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Veterans Day November 11th Shank You!

Veterans Day Celebrated in Boston 1946 — Do You Remember?



A large crowd celebrating Veterans Day in 1946 in front of the Parker House on School Street in downtown Boston with Mayor John F. Collins (1960-1968 - seated), Pat Barrasso (4th from left), and Phil D'Alessandro (2nd from left). How many people do you recognize in this photo?

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Soros Gets Blasted by Musk

Billionaire Elon Musk launched a new attack against George Soros arguing that the 93-year-old Democrat mega donor erodes "the fabric of civilization." Musk, who earlier this year compared the Holocaust survivor to the X-Men super villain Magneto, blasted him for bankrolling progressive soft-on-crime prosecutors.

News Reporting Now a Crime?

Illinois reporter Hank Sanders received a ticket for asking too many questions. Officials in Calumet City say Sanders, a *Daily Southtown* reporter, violated ordinances by repeatedly asking public employees for comment on flood problems.

The three notices sent to Sanders refer to the alleged violations as "interference/hampering of city employees," the *Chicago Tribune*, the parent company of *The Southtown* reported. Sanders reported on October 19th that consultants had told Calumet City officials their storm water facilities were in bad shape prior to historic rainstorms in September.

WanaBana Lead Alert

WanaBana voluntarily recalled all its apple cinnamon fruit puree pouches after the FDA warned that they contained "extremely high concentrations of lead." The federal agency said it found the metal in WanaBana's apple cinnamon fruit pouches after the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services launched an investigation.

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Boston City Council *Election Results*



Ruthzee Louijeune



Erin Murphy



Julia Mejia



Henry Santana

Erin Murphy, and Julia Mejia



Bridget Nee-Walsh



Shawn Nelson



Clifton Braithwaite

Bostonians voted on Tuesday, Securing their November 7th, to re-elected City Councilor at-Large incumbents **Ruthzee Louijeune**, Securing their term.

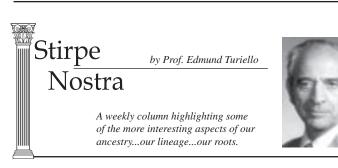
Mayor Michael Louiseune, Securing their term.

securing their seats for another term.

Mayor Michelle Wu backed left-leaning at-large candidates were elected to the remaining

four seats: Newcomer **Henry Santana** won the fourth open seat with 32,902 votes (16%),

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CHOW DOWN IN OLD ROME, Part II



The dining room in the house of the more affluent Roman citizen was called the "triclinium" and was usually twice as long as it was broad. The supervision or superintendence of this room was entrusted to a slave who was called the "tricliniarcha." He and his "tricliniarii" (assistants) were responsible for the maintenance and order of the room.

The name triclinium was taken from the three reclining couches which were a part of the normal furniture in any well-organized dining room. Each couch was designed to accommodate three persons who dined, by tradition, in a reclining position. Nine persons were the designated number for a Roman feast, however, if the room was large enough additional guests might be invited and other groups of nine could be set up around a second or third table. Invited guests usually arrived in a litter carried by their slaves. A "nomenclator" announced the guests upon their arrival and showed them to their places on the triclinia in accordance with a system of protocol. At least one of the slaves attended his master by first washing his feet and later by serving his food during the evening hours. During earlier times, women and children sat on stools near the couches, but in later years, the women took their places beside their men on the triclinia.

Dining in a reclining position was an oriental influence and one to which westerners found it very difficult to become accustomed. After being accepted, it was considered to be a mark of social distinction. Slaves were permitted to recline like their masters only on holidays.

The "toga" was probably the most awkward and uncomfortable garment to wear under normal walking conditions or in the daily routine and it was virtually impossible to wear during the cena. It is understandable then, that for the purpose of this meal, taken in a reclining position, a special undress garment called the "synthesis" was devised. This synthesis was nothing more than a long tunic with sleeves, not good looking, but practical.

The three reclining couches in the triclinium were arranged in a U-shaped pattern around a central "mensa" or table. One side or approach to the table was left open for serving. All of the guests lay flat on their stomachs, crosswise on the sloping couches, with their arms towards the food table. "Ministratores" (waiters) brought in the dishes which were placed on the tables and the guests shoveled in the food with a minimum of effort. They were furnished with knives, spoons and toothpicks, but forks were unknown. Most of the food was eaten with the fingers and this, of course, required that hands be washed before the start of the meal and after each course. Slaves assisted by pouring perfumed water over the hands of the diners and then wiping them with a towel. Napkins were spread out in front of the diners so as not to soil the couches. It was quite common for a person to bring his own napkin in order to take home any of the food that he did not have the time or the strength to consume and also for gifts which the host frequently gave.

NEXT WEEK:

Chow Down in Old Rome —Part III





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An open letter from The Italian American Alliance Denouncing Anti-Semitism and the Atrocities of October 7, 2023

In Italian lore, there is story told of a landowner who pleads with his neighbor to help him repair a wall along the river which is rising in heavy storm. Without a pause, the neighbor agrees and explains to his family. "It's enough that he is my neighbor, but I also know that the flood will not stop on his land."

The Italian American Alliance, a group of over 7,000 Italian Americans who support social justice for all, publicly denounce anti-Semitism and the scapegoating of Jews that has been exacerbated by a complicit press, universities, schools, social media, the lawless streets and even the halls of government.

We recognize that in America such scapegoating has become more than a projection of unwarranted blame on almost any imaginable group or idea which does not comfortably fit into some egocentric standard. It is also a tactic that is used to marginalize those who hold different views and force new standards through intimidation and

violence with a goal of establishing a new social order. This is evident in the attacks on almost anything which reflects the history and promise of America.

We stand firmly against the terror attacks against Jews in this country and the atrocities that have been inflicted on people in Israel on October 7, 2023.

The Italian American Alliance stands for the rule of law, tolerance, and inclusion of all. We support the right of all Americans to honor and share their heritage. We are also cry out against individual and group silence that seems to pervade this Nation when its historical and philosophical foundations are attacked.

The Italian American Alliance believes that an attack on this Nation's values is an assault on the bedrock of this Country and we call upon all Italian Americans — indeed, all Americans — to defend its unique place in the world by rejecting the forces who would tear it apart.

Dr. Domenic G. Amara, Chairman
James DiStefano, President
Thomas Damigella, Exec. Vice President
Dr. Dean Saluti, Vice President
Virginia Gardner, National Chapter President

RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD (RAB) PUBLIC MEETING FORMER NAVAL WEAPONS INDUSTRIAL RESERVE PLANT (NWIRP) BEDFORD, MA

Regarding: Status of Navy's Continuing Cleanup Actions
Date/Time: Thursday November 16, 2023, starting at 7:00 p.m.
The Navy will hold a hybrid (in person and virtual) RAB meeting on
Thursday November 16, 2023, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

To attend the meeting in person it will be at the

Bedford Town Center Building Flint Room, 2nd Floor, 12 Mudge Way, Bedford, MA

To attend the meeting virtually it is being held online

Meeting Link: https://teams/Bedford%20RAB%20Meeting%2023

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The meeting will include a presentation specific to the ongoing environmental cleanup activities for the Environmental Restoration sites at former NWIRP Bedford. The cleanup is being conducted under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, also known as "Superfund". The meeting will include a summary of the current status of the ongoing remedial actions implemented at the environmental restoration sites. Representatives from the U.S. Navy, U.S. EPA, and MassDEP will be available to answer questions during the meeting.

Reports on environmental actions are made available to the public through the Navy's Administrative Record (AR) File for former NWIRP Bedford. The AR File contains data and documentation supporting past site decisions regarding the Navy's environmental restoration cleanup of former NWIRP Bedford. The AR File for former NWIRP Bedford is available electronically at:

$https: \!\!/\!\! administrative\text{-}records.nav fac.nav y.mil/?ML6J_U3JG4XM3TL.$

A copy of the AR File is also placed in a binder (called the AR File CD Binder) that is updated yearly and is available at the Bedford Public Library (located at 7 Mudge Way, Bedford, MA 01730). For more information on the Administrative Record or about this public meeting, please contact NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic Public Affairs at (757) 341-1410/11 or email NAVFAC_ML_PAO@ navy.mil.

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from Your Family In Our Hearts Forever

Stephen M. Vozzella

May He Rest in Peace

Stephen M. Vozzella, 45, died Wednesday October 25, 2023, as a result of the mass shooting in Lewiston, Maine.

Steve was born in Malden, Massachusetts, on November 18, 1977, the son of Albert Vozzella, Jr. and Karen Bowen Vozzella. He attended elementary school at Beverly School for the Deaf, and High School at North Shore Vocational School, graduating with the class of 1996.

Steve worked as a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service in Boston from 1998-2022 and then in Lewiston from 2022 until his passing. After being together for 14 years and having

one daughter, he married Megan Danforth on November 12, 2022.

Steve was a member of the New England Deaf Biker Group, with the Massachusetts Chapter. He loved bowling and was a member of the men's league at Town Lane Center in Malden from 2007 to 2021 and participated in tournaments all over. He played softball with the National Softball Association for the Deaf until a knee injury forced him to stop playing in 2015. For the last 3 years, he has enjoyed playing in a cornhole league in Lewiston with several Deaf friends. He also loved camping with his family and friends, going ATV riding with friends, and going on road trips with his wife and daughter. Steve was a huge New England sports fan and loved the New England Patriots, Boston Bruins, Boston Celtics, and Boston Red Sox.

