offering COVID-19 vaccines and boosters, testing, flu vaccinations, and rapid at-home testing kits throughout the city. Services are available for everybody ages 6-months and older with no IDs or proof of insurance needed.

Seventy-five dollar gift cards are available for those who get a COVID-19 vaccine or booster, while supplies last. This incentive is offered in collaboration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

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### **Governor Healey Announces**

### Executive Order Creating Housing Working Group

Chaired by Lt. Governor Driscoll, will Advise on Structure of New Housing Secretariat

Association's Annual meeting, announced that she has filed an Executive Order creating a Housing Working Group. The group will be chaired by Lieutenant Governor Kimberley Driscoll and comprised of key stakeholders, including housing developers, advocates, municipal leaders and others to be named at a later date. The group is charged with guiding the structure of Governor Healey's new housing secretariat and informing the process of filing an Article 87 to create the position. The Governor has pledged to file legislation creating this new secretariat within her first 100 days.

"One of the single biggest problems facing our state -and the most important point of collaboration between the Governor and municipal leaders — is housing affordability," Governor Healey said in her remarks before 1,000 municipal leaders

At Massachusetts Municipal from across Massachusetts. number of key challenges fac-Governor Maura T. Healey role to play in meeting our hous- government and emphasized ing goals, which will have real economic benefits. We cannot do this alone. We want to make this a win-win for municipalities who partner with us in this effort, so that your communities can realize the benefits of a flourishing housing market."

> "As a former Mayor and member of a housing authority board, I understand how housing presents one of the greatest challenges to our local leaders. That's why we want them at the table, alongside other stakeholders like developers and community advocates," said Lieutenant Governor Driscoll. "This new housing secretariat will empower our state to prioritize housing with the scale and urgency that this crisis demands. It's critical that we take a collaborative approach to this process."

> In her address, Governor Healey also outlined her administration's priorities on a

"Every community will have a ing municipal leaders and state the need for collaboration.

> "As we look ahead, I want you to know you will always have a partner in Kim and me - we will listen, we will learn, we will reach out, and we will be there to confront our biggest challenges together," said Governor Healey. "Because we know Massachusetts can only move forward if all our cities and towns are strong, our students and families are supported, and our main streets are vibrant."

> Chief among those challenges is addressing the impacts COVID-19 has had on students and closing opportunity gaps in education. To do this, the Governor committed to:

Fully funding the Student Opportunity Act and meeting the needs of charter school reimbursement funds in her FY24 budget.

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## Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



#### **VESPASIAN THE RESTORER**

Titus Flavius Sabinus Vespasianus, better known as Vespasian, was born in the Sabine country on November 17, 9 A.D. He married Flavia Domitilla and they had two sons that were named Titus and Domitian, who in turn served as emperors. Vespasian saw duty in a military capacity in the Roman provinces of Europe, Asia, and Africa. He was very poor while serving as a military commander and at one time was suspected of acquiring money by dishonorable means; however, he had a great military reputation and was well liked by the soldiers. During the reign of Claudius, Vespasian was placed in command of a Roman legion that went through Germany and Britain, fought thirty battles, and reduced those two powerful nations to subjection.

While on a tour of Greece as one of Nero's companions, Vespasian often offended that emperor by walking out while he was singing, or if he stayed through to the end, would fall asleep. Nero sent Vespasian to conduct the war against Palestine in 66 A.D. and he remained there until after



Bust of Vespasian, c. 80 AD, Farnese Collection, Naples National Archaeological Museum

the death of Nero and Galba. Vespasian was proclaimed emperor at Alexandria on July 1, 69 A.D. after the war between Otho and Vitellius and was quickly recognized by all of the eastern part of the empire. Vespasian became the first Flavian line of emperors (three in number) and he was followed by his sons Titus and Domitian.

He arrived in Rome late in December of 69 A.D., leaving his son Titus to continue the war in Palestine, and on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, his forces dragged Vitellius through the street before killing him with repeated blows. The head of Vitellius was paraded around Rome after his body was thrown into the Tiber.

Vespasian worked with great industry to restore order in the city and throughout the empire. He disbanded some of the rebellious soldiers that had been loyal to Vitellius, and maintained a strong discipline among his own troops. He worked in complete harmony with the senate and the public administrators. His simple and economic life style was in complete contrast to that of his predecessors and he set a personal example that did more to reform the morals of Rome than all of the laws that have ever been passed. His mode of life was closer to that of a private citizen than one who possessed supreme power. He was easy to approach and to speak with, and made himself and his time available to all persons.

NEXT WEEK:

Vespasian the Conniver

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the son of Conner High School principal. The teen was charged with making second-degree terroristic threats and booted from school before being allowed back to the school district. Many parents still believe this student is a threat.

Allegations against the student arose after a school resource officer was informed of a notebook that had specific acts of violence in it and identified individual students, FOX affiliate WXIX reported, citing police.

The school resource officer at the time allegedly admitted to writing the contents inside the notebook but said he was "merely writing the thoughts down that were inside his head."

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

Docket No. 20D3112

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION KATE A. KAPLOUN Plaintiff(s)

**LENNY KAPLUN** Defendant(s)

To the above named Defendant(s) **Lenny** 

Kaplun
A Complaint has been presented to this
Court by the Plaintiff(s) Kate A. Kaploun seeking a Complaint for Modification.

You are required to serve upon Kate A. Kaploun or attorney for plaintiff(s) whose address is 30 Silver Hill Lane, U4, Natick, MA 01760 your answer on or before 2nd day of March 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of this Court at 370 Jackson St., 5th Floor, Lowell, MA 01852.

Witness, MAUREEN H. MONKS, Esq., First Justice of said Court at Lowell, this day of January 19, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court
Run date: 01/27/2023

The student's case is sealed as are the status of any charges against him.

#### **END QUOTES**

"The time is always right to do what is right."

— Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right."

— Rev. Peter Marshall, served as Chaplain of the United State Senate

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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Opening remarks from Professor Anna Rocca, Salem State University

Film Director: Samad Zarmandili Genre: Comedy Length: 1h 30min Synopsis: Workers at a Northern Italian lingerie factory take over production in a convent when new owners outsource production (IMDb).

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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TIER II CLASSIFICATION
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WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
RELEASE TRACKING NUMBER 3-37242

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase I Initial Site Investigation was performed under 310 CMR 40.0480. As a result of this investigation, the site has been classified as Tier II under 310 CMR 40.0500. On January 25, 2023, the Waltham Public Schools (WPS) filed a Tier II Classification Submittal with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP)

To obtain additional information on this disposal site, please contact Stephen Jelloe, WPS, located at 617 Lexington Street, Waltham, MA, 781-314-5400.

The Tier Classification Submittal and the disposal site file can be viewed at the MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-37242 at https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/portal#I/wastesite/3-0037242 or MassDEP Northeast Regional Office, 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA, 978-694-3200. Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

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Docket No. MI22D4057DR DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

RUTH SANTOS vs. DIEGO BEDOYA

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

Irretrievable Breakdown.

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

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An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party.

SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Ruth Santos, 155 Wood St., Lowell, MA 01851, your answer, if any, on or before March 02, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

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

Date: January 19, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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### Getting Ready for

### America's 250th Birthday

by Sal Giarratani



There were several re-enactors attending the November 20th event from several organizations including the Boston Tea Party Museum and the Charlestown Militia placing a commemorative grave marker on the gravestone of Eliphalet Newell.

I can still remember when America was preparing for its Bicentennial, which began right here in Boston where it all began. The very first event was the 200th anniversary of the Boston Massacre, which happened on March 5, 1770. The event began at the corner of Washington and School streets before proceeding down to the Old State House when the first shots were fired between some unruly colonists and some British Redcoats with clubs, stones, and snowballs. I was 22 years old in 1970, and felt lucky to be alive for this ongoing Bicentennial celebration that would conclude on July 4, 1976.

While Boston and Philadelphia were sports revivals as in the Celtics and 76ers and the Bruins and Flyers, the two cities were the backdrop for all the numerous celebrations over six years. I remember going down to Philly with my father and younger brother in 1976. Even as a Bostonian, I knew that America could not have done it without the folks down in the City of Brotherly Love.

For America's 250th birthday, the countdown began over in Charlestown at the Phipps Street



Here lies Eliphalet Newell who died on July 13, 1813 at age 78.

Burying Ground on a very cold Sunday morning this past November 20th to mark the gravesite of Eliphalet Newell, a Boston Tea Party participant. Newell was a Charlestown baker and on December 16, 1773, he participated in the dumping of tea at the Boston Tea Party protest. He aided in the construction of the General Warren Tavern (which is still located on the same site today along Main Street). It appears Newel and a friend of his named Paul Revere loved this watering hole.

The commemorative plaques will eventually mark all 125 involved in the "single" most important event leading up to the American Revolution. Newell died and was buried at the Phipps Street Burial Ground in 1813.

The Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum in conjunction with many organizations are working together to create a series of events throughout the year, ending with a live re-enactment celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, which will take place on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Details and updated information will be posted at bostonteaparty250.com.

