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## Italian American Heritage Month Kick-off Celebration

by Marisa Dellatto

The October Italian American Month kick-off celebration took place in the House Chamber at the State House in Boston on October 1<sup>st</sup>. This year's celebration marked the 16<sup>th</sup> year of celebration. It was also the most widely attended event in the IAHM's history. Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and Italian Consul General Nicola De Santis were some of the many esteemed guests in attendance, as well as many Italian American organizations from throughout the state. Three Italian-Americans from Massachusetts were honored for their service and dedication. Five Italian-American high school students were awarded scholarships.

The beginning of the ceremony included the singing of both the American and Italian National anthems by Coro Dante, Cho-

rus of the Dante Alighieri Society, as well as a presentation by the Color Guard and a blessing given by Father Jack Rizzo of Saint Joseph's Society.

"We are proud to be Italian, and we are proud of our Italian origins. However, there was a time when being Italian was not that easy," said De Santis, during his address. "... During this whole month, we are celebrating what we are and where we came from. The hard work of your parents and grandparents, those who did not want you to speak Italian, because they wanted you to be fully integrated in this society."

Dr. Francesco Cesare, President of Assumption College, was the first to be honored. As president, he established a campus in Rome and provided students with ways to come in deeper

contact with their heritage. He thanked the teachings of his parents, to "value the opportunities that education provides, because they didn't have those opportunities."

Tino D'Agostino, recording artist, scholar, performer, conductor, musician, and most currently a music teacher at Arlington High School, was honored for his leadership in music education.

"He takes kids who are not going to be professionals and makes them into professionals," said Carla DeFord, a friend of D'Agostino who attended the event in his support. "He is such a perfectionist, he works very hard and has exquisite taste."

Dr. Luigi Munno, the Italian Deputy Vice Consul, was awarded for his public service to the Italian community.

The Frattaroli Family gave scholarships to students Ericardo Edwards of Boston Latin High School, and Jude Macannuco of Winchester High School. The two were awarded for their success and dedication to their Italian language and culture education, as well as their high scores on the Italian Lan-



Senator Sal DiDomencio, Dr. John Christoforo, Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo, October Heritage Month President James DiStefano, and Consul General of Italy Nicola DeSantis.

(Photo by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)

guage Advanced Placement tests.

Saint Joseph's Society awarded Isabella Constantino-Carrigan of Arlington High School, for her proficiency in music. Constantino-Carrigan is a student of Arlington High School's music teacher and honoree Tino D'Agostino. She has been playing the violin for seven years. "I can play Italian

music ... and the next day play a piece of rock music and it will still sound beautiful," said Constantino-Carrigan of her love for the violin.

The East Boston Savings Bank honored Walter Geovany Galdamez and Albert William Sauders, IV. The two boys were

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## News Briefs

by Sal Giaratani

### Who is the Leader of the Free World Today?

Once, the answer to the above question was always the President of the United States. Today, it's not so. Look at what Putin is doing in Syria and you clearly see someone who has no respect for President Obama, who must look like a weakling to Putin.

So what world leader is looking like the leader of the free world? I think it is Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. He was masterful at his annual United Nations address to the General Assembly as he warned the world leaders before him that Israel would never allow Iran to join the nuclear weapons club. He added that once Iran gets the sanctions lifted, "unleashed and unmuzzled, Iran will go on the prowl." Netanyahu sounded so great, I wish he was President of the United States.

### TLC In New York Doesn't Mean Tender Loving Care

Recently, a Manhattan federal judge ruled that New York City's Taxi and Limousine Commission violated the constitutional rights of drivers by seizing their vehicles. The TLC officers have been towing the cars of drivers they believed were gypsy cabbies working without a hack license as well as Uber drivers driving outside the scope of their licenses.

The vehicles were held until the owners either pleaded guilty or paid a fine. The judge said what the commission was doing was a violation of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> amendment rights of freedom from unreasonable seizure and due process. The Constitution still lives in New York City. Thank God.

### Putin Takes on ISIS in Syria

The Obama Administration is confused, as it has been for some time, when it comes to fighting ISIS forces growing their caliphate which is now larger than all of

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## Al Natale Honored at "Italy American Style" Concert by St. Joseph's Society

by Matt Conti

Music in Boston's North End hit a high note on Saturday night as the St. Joseph's Society brought a star-packed selection of performers to their "Italy American Style" concert at St. Stephen's Church.

The North End's own trumpeter, band leader and philanthropist Albert Natale, 92 years young, was honored with the society's Musical Achievement Award.

In addition, Pastor Fr. Antonio and Fr. Claude from St. Leonard's Parish presented an Apostolic Blessing from Pope Francis and read a letter from Cardinal Sean O'Malley. Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh, represented by the North End's Maria Lanza, declared October 3<sup>rd</sup> as Albert Natale Day in the city.

Host and organizer Angelo Picardi introduced the slate of talented performers at the concert, including the NEMPAC Singers, Street Magic, Ray Cavicchio, Sharon Z, Gian Faraone, BPD Officer Steve McNulty, and the Tom LaMark Orchestra.



L-R: Honoree Al Natale, President of the St. Joseph Society Peter Bagarella, and Angelo Picardi.

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# Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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THE ETERNAL FLAME

The whole concept which reveres the sacrificial fire, the candlelight vigil, and every manner of eternal flame, appears to have been born with Greek Mythology. It all started with Hep-haestus, blacksmith of the gods; then the flame passed to Prometheus, one of two brothers who were charged by the gods to create man, and to provide him with the means necessary for his preservation. Zeus became angered when Prometheus tried to trick him, so the mighty one threatened to destroy the human race by withholding fire, and to create other beings in place of humans. Prometheus was so concerned about saving those poor mortals that he went up to Mt. Olympus, stole fire from the gods, and brought it back to mankind in a hollow reed. When this act was discovered, Zeus ordered that Prometheus be seized and chained to a rock high on a mountain. Each day a monstrous eagle tore at his liver,



Prometheus Brings Fire by Heinrich Friedrich Füger.

which grew whole again each night. As man developed his facilities to control the use of flame, the fireside became the center of family life, and the Greek goddess Hestia was worshipped as the protector of the family hearth and the founder of the

family unit. Meanwhile, the reverence which had developed for Hephaestus in Greece encouraged the worship of Vulcanus or Vulcan in Rome. Also, after learning about Hestia, the Romans developed their worship of Vesta, goddess of the Roman hearth. She was worshiped by the Romans during ancient times independently of any connection with Greece. The worship of Vesta goes back to the time when it was difficult but necessary to obtain fire. Then, as well as now, among some primitive tribes, the custom of always keeping a fire alive for use in the community was developed, and even to carry it to new settlements. This custom was preserved in the religion of later Greeks and Romans even after more modern technologies had been developed. The sacred fire, the source of all Roman life and power, was kept alive in a structure known as the Temple of Vesta, the subject of next week's column.

Pirandello Invitation to Enjoy a Beautiful Evening of Italian Song


The Pirandello Lyceum Evening of Italian Song will be held on Monday evening, October 12<sup>th</sup> (Columbus Day), at Filippo's, 238 Causeway Street, North End, Boston, at 5:30 pm. This evening is in conjunction with the celebration of October

Italian-American Heritage Month. Through the generosity of Filippo and Anna Frattaroli, the Pirandello holds this event as part of its scholarship program. The evening consists of a lovely and delicious Italian buffet dinner with music and song. Vincent Amara will provide beautiful Italian music of the many regions of Italy. There will also be a tribute to our great many Italian-American singers, such as Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Perry Como and Connie Francis. Those of you who love to sing, or hear the beautiful voices from our Italian community, are cordially invited to participate. For information and reservations, call Dorothy Maio at 781-245-6536, or Nicolane Ciano 617-354-9400.

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**THE PROJECT:**

As part of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department's continuing efforts to provide quality open space and recreation areas for use and enjoyment by all residents of the city, efforts are underway to make improvements to Rachel Revere Square.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

The Parks Department is very interested in what the community has to contribute to the design process. We need your help in determining how this plaza will look and function in the future.

**WHAT TO EXPECT:**

Kyle Zick, Principal with Kyle Zick Landscape Architects, will facilitate the meeting, supported by a Parks Department official. The presentation will discuss the preferred design alternatives based on the community input received in the first and second meetings. Following the presentation, community members will be invited to offer input regarding the material presented.

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## Anthony & Carol Fabiano

### 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations to Anthony and Carol Fabiano, who will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 17, 2015. Tony and Carol are life-long residents of Boston's North End.

Having known each other almost their entire lives, they have shared many happy memories together.

Please join us in congratulating them on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

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**All proceeds will be donated to the Jimmy Fund.**

The Jimmy Fund was founded in 1948 and since then has supported the fight against cancer in children and adults at Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, helping raise the chances of survival for cancer patients around the world.

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

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

I am happy to announce  
the birth of my son,  
**Owen Nathaniel  
Symynkywicz**

Owen  
is a Welsh name which means  
"young warrior" and  
Nathaniel  
means "Gift from God"  
in Hebrew

Parents:  
**Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz**  
("L'Anno Bello")  
and her husband  
**Noah**

Grandparents:  
On mother's side,  
**Maria Di Censo** and  
the late **Rocco DiCenso**;

On father's side  
**Jeffrey and  
Elizabeth Symynkywicz**



### Birthday:

October 4

at 7:51 in the morning  
(the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi,  
Patron Saint of Italy!)

Weight: 8 lbs, 3 oz

### Fun Fact:

Owen's uncle is Daniel Di Censo, who writes  
the "Thoughts By Dan" column!

## THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani



### JEFF KUHNER

#### Doesn't Call the Mayor "Curtaphony" for Nothing!

I have already criticized  
Somerville Mayor Joe Curta-  
tone for hanging that "Black  
Lives Matter" banner across  
Somerville City Hall, and for  
his support of Somerville being  
a Sanctuary City for illegals.