Steve was predeceased by his father, Albert Anthony Vozzella, Jr. and mother, Karen Jill Bowen Vozzella, as well as Grandparents Vozzella and Grandparents

Steve is survived by his wife, Megan Danforth Vozzella; his children, Andrew Vozzella and Bella Vozzella; his twin brother Nicholas Vozzella and partner Christina; brother Anthony Vozzella; sister Jennifer Belmonte and partner Tommy; uncle Robert Vozzella; aunt Candance Bowen; and cousin Michael Bowen. He is also survived by his in-laws, Bruce and Donna Danforth; sisters-in-law, Carrie Danforth and partner Jasan, and Bethany Danforth and partner Doug; along with many nieces and nephews and his best friends, Christine Chiofilo, Steven Richards-Kretlow and Kyle Curtis. Steven and Kyle were survivors of the mass

Steve's presence, humor, and love will be missed by his family and Deaf

Family and friends are invited to attend visiting hours from 5 to 7 pm on Friday November 10, 2023, at Chandler Funeral & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 AM on Saturday November 11, 2023, at Saint Catherine of Sienna, 32 Paris Street, in Norway. Afterwards, a celebration of life will be at the Oxford Hills High School Cafeteria at 256 Main St, South Paris, Maine.

Robyn Dell'Orfano

October 14, 1957 - October 26, 2023



We are saddened by the loss of my cherished sister Robyn Dell'Orfano, who passed on October 26, 2023 at home in the North End of

Robyn is the beloved daughter of the late Mario and Annette Dell'Orfano. She is adored by her nephews Mikaya and Isaiah (Emma) Dell'Orfano. Throughout her illness she was surrounded by family and compassionate friends.

Robyn fought a courageous battle for 2.5 years. She had an amazing care team at MGH and very comforting nurses along the way. We are grateful.

Robyn dedicated over 30 years at Commercial Union Insurance where she worked as a systems

analysist. There she forged treasured friendships. In 2005, she studied and embarked on a career as a surgical technician in the OR.

The morning shift was not her style, so she followed her dream and opened her own boutique. For 14 years she lived her passion. She created some beautiful bonds in a quaint shop on Prince Street

Robyn also loved rescuing animals and finding proper placement. She has found many happy homes for 4-legged friends and her beautiful pup Siena is just one of her many successful missions.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Please join us in a Celebration of Life for Robyn Dell'Orfano November 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Waterman Langone Chapel 580 Commercial Street, Boston, MA

Mayor Wu Announces Next Steps to Enhance Coastal Resilience in East Boston

project that will span multiple private properties to tecting our residents from the danger of flooding." protect the East Boston community from current and future flooding.

facilitation, and engagement support for this ience strategy solely on private property. The City released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to design justice community.

Through this process, the City seeks technical specific site needs, and reflects the community's we need action." priorities for open space and waterfront access.

borhood without being harmed by coastal flooding and its effects," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "I'm work toward our mission to protect East Bostonians from the harms of climate change through coastal resilient development and supports."

The focus area will extend from approximately Umana School, involving private properties beproject area and its surroundings fall within statedesignated environmental justice block groups. the MBTA Blue Line, are at risk.

"The City of Boston is committed to prioritizing the flood risks in our coastal neighborhoods," climate impacts in our City. The core of our coastal on Boston's environmental justice neighborhoods.

The City will launch the first coastal resilience resilience work on Border Street will focus on pro-

Design work will focus predominantly on the water's edge and complete a range of design con-Mayor Wu announced that the City of Boston cepts that could successfully protect the area from is seeking proposals to build climate resilience flooding while holistically reflecting the needs and for the central Border Street waterfront in East desires of the East Boston community. The design Boston. Under this procurement, the City will process will explore opportunities for coastal resilaward up to \$1.5 million for technical services, ience infrastructure that reduces flood risk while working within the Designated Port Area boundary project. Identified as a critical flood risk area in that spans the majority of the project area. With the Coastal Resilience Solutions for East Boston (Phase combination of green infrastructure, such as trees, I), this is the first Climate Ready Boston project to bioretention features, and porous paving, and gray advance the design of a district-scale coastal resil- infrastructure, such as elevated structures and seawalls, the City aims to deliver multiple benefits to the East Boston community. These benefits include coastal resilience strategies on a near-term flood improving stormwater management, reducing the pathway to protect residents in an environmental urban heat island effect, and enhancing connectivity along and access to the East Boston waterfront.

"District One is the perfect spot to launch this services to complete engineering assessments and initiative dedicated to funding for coastal resilience, site investigations, landscape design, and permit-recognizing the sheer amount of coastline to protect ting as well as facilitation support to work with the right here," said City Councilor Gabriela Coletta. property owners, the East Boston community, and "East Boston is uniquely vulnerable to coastal state agencies. The City aims to develop coastal reflooding and this initiative is vital to protecting silience strategies that reflect the needs of diverse residents in the Maverick Central area. Boston's stakeholders and community members by facili- coastline is vital to our culture and economy and tating a process that provides long-term flood risk we must engage in district-wide coastal resilience reduction, allows property owners to incorporate because the climate crisis is real, it's here now, and

"This initiative is going to protect not just a few "It is critical that we equip East Boston with parcels of land along the water, but whole areas of climate-resilient infrastructure to ensure that the nearby neighborhood - from Maverick Landing generations of residents can thrive in the neight to Atlantic Works - from flooding in the near future,' said Sal Colombo, Deputy Director of East Boston Community Development Corporation. "We could excited to release this request for proposals and not be more excited that Mayor Wu and her administration are prioritizing this type of resiliency work in East Boston, where we are facing the threats of climate change every day."

This work builds on Mayor Wu's Green New Deal 40 New Street/60 Border Street to the Mario and the City's priority of creating resilient and thriving communities. Last month, the City of Boston tween Border Street and the water. The entire was awarded a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) grant of \$330,500 to advance the design of coastal resilience strategies extending along When this area floods, surrounding residences, Bennington Street in East Boston and Frederick's businesses, and critical infrastructure, such as Park in Revere. The City of Boston has also completed coastal resilience plans for Boston's 47-mile coastline, including neighborhood-level studies in East Boston, Charlestown, Downtown/North End, said Reverend Mariama White-Hammond, Chief of Dorchester, and South Boston, Additionally, Climate Environment, Energy and Open Space. "Residents Ready Boston released the 2022 Heat Plan that in East Boston bear a disproportionate burden of outlines 28 strategies to address the effects of heat

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

November 11th, A Day of History and Harvest

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

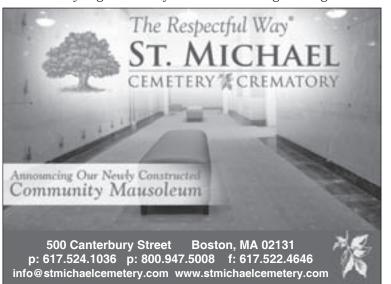


November, probably far more than any other month, embodies a multifaceted range of characteristics and qualities. One side of November encompasses the frenzied threshold to the holiday season. Advertisements set to the tune of tinny jingle bells or featuring a jolly, smiling Santa Claus overtake our television sets and billboards. Shopping centers are already wrapped in evergreen boughs and twinkling electrical lights. However, the other side of November remains its most immediately recognizable. This side involves the grav skies of early winter, the cranberrycolored leaves strewn across the ground, as tree branches stand bare, and the plaintive cries of geese streaking across the heavens as they migrate south. We are often in too much of a hurry to jump into the gaiety of the festive aspect of November that we forget to appreciate the month's unique beauty. November, in all its chilly and hushed glory, offers us a chance to reflect on the past, to ponder on our memories, to express gratitude for our loved ones and the blessings in life. November even contains a date that seems tailor-made for honoring the simultaneous somber and communal nature of the month. It is November 11th, a day which demonstrates to us all that is meaningful and powerful about this time of the year.

As a history teacher, I always try to bestow upon my students an appreciation for the sacrifice and dedication of the men and women in our armed forces, living and dead, past and present. I tell them that it is important to honor Veterans Day, the most well-known commemoration occurring on November 11th. Originally called Armistice Day, Veterans Day began as a way to

mark the anniversary of the end of the First World War, when peace was declared on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Nowadays, this holiday functions as a reminder of the sacrifices our veterans, of all wars, have made on behalf of our country. Often, my veteran co-workers organize a school assembly that includes speeches by those who have witnessed the horrors of war firsthand, patriotic music by the school's band and chorus, and poignant recollections from veterans of all ages. This event endeavors to foster gratitude towards our brave veterans, and it is my hope that, hearing about warfare through the words of those who have experienced it, my students will be more likely to strive for peace. Veterans Day is also a solemn occasion, honoring the men and women who died in the line of duty. This fits into the very history of November, a month that ancient Europeans distinguished as a time to commemorate the dead. When vegetation withers and the air turns gray and cold, our minds wander to thoughts of mortality and memory. This Veterans Day let us keep the sacrifices of all our veterans forever in our minds and let us offer thanks for the freedoms they protected and enabled. Moreover, let us always ensure that this sense of honor and gratefulness for our military does not end on Veterans Day, but continues all year long.