The Boston Massacre took place on March 5, 1770 253 yeas ago.

### Institute of Contempory Art / Boston Presents

### María Berrío: The Children's Crusade

On February  $16^{th}$ , the Institute of Contemporary Art/Boston (ICA) opens María Berrío: The *Children's Crusade* — the first time this major new series of paintings have been shown together in a museum exhibition. Based in New York, María Berrío (born 1982 in Bogotá, Colombia) crafts her large-scale paintings through a unique and meticulous process of collaging torn pieces of Japanese paper on canvas. Using these thin layers of colorful paper like a palette of paint, she then applies watercolor to complete her riveting, magical scenes that speak to urgent real-world issues, including migration and the life experiences of women and children. Organized by Ruth Erickson Mannion Family Senior Curator, María Berrío: The Children's Crusade will be on view through August 6th.

"Pressed by contemporary social and political realities, María locates her sources of inspiration in poetry, folklore, and the realms of magic to imagine alternative views of present-day truths, especially those faced by migrants, women, and children," said Erickson. "Her large-scale works reflect on cross-cultural connections and global migration, and we're honored the ICA is presenting her work in Boston for the first time."

Energized by the contact point between reality and magic, Berrío frames her series as fictional stories, with each painting serving as a scene from an unfolding and otherworldly tale, accompanied by a descriptive text. She blends draftsmanship



María Berrío, Cavalry, 2022. Collage with Japanese paper and watercolor paint on canvas, 72 x 90 inches (182.9 x 228.6 cm). Private Collection. Courtesy the artist and Victoria Miro. © María Berrío

and drawing with meticulous collage and painting, creating a distinctive visual language for her narrative, figurative art.

This important series of new paintings — many created especially for this exhibition — blend the history of the thirteenth-century Children's Crusade with the current mass migrations of peoples across the Mediterranean and the U.S. border. While the actual events of the Children's Crusade continue to be a subject of debate among historians, legends of miracles and tragedies have inspired an abundance of stories, songs, and artwork over centuries.

Speaking about the new series, the artist says: "The main focus and the main characters are children and their perceptions as seen through fantasy and magical realism. As the children embark on this arduous journey, they infuse the ordinary

with the mythic, as their innocent and imagined interpretation of the world bumps against stark realities. The darker and more bleak aspects of these travels are depicted through the naivete, humanity, love, and wonder of a child's eyes.'

Berrío draws inspiration from diverse sources to reflect on the contemporary realities facing migrants and unaccompanied minors today. For example: Ozymandias (2022) is based on the poem "Ozymandias" by Percy Bysshe Shelly and shows a child (the artist's son) lying on his back with eyes closed, tracing an arc in the sand; Under Thatch and Autumn Star (2022) is inspired by the story of the Pied Piper of Hamelin and depicts three children in bed who are left behind, and the troubled sleep that would

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round shape and golden color

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

Candlemas and the Light of Spring

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



January has gone by quicker than a windswept snowdrift. It seems that just a short while ago; I was cheering the start of a New Year and packing away the last Christmas decorations. This past month has been a mixture of bitter cold spells followed by mild weather, of furiously falling snowflakes and pleasant days filled with the scent of newly-turned soil. I can sense the dueling seasons of winter and spring dancing around me, struggling to maintain their individual grip over these transitional, changeable months. However, February will soon arrive with its bevvy of festivals that decidedly welcome the spring. St. Valentine's Day cuts through the snowy monotony in bursts of red and pink, ushering in the season of rebirth through images of hearts and flowers and Cupids. The revelry of Carnival, replete with mysterious masks and colorful beads, promises to chase the ghosts of winter away. I look forward to the joy and gaiety of these holidays. February starts, though, with a less recognized feast that introduces the month, and the season of spring as a whole, with powerful symbolism. This ancient, rustic holiday is known as Candlemas, and its worldwide traditions evoke the spring with anticipation and light.

Candlemas, which occurs on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, commemorates the date on which the Virgin Mary presented Jesus at the temple, forty days after His birth. The name of the feast derives from the widespread usage of candles during the religious services marking this holiday, which symbolize the light that Jesus metaphorically brings to France, possibly because their

the world. However, many of Candlemas's folk customs predate Christianity. The Celts celebrated February 1st as Imbolc, a festival heralding the first day of spring. Imbolc, which some scholars theorize translates to "in the belly," honors the lactation of sheep and the beginning of the birthing season for lambs. This ancient Celtic holiday survives as St. Brigid's Day in modern Ireland, where people light candles, make Crosses out of vegetation, and visit holy wells. Indeed, since it serves as a welcome precursor to spring, Candlemas bursts with quaint customs and superstitions everywhere. European folklore states that a warm and sunny Candlemas portents harsh wintry weather, while a cold and blustery Candlemas promises an early spring. Immigrants from Europe brought these traditions over to America, where they melded into the festival of Groundhog Day. Like Candlemas, Groundhog Day is also celebrated on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, and it further pays homage to the end of the hibernation period for many animals. An Italian dictum repeats this well-known superstition, proclaiming "Candelora con sole, tarde primavera," or "sunny Candlemas, late spring." These practices speak to the universal desire for spring and rebirth, whether it manifests in newborn lambs or candles flickering in the windowsills.

In addition to functioning as a turning point between winter and spring, Candlemas also provides people with an opportunity for celebrations and feasting. Pancakes are the traditional dinner of choice in

resemble the spring sun, which is now remaining for a longer time in the sky. Superstition claims that a cook who can flip a pancake with one hand while turning a coin in the other will be blessed with luck. In Mexico, people eat tamales on Candlemas, provided by the person who found the hidden bean in their Epiphany King Cake. Italians honor Candlemas, or Candelora, with local festivities and regional customs. Though Candlemas traditions vary across Italy, each honors the arrival of spring and the theme of light breaking through the darkness. In the Sicilian city of Catania, Candelora festivals segue into parades held in honor of the town's patron saint, St. Agatha, where people make offerings of large candles that illuminate the dark late winter sky. The people of Montevergine, a village located in the southern region of Campania, organize candlelight processions which honor gay rights and pray for increased tolerance. Meanwhile, Neapolitans celebrate Candelora with large street parties boasting torches and fireworks displays. Indeed, all throughout Italy, a visitor will find homes, churches and town squares illuminated by candles or bonfires on Candelora, the flames both providing warmth against the cold February air and reminding people of the light of the coming spring. Candlemas always makes me think of the long walks I would take on my old college campus at the start of the spring semester, propelled by the wind as I took note of the new buds adorning the otherwise bare tree branches. Nowadays, I bake orange cheesecakes on Candlemas, a seasonal recipe whose color and shape resembles mini sunbursts. How exciting it is to greet spring in all its myriad forms! As winter slowly melts into

spring, we should all take a lesson from Candlemas and search for the beacons of light in our own lives. What are the symbolic candles that illuminate our way out of our personal darkness? Which elements of our lives remind us that rebirth and hope are always near, even in the midst of a literal and metaphorical winter? To me, these "candles" include spending time with loved ones, the smell of baked goods wafting through my kitchen, hearty belly laughs, and warm sunsets. These signs remind me that the world holds so much beauty and promise, even when all appears bleak. Candlemas teaches us to look for these signals in nature as well: a frost-encrusted snowdrop flower, the flash of a robin in flight, a night lit with candles. When we hold on to the hope of spring and appreciate the moments our natural world has to offer, we will always hold the beauty of each season inside us - and that knowledge of Mother Earth's endurance will comfort us always.

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.



### A Very Sad Ending to Someone's Life

As I have been keeping up with the news on a Cambridge community's reaction to a fatal police shooting of a young man, I once again view the facts in this news story as very complicated and sad.

I was employed by Mass DMH for some 40 years before retiring in 2013. For six of those years, I was a mental health counselor on an acute in-patient unit and 28 years as a police officer for the Metro Boston Area DMH Police. Two of the most important actions I took involved saving the lives of two individuals attempting suicide. One of those two women over a decade later was attending a DMH event that I was also attending. She came up to me and thanked me for saving her life many years earlier. She seemed to be doing quite well, and I thanked her for remembering me, as I had never forgotten her either.

I have never known anyone in law enforcement who didn't dread going to a psych call. As I read the reaction of the many protesting and demanding answers in this recent fatal police shooting, I've seen this reaction before. Sometimes there are just no good answers to questions asked and these kinds of police shootings unfortunately will happen repeatedly.

This latest police encounter with someone reportedly in mental distress shows that we need better ways to handle such police calls. We need to do better for our police officers. They are not trained mental health workers. This worse scenario happens over and over again. The call goes out; the police respond and find someone living in what possibly is his or her own worst day. Law enforcement shows up attempting to quell things down

but they can only do so much

when compliance can't end the

showdown.

If we wanted real justice for Faisal, the young man in this case, we would have accessible and affordable mental health treatment in our communities. Police calls represent in my eyes, the end result of a lack of real mental health care in all our communities.