Recently, I listened to Jeff  
Kuhner on his weekday WRKO  
radio show and discovered that  
Somerville's mayor was at it  
again. This time, he is seeking  
the Middlesex District Attorney's  
office to drop all charges against  
the "Black Lives Matter" crowd  
for bringing highway traffic to a  
complete stop in order to do  
their protesting.

Jeff Kuhner has started refer-  
ring to Somerville's mayor as  
"Joe Curtaphony" and likening  
him to a liberal thug. As a former  
East Somerville resident back in  
my twenties, I remember when  
the liberals in Somerville got  
behind a reformer named  
S. Lester Ralph who was quite  
the '60s and '70s liberal. The old  
guard was caught off base and  
Ralph got himself elected in  
1969 by being Door Number 3.  
Mayor Ralph always got my vote  
in his races.

However, as liberal as Ralph  
seemed to be, he never would  
have supported lawbreakers,  
whatever their cause. The  
law is the law is the law. As a  
retired police officer of more  
than 27 years, I think a mayor  
who thinks folks should walk  
because he supports their cause  
as just and good does indeed  
qualify, as Kuhner calls him, as

nothing but a phony.

I am not surprised that the  
mayor is trying to get all charges  
dropped against this protest-  
ing outfit out to get cops. He  
already has his sanctuary  
city, so why not aid and abet  
more criminals? He seems to  
condone and booster "Black  
Lives Matter" friends with his  
own provocative anti-police  
rhetoric.

If one commits an act of civil  
disobedience, that person is  
supposed to suffer the civil pen-  
alty for doing so. When a bunch  
of protesters decide to endan-  
ger and inconvenience thou-  
sands and flock to the media  
with their charges, should they  
just be able to walk away as if  
nothing happened? I don't care  
what the mayor thinks. I don't  
care what he says. This is a free  
country and he has those rights.  
However, glorifying these pro-  
testers and then being critical  
of police actions across the  
country does make him sound  
like the phony Jeff Kuhner calls  
him.

As a police officer for a very  
long time, doesn't the mayor  
know the value of police for  
keeping our country safe for  
all? There is a thin blue line out  
there under attack by phony  
protesters who have an agenda  
to push.

Mayors should support their  
police departments and not  
rev up the anti-police rhetoric  
in order to look like a good  
liberal.

### HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY



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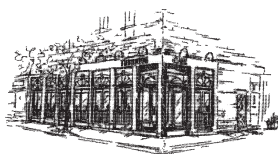
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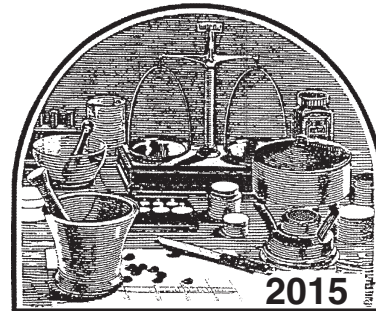
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It is a special fundraiser that my human companion is going to attend at the **Knights of Columbus** at 545 Medford Street, **Charlestown**, MA, next to the fire station, on **Friday, October 23, 2015** from 7:00-11:30 pm. This annual fundraiser is being held in memory of my beloved friend Robert Sorrentino, who at the age of four lost his battle with cancer. The name of the fundraiser is "Sorrentino Stompers" because Robert loved the characters from Toy Story. A little boy who had so much to offer in life, his memory has never left our hearts or minds since the moment he left us. He will always be remembered as a special gift to us. I can't begin to explain the effect this one child has had on me. I try to understand the concept of a small child having to lose his life to this deadly disease. We con-



tinue each year to keep his memory alive and to donate all proceeds to the Jimmy Fund. The Jimmy Fund was founded in 1948 and has since supported the fight against Cancer in children and adults at Boston's Dana-Faber Cancer Institute, helping to raise the chances of survival for cancer patients around the world.

Your support will help fund cancer research and treatment programs. Anyone interested in attending is welcome. There will be music, appetizers and an opportunity drawing. Costumes are encouraged, but optional. Tickets will be sold at the door.

**YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED AND IT'S ALL FOR A GOOD CAUSE**

Giving support to others is a wonderful feeling!  
*That's all for now!*

## Donne 2000 Mercatino-Italian Craft Fair

The Donne 2000 Mercatino-Italian Craft Fair will take place on Sunday, October 25, 2015 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Irish American Club, 177 West Street, Malden, MA. Admission and parking will be free. A Cash Bar will be provided.

Please join us in celebrating Italian Heritage Month with our first *Mercatino-Italian Craft Fair*. This event will feature hand-made crafts and gifts made by our very own members and other local vendors. It will be a great opportunity to purchase unique holiday gifts. Donne 2000 cookbooks, homemade pizzelle, cookies, panini and refreshments will also be for sale. There will also be cooking demonstrations of Italian foods. Proceeds of this event will benefit the Donne 2000 Scholarship fund and other local charities. Please contact Rita Susi for

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Saint Leodegar

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Saint Leodegar, also known as Saint Leger, was born in the year 615. He was the son of a high-ranking Burgundian nobleman, Bodilon, Count of Poitiers and Paris. His mother was Sigrada of Alsace, who later became a nun at Sainte-Marie de Soissons. He spent his childhood in Paris at the court of Clotaire II, King of the Franks, and was educated at the palace school. When he was older, he was sent to Poitiers to study at the cathedral school under his maternal uncle, Desiderius, Bishop of Poitiers. At the age of 20, his uncle made him an archdeacon.

Around 650, after he became a priest, and with the bishop's recommendation, Leger was made abbot of the monastery of St. Maxentius in Poitou, where he introduced the Benedictine rule.

He served Queen Regent St. Bathildis and helped her govern when Clovis II died in 656, and was named bishop of Autun in 663. As bishop, he reconciled the differing factions that had torn Autun apart, introduced reforms, fortified the town, and was known for his concern for the poor. On the death of Clotaire III, he supported young Childeric II for king against his brother Thierry, who had been



backed by Ebroin, mayor of the palace. Ebroin was exiled to Luxeuil and became a bitter enemy of Leger, who became Childeric's adviser. When Leger denounced the marriage of Childeric to his uncle's daughter in 675, he was arrested at Autun and banished to Luxeuil.

Childeric was murdered in 675, and his successor, Theodoric III, restored Leger to his See. Ebroin was also restored as mayor of the palace after he had the incumbent Leudesius murdered and persuaded the Duke of Champagne and the bishops of Chalons and Valence to attack Autun. To save the town, Leger surrendered. Ebroin had him blinded, his lips cut off, and his tongue pulled out. Not satisfied, several years later, he convinced the King that children had been murdered by

Leger and his brother Gerinus. Gerinus was stoned to death, and Leger was tortured and imprisoned at a Monastery in Normandy. After two years, Leger was summoned to a court at Marly by Ebroin, deposed, and executed at Sarcing, Somme on October 2, 679, protesting his innocence to the end. His feast day is celebrated on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.



ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo

Get Scary with LUSH for Hallowe'en 2015



Ciao Bella,

This is one of my favorite times of the year! I started getting my Hallowe'en costume together at the beginning of summer. You must be ready and plan or you'll be wearing your Nana's apron, carrying a spoon and pretending you're a cook or something last minute like that!

Here are some ideas to a spook-tacular season!

Get in the mood of the season with LUSH! Their new Hallowe'en limited edition products will help you to smell wickedly good and feel soft! This year, LUSH has packaged up a hanging Pumpkin Ball filled with luscious goodies as well as a hanging Bat Ball!

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The Bat Ball contains Nightwing Shower Jelly and a Fang-tastically zesty jelly that smells intoxicatingly delicious. It will brighten up those dark nights!

Lord of Misrule Shower Cream is an herbal wash with a mischievous earthy color! Your body will feel and smell good and will ward off the nightly ghouls!

So, everyone get ready for a spooky season with LUSH and get scared!

Buona giornata and God bless the United States of America!

— Mary DiZazzo-Trumbull

Read prior weeks' "All That Zazz" columns at [www.allthatzazz.com](http://www.allthatzazz.com). Mary is a third-generation cosmetologist and a Massachusetts distributor of Kosmea brand rose hip oil products. She may be contacted at (978) 470-8183 or [mary@mary4nails.com](mailto:mary@mary4nails.com).

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208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
Docket No. MI15P5352EA  
Estate of  
**JOHN J. TWOMEY**  
Date of Death August 14, 2015  
**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 Kathleen M. Paras of Chelmsford, 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 Kathleen M. Paras of Chelmsford, MA, be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 28, 2015.  
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. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
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# Columbus Honored in Waltham

by Sal Pinzone



**Waltham's Christopher Columbus Memorial, art by Angelo Urso, 1992.**



**Vinny Massa as Christopher Columbus with James Simeone and Sal Pinzone at the Waltham memorial in 1992.**

In early 1992, my father's friend James Simeone came into my restaurant as he occasionally did, and asked if we could talk for a minute or two. Since he had never before asked to talk to me in such a way, I said to myself, "What did I do?"

"Sal," he said, "this is the five-hundredth anniversary of Cristofaro Colombo's landing, and I have an idea to put a monument on the Waltham Common." I asked him if I had heard right, and he replied, "Yes."

Without going on forever, he knew of my friendship with the mayor and other politicians and we succeeded in making his idea a reality! This beautiful monument includes images of Columbus, a globe with his route marked, a scene of his sailing ships arriving in the new world, and a quincentennial commemorative message.

## Historical Societies to Tour the Blake House and Everett Square, Dorchester

Please join the Historical Societies of the North End and Dorchester for a special program on **Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am.**

The tour will start at of the oldest house in the City of Boston, built by James and Elizabeth Blake in 1661. This post-medieval, timber-frame house is a rare example of West England country framing in the USA. The Blake House, which originally sat to the west of the "Five Corners" in Dorchester, was once the center of a beautiful 91-acre estate. It was moved to its current location on the edge of Edward Everett Square in 1896.