November 11th also holds a European festival celebrated since the Middle Ages. St. Martin's Day, commonly known as Martinmas, honors the fourth-century French bishop St. Martin of Tours. Across Europe, Martinmas blended religious significance



with agricultural importance, as it marked the end of the harvest season and the beginning of winter. Martinmas celebrations boasted feasts of seasonal foods and boisterous family reunions. In Central Europe and Scandinavia, people dine on goose, often stuffed with the autumnal chestnuts. This meal commemorates a well-known legend about the humble St. Martin, who supposedly hid in a goose pen when he was reluctant to receive the position of bishop. In Germany and the Netherlands, costumed children collect sweets and coins in lantern-bearing processions, while people in Poland enjoy croissants filled with poppy seeds and almond paste. Italians celebrate Martinmas, or il Giorno di San Martino, by sampling the year's new wine. One of my father's favorite proverbs was "San Martino, si fa il vino", meaning that wine is made on St. Martin's Day. Another proverb, "San Martino, castagne e vino," states that chestnuts and wine can be expected at Italian Martinmas celebrations. These proverbs reveal the Italian affinity for seasonal delicacies and traditions hearkening back to olden agricultural days of society. I always make pumpkin gnocchi, from the inimitable book Festa by Helen Barolini, and bake cinnamon-swirl bread for Martinmas. As the scent of warm spices like nutmeg permeate my cozy kitchen, I cannot help but feel a special connection with my Italian ancestors who battled the darkness of the encroaching winter with communal meals and the love of family. Martinmas is a special November feast precisely because it embodies all the varied aspects of the month: it reflects on the harvest and the start of winter, but it also presages the joyous goodwill of the holiday season. November brims with many

delights and much symbolism, even though many people view it as nothing more than a stepping-stone to December. However, November can be the most rewarding of months if we recognize its wondrous details. The wintry sights of red and brown leaves dancing across a cloudy sky and the yellow burst of an early sunset encourage us to reflect on the cycle of the year as the current one draws to a close. Cold, dark evenings beckon us home to the loving embrace of friends and family. November 11th is a date which allows us to ponder the meaning and the pleasures of this month. On Veterans Day, we honor the bravery, courage, and selflessness of our military men and women, carrying a sense of gratitude that should remain with us all year long. On Martinmas, we honor the generosity of the harvest and invaluable time spent with family, friends, and a good meal. These joint commemorations show us that underneath November's bleak air, we will find a treasure trove of love, warmth, and joy.

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



Housing Over-Development Big Issue in Eastie

I am quite concerned about all the overdevelopment that is being pushed onto East Boston with the apparent blessing of the Board of Directors of the Boston Planning and Development Agency.

The latest project (2 Shawsheen Road Project) received the green light from BPDA and is now reportedly calling it a blessing that will supply much needed affordable units and open space. BUNK!

This project will bring 57 units into this neighborhood right off Saratoga Street with two buildings. One building will consist of 35 affordable rental units and the second building will have 22 homeownership units (condos). The rental building will feature 14 parking spaces for 35 units, meaning there will be at least another 21 units without parking included in the monthly rent. Where shall these folks park? How about

renters who have two cars? We know they will be searching for a nearby on-street parking spot.

I noticed in the article no mention of height, but the developers are saying most people won't even realize how tall the two buildings are with the development's building design work, which apparently will keep folks unable to see reality. How dumb do these developers think we are?

Of course, this development got the green light by the BPDA, even though the Orient Heights Neighborhood Association voted the project down 37-4. BPDA apparently does what it wants when it wants to do it. Why do neighborhood folk even go to these public hearings, they never seem to hear us? They only hear what they want to hear.

The band plays on, but it's not music for our ears.

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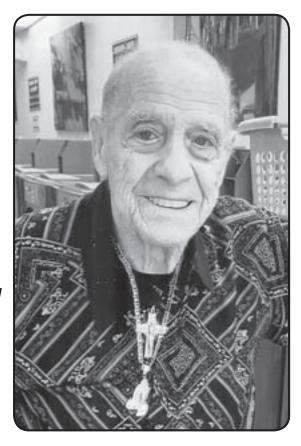
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BOSTON PARKS DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES Annual Holiday Lightings

Mark your calendars and prepare to join the Boston Parks and Recreation Department to celebrate the holiday season with their 2023 schedule of lighting celebrations in City of Boston parks. Please note that due to ongoing construction there will be no Copley Square tree lighting this year.

Lighting of the Trellis at Christopher Columbus Park Monday, November 20, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

110 Atlantic Avenue, Boston

Located on Boston's historic waterfront and stewarded with help from the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park, the site will be transformed into a beautiful holiday display when the park's 260 feet of trellis are illuminated with 50,000 blue lights along with 14 decorated trees near Tia's, the Marriott Long Wharf Hotel, and throughout the park.

The Nova Scotia Tree for Boston Arrives Tuesday, November 21, 11:00 a.m. **Boston Common**

Boston's official 2023 tree arrives on Boston Common by flatbed truck from Nova Scotia. The public is welcome to cheer the tree's arrival with candy canes and an appearance by Santa.

Lighting of the Ship at Martin's Park Saturday, November 25, 4:00-6:00 p.m. 64 Sleeper Street, South Boston

The third annual lighting of the ship at Martin's Park celebration will be held at the Smith Family Waterfront. Martin's Park is a climate-resilient park built in memory of Martin W. Richard—the youngest victim of the Boston Marathon bombings—that provides a space for children, families, and visitors of all abilities. The park includes a ship as the centerpiece of its play structures that will be lit for the holidays.

Boston Common Tree Lighting Thursday, November 30, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Boston Common**

Boston's official 2023 Christmas tree from Nova Scotia will be lit at the close of a two-hour celebration beginning at 6 p.m. and broadcast live on WCVB Channel 5 starting at 7 p.m. This is the 52nd year that a tree has been donated by Nova Scotia and commemorates 106 years of friendship with the people of Boston. The tree will be lit at approximately 7:55 p.m.

Lighting of the Trees on the Commonwealth Avenue Mall and Charlesgate Park

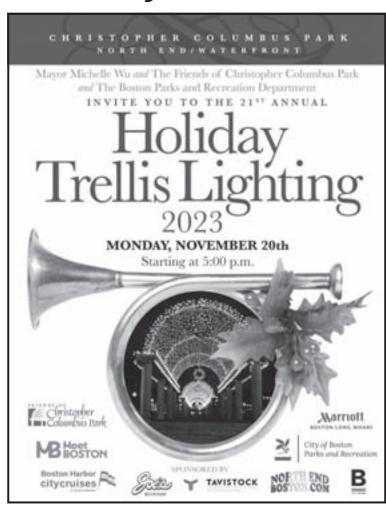
Thursday, November 30, 8:15 p.m.

Arlington Street and Commonwealth Avenue, Back Bay

The Boston Common Tree Lighting will be followed immediately by the lighting of Commonwealth Avenue Mall, courtesy of the Friends of the Public Garden. The Emerald Necklace Conservancy and Charlesgate Alliance are building on this annual tradition and bringing their signature emerald green lighting to the Charlesgate Park block of the Mall for the third consecutive year. For the first time this year, the lights on the Commonwealth Avenue Mall will extend to Kenmore Square.

Visit bit.ly/LightsOnBos for more information about the season's festivities. To stay up to date with news and events in Boston parks, sign up for our email list at bit.ly/Get-Parks-Emails and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

Don't Miss the Trellis Lighting Ceremony! Monday, November 20



The lighting of the Columbus Park Trellis is one of the most special nights of the season.

Please join us for the 21st Holiday Trellis Lighting on November 20th at 5 p.m.!

In addition to the sparkling blue lights bedecking the trellis, you'll enjoy delicious food and fun entertainment, including:

- Warm and Cozy Clam Chowder from Joe's Waterfront
- Delightful Hot Chocolate and Cookies from Marriott Long Wharf
- Yummy Drakes Cakes
- Rich and Creamy Eggnog from H.P. Hood

We're delighted to announce our wide variety of musical entertainment! Both the Holiday Show Students and Community Holiday Choir will join us from NEMPAC, as well as Pitch, Please!, a Northeastern University a cappella group, and singer Phaedra, who will perform two holiday songs.

Last but certainly not least, be sure to say hi to Santa and Rudolph and let them know

LEGAL NOTICE

WATERTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY 55 Waverley Avenue Watertown, MA 02472 **ADVERTISEMENT TO BID**

The Watertown Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the 667-3 Replacement of Fire Pump and Controller, #321092 in Watertown, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Norian/Siani Engineering.

The Project consists of: Replacement of Fire Pump and Controller

The work is estimated to cost \$200,000.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.l49 §§26 to 27H inclusive.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILLNOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at www.biddocsonline.com. Tutorials and instructions on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online (click on the "Tutorial" tab at the bottom footer).

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the following category of work, **Fire Protection**Sprinkler System, and must submit a current DCAMM Certificate of Eligibility and signed DCAMM Prime/General Contractor Update Statement.

General Bids will be received until 2:00 PM on Friday, 8 December 2023 and publicly opened online, forthwith.

There is a walkthrough scheduled for November 29, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at 100

Filed Sub-bids for the trades listed below will be received until on and publicly opened online, forthwith.

SUBTRADES

NONE

All Bids should be submitted online at www.biddocsonline.com and received no later than the date and time specified above.

General bids and sub-bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than five (5%) of the greatest possible bid amount (considering all alternates) and made payable to the Watertown Housing Authority.

Saint Guido Maria Conforti

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Guido Maria Conforti was born in Casalora di Ravadese, Parma, Italy, in 1865, the eighth of ten children of Rinaldo and Antonia Adorni Conforti. He attended an elementary school run by the De La Salle Brothers from 1872 and each day on his way to the school he would stop by the church of Santa Maria della Pace, his parish church, this was when his vocation became apparent. He later recalled: this is where "I looked at the image

of Jesus and He looked at me and seemed to say so many things.'

Although his father would have preferred that he stay and manage the farm, Conforti enrolled in the seminary in Parma in November 1876. He was ordained to the priesthood on September 22, 1888 at Fontanellato and then served as a professor at the local seminary. He became the Vicar-General of the Diocese of Parma on March 7, 1896. Conforti established the Xaverian Missionaries on December 3, 1895. The organization received the approval of Pope Leo XIII on December 3, 1898. In 1899, he sent the order's



first missionaries to China. Leo XIII appointed him Archbishop of Ravenna in May 1902.