Recent reforms have been attempted to have mental health professionals ride along with police to these calls. Too often, these ideas sound good but quite unworkable. We need as a society to start treating mental health issues as actual health issues and not personal shortcomings on the part of the person in acute psychiatric distress or psychosis.

We need more funding for this issue and far more available psych beds where proper care can be administered before we end up on the streets with troubled minds facing off against police officials.

We need to do something besides getting angry about the situation. We need to find workable solutions, otherwise what happened in Cambridge will continue to happen.

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0035EA

Estate of JOHN R. HOSE

Date of Death: November 23, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner John D.H. Hose of Dedham, MA, Petitioner Jessica S.A. Hose of Braintree, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

John D.H. Hose of Dedham, MA, Jessica S.A. Hose of Braintree, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the

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: 01/27/2023

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court **Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

Docket No. SU23P0123EA

Estate of RONALD C. MARTIN RONALD C. MARTIN, SR. Date of Death: March 03, 2022 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 Ronald C. Martin, Jr. of Winchester, 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 Ronald C. Martin, Jr. of Winchester, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 23, 2023.

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

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

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

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

Date: January 19, 2023

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Run date: 01/27/2023

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### Saint Fursa

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Fursa was born in 597 the son of Fintan, a prince of Munster, his mother was Gelgis, daughter of a Celtic chieftain. Fursa as a young man placed himself under Meldan, who was then abbot of a monastery. He was educated under Brendan the Navigator. Fursa later became a monk at the monastery of Clonfert, in County Galway, and was ordained priest. He later founded a monastery at Rathmat, which became one of Ireland's major monastic centers.

Around 630, Fursa left Ireland with his brothers Foillan and Ultán

for Britain, where they were welcomed by the Christian king Sigeberht of East Anglia. They assisted Sigeberht and Felix in Christianizing the kingdom and in introducing monasticism.



About 640, Fursa founded the monastery of Cnoberesburgh, near modern Yarmouth, Norfolk, which became the centre of his ministry. He sailed to Gaul sometime between 640 and 644 and established himself in Neustria (in present-day Normandy), where he was well received by Clovis II. About 644, he founded a monastery at Lagny, near Paris. On a later journey he passed away, his body was transferred to Péronne, France where his shrine became a great pilgrimage site; the monastery remained an Irish centre through the 8th century.

Fursa's visions, which he was said to have experienced throughout his life, became widely known through accounts by the Venerable Bede. The Feast Day of Saint Fursa is January 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### • María Berrío (Continued from Page 3)

haunt them; and Calvary (2022) is of children riding a carousel, a poignant symbol of the oftenendless journey children experience during migration. Other forthcoming works reimagine the child migrant through such figures as birds and humananimal hybrids and meditate on issues of flight, freedom, control, and protection.

"As a storyteller, creating the character knowing this character doesn't exist anywhere else but in the picture makes for a better story. I find it so much more interesting to create characters not knowing who they are entirely," said Berrío. "Throughout my career, I've acknowledged the responsibility of making these works and the importance of a story. For me, the end result is when there is a moment of silence when you connect to the artwork and when

you can feel something."

### Related Programming

Gallery Talk: María Berrío Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m. Free with museum admission

Join the artist and curator for a conversation about María Berrío: The Children's Crusade.

#### **About the Artist**

María Berrío was born in Bogotá, Colombia in 1982, and she completed her BFA at Parsons School of Design and her MFA at the School of Visual Arts, both New York, NY. The artist's first survey María Berrío: Esperando mientras la noche florece (Waiting for the Night to Bloom) was on view at The Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach from January until May 2021 and was accompanied by the artist's first monograph. Her work has also been featured in numerous recent group exhibitions, including

Women Painting Women, The Modern, Fort Worth (2022); Born in Flames: Feminist Futures, Bronx Museum of the Arts, NY (2021); Labor: Motherhood & Art in 2020, University Art Museum at New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM (2020); Present Tense: Recent Gifts of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia Museum of Art (2019); and Prospect.4 Triennial, New Orleans (2017-2018). Berrío's work is part of numerous permanent collections, including Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR; Dallas Museum of Art; Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami; Los Angeles County Museum of Art; Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago; Philadelphia Museum of Art; Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; and Yuz Museum, Shanghai, China, among others.

María Berrío is organized by Ruth Erickson, Mannion Family Senior Curator.

### At the Supermarket

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 Moonfish

11. Boundary line12. Looker or ogler15. Capable of movement20. One of the Muses

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25. Gabbana's partner

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

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

### • Housing Working Group (Continued from Page 1)

Assisting school districts with the cost of transporting students and fully funding the McKinney-Vento program to ensure that homeless students can enroll in, attend and have the opportunity to succeed at school.

Supporting the special education circuit breaker program to help maintain funding to assist all school districts with the cost of these critical services.

Filing supplemental funding to ensure migrant children have access to the education and support they need to learn and thrive, and that communities have the resources to make it happen.

Pointing to the need for predictability, transparency, and open communication between the state and municipalities, Governor Healey committed to early notification of local aid funding levels, including Chapter 70 and unrestricted government aid, in advance of her FY24 budget. She also highlighted her administration's recently filed \$987 million immediate needs bond bill and \$400 million Chapter 90 authorization bill, and the positive impacts they will have on housing, job creation, economic development, roads and bridges in cities and towns.





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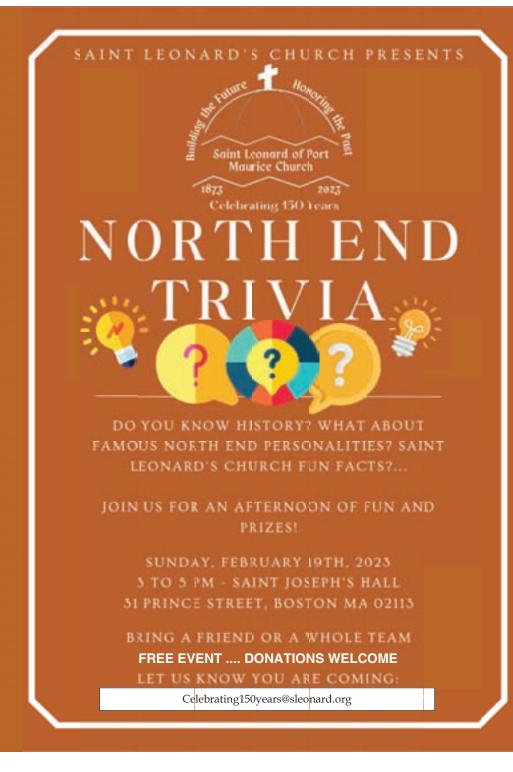
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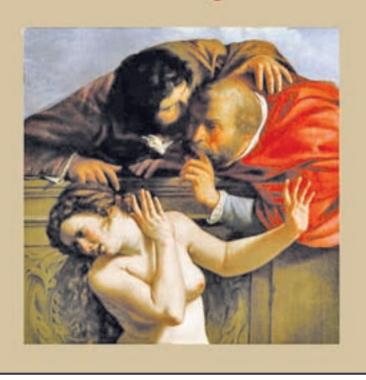
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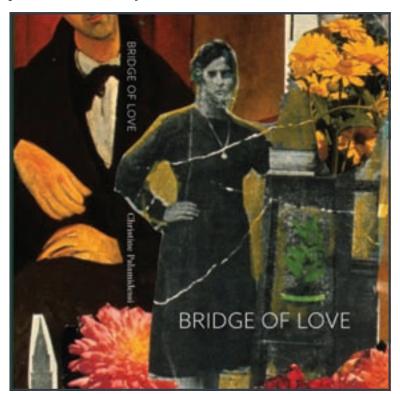
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup> @ 7:00 PM

### Hold Up the Head of Holofernes Carol Bonomo Albright



Come join us to meet well-known Italian-American authors **Carol Bonomo Albright** and **Christine Palamidessi**.

Carol Bonomo Albright presents her recently published novel, *Hold Up the Head of Holofernes*, a riveting story of three women who experienced similar horrific assaults on their bodies, and one who wants to help victims like them through legislative means. Taking place in three different eras, each of the women taps into her power to heal herself through her own ingenuity and creativity. The novel discusses Resistance activity in WWII Italy and the sexual politics in 17<sup>th</sup>-century Rome.



**Christine Palamidessi**, author of *Bridge of Love*, invites us to glimpse back a hundred years and peer into a time not so different than ours. Partake in the story of the courtship of two Italian farmers living in a small Tuscan village as you read the letters of these "promessi sposi." This work collects these young lovers' tumultuous journey to have a "love that lasts forever."

Both books will be available for purchase and signing at our authors' table and guests will be able to meet the authors during our post conference coffee and pastry reception ... a literary event not to be missed!

### **RSVP**

Dante Alighieri Society of Massachusetts, Inc. 41 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA 02139 617-876-5160

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

### 150th Anniversary Event

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event: The Italian Community of Saint Leonard Parish hosted the observance of the Station of the Cross on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> focusing on the First Station, "Jesus is Condemned to Death." It is fitting the Italian Community should open the Anniversary year, for it acknowledges the very special place they placed on the Stations Devotion at Saint Leonard's since it's founding in 1873.