After touring the Blake House, there will be a short walk to Everett Square to see the permanent, outdoor exhibition on the history of Dorchester. A combination of artwork, historical documents, and colorful informational panels will be on display.

Reply to [northendhs@gmail.com](mailto:northendhs@gmail.com) to reserve your spot today!

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The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
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Docket No. MI15P5351EA  
Estate of  
RITA A. MOGLIA  
Date of Death July 4, 2015  
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 Phyllis M. Petitto of Burlington, MA, requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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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. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 30, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
Run date: 10/9/15

### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
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(617) 788-8300  
Docket No. SU15P2418PM  
CITATION GIVING NOTICE  
OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT  
OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER  
PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT  
TO G.L. c. 190B, §§-304 & §§-405

In the matter of  
GERMAN RODRIGUEZ  
of E. Boston, MA

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Jaclyn Bamonte of E. Boston, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that German Rodriguez is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that some suitable person (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of November 5, 2015. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to this petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

WITNESS, Hon. JOAN P. ARMSTRONG,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: October 1, 2015

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
Run date: 10/9/15



The *Post-Gazette* in East Boston, located at 35 Bennington Street, has moved inside the Venture Realty Building, 343 Chelsea Street, in Day Square. The *Post-Gazette* newspaper can now be picked up inside Venture Realty. ... Pope Francis received a warm welcome to this country, but spoke very little on religious issues. Instead, the Pope chose to be political, addressing immigration and global warming as his top priority. We're all aware every country needs immigration in order to grow. However, American citizens would be delighted if immigrants who came here "were self-sufficient," and not come for the purpose of living off the taxpayers. Working Americans get tired, too. Don't they deserve a break from rising tax burdens??? The Pope, when addressing climate change, urged the world to phase out fossil fuels. Yet, in the heart of U.S. oil country, several Catholic Diocese are leasing out drilling rights to oil and gas companies. Church authorities receive a royalty from 15 to 20 percent of the value taken from the ground. Pope Francis also preached on economics, a subject he knows little about! On the subject of "distribution of wealth" the Pope spoke on, however well-intended, he evoked socialist fascist/communist values. What is not understandable, is that "the Vatican has enough wealth to feed the world

## Mrs. Murphy . . . As I See It

three times over," yet the Pope is urging the hard-working people of this country to "share their wealth" — enough said! ... Liberal politicians are putting children's lives at risk by rewarding women that have multiple children with different men to collect welfare, FREE health care, FREE housing, etc. Bella Bond is an example of a failed system. Bond's mother was receiving benefits while on heroin and not taking care of her children! When are the people of this country going to wake up and vote these liberal loony law makers out of office? ... Talk around Somerville! Somerville's mayor is coming under a lot of criticism for displaying a banner at Somerville City Hall reading "Black Lives Matter." Many Somerville residents are disgusted, and said the mayor would not be re-elected if someone ran against him. Problem is, no one dares! ... A large rally was held on the steps of the State House recently, "Blue Lives Matter" in support of law enforcement! The city needs to disperse these radicals trying to cause chaos. A policeman's job is to arrest those who break the law despite color, race or creed! ... In an attempt to give East Bos-

ton a yuppie look, the BRA Boston Housing Authority is asking all new businesses not to put up grates. But, needless to say, the crime in East Boston has escalated. It would be a wonderful world if we didn't need barriers to protect our property. However, in East Boston, locks and grates on businesses are very much needed! ... The Columbus Day Parade will be held in the North End. Enjoy the parade! ... Retired seniors who worked all their lives and contributed to Social Security will not be receiving raises next year for the third year in a row. Why is that? Our government wants to give a hundred and fifty billion dollars to Iran, "our enemy," but can't afford to give raises to the people who worked and contributed to the system ...The number of people receiving government assistance in this country is staggering. While there is a small percentage of people that truly need help, many of these so-called needy people drive SUV's, own big-screen TV's, their kids have cell phones, and many of the adults can be found in bingo halls, casinos, and buying scratch tickets! When will this corruption end! ... *Till next time!*

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• Italian American Heritage Month (Continued from Page 1)



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L-R: John A. Carroll, Chief Operating Officer of the East Boston Savings Bank presented scholarships to students Albert William Sauders, IV; Walter Geovany Galdamez; Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo and Consul General Nicola DeSantis.



Filippo Frattaroli presenting scholarship to Jude Macannuco.



Filippo Frattaroli presenting scholarship to Ericardo Edwards and Domenico Teker, Director of Education at the Consulate.



Awardee Tino D'Agostino and presenter Anna Quadri.



Awardee Dr. Francesco Cesare and presenter Francis Mazzaglia.

(Photos by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)



Superintendent of the Boston Police Department Frank Mancini and Boston Police Honor Guard.

mentioned for their intense diligence in their academics, with GPAs of 5.22 and 5.23, respectively.

Allesandro Lo Priore, president of Associazione Nazionale Carabinieri, attended this year for his 10<sup>th</sup> Kick-off event. "This year's a good turnout, one of the best I've seen in a while," said Lo Priore. "We are here for formal support of the Italian community."


"A lot of us are first generation, this means something very special to us," said attendee

Francis Mazzaglia. "The parents and grandparents with us wouldn't be here if it wasn't for their sacrifice."

DeLeo closed the night remembering the beliefs of his parents and grandparents and the Italian-American lifestyle. "How well it prepared me for a life of public service. One of our obligations as Italian-Americans is to help those in need. The word 'selfish' is not in our vocabulary," commented DeLeo. "We are proud to be Italian-American."



Isabella Constantino-Carrigian being presented the St. Joseph Society Scholarship from Rep. Paul Donato and Speaker Robert DeLeo.



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• Italy American Style Concert (Continued from Page 1)



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Jacqueline Atti performing at Italy American Style Concert.



Salvatore Atti sings opera at the Italy American Style Concert.



Saint Joseph



Fr. Antonio and Fr. Claude from St. Leonard's Church speak about honoree Al Natale.



BPD Officer Steve McNulty sings accompanied by Ray Cavicchio.



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Sharon Z performing at Italy American Style Concert.

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**BLUE BLOODS:  
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CBS+Paramount**

The Reagan family continues to serve and protect the streets of New York in the fifth tumultuous season of *Blue Bloods*. Oldest son Danny (Donnie Wahlberg) works to convict a national felon as well as resolve a dangerous hostage situation. Erin (Bridget Moynahan) faces numerous challenges as she navigates the judicial system, enduring the retrial of a woman she's already convicted, as well as enlisting the testimony of a protected mob informant. Meanwhile, Jamie's (Will Estes) desire to help lands him in a few troubling situations. No matter what difficulties they face, this is a squad that sticks together, protecting family before all else.

**CHUGGINGTON:  
THE BIG FREEZE (DVD)  
Anchor Bay Ent.**

It's wintertime and icy temperatures are causing all kinds of problems throughout Chuggington. The docks are covered by thick fog, the tracks are slippery, and haulers can't get in and out with their deliveries. When the town runs out of fuel and all diesel engines are grounded, it's wheels-to-the-rails as Chief Jackman and his team of brave chug patrollers work together to find a way to the frozen docks to retrieve fuel and get the town moving once again. Adventures have Fletch trying to repair the much-needed lighthouse all by himself, Calley testing to become a first responder, Brewster getting closer to being a Chuggineer, and more! Lessons about safety, responsibility and teamwork!

**LOVE & MERCY (Blu-ray)  
Lionsgate Home Ent.**

This remarkable story of The Beach Boys' genius singer-songwriter, Brian Wilson, is filled with the best of his musical masterpieces. Until now, few have known the truth behind his mysterious disappearance from the world's stage. Follow the unforgettable story of the pop icon who fell under the complete control of his controversial therapist, made an acclaimed return to music, and ultimately found his salvation through a chance meeting with the woman who became his wife. The cast includes John Cusack, Elizabeth Banks, Paul Giamatti, and Paul Dano as Wilson.

**THE JINX:  
THE LIFE AND DEATHS  
OF ROBERT DURST (2-DVD)  
HBO Home Ent.**

*The Jinx: The Life and Deaths of Robert Durst* spotlights Robert Durst, heir to a New York real estate empire, accused of three

murders over 30 years. Brilliant, reclusive and the subject of relentless media scrutiny, Durst has never spoken publicly — until now. The filmmakers' ten-year investigation ultimately reveals secrets that have baffled authorities for decades. Mr. Durst was arrested the day before the airing of the final episode.

**CSI: CYBER -  
THE FIRST SEASON (4-DVD)  
CBS+Paramount**

From cyber theft to virtual stalkers to Internet-connected murders, CSI's newest specialists are online and on alert to protect America from a new age of crime and a new kind of criminal. In Season 1, FBI Special Agent Avery Ryan (Patricia Arquette) uses her experience as a behavioral psychologist to lead the FBI's Cyber Crime Division and shake out the nameless, faceless enemies stalking victims online. She's supported by a crew of web experts at the Cyber Threat Operations Center, including ex-Marine and Special Agent Elijah Mundo, shrew analyst Daniel Krumitz, reformed blackhat hacker Brody Nelson, social media whiz Raven Ramirez, and FBI Assistant Director Simon Sifter. In 13 mind-blowing episodes, the team probes the "dark net," investigating the tech enemies who use the Internet to infiltrate and violate innocent people's lives.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
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Docket No. MI15P054EA

Estate of  
DOUGLAS ARTHUR FRIEDRICH  
Also Known As  
DOUGLAS A. FRIEDRICH  
Date of Death June 26, 2015  
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 Michael P. Friedrich of Concord, NH, requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
The Petitioner requests that Michael P. Friedrich of Concord, NH, be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 26, 2015.  
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. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 28, 2015  
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
Run date: 10/9/15

*The time has come, the walrus said,  
TO TALK OF MANY THINGS  
of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings*

by Sal Giaratani



Father Wayne and all the walkers posed for this photo prior to heading into Boston for the Make Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk after the Mass finished.