In 1907, he became Bishop of Parma. He traveled to all parishes via horseback or other means to inspect his diocese. He had a particular focus on religious education. Conforti is said to have provided the initiative behind Pope Benedict XV's encyclical Maximum illud, issued on November 30, 1919. That document is called the Magna

Carta of modern Catholic missionary work.

Conforti travelled to China in 1928 to visit the Xaverian Missionaries working there. He arrived in Shanghai on October 26, 1928 to inspect their work. He returned to Parma and fell ill in October 1931. He passed away a month later and he was interred in Parma. His tomb was later relocated in 1942 and in 1996 he was beatified by Pope John Paul II and proclaimed a saint by Pope Benedict XVI, October 23, 2011. He is the founder of the Pious Society of St. Francis Xavier for Foreign Missions. The Feast Day of Saint Guido Maria Conforti is November 5th.

• Boston City Council Election (Continued from Page 1)

Bridget Nee-Walsh (12%), Shawn Nelson (5%), and Clifton Braithwaite (5%).

Ruthzee Louijeune finished first with 43,127 votes, followed closely by Erin Murphy at 42,476, giving them 20% apiece. Julia Mejia received 38,529 votes (18%).

John Fitzgerald, backed by former Mayor Walsh, defeated Joel Richards by a 59-41% margin in District 3 wining the seat formerly held by Frank Baker, who did not seek re-election.

Enrique Pepén secured a seat as the new District 5 councilor, defeating Jose Ruiz by a 53-47% margin. The seat was formerly held by Ricardo Arroyo.

Benjamin Weber defeated William King 61-39%

District 6. The incumbent in that district, Kendra Lara was bumped out in the primaries.

Incumbent Tania Fernandes Anderson held onto her District 7 seat, defeating former at-large councilor Althea Garrison by a 71-29% margin.

Sharon Durkan held onto the District 8 seat that she won in a special election over the summer, defeating Montez Haywood 71-29%. Liz Breadon defeated Jacob Debelcourt by a

margin of 67-33% in District 9. Unopposed candidates:

District 1: Gabriela "Gigi" Coletta

District 2: Edward M. Flynn District 4: Brian J. Worrell



28th Annual Christmas Program for North End Children Only

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING WITH GIFTS FOR ALL THE NICE BOYS & GIRLS.

on Sunday, December 10th from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at St. Agrippina's Chapel at 459 Hanover Street

- All who wish to attend please call 617-363-2678 between November 20 and December 3rd. To confirm you must supply your child's name, age, gender, address and phone number so that we can report to Santa's elves.
- Please, you must confirm no later than December 3rd. All children 10 and under will receive a picture with Santa and a gift. Children must be present & accompanied by an adult. Also: Face Painting, Balloons, Characters, Gift Bags. Please Bring a Camera!
- **★** Saint Agrippina's Christmas Program is for North End Residents Only.



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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

The Great Boston Fire

On Saturday November 9, 1872 The Great Boston Fire, Boston's largest fire began in the basement of a warehouse at 83-87 Summer Street, and was finally contained 12 hours later. The fire consumed about 65 acres of Boston's downtown, 776 buildings and much of the Financial District and caused \$73.5 million in damage (equivalent to \$1.513 billion in 2021) at least 30 people died, including 12 firefighters.



1872, there was no strictly

enforced building code in Boston. The streets were narrow and the buildings were close together. Many of the buildings were too tall for fire ladders to reach the upper levels, and the pressure from the fire hoses was often insufficient to extinguish flames on the roofs of the buildings enabling the fire to spread from rooftop to rooftop, and across narrow streets. Many of the affected buildings were made of brick and stone, but with flammable wooden framing. Mansard roofs were a common architectural trend of that time, their steep pitch allowed for more storage; however, these roofs are flammable due to their wooden construction.

Following the fire, a citizen-formed committee urged Boston to restructure the layout of roadways in the damaged areas. Boston officials approved of this proposal, and many downtown streets were re-established to be wider and straighter; most notably, Congress Street, Federal Street, Purchase Street, and Hawley Street were widened. The restructuring allotted space to establish Post Office Square at the intersection of Milk, Congress, Pearl, and Water Streets. Some of the rubble from destroyed buildings was moved into the harbor to expand Atlantic Avenue. In less than two years, Boston's Financial District was rebuilt.

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OR

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With Homemade Stuffing, Gravy & Cornbread

Dinner Includes: Mashed Potato Choice of Vegetable: Corn or Butternut Squash Choice of Dessert: Slice of Apple or Pumpkin Pie



Spinelli's Will Cook Your Thanksgiving Dinner!

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Please Place Your Orders Before Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Order by Phone or Drop by Spinelli's East Boston

Open Thanksgiving Day 8:00am - 1:00pm

Spinelli's is looking forward to having Thanksgiving with you!

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after November 25, 2023 beginning at 9:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices

> 2012 NISSAN VERSA VIN # 3N1CN7AP2CL866523 2009 BMW X3

VIN # WBXPC93469WJ27616 2006 AUDI A6 VIN # WAUEH74FX6N115784

2009 HYUNDAI ELANTRA VIN # KMHDU46D89U805673

2011 HONDA ACCORD CROSSTOUR VIN # 5J6TF2H55BL005620

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

Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23C1158CA In the Matter of **MONICA RYAN**

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME A Petition to Change Name of Adult has

been filed by Monica Rvan of Watertown. MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Charlotte Nicole Hilton. IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of November 22, 2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 25, 2023 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run Date: 11/10/2023

Must-Have Gifts for Your Favorite Gardener

Every gardener, new or experienced, appreciates tools to help them better enjoy their hobby. Some may be looking for ergonomically designed tools to help them garden longer while newbies may need some basic tools as they are getting started. A peek in their shed may help you decide which must-have tool to give them this holiday season.

Every gardener needs a bypass pruner for deadheading, trimming, and pruning stems between 1/4" and 1". Bypass pruners have two sharp blades, like scissors, making a clean cut that closes quickly.

Bypass loppers allow your gift recipient to cut larger diameter branches and long handles for greater leverage and long reach. The extra reach makes it easier to prune all parts of small trees, shrubs, and roses. Consider gifting one with a compound cutting action that boosts cutting power with less effort.

If your favorite gardener doesn't have one, your gift of a weed knife, also known as a Hori Hori knife, will soon become a favorite tool. It is useful for cutting through sod and roots, planting small bulbs, digging weeds and so much more. Select one like Corona's Hori Hori Garden Knife with a ComfortGel grip (www.coronatoolsusa.com) to help reduce muscle fatigue. The metal runs all the way through, providing added durability and leverage. Include a sheath so they can keep this universal tool handy whenever working in the garden.

Digging small holes for planting in containers and garden beds is a seasonal reality and a hand trowel is the perfect tool for the job. Gift a new durable trowel or upgrade the existing one. Look for one that is sturdy, lightweight and has an ergonomic grip.

A long-handled pointed shovel is a versatile tool. You can plant, transplant, dig holes, and more. Look for one with a foot pad to help reduce foot fatigue and shoe damage. Avid flower gardeners may prefer a short-handled spade that makes working in tight spaces easier. Perhaps your gift recipient needs both.

With an expandable leaf rake, you can adjust the width of the teeth, allowing you to reach into tight spaces or cover larger areas. An iron rake is great for moving soil and one with a bow head makes it easier to adjust the depth.

For something different, consider an auger bit, available in a variety of lengths and bit diameters. Attach this to a cordless drill and you have the perfect tool for planting bulbs and small transplants, aerating soil, and vertically mulching planting beds.

Perhaps you're just looking for a few stocking stuffers. Safety glasses are a must but are often overlooked. Help them protect their eyes from stray branches and debris when in the garden. Tinted ones will also protect eyes from UV light, providing an added layer of safety when



Weed knives, like this Hori Hori knife, are multi-purpose as they can be used for cutting through sod and roots, planting bulbs, digging weeds, and more.

(Photo courtesy of Corona Tools)

gardening in the bright sunlight.

Make it easy for them to keep their tools sharp with the gift of a tool sharpener. Sharp tools make cleaner cuts and require less effort, allowing them to garden longer. A small sharpener with a cap allows them to keep it handy in their tool caddy or scabbard. If they have easy access, they are more likely to use it to keep their tools in the best cutting order.

Drop a pair of snips in their stocking and they are sure to thank you any time they deadhead a flower, snip off a wayward or dead stem, or harvest herbs and flowers. This is another tool gardeners appreciate duplicates of - one for the kitchen and one for the garden.

Keep them gardening longer throughout the day and for years to come. Gift a kneeling pad or knee pads that protect young and old joints while kneeling in the garden to plant, weed, and more.

Tools make a wonderful gift that will provide years of enjoyment and benefit. Whatever gift you select, your favorite gardener is sure to thank you each time they head to the garden.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Corona Tools for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Docket No. MI23D2965DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** LEISHLA DELACRUZ

vs. JOSE ANTONIO DELACRUZ

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Leishla Delacruz, 402 Rindge Ave., 21C, Cambridge, MA 02140 your answer, if any, on or before November 29, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.. Date: October 18, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 11/10/2023



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RINGO STARR - REWIND FORWARD (10" Vinyl) UMe

Ringo Starr's fourth EP, Rewind Forward, is released worldwide on digital, CD, and 10" vinyl and available for streaming everywhere. The EP features 4 new songs: "Shadows On The Wall," "Feeling The Sunlight," "Rewind Forward," and "Miss Jean." Rewind Forward was written with Ringo's engineer, and oft co-writer, Bruce Sugar. Starr collaborates with old and new friends — including longtime All Star Steve Lukather and his Toto bandmate Joe Williams who wrote the opening track "Shadows on the Wall"; Paul McCartney wrote, "Feeling the Sunlight." I had asked him if he had a song or would write one for this EP, a week later, he sent the track over and he's all over it — which is great — playing everything"! For the fourth and final track, "Miss Jean," Ringo collaborated with Mike Campbell of the Heartbreakers. "This was the first song Mike has ever written for me, which I loved. I put drums on it and sang it and he put everything else on it."