The event opened with Mass celebrated by Father Michael Della Penna who was officially installed as Pastor of Saint Leonard's, on January 8th, by his Eminence, Cardinal Sean O'Malley, after a three year delay due to the pandemic.

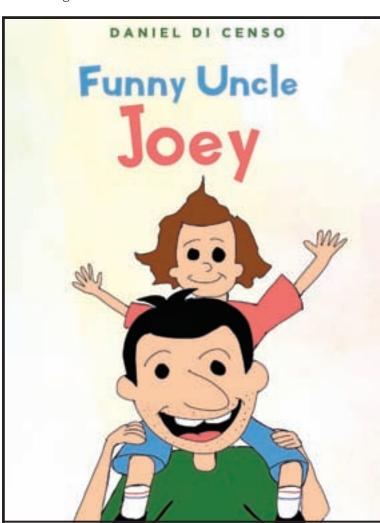
At the conclusion of Mass on the  $22^{nd}$ , Father Michael presented the Tannoury Family the traveling San Damiano Cross, that will be held in their home for one week at which time it will be returned to Saint Leonard's and presented to the next recipient. This devotional practice will continue weekly for the fourteen month observance.

The devotional observance continued with a well attended Social Hour at Saint Joseph Hall from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. hosted by the Italian Community. Following the Social Hour



attendees returned to Church for an hour of Adoration and at 3:00 p.m. the Stations of the Cross conducted by Father Federico Cinocca. The version of the Stations of the Cross. used was the one written by Saint Leonard. Stations and accompanying songs were in Italian. Following the Stations, attendees were blessed by Father Federico with a relic of Saint Leonard.

On February 19<sup>th</sup>, members of the young adult Catholic Community of Saint Leonard Parish "Pure in Heart" will host the Second Station of the Cross observance focusing on the Second Station, "Jesus takes up His Cross" at Saint Leonard Church. All are invited to attend



"Uncle Joey likes nothing more than bringing a smile on his nephew's face upon each visit. The two embark on many adventures and share many happy times. The greatest reward that comes from changing a child's life, however, is how that child changes your own."

Written by

Daniel A. DiCenso, Post-Gazette Columnist

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#### FRANK KIMBROUGH 2003-2006 (4LP Vinyl) Palmetto Records

The jazz world was shocked and profoundly saddened by the news that pianist Frank Kimbrough had passed away in December 2020 at just 64 years of age. Among the many mourning Kimbrough's loss was producer and guitarist Matt Balitsaris, whose Palmetto Records label had released more than a half dozen albums by the pianist. In honor of Kimbrough's memory, Palmetto is now releasing Frank Kimbrough 2003-2006, which compiles a pair of gorgeous trio dates from a particularly fruitful period in his career. This LP version brings together 2003s Lullabluebye, featuring longtime collaborators Ben Allison (bass) and Matt Wilson (drums); and the 2005 follow-up, *Play*, boasting a new trio with the then relatively unknown bassist Masa Kamaguchi alongside legendary drummer Paul Motian. The two albums are brilliant showcases for not only Kimbrough's deft and subtle pianism, but also his witty and memorable compositions. Both have been newly mixed and re-mastered, allowing Balitsaris to focus the music more on the interplay within the two trios rather than the original, more piano-

focused mixes. Kimbrough was probably best known for his more than 25-year tenure in the Maria Schneider Orchestra, but he was a revered player and educator in a number of diverse contexts. His radiant, tender but pointed style blended influences from Bill Evans, Thelonious Monk and Herbie Nichols, inflected by the singular voices of his mentors, Paul Bley and Andrew Hill. Shortly after arriving in New York City in the early 1990s, Kimbrough and Ben Allison co-founded the Jazz Composers Collective, a tight-knit group of like-minded artists who recorded together in various contexts. That included the Herbie Nichols Project, which brought Kimbrough to Palmetto for the first time to record the 2001 album Strange City. It was during that session, Balitsaris recalls in his liner notes that he determined to record Kimbrough in a trio context. "The song 'Karna Kangi' was a trio of Frank, Ben Allison and Matt Wilson," he recalls, "and it was so loose and funky and swinging that it immediately became imperative to record that trio!" It took a couple of years to reconvene the three in-demand musicians, but in April 2003, they gathered at Maggie's Farm, Balitsaris' studio in rural Pennsylvania, to record what would become Lullabluebye. "The session was a leisurely affair," Balitsaris describes, "They are the kind of friends who provide punch lines to each other's jokes, their musical rapport evident in every phrase they play. You can hear their delight throughout."

That's true from the off-kilter swagger of the title track, a simple 22-bar blues, through the elegant tribute to Andrew Hill, "Ode," down to the darktinged, crystalline album closer, "Eventualities." While the majority of the tunes come from the leader's pen, Allison contributed the breezy "Ben's Tune" while "You Only Live Twice" is John Barry's theme song to the 1967 James Bond film, here rendered as a buoyant, bossa-tinged ballad. For his follow-up, Kimbrough wanted to try something different. He'd been working with the up-andcoming Kamaguchi quite a bit in the lead-up to the date, and wanted to pair the bassist with Motian's iconic sound. It's a testament to Kimbrough's gifts that the drummer was convinced to make a rare excursion outside of New York for the session.

The album is bookended by two renditions of Kimbrough's ballad "Beginning," the first highlighted by Motian's floating, cloud-like rhythmic nuance, the second a delicate duet between Kimbrough and Kamaguchi. Motian contributes both the gentle title track and the elusive "Conception Vessel," from his 1973 ECM release of the same name. The rest of the tunes, from the dizzying waltz "The Spins" (dedicated to Steve Lacy) to the knockabout "Little Big Man," are Kimbrough's, each ideally suited to this remarkable trio. Schneider singles out the atmospheric "Waiting in Santander," saying, "It reminds me of the pure joy and gratitude that so many of us felt every time we got to make music with Frank."

#### FAULKNER EVANS – THROUGH THE LENS (CD) Consolidated Artists Production

In the two and a half years that have elapsed since his wife Linda took her own life, pianist and composer Falkner Evans has sought every means available to understand and interpret his new reality. Those vibrant memories from the past like the snapshot that graces the cover of his new album, Through the Lens, of an antique camera unattended in the rain from a trip that Evans and Linda took to Venice. The deeply felt places where Evans dared to go on the album reveal themselves in the aching emotion and transcendent beauty of these five pieces. Beginning from a place of stark introspection, "Soul Witness" tenderly explores the journey of self-discovery that Evans has undertaken. Wading back into the dating pool served as inspiration for "Closeness  $\dots$ Desire." From the tentative to the tender, the confused to the passionate, the piece contends with the conflicting emotions brought on by the romantic urge. "Blues for Lucia" borrows Linda's middle name for its dedication. The questing, yearning "Living Forever" marks the transition into a new phase of life, one that is fully aware of mortality but looks intently forward to find new reasons for continuing on each new day. The album closes with the title track and its evocations of crystallized memory and bittersweet

happiness.

The time has come, the walrus said,

### TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

### BIDEN GETTING THE SHAFT TREATMENT NOW

I am starting to think the Democrats have given up on Biden and his intention of running for re-election. I think the news about all those top-secret papers that Biden had stashed somewhere had to have come from Democrat operatives. Up to now, Biden had received the kid glove treatment. Now, it looks like the Democrats have gotten Biden in a rope-a-dope situation.

The libs don't want him to leave office. They want him to finish out the term and be replaced by a new nominee who can more effectively push forward the elitist agenda in government, business, and politics. I should be feeling sorry for the guy but I don't. He deserves to get the Democratic Party shaft. He never should have gained access to the White House in the first place.

### ANOTHER BAD JOKE BY SAL G.

Did you hear about the guy who went to his doctor's office over constipation issues? He asked the doctor if he should be taking fiber supplements. The doctor replied, I never Metamucil I didn't like. Yuk, yuk, yuk!

#### A GREAT WESTERN MOVIE FROM 2003

Recently while flipping cable channels I happened upon *Open Range* which turned out to be a great western movie, billed as a revisionist Western starring Kevin Costner and Robert Duvall. Costner also co-produced the movie. Once I started I kept watching it, which shows how great it was. I can't believe I didn't see it back when it was new.

Kevin Costner is a great actor and doesn't make bad movies. He plays a great cowboy. If you've never seen this movie, you should check it out. It will definitely hold your attention. Robert Duvall and Costner made a great team in this movie working so well together.

### MAYORKAS CALLING MIGRANTS BY A NEW NAME

Watching a cable news show last week, I saw Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas create a new name for incoming waves of migrants rushing the border. These folks should now be called "noncitizen arrivals."

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## Ma Reilly's to the Rescue for Veteran-Run Effort



Linda Kokoros, owner of Ma Reilly's Cafe in Weymouth, showed up at the recent Veterans Voice Network food distribution site at the WATD/WMEX radio studio down in Marshfield.