**ANOTHER NEWS SOURCE  
TO CHECK OUT**

Try checking out *eastboston.com* because East Boston Online is Eastie's website dedicated to all things East Boston.

**CROSSROADS SHELTER  
HOLDS RECENT  
FUNDRAISER**

The Crossroads Shelter in East Boston recently held its annual legislative breakfast on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Legislators from Beacon Hill heard transitional shelter residents and housing advocates lobby elected officials to preserve funding for homeless shelters like Crossroads. This fundraiser raised \$20,000 in support of services and programs. Never forget Crossroads, they need your support.

**SAYING A LOUD NO TO THIS  
NEW ALCOHOL TAX PLAN**

Recently, Boston City Councilors Frank Baker and Bill Linehan showed up in Dorchester at Hope House to present their idea for a proposed two percent alcohol tax to fund addiction programs to help folks like those in recovery at that site and many others across the city. The idea, they say, would generate more than \$20 million to combat what they called an "epidemic." Linehan stated that the idea is both fair and nominal.

However, I agree with Bob Luz, president and CEO of the Massachusetts Restaurant Association, that the proposed tax is not the answer. He added, "Raising the tax on a glass of wine or a bottle of beer is not going to solve the opiate problem in Boston." He's so right.

I believe, as Luz, that we need a comprehensive statewide solution to address the spike in addiction and that the additional two percent city tax should not be the first step. Boston already has a meals tax which generated more than \$120 million since its enactment.

Like Baker and Linehan say, drug addiction has become an epidemic. More taxes may sound good, but won't attack this issue, though.

**JIM COYLE MUSIC**

I love listening to good music. Recently, I heard Jim Coyle on stage at the Black Rose in the Quincy Market and he sounded great. He appears there often and is a club favorite. For more information, go to *jcoyle2000@yahoo.com*.

**MISSION HILL  
5K ROAD RACE**

Mossy Martin from the *Mission Hill Gazette* just informed me that the annual Mission Hill

Road Race to benefit Kevin W. Fitzgerald Park will be held on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Everything starts at 8:00 am. The event is organized by Mission Hill Neighborhood Services, Inc. Walkers start at 9:00 am and runners at 9:30 am at the St. Alphonsus Street Gate. Take the challenge. It is a hill of a run.

**PS: WHAT'S COMING  
TO ROSLINDALE?**

Watch the opening of PS Gourmet at 4258 Washington Street in Roslindale Square (the former Vourois Bakery location). If anyone out there is looking for work, why not try them at *psgourmetcoffee.com*.

There is always space for one more coffee shop, right?

**HAPPY 125<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY TIME**

Congrats go out to the Plumbers & Gasfitters Union Local 12 located over in Dorchester. October will find them over at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel celebrating their 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a union. Happy Anniversary to my brothers and sisters in the labor movement.

**BAKER SAYS  
IT IS ALL ABOUT KEEPING  
KIDS SAFE**

I certainly hope so, after the recent string of needless deaths of babies and little children. DCF just drops the ball over and over

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Middlesex Division  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
Docket No. MI15P5487EA

Estate of  
RAYMOND A. GREGOIRE  
Also Known As  
RAYMOND AMEDEE GREGOIRE  
Date of Death December 17, 2014  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Helen J. Gregoire of Stoneham, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.  
Helen J. Gregoire of Stoneham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.  
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and 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: 10/9/15

again. There is talk of changing the playbook. So far, not one person has been fired at this troubled state agency. Don't you think maybe it's not the playbook but some of the players running this agency whose mission it is to keep the kids safe?

**EASTIE MADE STRIDES  
AGAINST BREAST CANCER**

This past Sunday, Father Wayne, pastor at Sacred Heart Church, said a special Mass for all those who planned to participate in the annual Make Strides Against Breast Cancer walk on the Esplanade.

Over 50 walkers, including students, parents and staff from East Boston Central Catholic, took part in this year's fundraising walk to fight breast cancer.

Kudos to all of those who took part in this Walk this year.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
Docket No. MI12P0887PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF  
CONSERVATOR'S ACCOUNT  
In the matter of  
JESSICA B.M. SELBY  
of Waltham, MA  
PROTECTED PERSON/DISABLED  
PERSON/RESPONDENT

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the 3rd account(s) of Elizabeth Baum of Waban, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance.  
You have the right to object to the account(s). If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of November 2, 2015. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s).  
Additionally, within thirty days after said return day (or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court.  
You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the Petition and account(s) at no cost to you.

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

WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: September 23, 2015  
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
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**Zoo Howl at Franklin Park Zoo. For more details, see HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS section.**

## MUSIC

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**JACKIE EVANCHO** — October 23, 2015. Evancho dazzled American television audiences at age 10, gaining global recognition with her stunning debut on NBC's *America's Got Talent*. She was immediately signed to Columbia Records where she released a string of successful recordings including "O Holy Night," "Dream with Me," "Heavenly Christmas" and "Songs from the Silver Screen." She has since acted in Robert Redford's *The Company You Keep*, and performed as a special guest in Cirque du Soleil's *One Night for One Drop* benefit at the Bellagio in Las Vegas. She performed

the classic film song "Over the Rainbow" at the prestigious Songwriters Hall of Fame induction ceremony. Evancho performed before 100,000 people in Russia with opera stars Dmitri Hvorostovsky and Sumi Jo prior to the opening of the St. Petersburg Economic Forum, and has performed in Japan before the Royal Family at the Imperial Palace. Her first PBS special was one of the top pledge producing performances in PBS history. Her wide-ranging achievements caused Billboard to include her on its list of "music movers-and-shakers" under the age of 21 in 2011 and 2012.

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246 Tremont St., Boston, MA  
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[www.TheWilburTheatre.com](http://www.TheWilburTheatre.com)

**FRANKIE VALLI** — November 7, 2015. Frankie Valli, who came to fame in 1962 as the lead singer of the

Four Seasons, is hotter than ever in the twenty-first century. Thanks to the volcanic success of the Tony-winning musical *Jersey Boys*, which chronicles the life and times of Frankie and his legendary group, such classic songs as "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Walk Like a Man," "Rag Doll," and "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" are all the rage all over again. With the play in its seventh blockbuster year on Broadway, and five other casts performing *Jersey Boys* nightly from Las Vegas to London, the real Frankie Valli is also packing venues around the world.

**ALFIO IN CONCERT** — November 12, 2015. Italian-Australian crooner ALFIO brings a new approach to the tenor tradition. Beloved around the world for his modern interpretations of Italian standards, classical takes on contemporary chart-toppers, and original compositions that bridge musical genres.

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**PAUL ANKA** — December 11, 2015. Anka wrote "Diana," a love song, for the 18-year-old babysitter of his younger brother and sister. The song became America's top song in September of 1957. He wrote "Lonely Boy" for his mother, who died of a liver disease. To date, Paul has recorded 125 albums — including songs in Japanese, German, Spanish, French, and Italian — and sold more than 15 million worldwide. He wrote "My Way" for Frank Sinatra. He was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 1993. Anka discovered Michael Bublé, Corey Hart and David Clayton-Thomas. He was awarded a Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

## THEATER

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270 Tremont Street Boston, MA  
[www.CitiCenter.org](http://www.CitiCenter.org)

**JE'CARYOUS JOHNSON'S THINGS YOUR MAN WON'T DO** — October 22, 2015. Not so much a love triangle as a love square, this story tells the funny efforts that an emotionally unintelligent man must make in order to win back the love of his life. But when he enlists the help of his friend, he finds that there is another person in the race for this woman's affections. Rachel Braxton is one fed up woman. Despite giving her boyfriend Demetrius McAlister her time, money and her love, he simply won't commit. Instead, he is involved in a highly dysfunctional relationship with his cousin Katrina, who is a drama queen at the best of times, and wildly unstable at the worst. Rachel sees red and ditches him, much to his horror and disbelief. Realizing that he must get Rachel back, he enlists the help of his best friend Blake, a newly divorced psychologist who eagerly agrees to assist him. But as it transpires that Rachel is the one who Blake let get away, he decides that love trumps friendship, and uses his knowledge to win Rachel back for himself, doing all the things that Demetrius didn't.

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**ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW** — October 30, 2015. The story centers on a young engaged couple whose car breaks down in the rain near a castle where they seek a telephone to call for help. The castle is occupied by strangers in elaborate costumes celebrating an annual convention. They discover the head of the house is Frank N. Furter, an apparent mad scientist who actually is an alien transvestite who creates a living muscle man in his laboratory. The couple is seduced separately by the mad scientist and eventually released by the servants who take control.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**SHRINER'S AUDITORIUM**  
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**NORTHEAST COMIC CON AND COLLECTIBLES EXTRAVAGANZA** — December 5-6, 2015. A line-up of family fun including celebrity guests, KIDZ activities, cosplay, video games and holiday shopping. As a special event offering the largest selection of collectibles, geek crafts, comics, toys, comic art and pop culture artifacts for sale in New England, this show has become the holiday shopping show for nerds and the people who love them. Everything a fan or collector could possibly want that you could not find anywhere else, is displayed on over 300 tables from vendors travelling from 10 states. For complete details, visit the website.