PORTRAIT OF ART FARMER (Vinyl) Contemporary Records

Portrait of Art Farmer, returns to vinyl for the first time in decades, thanks to Acoustic Sounds and Contemporary Records. A standout title in Art Farmer's prolific catalog of work, the 1958 album features the iconic jazz trumpet player in a quartet setting, alongside pianist Hank Jones, drummer Roy Haynes and his twin brother and bassist, Addison Farmer. Revered for his lyrical phrasing and inviting tone, Farmer's artistry shines particularly bright, as he performs a blend of moving standards (Ray Noble's "The Very Thought of You," Jerome Kern's "The Folks Who Live on the Hill" and George Russell's "Nita," among them) and originals ("Back in the Cage" and "Earth"), presented in a tip-on jacket.

PHINEAS NEWBORN, JR. - A WORLD OF PIANO (Vinyl) Contemporary Records

A World of Piano! from Phineas Newborn, Jr. Originally from Memphis, the pianist began his career in R&B, playing as a sideman for the likes of B.B. King and Jackie Brenston and recording at the legendary Sun Studios. Shifting to jazz, Newborn relocated to New York and then to Los Angeles, where he was well into his career as a leader when he released his 1962 debut with Contemporary. A worthy showcase for Newborn's uncanny talents, A World of Piano! pairs the pianist alongside bassist Paul Chambers and drummer Philly Joe Jones, as well as bassist Sam Jones and drummer Louis Hayes. Together, the trios soar through standards (Sonny Rollins' "Oleo," Billy Strayhorn's "Lush Life," Dizzy Gillespie's "Manteca," plus selections by the likes of Horace Silver, Charlie Parker, and Clifford Brown. Long out of print for decades.

WES MONTGOMERY & WYNTON KELLY TRIO – MAXIMUM SWING (2-CD) Resonance Records

Maximum Swing: The Unissued 1965 Half Note Recordings is the first official release of the complete previously unissued recordings from jazz guitar giant Wes Montgomery with the Wynton Kelly Trio at the famed Half Note jazz club in New York City in 1965 with drummer Jimmy Cobb and bassists Paul Chambers, Ron Carter, Herman Wright, and Larry Ridley. Including over 2 hours from the original radio broadcasts with host Alan Grant, the deluxe 2-CD set is mastered by Matthew Lutthans and comes with a multipage booklet containing previously unpublished photos taken at the Half Note by Raymond Ross; plus a new essay from acclaimed journalist and author Bill Milkowski; interviews with jazz legends Herbie Hancock and Ron Carter, who both recorded with Wes; guitar icons Bill Frisell and Mike Stern; plus bassist Marcus Miller, who is Wynton Kelly's cousin! 2023 marks Wes Montgomery's Centennial (born March 6, 1923). Now Wes Montgomery fans can hear the rest of the music from the Half Note that was only broadcast on the radio nearly 60 years ago. Track Listing: CD 1 (September 24, 1965) — "Laura," "Cariba," "Blues," (November 5, 1965) "Impressions," "Mi Cosa," "No Blues," (November 12, 1965) — "Birks' Works," "Four On Six," and "The Theme. CD 2 (November 19, 1965) — "All The Things You Are," "I Remember You," "No Blues," (Late 1965) — "Cherokee," "The Song Is You," "Four On Six," "Star Eyes," and "Oh, You Crazy Moon."

LES McCANN: NEVER A DULL MOMENT! – LIVE FROM COAST TO COAST (1966-1967) (3-CD) Resonance Records

Never A Dull Moment! — Live from Coast to Coast (1966-1967) is a previously unissued collection of live recordings of unsung piano and vocal icon Les McCann captured at the Penthouse jazz club in Seattle, January/February, 1966 with Stan Gilbert, Paul Humphrey and Tony Bazley; also including recordings by Resonance founder and co-president George Klabin from the Village Vanguard on July 16, 1967 with Leroy Vinnegar and Frank Severino. This deluxe 3-CD edition includes a multi-page booklet with rare photographs and two sets of liner notes by music journalist A. Scott Galloway and author/historian Pat Thomas. CD 1-Tracks 1-7 recorded at the Penthouse Jazz Club in Seattle on January 27, 1966. CD 2-Tracks 8-10 recorded at the Penthouse Jazz Club in Seattle on February 3, 1966, Tracks 11-12 recorded at the Penthouse Jazz Club in Seattle on February 10, 1966, Track 13 recorded at the Penthouse on August 15, 1963 with Victor Gaskin (bass and Tony Bazley (drums). Les McCann - piano, Stanley Gilbert - bass, Paul Humphrey - drums, Tony Bazley - drums (Feb. 10, 1996). CD 3-Tracks 14-21 recorded at the Village Vanguard on July 16, 1967. Les McCann - piano. Leroy Vinnegar - bass, Frank Severino - drums.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

THE GREAT NORTHEAST BLACKOUT

Are you old enough to remember the Great Northeast Blackout back on November 9, 1965? I was a senior at Boston English at that time.

It was a Tuesday evening and I was working my after school job at the Green Shoe Factory in Roxbury on Harrison Avenue. All of a sudden all the lights went out everywhere. Everyone was told to exit the building. When we opened the doors to the street we saw it was dark everywhere. It all seemed so spooky.

The world would stay black the rest of the evening and into the night. The only lights on were the MBTA stations because the trains were still running with the lights on because the T had its own power source. People searching for light ran to train stations drawn to them by the lights all on there.

Everyone went to bed in the dark and when we awoke in the morning, all the lights were on in our apartment, everyone's apartments. It was then and only then that we heard about what had happened. We all also heard on the night of the blackout that President Johnson had addressed the nation to calm everyone down but none of us in the dark could watch television without electricity. The only Americans who could see or hear LBJ telling everyone to stay calm were those folks not affected by the blackout.

The Bee Gees even put together a big hit entitled "When the lights went out in Massachusetts." To this day when I hear that old Bee Gees tune, I still think of November 9, 1965. Hard to imagine that was 58 years ago this week.

"SHE LOOKED LIKE A WOMAN BUT SHE TALKED LIKE A MAN"

The above bit of lyrics came from a 1970 hit song entitled "Lola." It was written by singer Ray Davies and The Kinks turned into a smash hit in 1970. However, I wonder today, could

it be considered a "hate crime" if sung on a stage somewhere. Even 50 plus years ago, it was an odd hit with odd lyrics. But everyone knew what a "Lola" was back then. I had my car radio on WMEX 1510 AM the other day while driving home in rush hour along the expressway in Dorchester and Benny Rabi spins this 1970 tune and surprisingly I still know most of the lyrics.

SAMUAL L. JACKSON ON RICHARD ROUNDTREE'S SHAFT

Actor Samuel L. Jackson recently posted something on X really nice about Roundtree and his alter ego Shaft, "I love you brother, I see you walking down the middle of main street in heaven, and Isaac's conducting your song, coat blowing in wind! Angels whispering that cat Shaft is a bad mutha, shutcho mouth!! But I'm talkin' bout Shaft! Then we can dig it. Rest in peace."

When Shaft came out on the big screen I was 23 years old and the first thing did was go down to Bonds at the corner of Arch and Summer streets or was it Howard's down in the Combat Zone??? and get me one of those Shaft long-coats, brown leather of course and with that wide tie belt. I had the Shaft look down pat. I even learned to walk his smooth strut too. I thought I was a bad mutha.

The Seventies came in for me with John Shaft and ended with Disco and John Travolta. The Seventies was the time of my life.

REMEMBERING SINGER ROBERT KNIGHT

While listening to Jimmy Jay this past Sunday afternoon, he played a great 1967 hit by Robert Knight. He reminded listeners that Knight left us on November 5, 2017. The song in question was "Everlasting Love." It was a one hit wonder song for him. However, it has always been one of my favorite songs of all time. Loved singing it back in my SilenSirs band days. The words, the melody, and that voice of his.

Seven years later the song returned to near the top of the charts sung by Carl Carlton in 1974. Carlton almost sounded like Robert Knight too. His 70s version was the most successful version of this song. Others like Mariah Carey, Luther Vandross, Gloria Estefan, and Kenny Rogers sang their versions too.

I like Carl Carlton's 1974 version and it is just almost as good as Robert Knight's original 1967 version. But not quite.

QUOTE TO NOTE

"It's useless to hold a person to anything he says while he's in love, drunk or running for office." — Shirley MacLaine

EASTIE FARM TIME COMING UP

Mark your calendars, Tuesday, November 14th from 4:00-7:30 p.m. Time for the Eastie Farm Potluck &

Workshop at 6 Chelsea Terrace. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY GOVERNOR DUKAKIS**

Former three-term governor of Massachusetts Michael S. Dukakis just turned 90 years old last week on November 3. In his time in the Corner Office (1975-79 & 1983-91) he became the longest serving governor of the Commonwealth and only the second Greek-American governor in U.S. history, after Spiro Agnew, who became vice president during the Nixon Administration. Dukakis himself almost became the first Greek-American president, losing to George HW Bush in 1988. I actually voted for Bush

I count Dukakis as a good friend going back 30 years. However, during his years as governor I was a constant critic of him and his policies. I always remember getting a kind note in the mail from the former governor following my defeat in Quincy in a school committee race.