#### PUTTING THE SQUEEZE ON ORANGE JUICE

Orange juice prices are headed into outer space after Florida growers were slammed by a very bad hurricane season last year, an early freeze, and a fast-spreading disease that strangled the life out of the citrus groves. Retail prices have recently hit \$6.27 a gallon for reconstituted juice and \$10 for squeezed or not from concentrate, according to a *Wall Street* Journal report. An early freeze last January destroyed budding trees, and Hurricanes Ian and Nicole this past fall toppled and uprooted more trees. Florida produces 90 percent of orange juice in the country.

### MERRICK GARLAND TAKES FBI OFF THE CASE

This whole mess over those hidden Biden classified documents only shows the arrogance and double standards in the treatments of Biden and Trump, who allegedly committed the exact same wrongdoing. In the case of Trump, the feds raided his home at Mar-a-Lago. For Biden, the feds step out of the picture and allow Biden lawyers to collect and return the classified information. This

only makes it look like double standards at work here to most Americans.

### NEW CAT ON THE CELL BLOCK?



Longtime friend and fellow police officer back from my days as a DMH police officer Alicia Torres dressed up from Halloween with her new cat "Salem." Alicia, by the way, made her costume and Salem's, too.

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0152EA
Estate of
DANIEL W. JONES, JR.
Date of Death: October 08, 2022
INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **George N. Whitmore** of **Hingham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

George N. Whitmore of Hingham, MA, Ethan A. Hoblitzelle of Watertown, 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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The Trial Court
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Docket No. MI23P0037EA

Estate of
ELIZABETH B. FRIEDBERG

Date of Death: October 15, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Drew R. McCoy** of **Melrose**, **MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Drew R. McCoy of Melrose, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



I have not seen a lot of snow since the Blizzard of '78. When that storm hit in February of 1978, we got a winter's worth of snow all at once. This winter, we've been getting hit with a few inches at a time. The problem I have at this point in time is that everyone prevents me from shoveling or plowing out the snow that we get. To keep my loved ones quiet, I have hired a father and son team to dig us out. My problem is that we live on a street that is a bus route. The minute one snow flake hits the ground, the plows are out clearing the way for public transportation. This means that if we get a sizable amount of snow, I could have a plowed mountain across my driveway. Loretta tells me that I'm too old to shovel my way out and I know she's right, so, I leave the snow removal to the professionals.

Snow was the main reason we left East Boston back in the 1960s ... no place to park. When I was a kid, Dad had one of the few cars that was parked on Eutaw Street. He, Al Luis, Marie Alexander, Marjorie Warren, Bert Marotta and a couple of other neighbors owned cars; most did not. As a result, there was never any trouble parking. As a matter of fact, Dad never had to secure his shoveled parking spot by placing barriers like old chairs, barrels or saw horses in them. Everyone knew that the spot in front of #74 Eutaw was my father's and they left it alone. At night, Dad would return home from wherever he was playing, park in his dug-out spot, take his bass violin out of the car and head into the house. But, beginning around 1950, things began to change.

The neighborhood began to change by mid century. Many of the old timers began to die off, houses were sold and new people began to move to the Eagle Hill section of East Boston. This was combined with the fact that many of my folks generation began to move to the suburbs. When this began to happen, most of the new comers owned cars, and as time went on, parking sometimes became a problem. At one point in the '50s, the city passed an ordinance regarding parking restrictions. You could only park on the even numbered side of the street on certain days and the odd numbered side on the alternate days. If you violated this, you might get a parking ticket. This made it more difficult for Dad who came home sometime after midnight most nights of the week.

By the mid to late 1950s, most of my generation that grew up on Eutaw Street owned cars which added to the parking problem. This meant that Dad might have to drop off his bass violin while double parked and then go hunting for a parking space somewhere in the neighborhood. When I became a professional musician, I had the same problem, but I was a kid and things like hunting for a parking space didn't bother me like they did my father. Disgruntled during the winter months, Dad began talking about moving to the suburbs.

Actually, he had wanted to buy a house in the burbs before this point in time, but my mother wouldn't hear of it. She wanted to be close to Nanna and Babbononno. By the mid 1950s, my grandparents were living in an apartment at 199 Lexington Street, near the corner of Putnam. Babbononno had sold 70 Eutaw Street to the Pina family during WWII. Uncle Paul had moved his family to St. Edwards Road in Orient Heights, Uncle Nick was living in Brookline going through a divorce and Uncle Gino and his new wife, Ninna, had an apartment on Saratoga Street. We were living at 74 Eutaw and the big house at 70 Eutaw became too much for Nanna to handle. Once the house was sold, my grandparents moved to Princeton Street, then later, Lexington Street, both locations within walking distance from where we lived which meant that Mom could take care of her parents whenever it was necessary.

In 1957, Nanna developed breast cancer and passed away just before Christmas in 1958. Cancer cures were primitive back then, and my grandmother really suffered. After her passing, Babbononno moved in with us which allowed my mother to take care of her father every day. The five room third floor walk-up at 74 Eutaw became a bit crowded, but we managed. Every time Dad mentioned moving to the suburbs, Mom and Babbononno would gang up on him and the subject went nowhere.

I graduated college in June of 1960 and began teaching drafting in the Boston Schools. Like Dad and my uncles, I was now a professional musician playing several nights of the week. With so many cars now on Eutaw Street, parking was getting more difficult especially during the winter months when there was snow on the ground. One night, Dad was playing with his band and went an hour overtime. When he left the function hall, there were several inches of snow on the ground and he carefully drove home. He stopped in front of the house, brought his bass inside

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000
Docket No. MI22C1137CA
In the Matter of
DEVINE PASCUAL
CITATION ON

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Devine Pascual of Framingham, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Divina Jade Francis. IMPORTANT NOTICE

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court Date: January 11, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 01/27/2023

and then drove around the neighborhood for a half hour before finding a place to park. He walked home with his snow filled shoes on his feet, swearing all the way. When he got home, he, surprisingly, poured himself a shot of cognac (he was a teetotaler), drank it and loudly complained about the parking situation, waking everyone up in the process.

The next day, he began to look at houses in the suburbs. Uncle Gino and Aunt Ninna had moved to Belmont and Dad liked the town. When he mentioned it to my mother, she would have none of it. She was an East Bostonian and would not move. Babbononno sided in with her. By the winter of 1961, Dad found a house in Belmont. When he discussed it with friends and relatives, they told him he was crazy because of the price, "You can buy the same house in Medford for \$10,000 less or Saugus for \$8,000 less. His reply was always, "But, I want Belmont." When he intensified his desire verbally, Mom refused to go. He then told her that he would continue to pay for the apartment at 74 Eutaw Street, and she and Babbononno could stay there, but he was moving to Belmont. I was in graduate school, and to save money, agreed to move in with him.

Mom panicked and told Babbononno that her place was with her husband and if he wanted to buy a house in the suburbs, then her place was with her husband. Babbononno grumbled, but had no say in the matter. So, in the spring of 1961, we moved to Belmont. That first night, I couldn't sleep. There were no planes flying overhead. There were no sirens blasting away. There was no traffic noise. The quiet kept me awake. Dad was happy and Mom made new friends in the neighborhood. Although they weren't Italian, my mother fit in and became a Belmontonian. Babbononno was never happy there, and in his old age, moved back to East Boston. My folks remained in that same Belmont house for the rest of their lives and loved it ... no parking problems due to a garage and a long driveway. I'm getting older and can't handle the cold or snow any longer, so Loretta and I spend our winters in Florida. Do you think we made the right move?

### GOD BLESS AMERICA

### LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after January 28, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2011 MAZDA MAZDA3
VIN # JM1BL1VG0B1497107
2008 LINCOLN MKX
VIN # 2LMDU88C18BJ29443
Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco
Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed
by appointment only.

Signed Todisco Services, Inc. 01/13, 01/20, & 01/27/2023



If you are someone that likes crunching on a *Grissini*, those long thin delicious Italian breadsticks, or even one who enjoys biting into a hard spicy *Taralli*, you are going to love "Italian Pepper Sticks". These savory sticks are easily made from just a few simple ingredients that you are sure to have on hand!

My Nonna had several different recipes for pepper biscuits. Some she would make in a circle or square form, and others she'd roll like cigars or sticks. I found this recipe to be one that is crispy and crunchy, with just the right blend of spices. They are as delicious when made in circle form as when made in sticks. However, in stick form they can be served in a breadbasket with lunch or dinner, or wrapped in *salumi* or *soppressata* and placed alongside assorted cheeses on a Grazing Board. Add a glass of homemade vino to this equation and you will truly be in heaven!

### ITALIAN PEPPER STICKS Bastoncini di Pepe Italiano



- 1 1/2 cups warm water (110 degrees)
- 1 yeast cake or 1 (1/4 ounce) package dry yeast or 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoons yeast
- 1 ½ cup oil (corn or vegetable)
- 6 cups all-purpose flour 2 tablespoons grated black peppercorns (or black pepper)
- 1 tablespoon salt 4 tablespoon fennel seeds

Preheat the oven to 350°. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside. In a medium mixing bowl, add the warm water and sprinkle in the yeast, set aside for 10 minutes, then add the oil to the mixture.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, black pepper, salt and fennel seeds. Make a well in the center of this mixture and gradually add the yeast/warm water and oil, mixing as you add. Knead by hand or with the dough hook on an electric mixer for 10 to 12 minutes.