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**INTIMATE ILLUSIONS** — December 26-27, 2015. Brilliant, hilarious & enthralling. World-renowned illusionist and entertainer Ivan Amodei delights in creating one-of-a-kind stage experiences using a blend of magnificent magic, music, drama and

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## DANCE

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617-478-3100

**www.ICABoston.org**  
**THIS IS TANGO NOW** — November 20-22, 2015. Presented by World Music/CRASHarts. Formed by renowned, Tony-winning tango artists Fernanda Ghi and Guillermo Merlo and musician Alfredo Minetti, *This Is Tango Now* represents a unique approach to tango, reflecting an unconditional passion for the art form. Featuring a stellar company of 12 dancers and musicians performing the world premiere of *Carmen ... de Buenos Aires*, this breathtaking new production of Carmen blends tango and flamenco with an original score based on Bizet's beloved melodies.

## HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

**ZOO HOWL AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO** — October 24-25. Franklin Park Zoo, 1 Franklin Park Road, Boston. [www.ZooNewEngland.org](http://www.ZooNewEngland.org)

Children throughout New England are invited to trick-or-treat among the animals. Thrills, chills, and animals lurk around every corner on the Trick-or-Treat Trail! Other haunted happenings offered throughout the day include: creepy crafts, ghoulish games, howling costume contests and a haunted maze! Be sure to take a hay ride at Zoo Howl!

**BOO AT THE ZOO AT STONE ZOO** — October 17-18. Stone Zoo, 149 Pond Street, Stoneham. [www.ZooNewEngland.org](http://www.ZooNewEngland.org)

Children throughout New England are invited to trick-or-treat among the animals. Thrills, chills, and animals lurk around every corner on the Trick-or-Treat Trail. Other haunted happenings offered throughout the day include: creepy crafts, ghoulish games, howling costume contests, and a haunted maze!

**BEACON HILL WITH A BOO!** — October 31. Boston By Foot, Inc., 77 North Washington Street, Boston. [www.BostonByFoot.org](http://www.BostonByFoot.org)

Beacon Hill With a BOO! is the Halloween walking tour of Beacon Hill featuring the murders, executions, ghosts and politicians of this seemingly quaint neighborhood.

**SALEM WITCH MUSEUM** — 19½ Washington Square North, Salem. [www.SalemWitchMuseum.com](http://www.SalemWitchMuseum.com)

The Salem Witch Museum presents one of the most tragic and enduring events in American history ... THE WITCH HYSTERIA of 1692. Interest in what happened 300 years ago remains high and in fact keeps growing. Their exhibit *Witches: Evolving Perceptions* traces the myths of this mysterious religion. From midwives and healers to witch hunts and Wiccans ... Do you believe in witches? Don't answer until you see Salem's most visited museum.

**WITCH'S WOODS** — Nashoba Valley Ski Area, 79 Powers Road, Westford [www.WitchesWoods.com](http://www.WitchesWoods.com)

Greater Merrimack Valley's original Halloween Screampark. Climb aboard Witch's Woods most popular attraction, the Haunted Hayride, and visit the Keeper's Crypt, Castle Morbid and Nightmare Mansion.

**FACTORY OF TERROR** — 33 Pearl Street, Fall River [www.FactoryOfTerror.com](http://www.FactoryOfTerror.com)

Factory of Terror is New England's premier haunted house. When you visit, be prepared to be scared out of your mind! Bring a friend, you'll see why! You will first enter a terrifying chamber and come face-to-face with the most horrific spine-chilling, spirit-filled rooms. This Factory has been idle since 1856 when the graveyard shift encountered the most terrifying mystery murder massacre. Yes, all 113 Factory employees were mysteriously murdered in an area of the Factory so large and creepy that the employees referred to this 30-room area of the Factory as Bloodworth Dungeon. Only one Factory worker barely survived the Bloodworth Dungeon massacre! However, he was admitted to the State Psche Ward where he soon died from mental torment after continuously repeating "Bloodworth Dungeon," "Bloodworth Dungeon," "Bloodworth Dungeon"... Now dare to enter this horrific area of the Factory that the midnight shift workers referred to as Bloodworth Dungeon and to this day haunts and terrifies any one that dares to enter.

**FRIGHTFEST AT SIX FLAGS NEW ENGLAND** Through November 1. 1623 Main Street, Agawam [www.SixFlags.com](http://www.SixFlags.com)

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**FEAR TOWN HAUNTED HOUSE** 1710 Fall River Avenue Seekonk, MA [www.Fear-town.com](http://www.Fear-town.com)

Fear Town Haunted House is a massive outdoor haunted attraction that is unlike anything you have ever experienced. Located deep in the woods at Seekonk Speedway, Fear Town will take you on a terrifying journey in and out of the run-down buildings that have been hidden for decades. As you progress through the trail, monsters will come at you from all angles to try and make you a permanent resident of the woods.

**TITANTIC MASQUERADE: HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY CRUISE** — October 31. Spirit of Boston, Seaport World Trade Center, 200 Seaport Boulevard, Boston [www.SpiritCruises.com](http://www.SpiritCruises.com)

There's no better theme for a Halloween party of monstrous portions than the majesty and tragedy of the Titanic. Grab your best ghouls and climb aboard the Spirit of Boston — if you dare — for the *Titanic Masquerade*, the ultimate Halloween dance party that summons the spirit of the doomed cruise liner complete with ghosts and ghouls that have risen from their watery graves. Costumes are required and masks are preferred on this 3-hour excursion aboard Boston's luxurious and massive two-decked yacht. Celebrate the spirit of the season with a monster mash of Boston's four hottest DJs spinning club hits throughout the many dance floors. Drinks will be available for purchase on board at a cash bar and, if you spring for the VIP ticket, you'll get priority boarding and have access to a special dance floor and DJ.

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# Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

*Sing-alongs*, after a federal judge ruled that the song "Happy Birthday to You" is no longer protected by a 1935 copyright. A California publishing company has raked in \$2 million a year enforcing that copyright.

*A taste of his own medicine*, after Donald Trump's #AskDonald Twitter feed was overwhelmed by thousands of negative comments about his comb-over and orange skin, as well as such questions as "When you deport all immigrants, where will your (Slovenian) wife be going?"

*Working out!* After the city planning board in exclusive Nantucket, MA, approved the construction of a new high-end fitness club that requires a \$120,000 initiation fee to join.

*Arachnophobia*. After an Indiana woman backing out of her driveway jumped out of the moving car when she saw a crawling spider on her shoulder, sending the car crashing into oncoming traffic. "I don't think we can charge her with reckless driving," said the local sheriff, "because she wasn't in control of the vehicle."

Doritos' launch of a limited edition "rainbow" chips as part of a campaign to combat suicides among LGBT teens has sparked a backlash. Critics declared a boycott of all Doritos, while conservative pundit Ed Stracker called the chips a "gateway snack" designed to entice children into becoming gay. "What business does (Doritos owner) PepsiCo have pushing homosexuality on our kids?" Stracker asked.

*Wow!* A Chinese man spent a night perched on a narrow ledge seven stories up after his lover's husband came home early. Police said that when the husband came through the door, his love rival clambered out the window and jumped to an adjacent ledge where he hid between two air-conditioning units. The man had been drinking, said a firefighter, which "gave him the courage to jump" to the ledge. When the husband left for work the next morning, the now sober man realized it was too dangerous to get back to the window, so his lover called the fire service to rescue him.

*Read carefully!* The gap in life expectancy between the rich and the poor is growing. An upper-income, 50-year-old man is now expected to live until 89. A lower-income man of that age has a life expectancy of 76. For women, the corresponding life expectancies are 92 and 78.

*Hot stuff!* The planet has just set three major heat records: the hottest August on record, the hottest June to August period on record, and the hottest year to date. Each record was broken by at least 0.18 degrees Fahrenheit, according to a report from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The year 2015 will "almost certainly" be the hottest year on record, NOAA said.

*Reminder!* The only person who's constantly wrong and still keeps his job is the weatherman.

Under President Obama, women and minorities were appointed to 53.5 percent of key

policy positions in the federal government. George W. Bush put women and minorities in 25.6 percent of the positions.

*From a recent poll:* 45% of U.S. Catholics attend Mass at least once a week. 19% attend monthly, and 35% say they attend less often or never.

*Well*, the Catholic churches always draw the largest crowds on Palm Sunday, Easter and Christmas. Some will refer to them as PECs.

*Gee*, 42% of Democratic primary voters back Hillary Clinton, up from 37% earlier this month. 24% back Bernie Sanders and 22% back Joe Biden.

Believe it was the brainy Kyle Waters of Boston College who once told me, in America today there is a surplus of food, a surplus of manufactured goods, and a surplus of people who think they know how to run the government.

Giuseppina, cosce storte, thinks all politicians fear high unemployment — they fear they may be next.

Proprio Stronzo says, "One thing about politicians — it's nice to know they can't all be elected."

*Be aware*, 52% of Republicans who watched the second GOP debate said that Carly Fiorina was the winner. Marco Rubio came in second with 14%. 31% thought Donald Trump did the worst of any candidate.

*Healthy stuff!* An influential task force of medical experts has sparked controversy by recommending that adults over 50 take a daily low-dose aspirin to prevent both heart attacks and colorectal cancer. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, appointed by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services, said its extensive review of data found that adults who are at increased risk of cardiovascular disease could benefit from daily aspirin use, even if they have not had previous heart problems. One study found a 22 percent reduction in heart attacks. A daily low-dose aspirin taken over 10 years also lowers the risk of colon cancer by up to 40 percent, the panel said. Many doctors, however, oppose daily aspirin for people with no prior history of heart disease on the grounds that the drug's anti-clotting effect can cause bleeding in the stomach, intestines, and brain, and possibly lead to strokes. But the task force, whose recommendation will have strong influence in the medical community, said the benefits of low-dose aspirin outweigh the risks, especially for people in their 50s with signs of heart disease or a history of heart attacks. Dr. Douglas Owens, a task force member, says, "If you're a person trying to decide whether to take aspirin, you'd want to be aware of all the potential benefits and the potential harms."