Looking back, he was never that crazy liberal many called him. He was more of a moderate Democrat of which there are very few left here in this state today.

Happy birthday once again to Michael S. Dukakis!

AG's Office Determines an Audit of the State Legislature Without its Consent is Not Authorized Under Current Law

Following a comprehensive legal review and analysis, the Attorney General's Office (AGO) has responded to State Auditor Diana DiZoglio's request that the AGO recognize that the State Auditor's Office has statutory and constitutional authority to audit the Massachusetts State Legislature over its objection, and permit litigation on the issue.

For reasons explained in the letter sent yesterday evening to the State Auditor, the AGO concludes that under current law the State Auditor does not have such authority. The conclusion is supported by the plain language of state law, the history of how that law came to be, judicial interpretation of

similar statutory language, and the historical record. The AGO's full analysis can be found in the letter.

"I believe transparency is a cornerstone of good government, but that transparency must be achieved through methods that are consistent with the law. As the chief law officer of the Commonwealth, it is my office's role to determine the legal position of the state by looking at the law as it exists on the books today, and evaluating what that law allows, and what it does not. After a thorough review of the statutory text, pertinent Supreme Judicial Court decisions, and relevant history, we have concluded that current law does not allow an audit of the Legislature over its objection," said AG Campbell.

In September, as part of the AGO's constitutional role in the Article 48 process, the Office certified 34 ballot petitions, including 31 proposed laws for the November 2024 ballot and 3 proposed constitutional amendments for the November 2026 ballot. One of the certified proposed laws would grant to the State Auditor the authority to audit the Legislature.

The AGO's analysis of current law announced today does not address the ballot initiative. It is not, and should not be interpreted as, a policy statement by the Attorney General or her Office on that initiative or how it will operate if it is enacted.



by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



A while ago, when I was still teaching, I asked John Silva to be a guest speaker for my Thursday classes at North Shore Community College. I was teaching World History and my friend John was an expert on many aspects of the past. The class was centered on the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire and John was just the man to make a presentation. Things worked out rather well, and when we had a break, we headed out for lunch.

The Lynn Campus is not that far from Revere Beach and we decided to stop at Kelly's Roast Beef for one of their specialties, clam chowder. As I waited for the order to be put together, I noticed a display of pictures of Revere Beach from the past. There were pictures of Bluebeard's Castle, the Tilt-a-Whirl, the Cyclone, a couple of merry-go-rounds, bumper cars, in-door boat rides, the penny arcades, dozens of games of chance, the beach itself, and the Oceanview Ballroom. I stared at the picture of the Oceanview, as there was a band on stage. My car was across the street and I headed to it to obtain a pair of magnifying glasses to better see the picture. With them on, I could see that the picture was of the 1950s and the band was the Ray Digg Orchestra. It was difficult, but I could make out Ray leading Uncles Nick and Paul on saxes, and my father on bass.

The band was a fixture at the Oceanview and when I was in high school, I would go to either their Friday or Saturday night dances. One of my friends, a kid named Bobby, would borrow his brother's car and would pick me up for the event. Back in the day, we would dress for a weekend dance, suit, tie, shined shoes, face smelling of Old Spice aftershave lotion and a package of Sen Sen in our pockets to keep our breath from smelling like stale cigarettes.

Before I would head downstairs to await my ride, Babbononno would have to put his stamp of approval on my appearance. He would check the knot in my tie and the shine on my shoes. Each had to be perfect. Nanna would make sure I had a handkerchief in my pants back pocket and another showing in my jacket breast pocket for effect. Once they approved of my appearance, I was ready to head out. Before descending the steps of 74 Eutaw Street, I would check my money, which was not usually more than 5 or 6 dollars. I would also make sure that I had a full pack of Luckies and a book of matches. When all seemed in place, I would be ready to head out of East Boston and make the trip to Revere Beach and the Oceanview Ballroom.

The Oceanview was located at the beginning of the beach. It was the first building on the left and a magnificent looking ballroom. There was a bar and a lounge on the first floor, and at the top of a flight of steps, there was the dance floor and the stage where the bands would play from. Ray Digg would be standing in front of a dozen or more seated musicians with his

tenor sax over his left shoulder and a baton in his right hand leading the way. The music was ballroom in all respects, fox trots, waltzes, polkas, rumbas, a jitterbug here and there, and the newest songs from the latest dance craze, the Chacha-cha. Prez Perado had just recorded "Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White," and the lead trumpeter, Eddie Pizzi, would play the trumpet solo when the band played the tune. Before playing this new tune or any other Latin American song, Ray would hand the microphone to Dad and he would announce the tune in Spanish. The audience loved this.

Most of the people were a mix of age groups with the majority in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. My friend and I were in high school and were among the youngest dancers, but we looked older than our years and quite often danced with the older girls. The crowd, in general, was composed of working class people from East Boston, the North End, Revere, Everett, and Lynn.

If it was a Friday night, it would be singles. If it was a Saturday night, chances are most of the couples were actually people on dates. I preferred the Friday dances.

I remember one night in particular, my friend and I had asked two girls to dance who were friends. We danced the fox trots and made conversation with the two girls who were a bit older than we were. We would skip the waltzes and polkas, but when it came to the jitterbug or Cha-cha-cha, we were in our glory and would show off the East Boston/North End-style of dancing.

When the band took its 20 minute break, we headed to the first floor and bought the girls each a coke. They were in their late teens and not old enough to drink. If Dad, Uncles Nick or Paul, or any of the band members happened by, we would say hello and I would feel like a big shot in front of the girls, telling them who those musicians were.

Now, back in the day, most of the girls didn't drive and arrived at the Oceanview by bus or MBTA train. The two girls my friend and I danced with accepted my friend's offer of a ride home when the dance ended. They both worked for the telephone company and lived in Lynn. I suggested stopping for coffee before we drove them home and one of the girls said, "Hey, why don't we stop at Joe and Nemo's down the street. For those of you too young to remember Joe and Nemo's, they were famous for their hot dogs. The dogs were steamed, the buns were steamed and filled with chopped up onions, mustard, and relish. Back then, you could buy three hot dogs for a quarter and a tonic (soda to you non-Bostonians) for another

I wanted to sound like a big shot and suggested we head for Shirley Ave., in Revere and eat at Swartz's Delicatessen. This was a local after-theater, movie, or dance eatery in what was Revere's Jewish neighborhood. The girls agreed as did my friend and we headed the few blocks to the deli.

I don't know what the girls were used to, but I think we made an impression. I was familiar with deli food and ordered for everyone. After we ate, my friend and I split the bill and then headed to Lynn to drop off the two young ladies. We probably had about a dollar or two left between us for gas on the way home, but that was ok, as there was a Quincy Gas Station on Marginal Street near the Chelsea/East Boston line and gas was 5 gallons for a dollar. When we dropped off the girls, we both received a good night kiss and their phone numbers. We felt like big shots. I don't know if the girls knew that we were younger than they were and still in high school, but they never let on.

When I got home, Babbononno was still up and told me to wipe off the lipstick before anyone else saw me. I did and all was well.

After seeing that picture of the Oceanview Ballroom at Kelly's, John Silva and I returned to the college for my last class of the day. After I dropped John off in the afternoon, the story I just told flashed through my mind. It was a simpler gentler time, and most of all, I was young.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P5618EA

Estate of
MICHAEL CHARLES STANLEY

MICHAEL STANLEY

Date of Death: June 29, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE

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

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Damian deMagistris of Lincoln, 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: 11/10/2023

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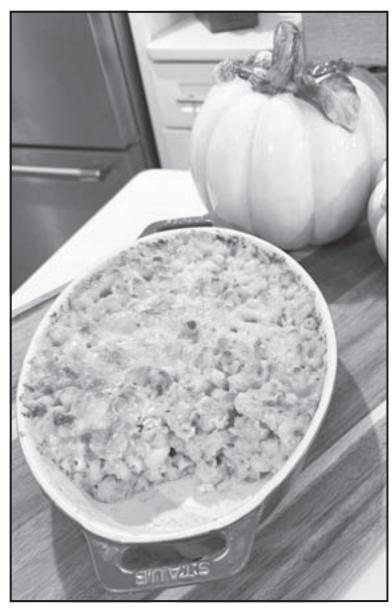


Maccheroni alla Zucca e Formaggio is a delightful Italian dish that captures the essence of autumn with the sweet, nutty notes of roasted pumpkin, the rich creaminess of besciamella, and the irresistible flavors of Parmigiano-Reggiano, Asiago, and Fontina cheeses. This delectable pasta creation showcases the ingenuity and versatility of Italian cuisine, proving that even humble ingredients can unite in perfect harmony to create an exquisite symphony of flavors.

I have fond memories of my Nonna cooking pumpkin and butternut squash in various ways during the fall and winter months. Butternut squash was always a beloved side dish on Thanksgiving and with its vibrant colors and comforting taste, Maccheroni alla Zucca e Formaggio offers a delightful twist by turning these seasonal zuccas into a delicious main course or side dish, which is sure to be adored by all of your guests!