Using your hands, pinch off about a 2-tablespoon size piece of dough. Roll the dough between your hands into a thin cigar shape that is approximately 8 inches long and place side by side, leaving some space between each, on prepared baking sheets. Bake in a 375° oven for about 45 minutes, turning the sticks over halfway through baking and cook until golden brown underneath and on top. They sometimes need more time, just check often, so as not to burn. I also leave mine in the oven when finished, to crisp. Let cool and store in a cookie tin lined with wax paper, or a brown paper bag to retain crispness. *Enjoy!* 

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

### Ode to Las Vegas

Las Vegas was created to fill a universal longing for uninhibited gaming, hedonism and escape not only from the toils of life but from its rules and regulations that it is one of the few cities in the world built outside of a cultural landscape. Since then it has become as much an adjective as a real place that it isn't so much the city itself that surprises upon arrival.

Rather, it is how arbitrarily (at least superficially) it fits its surroundings. Las Vegas was built for the global, inter-cultural desire to play and dream of striking it rich. It could have been built anywhere and still have been the same glittering city. It has no culture or style of its own. Like Disneyland which replicated once in the United States and then abroad it is the same park filling a void that knows no boundaries.

True, just like the locations for the Disney parks were strategically chosen so was that vast desert between the cities of the Gulf and the West Coast seen as a playground distanced not only from civilization but also its laws. And yet, the surrounding cities, towns and even landscape with their culture are often so disconnected from the islands of pleasure they shield.

Indeed, the ride to Vegas at night is remarkable for its darkness as there are hardly any street lights to spoil the desert night. Up until the last ten minutes or so of the stretch of Route 15 leading to Vegas it is hard to believe you are entering Glitter Gulch.

Once in Las Vegas, however, the famed neon signs, the street lamps and the resorts assault the eyes. The red rocks that surround the city simply disappear (oh they are visible from the right vantage point, but their overpowering presence is a mere ghost). Tellingly, on our visit to Red Rock Canyon after my first night in Vegas I was reminded that I was in the Nevada desert.

Las Vegas is a delightful place, but it is a delight that comes from making all that come into it a product of Las Vegas, rather than a product of where its from. Its casinos modeled after one of the pyramids of Giza, a medieval castle (where we stayed), the streets of New York City, and, my personal favorite, Caesar's Place, take nothing but the most rudimentary aspects of the themes (a sphinx adorns the Luxor, replicas of the Statue of Liberty and the Eiffel Tower tower by New York, New York and Paris, respectively) and uniform them to a Vegas (and popular) interpretation of such themes. The tourists from around the world all go there to become Las Vegas tourists, points of origins cease to matter faster than

There's no denying the elegance of some of these palaces (Mirage is a gorgeous resort) which is just as well as gambling, though still the top draw, is becoming increasingly easy to sidestep in favor of other activities.

I played a few rounds of slot machines at each resort each night and at Luxor actually did quite well though I foolishly didn't realize when a good time to cash out would be. Fortunately, I did not lose a lot of money. However, I could have easily done without gambling even as a point of amusement. Las Vegas is best enjoyed the way Times Square is enjoyed; that is, for its loudness, for its breathless energy, and for its bluntness. Indeed, the most fun part of the trip for us was driving through the strip, photographing the gigantic neon gods Bugsy Siegel and his successors created. Fremont Street is full of that tacky charm that has made Las Vegas the beloved piece of Americana it is. Vegas Vic, the waving cowboy over the Pioneer Club, and cowgirl Vegas Vickie are reminders not only of Las Vegas's self-awareness of the history of the land upon which it was built, however it may mold it, but also that like the Old West many Americans love it before we even see it.

Finally, upon the edges of Clark County the iconic Welcome to Fabulous Las Vegas sign greets visitors as it has since its installation in 1959, a cool piece of the then popular googie architecture. It is less commonly known that the back of the signs bids visitors leaving the city good-bye and reminds them to come back soon. We, as a collective, will. At best Las Vegas is a tribute to the universal desire for fun and uninhibited amusement. There is something to be sad for a place in which all visitors for their time there, are simply Las Vegas visitors finding what can only be found in that city tucked away by the Nevada desert.

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### Grow Tasty and Nutritious Leafy Greens Indoors

by Melinda Myers



Tabletop light stands work well on kitchen counters and provide plenty of light for greens to grow.

#### (Photo courtesy of Gardener's Supply Company/gardeners.com)

Boost the flavor and nutritional value of winter meals by growing a container of greens indoors. Plant, tend and harvest greens for garden-fresh flavor now and throughout the year.

Green leafy vegetables are healthy sources of carbohydrates, typically rich in fiber and nutrients, while also being low in fat and calories. Many of these vegetables can help reduce the risk of stroke, anemia, high blood pressure, certain cancers, and diabetes. They also help improve the health of your gut, heart, bone, and skin while boosting your body's immunity.

To create your own indoor garden of greens, all you need are seeds, a container, potting mix, and a sunny window or artificial lights. Select a container or planter with drainage holes or reduce maintenance with the help of self-watering containers like the Viva Round or Square self-watering planters. Their water reservoirs reduce watering frequency.

Fill the container with a quality potting mix that is welldrained and retains moisture. Plant seeds as recommended on the seed packet. You can grow each type of green in its own container or mix them up for an attractive display in larger planters like the Tartu Elevated Rectangular Planter (gardeners.

Water thoroughly and often enough to keep the soil moist while waiting for the seeds to sprout. Reduce the need for frequent watering by covering newly planted containers with a plastic sheet or dome. Once sprouts appear, remove the plastic and begin watering thoroughly when the top inch of soil begins to dry.

Boost productivity and increase planting space with the help of artificial lights. You will find a variety of setups for any space in your home. Counter and tabletop light stands like the Micro Grow Light Garden can be conveniently located in the kitchen or dining room.

Stand-alone light shelves provide more growing space within a small footprint. Furnituregrade light stands make them easy to use in any room in the house.

Grow greens you and your family like to use in your favorite recipes and salads. Green or red leaf lettuce is easy to grow indoors and its mild flavor is most appealing to children and picky eaters.

Spinach is another popular and easy-to-grow leafy green vegetable used fresh in salads and smoothies or added to soups and sauces. It contains many vitamins and nutrients, including iron, folic acid, and calcium.

Kale is considered a super food. This nutrient-dense vegetable is packed with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants. If the flavor is a bit too intense for you, try the baby leaf types that are milder in flavor, or try braising kale for a milder flavor and more tender texture.

Add a bit of peppery flavor to salads, soups, pastas, and other dishes with arugula. Add a spicier flavor with mustard greens. Sauté mustard greens or add them to your favorite Southern, Asian, Indian or savory dish.

Include color and flavor in your winter meals with beet greens. The leafy part of this vegetable is often overlooked but is the most nutritious part of the plant. Use these the same way you would spinach or kale. You can purchase beet varieties selected for growing the best greens to harvest from baby to full size.

Make it more fun by getting others involved. Hand family members and guests a plate and kitchen shears so they can harvest and help prepare the meal.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening and Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. She hosts The Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD series and Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Gardener's Supply for her expertise to write this article. Her website is: www.MelindaMyers. com.

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0236EA

Estate of ARLENE C. WEINTRAUB Also Known As ARLENE CLAIRE WEINTRAUB Date of Death: December 13, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE** 

To all persons interested in the above cantioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Marc J. Bloostein of North Andover, MA, a Will has

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

been admitted to informal probate.

Marc J. Bloostein of North Andover, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 01/27/2023

### LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0225EA

Estate of KAMLESH JAIN Also Known As KAMLESH GUPTA

Date of Death: November 02, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Siddhartha Jain of Cambridge, MA.

Siddhartha Jain of Cambridge, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 01/27/2023

### **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 February 11, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2010 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN VIN # 2D4RN5DXXAR223931 2007 HONDA CIVIC

VIN # JHMFA36227S006705 1998 MERCEDES BENZ SLK230 VIN # WDBKK47F9WF045222

**2013 NISSAN ALTIMA** VIN # 1N4AL3AP2DC179189

2011 HONDA ACCORD VIN # 1HGCP2E30BA132892 2004 HONDA VT750

VIN # JH2RC50334K012702 Vehicles are being stored at MJS Towing, Inc., and may be viewed by appointment

> Signed MJS Towing, Inc.