*This just in!* Olive oil lowers breast cancer. Following a Mediterranean diet rich in fruits and vegetables, fish, whole grains, and olive oil has been shown to protect against heart disease, stroke, and cognitive decline. New research suggests a version of this diet supplemented with



even more extra-virgin olive oil could also dramatically reduce women's risk for breast cancer.

*We like chocolate!* Well, let it be known, the Swiss eat more chocolate than any other nationality: 26 pounds per year per capita.

*Italian-American who set records in baseball* "The Yankee Clipper," Joseph Paul DiMaggio, the son of Sicilian immigrants in California, had a 56-game hitting streak in 1941, which still stands as the longest in baseball history. DiMaggio died March 8, 1999.

*There's no business like show business.* And so we do some reminiscing with the stately musicologist Al Natale. And from the mouth of Bette Davis! "I watched Barbara Stanwyck in *The Thorn Birds*. AUGH! It was painful! I should have played the part! She was supposed to be a passionate older woman in love with this beautiful young priest. She and Richard Chamberlain were completely miscast. He was just sexless, and Stanwyck had no fire or passion, not for a man in or out of the cloth. They made it into a farce."

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## Recipes from the Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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### LENTIL SOUP

2 cup lentils

6 cups of water

1 medium onion chopped

1 1/2 cups chopped carrots (optional)

1 1/2 cups diced celery (optional)

1 clove garlic (optional)\*

2 tablespoons canola oil or olive oil

1 cup small shells or elbow macaroni

Wash lentils. Combine first five ingredients in a two-quart saucepan. Add chopped carrots and diced celery (optional). Bring to a boil. Cover and reduce heat to prevent boiling over. Stir frequently. Add more liquid as needed. Salt to taste. Oil is added just before lentils are fully cooked. Cooking time about 40 minutes.

\*For a different flavor, add one clove of chopped garlic to lentils while cooking.

Follow directions on package to cook pasta of choice. Add lentils to cooked pasta and serve.

Lentil soup freezes well.

Serves two.

*NOTE: My love for Lentil Soup came early in life. Whether Mama added carrots and onions or not, I waited for the Ditalini pasta to be served with the lentils. Sometimes, Mama preferred to serve the small elbow pasta with this soup. At times she served us the lentils with thin spaghetti that she cut up into one-inch pieces before cooking. Now I find myself also varying the pasta for this meal.*

**David and Paul Gemelli and the  
GEM Team want to wish the entire  
Italian/American community and all  
our friends a HAPPY  
COLUMBUS DAY!**



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# Nanna & Babbonnonno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Due to my age and the issues associated with the health problems I've experienced during the past couple of years, I have been curtailing my involvements in most of the organizations I've been associated with. I haven't quit anything; I've decided to take somewhat of a back seat. As an example, I chose not to run for another two years as the state treasurer for the Sons of Italy. Two years ago was my 20<sup>th</sup> year coordinating part of the Columbus Day Parade in Boston. After that point in time, it just wasn't fun anymore, and I turned it over to Dean Saluti. He has been handling the procession of antique cars that are part of our festivities and he's doing a great job. He's even included Revere's parade as part of the OSIA involvement.

I have also taken a back seat with my involvement with the First Corps of Cadets, a Boston military organization that goes back to the days before we were a country. I have taken a back seat with the Boston English High School Alumni Association, an involvement that has always been close to my heart. I guess the only remaining organization that I'm tied up with in October is Italian Heritage Month. At this point, I am chairman of the board, and will stay in that position as long as they need me.

As of the 1<sup>st</sup> of this month, we are experiencing heritage month, Italian Heritage Month. We had our kickoff at the Senate Chambers at the State House, with Senate President Bob DeLeo handling the MC chores. Many of our organizational members spoke to the crowd that joined us for the kickoff. Bob DeLeo was followed by our secretary, Maria DiPietro, the Development Director at the East Boston Social Centers.

She was followed by our president, Jim DeStefano, former State President of the Sons of Italy. Next, the consul general of Italy, Nicola DeSantis, addressed the audience, followed by Steve Maio, the director of education for the heritage month committee. Then we heard from Tony Sestito, the current president of the Sons of Italy. Several acknowledgements were made by Senate President DeLeo, and included two individuals that I have known since they were infants. The first was Senator Sal DiDomenico, and

the second was Representative Sean Garballey from my home town. Sean told me that, just for the October 1<sup>st</sup> kickoff, he was going to put a hold on his Irish heritage and change his last name from Garballey to Garibaldi.

The evening continued with many documents being read that corresponded to the event and then several scholarships were given to students who had gone above and beyond in Italian studies. One of the scholarships was from the Frataroli family. Filippo and Donato Frataroli are in the restaurant business and have made quite the names for themselves with authentic Italian food. Filippo's and Lucia's in the North End are great. When no one is looking, I head to Lucia's in Winchester. Don't tell this to Barbara Summa. La Summa's is my favorite restaurant in the North End, and when I can get in town, I can be found there having dinner. But, I digress ... Filippo and Donato share their successes in life by awarding educational scholarships through us and we are proud of the alliance.

As I said earlier, I have been backing off on many of my involvements. In a conversation with Dean Saluti the other day, I expressed my respect and awe for our mutual friend, Lino Rullo. Lino is typical of many Italians who came to the United States. He became educated, went into business, became a success, and now shares his successes by belonging to many organizations that reach out to help others. By the way, Lino was one of the founders of the "October is Italian Heritage Month" organization.

You may ask, why did I get involved with the Sons of Italy and OIHM organizations? Well, way back when Dean and I started doing well in life, we discussed the aspect of giving back to the families we came from, and this meant the Italian communities we grew up in. Dean came from Quincy and I, as you know, from East Boston. Our discussions led us to establishing the Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge of the Order Sons of Italy in Massachusetts. How's that for a mouth full? We did it our way and, after more than 25 years, it still works and works well.

Babbonnonno had his storefront clubs that he belonged to. He would go from East Boston to the North End and back on

particular nights to play cards, shoot pool or imbibe with his friends. Italians weren't much for hanging around in pubs. The men liked the idea of private clubs and that is what those storefront clubs were and still are in those same neighborhoods. Nanna and several ladies from the old neighborhood would head for someone's apartment at night during the week and sip coffee that was accompanied by homemade biscotti. During these sessions, they would solve the problems of the neighborhood, at least among themselves.

Mom and the mothers of the kids from my generation had a similar ritual. The only difference was that the conversations were in English, and their concerns were of their children more than anything else.

Dad and my uncles had the Musicians Union and the Professional Musicians Club, two organizations I would become involved with when I was of age. As a matter of fact, one of the remaining founders of the PMC is none other than Al Natale, a name well known in the North End, due to his charitable nature. Al played trumpet and vibes in the old days, and when success reared its head, he shared it with the folks in the North End, the neighborhood he came from.

For around 25 years, Uncle Nick (my Godfather) was the vice president of the union. Dad was on the board for several years. This was their club, the organization that helped keep them from starving during the Great Depression. I once asked them both why they never got involved with the Sons of Italy. Many in their generation joined the Sons to network with other Italians (Italian-Americans) to help their careers along. The men in my family had to network with musicians at large, and in Boston this meant Jews, African-Americans, other Italians, and a variety of Heinz 57 who might play instruments, serenading the locals with everything from symphony to soul.

When I've been asked why I am backing off with my organizations, I usually refer to my age and tell whomever I am speaking with that it's time for the younger folks to take over. The example I use is that great outfielder of the San Francisco Giants (no names please) who stayed in the majors that one year too long and made a damn fool of himself. I can say these things due to the fact that I'm old and my birthday is this month...on the 21<sup>st</sup>. But, I won't tell you how old I will be. GOD BLESS AMERICA

## THOUGHTS BY DAN ABOUT THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso



### FALL & I: A Long Friendship

Summer is my favorite seasons, but fall is the one that most excites me because many of the things I look forward to all year come when the leaves begin to turn. Many of them are family traditions we have been doing since my childhood and others are new discoveries. But all of them make the season magical.

We kick off the season with our annual visit to the Togas Family Farm in Northborough. We've been to many apple farms over the years, but Togas remains our favorite. Having been going there since the '80s, I've seen it change over the years while still retaining its charm. Until recently, the first sight to greet you upon arrival was the small barn with goats, rabbits, and pigs, and the main diner. Now, visitors are directed toward the entrée point and from there to the iconic wagon ride to the orchards. We never leave the place without taking home a bag of their homemade cinnamon-covered donuts. But the best part always came afterward, and that was my Mom's apple pie. One slice of that and you would have no doubt that it is possible to taste a bit of Heaven here on Earth. How she does it, I don't know, but my mother's apple pie is one of the highlights of my year.

Apple picking is usually done at the height of the harvest season around late September and early October. As fall progresses, we find a weekend for our trip up to the White Mountains. This has become a tradition recently and the surrounding towns, like Lincoln, offer so much to do (Clark's Trading Post, a quaint Christmas shop) that it's bound to be part of our family routine for a long time. I was born and raised in the city and will always be a city boy. After growing up in the neighborhoods of Dorchester, the city is in my blood and I can never live outside of it. But that makes traveling out to the mountains all the more of a treat. It's a completely different world, consisting of nothing more than myself, my fiancé, my trusty 2001 Dodge Neon and Mother Nature's beautiful carousel of colors all around us.

Then comes one of my favorite getaways in all of New

England, Woodstock, Vermont and the nearby cities. I first discovered Quechee Gorge almost twenty years ago when I camped there with my Boy Scout troop under the glow of the Northern Lights. Since that day in October of 1997, I fell in love with the place and my family has visited every year since, usually on Columbus Day weekend when the foliage is at its most vibrant. I still love visiting the Cabot cheese place, the old early-American style diner, and the charmingly creaking old antique shop. But what keeps bringing me back to Woodstock every year are the colors, colors like you can't see anywhere else in the world. It's sites like the Quechee Gorge in autumn that remind me how lucky I am to be a New Englander.