PUMPKIN (or BUTTERNUT SQUASH) MACARONI & CHEESE

Maccheroni alla Zucca e Formaggio



12 oz short pasta or ¾ box, cooked al dente

2 ½ c whole milk

 $\it 3$ tablespoons butter

3 heaping tablespoons flour

salt and pepper, to taste

1/4 teaspoon Nutmeg

½ cup freshly grated Parmigiano Reggiano

2 cups freshly grated Asiago or 1 cup Asiago and 1 cup Fontina

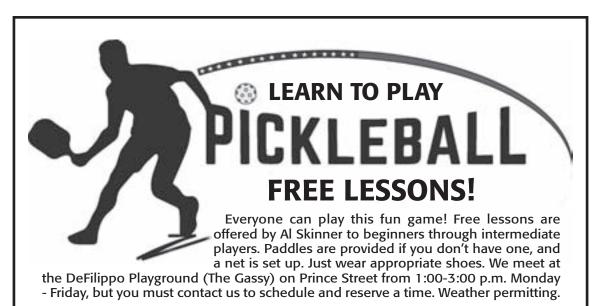
Preheat the oven to 350° . Generously grease a casserole dish with butter and set aside.

To make the roasted pumpkin or butternut squash, take a medium sugar pumpkin or large butternut squash, cut in half, remove seeds and place face down on a parchment lined baking sheet. Add about ½ inch water and roast uncovered for about 90 minutes (the more it caramelizes, the sweeter it will be). Cool and remove the flesh, puree and reserve 1½ cups, set aside.

To make the besciamella, in a large saucepan, add the butter and melt over low to medium heat. Add the flour and whisk together to make a paste. Add the milk, salt, pepper and nutmeg. Whisk together and continue whisking for about 10 minutes until the sauce becomes thick and creamy. Add in the cheeses and lower the heat, stir until all melt together. Add in the pumpkin or butternut puree and whisk together. Add in the cooked pasta and toss to coat.

Take the prepared casserole dish and add the pasta and cheese mixture. Grate some Parmigiano Reggiano, Asiago or Fontina over the top and bake uncovered for about 20 to 30 minutes. Do not over bake. Remove from the oven, let sit for 5 minutes and enjoy!

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



Contact Robyn at robynr@foccp.org to schedule a time for a lesson or for more information.



Virtual Public Meeting

Long Wharf Flood Resilience Planning

DECEMBER 6:00 PM -8: 00 PM Zoom Link: bit.ly/3tQleYM

Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864

Meeting ID: 161 814 8736



Project Proponent:

BPDA and City of Boston, Environment Department

Project Description:

The Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) and the City of Boston are building on the climate vulnerability analysis and resilient strategies developed through Climate Ready Boston (2016) and Coastal Resilience Solutions for Downtown and North End (2020). This virtual workshop will introduce the goals and context of the Long Wharf Flood Resilience Planning and Feasibility Study, provide information, seek community input on existing conditions, risks, vulnerabilities and considerations that will inform conceptual design options and strategies to manage flooding on Long Wharf and its surroundings.

Language Access services are available. Spanish and Chinese services will be available for this meeting. If you require additional language services, please contact ksenia.acquaviva2@boston.gov no later than December 1st.

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Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

Massachusetts State Treasurer Warns Citizens of **Fraudulent Phone Calls**

Illegitimate calls are being made claiming to be from the Massachusetts Office of the State Treasurer. The calls state, "you owe money to the Treasury to avoid an arrest for drug possession."

According to Treasurer Goldberg, these calls are a scam and have not been made by Treasury.

The Treasurer and her office want to ensure that no citizen is taken advantage of as part of this scam. The Treasurer's office does not call people to collect money. If you receive a call like this, please contact the Treasurer's office immediately at 617-367-6900 to confirm legitimacy.

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There "Otter " be a Death Penalty

Apparently, they're not so otterly cute. A man enjoying a swim in a California lake was attacked by otters and bitten at least a dozen times, leading him to believe that the animals were out to "kill" him. He said the incident happened on September 3rd at Serene Lake in northern California. He said, "it was by far the most terrifying experience I've ever had in my life. Nothing even comes close."

Voice of America Sides with Hamas?

Managers and editors of U.S. government outlet Voice of America have been trying "to whitewash Hamas' war crimes against Israeli civilians, presenting terrorists as freedom fighters" in VOA programs.

Dems Sparked the War on Schools

"The fear-mongering over Republicans focusing on winning school board victories is a direct result of the utterly bizarre insistence by Democrats that parents should be cut out of the lives of their children at school," points out the Washington Examiner's Zachary Faria. In California, local school boards began adopting the policy of notifying parents if their children tried to change identities at school, a shift the New York Times painted as Republicans being "Biblethumping cultural warriors who are distracting from actual learning in schools and harassing transgender children." In short, the Times and Democrats "think parents should be cut out of their children's lives because they think parents will abuse their children if they are struggling with their identity."

Remembering Richard Roundtree

Actor Richard Roundtree,

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Docket No. MI22A1469AD **CITATION** G. L. c. 210, § 6

In the matter of **BRIGIDO JOSE-EVENOR RODRIGUEZ**

To Rigoberto Jose Rodriguez any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth.

A petition has been presented to said court by Kevin Arnold Cristobal of Ashland, MA, Lorianne Perdomo-Cristobal of Ashland, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Brigido Jose-Evenor Perdomo.

If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if

you are an indigent person.

An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO. YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT WOBURN ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **DECEMBER 29. 2023.**

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 03, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run dates: 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/2023 who died on October 24th from pancreatic cancer, was a cultural icon for over 60 years. He was born on July 9, 1943 in New Rochelle, NY. His father was a butler and mother a cook. Roundtree made his first bigscreen appearance, playing a minor role in What Do You Say to a Naked Lady, a 1970 hidden camera reality film directed by Candid Camera's Allen Funt.

Shaft was released in 1971, and was among the first of the so-called Blaxploitation movies, and made Roundtree a star at 29. The character John Shaft was his own man, a private eye who jaywalks confidently through moving Times Square traffic in a long flowing leather coat with the collar turned up. He kept a pearl-handle revolver in a fridge in his apartment. Roundtree liked very much a New York Times article in 1972 that stated "a Black man who is for once a winner."

In addition to the movie bringing Roundtree instant fame, its theme song, written and performed by Isaac Hayes won the 1972 Academy Award for best original song. Gordon Parks was the movie's director and his gritty urban cinematography served as punctuation. He ended up with a string of movies, appeared as a soap opera character for about a year, and even played Booker T. Washington in a TV movie in 1999. Rest in peace, you used your time down here well.

End Quote

"Internalize that the world stands at a crossroads, just as it did in the 1930s. Israel has made its choice. We were shown that genocidal Jew-hatred did not die with Hitler ... we are unbreakable and we are going nowhere. Israel will prevail. We will bring our hostages home. And the citizens of the Jewish state will live in peace and freedom."

— Gilad Erdan, Israeli ambassador to the United Nations

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI22A1470AD CITATION G. L. c. 210, § 6

In the matter of **BRIMA LEILANI RODRIGUEZ** To Rigoberto Jose Rodriguez any

unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth. A petition has been presented to said court

by Kevin Arnold Cristobal of Ashland, MA, Lorianne Perdomo-Cristobal of Ashland, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Brima Leilani Cristobal.

If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person.

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Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,

First Justice of this Court. Date: November 03, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run dates: 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/2023

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 11/03, 11/10, 11/17/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. SU23P2387EA

Estate of GEORGE JOSEPH McCARRON Also Known As GEORGE J. McCARRON

Date of Death: September 08, 2023 **INFORMAL PROBATE**

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Dennis E. McCarron of Burlington, MA, a Will

has been admitted to informal probate Dennis E. McCarron of Burlington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without

surety on the bond.

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

Run date: 11/10/2023

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

Docket No. MI23P5530EA

Estate of ANN WILLIAMS CHICK Also Known As
ANN W. CHICK and ANN CHICK

Date of Death: September 02, 2023 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Edwin J. Smith of Somerville. MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Edwin J. Smith of Somerville, 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: 11/10/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court

10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI23P5116GD

Guardian of a Minor

ANDREW JOSEPH MARSHALL of Wilmington, MA

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 10/02/2023 by Tracy L. Ingemi of Stoneham, MA, will be held 11/20/2023 09:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located 10-U Commerce Way, Woburn, MA 01801 Courtroom 3

File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least

adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

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

minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is

Date: October 03, 2023 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani

leagues and played in Boston

between 1974-75 and again

1978-80. Early in his career, he

was a starter and after coming

to Boston he transitioned to the

bullpen and became one of the

Drago posted a 3.55 ERA with

41 saves for the Red Sox in 202

games and in his lone postsea-

son run he recorded a 1.04 ERA

in four playoff games in 1975.

in Game 6 of the'75 World

Series when he threw three

scoreless innings from the 9th

to the 11th to help set the stage

for Carlton Fisk's 12-inning

walk off homer that extended

the series to Game 7. No need

One of his best outings came

club's best relievers.



E-Rod Opts Out

Former Red Sox starter Eduardo Rodriguez is officially a free agent after opting out of his contract with the Tigers after only 2 seasons. He originally left Boston after the 2021 season and signed a 5-year deal with Detroit for \$77 million. His first season there was not so good but this past season, he seemed to bounce back.

Rodriguez went 13-9 with a 3.30 ERA in 152.2 innings and still had the \$49 million he was due over the next three seasons of his original 5-year deal.

Remembering Dick Drago

Red Sox pitcher Dick Drago who pitched 5 seasons over two stints with the Sox in the 1970s has died at 78. Drago was a right-handed pitcher who played 17 years in the big

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

10-U Commerce Way

Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI23C1101CA

In the Matter of

PAUL ROBERT GALLAGHER

CITATION ON

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

has been filed by Paul Robert Gallagher of

Cambridge, MA requesting that the court enter

a Decree changing their name to Paul Hanson

IMPORTANT NOTICE

of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and

amily Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return

day of November 24, 2023. This is NOT a

hearing date, but a deadline by which you

must file a written appearance if you object

Witness. HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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to this proceeding.