Run dates: 01/27, 02/03, 02/10/2023

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Stanley Service, Inc. 3430 Washington Street, Jamaica Plain, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after February 11, 2023 beginning at 10:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

**2017 HYUNDAI ELANTRA**VIN # 5NPD74LF5HH100467 **2016 INFINITI Q50**VIN # JN1EV7AR5GM342966

**2014 NISSAN ROGUE** VIN # JN8AS5MT1EW616735

**2007 HONDA ACCORD** VIN # 1HGCM56167A121412

**2015 MERCEDES BENZ ML350** VIN # 4JGDA5HB6FA440658

2015 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 19XFB2F57FE223221 Vehicles are being stored at

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

Signed
Bill Blinstrub, Owner
Run dates: 01/27, 02/03, 02/10/2023

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after February 04, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

**2009 FORD FOCUS** VIN #1FAHP34N19W248019

2001 HONDA ACCORD VIN #1HGCG16591A070742

**2001 TOYOTA CAMRY** VIN #4T1BG22K31U052775

2009 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER VIN #JTEES41A992143282

**2002 JEEP LIBERTY** VIN #1J4GL48K32W152643

**2005 NISSAN MAXIMA** VIN #1N4BA41E15C804245

**2010 ACURA TL** VIN #19UUA8F58AA012782

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

> Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

01/20, 01/27, 02/03/2023

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

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

Docket No. MI23P0219GD NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

In the interests of JACKSON RICHARDSON of Framingham, MA Minor

### NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 01/17/2023 by Melissa D. Richardson of Framingham, MA will be held 03/07/2023 08:30 AM Review Hearing

Located Lowell Justice Center, 370 Jackson St., 6th Floor, Courtroom 13, Lowell, MA 01852

2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

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

Date: January 17, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 01/27/2023

#### **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 28, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2008 NISSAN ALTIMA
VIN # 1N4AL21E68C281271
2005 TOYOTA PRIUS
VIN # JTDKB20U157023223
2006 LEXUS RX400H
VIN # JTJHW31U860026128
2017 HONDA ACCORD

VIN # 1HGCR2F33HA292833 2005 DODGE RAM VIN # 1D7HU16N85J540526

2011 SUBARU OUTBACK VIN # 4S4BRBKC4B3314345

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: 01/13, 01/20, 01/27/23

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

Noticeishereby given by Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Highway, Somerville, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after February 11, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

**2010 HONDA ACCORD** VIN # 1HGCP2F87AA025718

2018 MAZDA 3 VIN # 3MZBN1U70JM190241

2000 DUCATI M900 VIN # ZDM1RA4N5YB003485 2010 CHEVROLET COBALT

VIN # 1G1AF5F52A7223404 2003 VOLKSWAGEN GOLF VIN # 9BWBK61J534067855

**2013 CHEVROLET MALIBU** VIN # 1G11A5SA5DU131985

2007 HONDA ACCORD VIN # 1HGCM56787A196374 2007 SATURN ION

VIN # 1G8AL58B27Z100700 2012 MAZDA 2 VIN # JM1DE1KZ8C0142542

Vehicles are being stored at 142 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Pat's Towing Run dates: 01/27, 02/03, 02/10/2023

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

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

Docket No. MI22P4976GD

NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

> In the interests of MARIANA R. OCASIO of Lowell, MA Minor

### NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 09/13/2022 by Heather A. Ocasio of Lowell, MA; Rafael Ocasio of Lowell, MA will be held 03/06/2023 08:30 AM Review Hearing Located Courtroom 14, Lowell Justice Center

2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

**3. Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

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

Date: December 05, 2022

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 01/27/2023

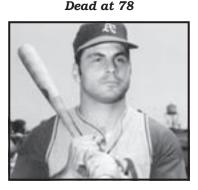


### **EXTRA** Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Sal Bando All-Star Third Baseman



Sal Bando, the captain of three straight Oakland A's World Series winning teams recently passed away at age 78 in Wisconsin due to cancer, the Athletics and Brewers both announced his death over this past weekend.

The four-time All-Star third baseman was the team leader of the Athletics who were champs from 1972- 1974. He played 11 seasons for the A's from 1966-76 — the first two in Kansas City before the franchise moved to Oakland. Bando finished his career with the Brewers for five seasons.

### Red Sox Keep Adding Old Sox to New Mix

The Boston Red Sox just last week signed up outfielder Adam Duvall on a one-year, \$7 million

#### **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, 2023 at 10AM, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

2017 SUBARU WRX, GRAY VIN # JF1VA1B60H9816150 Kevin H. MacDonald

34A Rockingham St. Lowell, MA 01852

### 2005 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER, BLACK

VIN # SALME11465A185997 Bianca Torres Carreon 2051 W. Steele Ln., #511 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

2007 FORD FOCUS, GRAY VIN # 1FAHP34N17W299453 Valdivino Alves De Oliveira

39 Hyde St., Apt. 1
Revere, MA 02151
Run dates: 1/20, 1/27, 02/03/2023

### LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. SU22P2888EA
Estate of
THOMAS MAGUIRE

Date of Death: December 07, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Richard Maguire** of **Glastonbury**, **CT**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Richard Maguire of Glastonbury, CT 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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deal with performance bonuses added that could increase his salary up to \$10 million. He's been in baseball for nine seasons, all in the NL. He started his career with the Giants in 2014, and then played for the Reds, Braves, and Marlins. Duvall was an All-Star with the Reds in 2016 and won a Golden Glove and World Series with the Braves in 2021. The Red Sox do need some power at the plate but it does seem this isn't a team building for the future simply because of the ages of guys we are now inking pacts with and are now depending on in 2023.

Meanwhile, the Amazing Mets

The NY Mets just got their fourth outfielder and part-time DH by signing free agent outfielder Tommy Pham for a one year, \$6 million contract and they are still searching for left-handed bullpen help. The 34 year old Pham was one of a very few outfielders still on the free agent market after Adam Duvall (see above) agreed to a one year, \$7 million deal with the Red Sox on the same day last week.

#### Sticking with the Mets ...

Frank Thomas homered for the Mets in their first two homes, the Polo Grounds and Shea Stadium and joked at last year's Old-Timers' Day that his goal was to add Citi Field to the list.

The former outfielder, first and third baseman — an "Original Met" from the franchise's inception passed away on January 16<sup>th</sup> at age 93 while living in an assisted care facility in Pittsburgh.

He was traded from the Milwaukee Braves in November 1961 and hit 34 homers for the Mets in the team's first season in 1962. That HR record stood until 1975 when Dave Kingman hit 36 homers.

Thomas stayed with the Mets into the 1964 season when he was traded to the Phillies. His best years came with the Pirates with whom he was a three-time All-Star in the 1950s and twice reached the 30 home run mark.

He finished his career with 286 homers and 962 RBI in his 16-year career and also with the Reds, Cubs, and Astros. Rest in Peace, Tommy, Rest in Peace.

### Ivan Provorov Stood Up for His Personal Beliefs

By now, most of us know about the principled stand that Ivan Provorov took recently before a hockey game against the Anaheim Ducks on what the team had billed as "Pride Night." Prior to the start of the game, all the Flyers players were to wear Pride warm up jerseys and use rainbow colored hockey sticks. Defenseman Ivan Provorov from Russia decided not to participate in the warm up due to his religious beliefs as a Russian Orthodox. He announced to the media that he respected everyone, but his religious beliefs prevented him from doing an action he was not comfortable with.

Provorov expressed that he was not attacking the beliefs or views of others. He explained his position in a very respectful way. His action wasn't political; he simply explained why he couldn't do something. His coach John Tortorella supported the player's decision, as did his teammates. However, many others criticized him including many woke media types.

Ironically, the days following this news story went viral; Provorov's jersey sold out quickly as many fans supported the player's decision to stand by his values and beliefs.

We need more athletes like this Russian hockey player willing to stand up for himself rather than just do as the NHL tells him to do. Too bad more hockey players seem afraid to stand up for themselves during warm up practice.

### Remembering Muhammad Ali

This past January 17<sup>th</sup> would have been Muhammad Ali's 81<sup>st</sup> birthday. He passed away in 2016. Gone but never forgotten. He called himself the Greatest and in my lifetime, he lived up to being the greatest in the ring.

### LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Estate of
LARRY GENE MONROE
Also Known As

LARRY G. MONROE

Date of Death: December 01, 2022

INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jay D. Lane of Maynard, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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Jay D. Lane of Maynard, 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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### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

Norfolk Probate and Family Court 35 Shawmut Road Canton, MA 02021 (781) 830-1200 Docket No. NO22P3546EA

Estate of BHARTI R. KHIROYA Also Known As BHARTI KHIROYA Date of Death: October 03, 2022

INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Frank J.

Frisoli of Cambridge, MA 02141, a Will has

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Frank J. Frisoli of Cambridge, MA 02141
has been informally appointed as the Personal
Representative of the estate to serve without
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### **John Henry Lewis**

### Forgotten Great



John Henry Lewis

It has long been talked about how many great fighters never got a chance at a title. Many agree that if people like Charlie Burley and Holman Williams got the breaks they deserved boxing history might very well be different. For many years the fighters who became known as The Black Murderers' Row lived in obscurity. However, in recent years they have been receiving their due. Thanks to the work of writers like Springs Toledo whose epic book Murderers' Row: In Search of Boxing's Greatest Outcasts did so much to educate the public about these forgotten men, their names are now much more familiar to the boxing public.