By November we are getting ready for the holidays. Thanksgiving is always extra special in big Italian families like my own. The turkey is just the cornerstone for us. Before we even get to the famed bird, we go through a course of spaghetti, assorted meats in sauce, risotto. Then comes the turkey, which in itself is a feast, wrapped in bacon with a special stuffing consisting of ground beef and rice. After the turkey is consumed, we turn to coffee and pie as Macy's Parade supplies the background noise on TV.

Christmas Day is a day of feasting for us, but the real celebration starts on Christmas Eve. We always stay up until midnight, playing games, eating dinner, and exchanging gifts at midnight.

Time brings changes, moves, loss, and family growth. But Christmas remains the time for those that matter most in your life; it's been that way ever since my first Christmas and will always be.

Finally, fall TV is the best lineup. Besides sports, the most popular shows start a new season and new shows debut to fill my time between the highlights of the season. Summers are so short in New England and winters so harsh, it's hard not to mourn the loss of the good weather and its gentle breezes. But the magic of fall always gives us something to look forward to before winter blankets us once more.

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• News Brief (Continued from Page 1)

Great Britain. Putin sensing the growth of ISIS as being against Russia's best interests in the region, has now lent its full support to Assad in Syria, complete with military weapons, planes and tanks. He says he is ready to defeat ISIS.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch in Washington, DC, all we get are speeches. Secretary of State John Kerry is upset with the Russian action and wants to "de-conflict" the Islamic State without supporting Assad.

Recently, President Obama has been telling world leaders that you can't defeat ideologies like ISIS with arms but with better ideas. Sounds good on paper, but Putin isn't buying the White House spin.

To date, American Foreign Policy hasn't worked out that well over there, has it? We keep kicking out dictators and seeing even worse radical Islamists taking over countries and making matters worse for all.

Obama also believes that Islam remains a religion of peace and that those radicals out there are perverting Islam. Apparently, there is no such thing as radical Islam and if you believe there is, then you are ignorant, according to our commander in chief. When it comes to basketballs, Putin has a set but Obama doesn't!

Cutting GOP Hopefuls Down to Size

The next GOP presidential debate is being held by CNN. I hope this network decides to trim the field for the debate. Stop the early show, all those guys aren't going anywhere in the

2016 race. As for the main event, it is time to trim it down as well.

As far as I am concerned, there are six candidates who should be seen at this debate: Donald Trump, Ben Carson, Jeb Bush, Marco Rubio, Carly Fiorina and Chris Christie.

The rest of this pack has to go. Rand Paul has been absolutely brutal to watch. Ted Cruz is getting hammered by the presence of Trump in this race.

Boehner is Kind of Right

Too many of the GOP candidates are pushing their own version of snake oil, offering ideas and actions that are guaranteed to lose in the polls. Outgoing Speaker John Boehner calls them "false prophets." However, the leadership over the past five years have been false prophets, too. The Republicans promised after the 2010 elections they were going to turn America around. After the Republicans took back the Senate in 2014, Mitch McConnell said the same thing. Here we are, and one would think the Democrats still controlled both houses of Congress. Harry Reid is still looking like the strongest man up on Capitol Hill. He fights for everything he believes in without hesitation. The Republicans continue to sit back and look helpless. Speaker Boehner has been a terrible leader, as has homeboy Mitch McConnell. He needs to go, too.

Endquote

"Ben Carson comes off like a guy who grabbed the wrong thing at Bill Cosby's house."

— Jimmy Kimmel



# Gridiron Audibles

with Christian A. Guarino



Special Teams Miscues Costly in Loss to Duke

The first road trip of 2015 for Boston College and Head Coach Steve Addazio could have gone better.

Duke kicker Ross Martin connected on his three field goal attempts, enough scoring to beat the Eagles 9-7. The loss drops Boston College to 3-2.

The Eagles offensive woes continue to outshine and waste the defensive gems churned out on the other side of the football.

Quarterbacks Troy Flutie and Jeff Smith failed to complete a pass in the first half, going 0-for-9 collectively. "Both quarterbacks competed and tried to play," said Addazio. "They both delivered a spark to our team."

Things got only marginally better in the second half as the Eagles offense looked primed to have a breakout game. Unfortunately, misfires and missed opportunities continued to be the story of a half whose lone highlight came with 48 seconds remaining in the third quarter when Flutie found sophomore



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receiver Thadd Smith for a 66-yard touchdown. Smith finished the game with two receptions and 99 yards, but also had another touchdown taken off the board when he failed to secure a leaping catch in the second quarter. The controversial ruling only added to BC's day of misery.

And yet, in this game, BC's offense was nearly enough as the Duke offense suffered through the agonizing four quarters BC opponents have learned to expect. The second ranked rush defense limited Blue Devil runners to 33 total yards and came up big when it mattered most, stuffing the Blue Devils on four straight plays at the BC goal

line. However, quarterback Tom Sirk was effective as he passed for 195-yards while completing 18-of-36 throws.

With a chance to steal away the win, freshman Colton Lichtenberg sent his 50-yard field goal attempt short and to the left. The play only added to a sorry afternoon for the Eagle's special team unit, which also included a muffed punt return by Sherman Alston which was recovered by the Blue Devils, and a low snap which terminated a first half field goal attempt. "We had 7 points taken off and two missed field goals. 13 points we should have had" said a dejected Addazio during post-game interviews where he voiced his displeasure with everything from the overturned touchdown to the mishaps on special teams. "We needed to make just one more play and we couldn't. We had opportunities to kick field goals and we couldn't convert. Those ended up being critical."

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Estate of  
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Date of Death July 2, 2015  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Melissa Holly Forster of Newton, 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 Melissa Holly Forster of Newton, MA, be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 29, 2015.

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. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: October 1, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
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Estate of  
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JOAN P. JACOBS CURLEY  
Date of Death June 30, 2015  
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 Eileen Willett of Wilmington, 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 Eileen Willett of Wilmington, MA, be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 27, 2015.

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WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Stephanie M. Bailey of Lexington, NC.

Stephanie M. Bailey of Lexington, NC 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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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed General Bids for **MPA Contract No. AP1602-C1, FY 16-18 INSULATION TERM CONTRACT, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, Suite 209S, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909, until 11:00 A.M. local time on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015**, immediately after which, in a designated room, the bids will be opened and read publicly.

**NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT ONE HARBORSIDE DRIVE, EAST BOSTON, MA AT 10:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2015.**

The work includes **PROVISION OF LABOR, MATERIALS, TOOLS, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES TO REMOVE AND INSTALL INSULATION ON PIPE, DUCTWORK AND EQUIPMENT AT ALL MASSPORT PROPERTIES AT LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD.**

Bid documents will be made available beginning **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2015.**

Bid Documents in electronic format may be obtained free of charge at the Authority's Capital Programs Department Office, together with any addenda or amendments, which the Authority may issue and a printed copy of the Proposal form.

The estimated contract cost is **NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000.00).**

A proposal guaranty shall be submitted with each General Bid consisting of a bid deposit for five (5) percent of the value of the bid; when sub-bids are required, each must be accompanied by a deposit equal to five (5) percent of the sub-bid amount, in the form of a bid bond, or cash, or a certified check, or a treasurer's or a cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, payable to the Massachusetts Port Authority in the name of which the Contract for the work is to be executed. The bid deposit shall be (a) in a form satisfactory to the Authority, (b) with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth and satisfactory to the Authority, and (c) conditioned upon the faithful performance by the principal of the agreements contained in the bid.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and a labor and materials payment bond, each in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract price. The surety shall be a surety company or securities satisfactory to the Authority. Attention is called to the minimum rate of wages to be paid on the work as determined under the provisions of Chapter 149, Massachusetts General Laws, Section 26 to 27G, inclusive, as amended. The Contractor will be required to pay minimum wages in accordance with the schedules listed in Division II, Special Provisions of the Specifications, which wage rates have been predetermined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor and/or the Commissioner of Labor and Industries of Massachusetts, whichever is greater.

The successful Bidder will be required to purchase and maintain Bodily Injury Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance for a combined single limit of **\$1,000,000.00**. Said policy shall be on an occurrence basis and the Authority shall be included as an Additional Insured. See the insurance sections of Division I, General Requirements and Division II, Special Provisions for complete details.

This Contract is also subject to Affirmative Action requirements of the Massachusetts Port Authority contained in the Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action article of Division I, General Requirements and Covenants, and to the Secretary of Labor's Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Opportunity and the Standard Federal Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246).

The General Contractor is required to submit a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities prior to award of the Contract, and to notify prospective subcontractors of the requirement for such certification where the subcontract exceeds \$10,000.

Complete information and authorization to view the site may be obtained from the Capital Programs Department Office at the Massachusetts Port Authority. The right is reserved to waive any informality in or reject any or all proposals.

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Sealed General Bids for **MPA Contract No. A288-C6 FY 16-18 EXTERIOR AND ROADWAY SIGNAGE, TERM CONTRACT, ALL MASSPORT FACILITIES, BOSTON, BEDFORD, AND WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS**, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, Suite 209S, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128, until 11:00 A.M. local time on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015**, immediately after which, in a designated room, the bids will be opened and read publicly.

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The work includes: **TERM CONTRACT FOR EXTERIOR AND ROADWAY SIGNAGE AT ALL MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY FACILITIES LOCATED AT BOSTON, BEDFORD, AND WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS, ON AN "ON CALL, WORK ORDER" BASIS OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD. WORK INCLUDES REMOVAL OF EXISTING SIGNAGE; FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW SIGN PANELS, BOXES, FRAMES, FOUNDATIONS, AND SUPPORTS; REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING SIGN PANELS; AND MODIFICATION (IN PLACE) OF EXISTING SIGN PANEL MESSAGING.**

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The estimated contract cost is **FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$400,000).**

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In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this Contract, General Bidders must be pre-qualified by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and submit with their bid a copy of the current pre-qualification certificate issued by MassDOT. General Bidders must be certified in the classification of **SIGNING – STRUCTURAL**.