It's interesting to note that it is not only those who never got a shot at the top who have been forgotten, but there are also great fighters who did win and defended titles that have faded from memory. One reason for this is there were so many great fighters back in the 1920s and 1930s that some overshadowed others. Benny Leonard, Joe Louis, Barney Ross, and a host of others gained legendary status and have become almost immortalized, with countless articles and a number of books written about them. They deserve all the praise they get. Others have slipped from view though.



Louis and Lewis: Joe and John Henry

One of these was Light Heavyweight Champion John Henry Lewis. Up until recently I wasn't able to find many photographs of the former champ. While I was familiar with his name it was mostly for the same reason most people would have heard of him. He was kayoed in one round when he challenged Joe Louis for the Heavyweight Title. It was John Henry's last fight and he was almost blind in one eye. The story goes that Joe Louis gave him a shot as the two were friends and he wanted him

to have one big payday before the boxing commissions took his license from him. It has also been said that Joe the Champ dispatched him early to spare him taking too many punches. In fact, John Henry was quoted later saying " ... that was really the easiest fight I was ever in. I went to sleep early and easy."

The loss to the great Joe Louis should not define John Henry's career. While no footage exists of his fights, with the exception of a 15 second clip of the Louis fight, Lewis certainly deserves to be mentioned when the greatest light heavyweights of all-time are discussed.

Lewis had a total of 117 fights of which he won 101 with 57 by knockout. He lost 11 times and Joe Louis was the only man to stop him. He also had five draws. On the way up he fought Light Heavyweight Champion Maxie Rosenbloom five times, winning two and losing three. In their third fight Lewis dropped Rosenbloom five times. That was something that did not happen to Maxie. It is interesting to note what Lewis said about his bouts with Rosenbloom: "Maxie and I fought five times, and each time I learned something new. He was the craziest and trickiest fighter you ever saw. Of course I had learnt a lot from my father and those old time fighters, but fighting with Maxie was like going to college."

In the era in which John Henry fought, it was no shame to lose a fight. The important thing was to learn from your losses, and having fifty rounds with Maxie Rosenbloom truly was like going for a PhD in boxing. The things he picked up in those fights are what contributed to him becoming a great champion.



John Henry Lewis with his Father, John Edward Lewis

Lewis's father had also been a fighter and owned a boxing gym in their hometown of Phoenix. Arizona. It was there at an early age that John Henry and his brother got to meet old-timers like Sam Langford and Eddie Anderson. He said "... they taught us some tricks like jabbing and footwork." That knowledge stayed with him and was instrumental in him later developing into a savvy and complete boxer.

John Henry was close to his father who not only taught him boxing but instilled in him the importance of dressing and behaving like a gentleman. Looking at a photo of the two of them together you can tell these are two classy gents. Lewis retained his gentlemanly demeanor even when he was signed to fight Two Ton Tony Galento, a fighter not known for being careful with his words. When Tony pulled out of the match due to having contracted pneumonia, a disappointed Lewis visited him in the hospital. The fight was never rescheduled.



Jock McAvoy squares off with John Henry

Lewis won the Light Heavyweight title from Bob Olin on October 31, 1935 by decision in an exciting fifteen round battle. From then until his final fight in 1939 against Joe Louis, John Henry fought 59 times in a combination of title defenses and non-title fights against light heavyweights and heavyweights. He lost only five times including the loss to Louis. One loss was a controversial decision to heavyweight Al Ettore whom he defeated in two subsequent bouts. He also beat Johnny Risko, Elmer Ray, Jimmy Adamick, Al Gainer, and Patsy Peroni. Before winning the title he defeated Red Burman, Jock Mcavoy, Tiger Jack Fox, future heavyweight champ Jimmy Braddock, and Tony Shucco. His career of 117 fights took place over ten years in an era that was extremely rich with talent. Lewis still wanted to fight despite having lost the vision in his left eye which was the reason the commissions pulled his license; a wise decision. He was only 25

Upon retirement he became a liquor salesman. Having started boxing professionally at the age of 14 he managed to put together a spectacular career and leave the game while still a young man.

John Henry Lewis died in 1974 at the age of 59, He was suffering from emphysema and Parkinson's disease. It is believed he was a descendent of Tom Molineaux the great bare knuckle boxer. It is sad that this great fighter and soft spoken gentleman has been all but forgotten. Perhaps if he didn't have to retire so young things may have been different. When you hear the name John Henry Lewis, resist the urge to immediately think of his fight with Joe Louis. Rather, take some time to look at his record and learn more about his outstanding career.



We always liked Chris Ford, the former player and coach with the Boston Celtics who passed away on January  $17^{\rm th}$  at age 74. Not only was he able to play for and eventually lead one of the most storied basketball franchises in history but he embodied personality traits that we admire.

Yes, Chris Ford is well known for making the first three-point shot in NBA history during a 114-106 victory over the Houston Rockets at the Garden back on October 12, 1979 — the opening night of the season. But it also marked the rookie debut of Larry Bird, fresh out of Indiana State University and an epic showdown with Earvin "Magic" Johnson in the NCAA Division One national championship game the prior spring — a contest won by Michigan State, 75-64.

Not only did Ford make the first three point shot in NBA history, it was one of only two successful shots from the three-point line that night (Houston's Rick Barry made the other). Bird missed his lone attempt, as did future Celtics coach Dave Cowens. Ford finished the night with 17 points.

Indeed, the game that night was filled with those who would be linked with the Green and White forever. Cedric Maxwell, the current analyst for Celtics radio broadcasts, made 22 points to lead the Celtics in scoring while future coach M.L. Carr added 15. Bird had 17 in his pro debut.

Ford would go on to play 73 games for the Celtics that season, finishing with an 11.2 points per game average as the C's compiled a fine 61-21 records under Bill Fitch to finish first in the Atlantic Division. They would later lose to Philadelphia in the Eastern Conference finals.

It was Ford's second of four seasons as a player in Boston, a time in which he played in 309 regular season games and averaged 10.3 points over that span. Later, he would serve as head coach for five more.

The day that Celtics head coach Chris Ford held his final press conference (May 18, 1995) was also one that will be remembered for a long time. He was part of a "double header" that day with dismissed Bruins coach Brian Sutter giving his farewell press conference in the morning while leaning on a stairwell railing at the original Garden while Ford followed in the afternoon in a more elegant setting — one day after both had been dismissed.

Ford's finale was complete with a speaker's podium with a nice spray of flowers at the base. A person in a position to know confided on that day that no Celtics office employees wanted to see Ford leave, that his dismissal was the decision of those in the upper echelon of the organization.

Although he lived in the Boston area for many years, Ford loved his home region of southern New Jersey. Indeed, his hometown newspaper the *Atlantic City Free Press*, called him "the most accomplished athlete ever to be born and raised in Atlantic City." The publication also revealed the cause of death. "Chris Ford died at a Philadelphia hospital after suffering a heart attack earlier this month," the paper wrote in an online edition.

Tellingly, it also featured a photo of a very happy Chris Ford, depicting another chapter of his life. It was the day (October 2, 2001) that he was introduced as the head coach of the Brandeis University men's basketball team.

So why would a former NBA player and head coach continue in the sport with an NCAA Division 3 team? The answer is simple. Because Chris Ford loved basketball. All those years in high school, Villanova University and later with the Celtics as a player and coach, he was doing what he loved. And by signing on at Brandeis, he was given the opportunity to continue doing what he loved — being an integral part of a basketball team.

From being in arenas that sat thousands to pacing the sidelines in gyms that sat only a few hundred, the venues were different. But the game was the same. Sure, the team could have done better. The Judges posted an 8-17 record during the 2001-2002 season and followed that with a 6-19 mark for the 2002-2003 campaign. But in a way, that was secondary. What was more important was that he was involved in the game and instructing players once again.

It was the same for former Green Bay Packers head coach Mike Sherman who went from coaching at storied Lambeau Field to leading Nauset Regional High School on Cape Cod for the 2015 and 2016 seasons. He went from over 80,000 fans in the stadium at Green Bay to far fewer watching on the Cape. Sherman indicated he had missed coaching during a year away from the sidelines. And although the team went 4-18 in his two seasons at Nauset, he indicated in an Associated Press article that he felt there were some positives — instilling his players with core values and teaching them lessons that would be useful throughout their lives.

Some might say these men were not successful at these lower levels. That the number of setbacks outnumbered the successes. But we prefer to think of it differently--that they did succeed by demonstrating that love of an activity is far more important than the possession of trophies. Both men knew what they loved and pursued that path at various levels because it made them happy to do so.

We also admired Chris Ford for an additional reason — his love of Christmas. As coach of the Celtics, he once called Christmas "the number one family day of the year." That was counter to the NBA's practice of scheduling multiple games on that day — forcing relatively low paid ushers, custodians and security personnel to be away from their families on the holiday. He knew it was not just about millionaire athletes playing on Christmas.

When you engage in an activity that you love, always think of Chris Ford — who set a lifelong example by doing just that.