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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani



"Thanksgiving, I eat ravioli." — Yogi Berra

"I really didn't say everything I said." — Yogi Berra

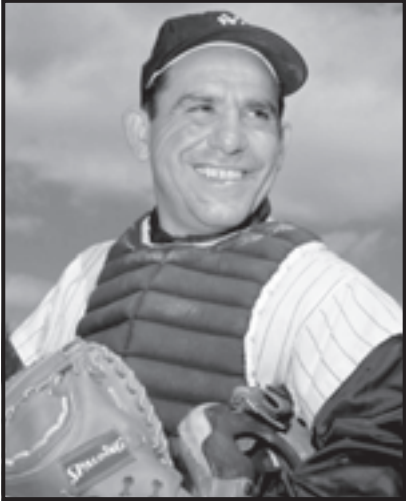
You know, the legendary NY Yankees catcher Yogi Berra had a habit of saying some of the most stupid things and, after a while, everyone waited on his newest way of misstating something. It became a big part of his overall legend status. Berra, 90, died on September 22, the same date as his big league debut 69 years earlier.

Did you know that the cartoon character Yogi Bear was named after Berra? Knowing him, I am sure he was a big fan of that Jellystone bear. The two quotes above are actually two sayings of his.

He may have been one of the most beloved baseball players in history and, as an Italian-American kid, he was one of us, too.

Over his long career, he amassed a huge number of awards, citations and plaques. He called them all "celebrity crapola memorabilia." Sounds like he had Donald Trump's filter before The Donald had it.

However, I digress. He was more than just a player who became renowned for his lovable, linguistically dizzy "Yogi-isms." He was also known for his 10 World Series championships with some powerhouse Yankees teams during his long career.



The *NY Post* had a great page one on him showing his photo with the words:"It ain't over 'til it's over!" He went to 14 World Series in his pinstripes during his 18 year career.

Berra was also a member of the Greatest Generation and served on a gunboat during D-Day in 1944. He started his Yankee days in 1946 and retired after the 1963 season. He played alongside other Yankee legends like Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Mantle and Whitey Ford.

Yogi was born Lawrence Peter Berra and got his nickname after going to a movie with other kids that had a yogi in it, and thus Yogi Berra was born. I

guess, like a yogi, he looked chunky and slow.

He reached Yankee Stadium in the late part of the 1946 season and homered in his first at-bat. His breakthrough season was 1948, the year I was born. He hit .315 with 14 homers and 98 RBIs. He won the AL MVP in 1951, 1954 and 1955. He holds the record for most World Series hits (71) and most games (75). He was an All Star fourteen times. He retired in 1963 and was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1972.

Berra was also a manager who led both the New York Yankees and NY Mets into the World Series.

The City of New York recently honored the late Yogi Berra by placing four stadium seats — two from Shea Stadium and a pair of original Yankees Stadium — at the City Hall entrance, with a Yankees pinstripe jersey bearing his No. 8 hanging above.

• Hoops & Hockey

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as an example of the classic player in today's NHL. "That guy competes, game after game, year after year after year. We want those types of players that are going to compete."

And so the competition begins — the jockeying and positioning that will hopefully lead to a berth in the Stanley Cup playoffs in the spring. Some teams will make it, some will not. Competition over the next six months will tell the tale.

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## Boxing



## Ringside

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## The Zen of Boxing



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I have been around boxers all my life. I've gotten to know hundreds of fighters and have spent quite a bit of time speaking with them, getting to know them, and making friendships with them. In the past couple of years, as we have gotten older, the conversations I have with them have become more reflective. One of my favorite topics is discussing what their motivation was for first stepping into a boxing gym. The answers vary, but I did seem to find a common theme among a number of them.

Just about every other sport available to young men involves joining a team: Little League Baseball, Pop Warner Football, hockey, and so on. All of these are good ways for youth to learn the lessons of working together,

sharing responsibility, and being a part of something bigger than themselves. It also allows for the sharing in victories as well as failures. Sure, there are times when one player will get the glory for pulling out a victory for the team, or get the blame for blowing it (just ask Bill Buckner), but it still comes down to the team working together to make things happen. It is said over and over again that there is no "I" in team.

Boxing is very different. When a young man first walks into a boxing gym, he knows he is not there to join a team. What he is going to have to do is confront himself. He is going to have to deal with his fears, his victories and his failures all on his own. If he loses a fight or even has a bad sparring session, he will not be able to point the finger at a teammate. The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat are owned by the individual.

Alan Sillitoe wrote a book published in 1959 titled "The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner." I often think of how appropriate a similar title would be to describe a boxer: "The Loneliness of the Boxer." When that bell rings and the lights go down and the boxer steps forward to face his opponent, there is no other sport that comes close to evoking the emotions that erupt within him. He moves forward with no team to look back on for help or support. He is in



Stillman's Gym, NY.

the ring with only two other people: his opponent, who wants to knock him senseless, and the referee who is on nobody's side. This isn't about moving the ball up the field or striking out a batter. This comes down to the most basic of human instincts: survival. The emotions aroused, just as the sport itself, are primitive.

Many of the guys I have talked to about their motives for taking up boxing told me they were shy kids who didn't feel comfortable playing on a team. They felt insecure and wanted to face their fears. The boxing gym seemed like the best place to go for that. Just about every one of these former boxers have told me their lives were changed because of their experiences with boxing; that they learned more about themselves through the Manly Art of Self Defense than in any other activity they took part in.

A boxing gym is truly a paradoxical place. It is a venue where controlled violence is taught. Where the participants spend hours practicing moves and conditioning themselves so they may inflict head trauma on their opponents. It is a place where a young man will have to deal with his fear and his fight-or-flight response to it. Where he will inflict and feel pain.

But, the boxing gym is also oddly Zen-like. Boxing forces a person to become self-reflective, to look deep within himself to confront his demons and, oddly enough, to find a certain inner peace. It is a violent world, but also one of serenity. This may all sound a bit strange, but if you have been there you will know what I mean.

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## HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



Training camp is over and by the time you read this, the Bruins will have taken their first steps into the regular season, a period of discovery that traditionally commences around Columbus Day Weekend and extends through to Thanksgiving.

Bruins President Cam Neely is a firm believer in the theory that how a team fares in the first six weeks or so generally determines how it will finish in April.

He indicated that the team's coaching staff and front office executives have looked at past performances and that they confirm the validity of the concept.

"We've tracked in the past and by Thanksgiving, if you're in the playoff picture, generally by the end of the year, you're still going to be in the playoff picture," stated Neely. "Of course, this time around we have a lot of younger players that I think will develop over the course of the year. I think we'll see the team improve over the course of the season. And we still have enough players that have been around the game long enough — and are really good NHL players — that I think can bring those new guys along at a quicker pace. I feel we can have a really strong start because of that. With the group that we have that's new and the group that we have that's returning, I'm excited to see us get going in the regular season."

Neely added that he thought the training camp and pre-season games were positives for the team. Younger players were vying for a number of jobs that were available and veterans could not take camp too easy.

"Players were looking at pushing for jobs, especially on the back end. Even with the forward group, we had some kids come in and push for jobs."

Some made the team and others were sent to the B's American Hockey League affiliate in Providence — but are able to be recalled at a moment's notice if situations warrant.

"It's important to have those players throughout the organization that are going to push for jobs," noted Neely, who added that those players who are in reserve only about an hour away may make some players in Boston feel "a little less safe, which is always a good thing. I think competition is key, it really is. You know, you never like to see anybody become complacent. If you have competition coming from below, it's hard to get complacent."

Neely added that while he did not want to create any expectations, the goal of the franchise is "to compete for the Stanley Cup so we'll see how the season

plays out." As distinct from prior campaigns of recent vintage, the B's have the ability to make a significant addition or two around the trade deadline to improve their roster for a possible chase for the Cup.

"We have some cap space which we haven't had in a while," said Neely. "So we have opportunities down the road where we can do something to help us improve. I really feel we have guys that want to compete for the Cup. We'll see where things go throughout the season. But I like the fact that that we have opportunities to improve if need be. It's a lot easier to do that when you can add without having to subtract."

Neely also said that he likes the change to the 3-on-3 in the five-minute overtime that is making its debut throughout the NHL this season.

"I've never been a big fan of the shootout, so anything you can do to get rid of shootouts is fine by me." He noted that in preseason games, the B's tried different combinations — such as playing three forwards or two forwards plus a defenseman.

"It's important to try those things. The line changes are going to be important and making sure you hit the net, because we've seen play go the other way and the game ends pretty quick."

During his playing days, Neely was never one to step away from a confrontation. He admits that the trend throughout the NHL is away from fighting now, although he still feels "it is part of the game. But I've never been one that enjoyed a staged fight. I never saw a purpose for that. I didn't think that was necessary."

Back when he was with the B's, Milan Lucic said one night that fighting "is what got me noticed" when he was playing junior hockey in Canada. Neely says those days are on a downward spiral.

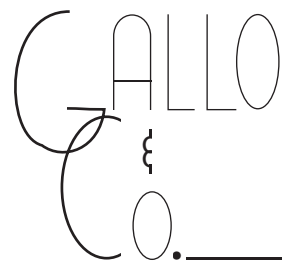
"Gone are the days when that's how you're going to get in the league — by fighting. You have to be able to play. The coaches across the league want to know that they can put a guy out there that can chew up some minutes and create some offense. That's what you're seeing, especially on fourth lines."

He added that in today's NHL, physical play means, "I want our guys to compete. We don't need someone to put someone in the fifth row. But we want our players to compete for pucks, be strong on pucks and to take the body when it's there."

Neely cited Patrice Bergeron

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