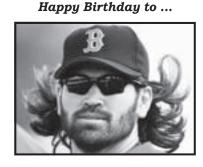
First Justice of this Court.

Date: October 27, 2023

Any person may appear for purposes

A Petition to Change Name of Adult

to remind ourselves once again about that game, right?



Happy birthday to Johnny Damon who just turned 50 years old. From 2002-05, he hit .295. He eventually cut his hair and joined the Yankees and finished his 18-year career with 235 homers, 522 doubles, 109 triples, 408 stolen bases, and 1,139 RBIs.

A Demented Playoff System

After making rule changes to speed up the game, "Major League Baseball managed the unthinkable. It made the sacred regular season far less important," grouses Paul Bledsoe at the Baltimore Sun. This year's playoff scheme prevented "teams with the best records from playing any games for a week straight at the start of the playoffs." As a result, "the three teams (Braves, Dodgers, and Orioles) who this year won 100 or more regular season games — the classic benchmark of a great team" - were quickly eliminated, "collectively losing nine out of 10 playoff games."

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI23P5028EA

Estate of WALTER G. ARMSTRONG, III Date of Death: May 29, 2023 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jennifer Armstrong of Winchester, MA.

Jennifer Armstrong of Winchester, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal 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: 11/10/2023

MLB can't have a playoff season "that undermines its most definitive characteristic — the long daily regular season. After all, they are not called the Men of October. They are called the Boys of Summer."

Kershaw **Undergone Major Surgery**



Pitcher Clayton Kershaw's future seems more uncertain than ever as he revealed that he just underwent surgery on his left throwing shoulder and is hoping to return in 2024. Kershaw, who this past season posted a 2.46 ERA with 137 strikeouts in 24 starts in his 16th season, has had a series of injuries in recent years. The 35-year-old southpaw missed six weeks last season and has had back issues since 2016, his last fully healthy season since 2015.

A 10-time All-Star and likely future Hall of Famer, three-time NL Cy Young Award winner and 2014 NL MVP, Kershaw has won 210 victories and posted a 2.48 ERA with 2,944 Award strikeouts throughout his career.

Bottom Line

After this past Sunday's 20-17 loss to a pathetic Washington team, it is safe to say that the Patriots are just playing badly. They are a truly BAD team. At 2-7, the rest of this season will be very long. I predict the most wins they are capable of winning is 4 possibly 5, but that would still be a longshot.

Remember This Though

Back on November 6, 1966, less than two weeks before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force, The Philadelphia Eagles' Timmy Brown returned kickoffs of 93 yards and 90 yards for touchdowns to lead the Eagles to a 24-23 victory over the Dallas Cowboys.

All we have now are the memories.

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2009 HONDA CIVIC VIN # 2HGFA16889H344311 **2013 CHEVROLET CRUZE** VIN # 1G1PC5SB6D7325937 2004 DODGE RAM

VIN # 1D7HU16D64J171526 2003 TOYOTA RAV4 VIN # JTEHH20V236079039

2012 FORD FOCUS VIN # 1FAHP3F21CL218742 2007 CHEVROLET IMPALA

VIN # 2G1WT55K579274148 2007 HYUNDAI TUCSON VIN # KM8JN12D67U616828

2017 CHEVROLET EQUINOX VIN # X2GNALBEK1H1559792 Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed

by appointment only.

Signed Todisco Services, Inc.

Run dates: 10/27, 11/03, 11/10/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23P5117GD

> NOTICE AND ORDER: **Petition for Appointment of** Guardian of a Minor In the interests of

FRANK W. MARSHALL of Wilmington, MA

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 10/02/2023 by Tracy L. Ingemi of Stoneham, MA, will be held 11/20/2023 11:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing Located 10-U Commerce Way, Woburn, MA 01801 Courtroom 3 2. Response to Petition: You may respond

by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to: File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least

five (5) business days before the hearing. 3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

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

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

Date: October 03, 2023 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 11/10/2023

Probate and Family Court

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NOTICE AND ORDER: **Petition for Appointment of**

In the interests of

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a

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

five (5) business days before the hearing. 3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent

5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A not in the minor's best interests.

Run date: 11/10/2023

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by Stephens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 39A, that on November 14, 2023 at 10AM, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

> 2001 VW PASSAT, BLACK VIN # WVWMA63B2XE156083

2017 TRITON TRAILER, SILVER VIN # 4TCSM1110HH502145 Kevin Barcelos 208 Milton Rd.

2010 FORD FUSION, BLACK VIN # 3FAHP0HAXAR142519 Daniel R. Generoso 60 Pacific St., #3 Rockland, MA 02370

Warwick, RI 02888

2016 RAM 1500. WHITE VIN # 1C6RR7NT9GS365100 Tammy Lombard 14R Phillips Rd. Derry, NH 03038

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VIN # 2FMDK38C98BB04858 Jefferson Delacruze 2 Sanger St., #4 Medford, MA 02155

2010 SUBARU LEGACY, GOLD VIN # 4S3BMBC65A3227015 Manish K. C 3 Collins St. Danvers, MA 01923

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576 Lincoln Ave. Saugus, MA 01906 2008 DOUE BOAT TRAILER, BLACK VIN # 5DKPB1312CN029448 Daniel L. Freitas

169 Scotland Rd. Newbury, MA 01951

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On This **VETERANS DAY**

We Honor All Those Who Have Served and are Currently Serving Our Nation

God Bless Each and Every One of Them



Decorated WWII Veteran Barney Ross



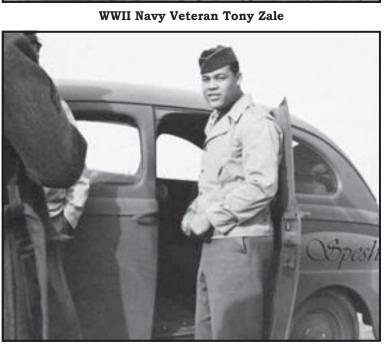


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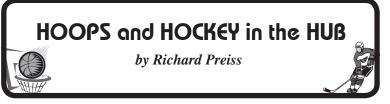




WWII Army Veteran Joe Louis



Vietnam War Marine Veteran Mac Foster



When the Boston Celtics scored an impressive 155-104 victory over the Indiana Pacers back on the first night of November at the Garden, it was the first time since the late 1950s that the Green and White had reached such a lofty line in their offensive output.

For it was on February 27, 1959 that the C's had exceeded that amount of points in an NBA game in a 173-139 thrashing of the Minneapolis Lakers at the Garden. And it came during a rather interesting period in our nation's history.

For when that game was played in the late winter of 1959, America was comprised of 49 states within its union — but only for a short period of time. Alaska had been admitted to statehood back on January 3 to increase the number by one.

But on August 21, 1959 Hawaii would also join the Union, raising the number to 50 — its current total.

So, for a brief interesting interval, the U.S. had 49 states within its borders. And yes, there was an official U.S. flag that featured 49 stars.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower was a little more than halfway through his second term in office. And a young U.S. senator from Massachusetts (John F. Kennedy) was starting to have some thoughts about running for the highest office in the land. He would officially announce his intention on January 2, 1960. Plus, the 1959 Chevrolet with its trademark trunk fins that joined in the back was being sold at dealerships. It remains a classic among enthusiastic collectors.

But those items would be in the background on that particular night as some 6,183 fans piled into the Original Garden to see the Celtics win their 49th game of the season against 17 setbacks to that point in the campaign. In contrast, the Lakers would leave the Garden owning a 29-35 record.

Although the number viewing the contest in person might seem low compared to this era when the C's routinely draw over 18,000 to their home games, back in those earlier times the Celtics still managed to lead the NBA in home attendance, drawing a season total of 244, 642 for an average of 8,165 per night.

Back on November 1, when the contemporary Celtics recorded their blowout victory over Indiana, Jayson Tatum led the way with 30 points and 12 assists. He did not play at all in the fourth quarter as the Celtics remained undefeated to that point.

The Celtics so dominated the game that they actually had more points at the half (75) than Indiana had after three quarters (71). Indeed, it was a tough night for Indiana coach Rick Carlisle's team. Carlisle, a former Celtic who played alongside Larry Bird, has a unique agreement with the former Celtics star. Whoever lives longer will give the funeral eulogy of the one who passes first.

A few days after their big triumph over Indiana, the C's lost to Minnesota in overtime on the road and owned a 5-1 record on the morning of November 8. Entering the game with the Timberwolves they had been the last undefeated team in the league since the regular season started in late October.

Going back to that 1959 game, the Celtics certainly opened with an all-star lineup. Tom Heinsohn, better known to later generations as a TV analyst, led all scorers with 43 points while teammate Bob Cousy contributed 31. Bill Sharman had 29 while Gene Conley (he also played for the Red Sox) had 14 and Jim Loscutoff added 11. Frank Ramsey contributed 20 off the bench while K.C. Jones had 12.

NBA star Elgin Baylor, who was named for his father's watch (his dad wore an Elgin), led Minneapolis with 20.

The Celtics only played six more regular season games after the one-sided affair with the Lakers. The regular season ended on March 10 (about five weeks earlier than today) with the Celtics having finished first in the Eastern Division with a 52-20 mark. Two highlights of the year had been an 11-game win streak back in December followed by an eight game victory merch in January.

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Much like today the playoffs followed the regular season but they were shorter in duration.

The Celtics received a bye in the Eastern Division semifinals and met the Syracuse Nationals who had advanced over the New York Knicks. The Eastern Division Finals with Syracuse (who later moved to Philadelphia and became the 76ers) went the full seven games with the Celtics coming from behind in the second half of the deciding contest to secure the victory.

That put the Celtics in the NBA Finals against Minneapolis, the team they had overpowered in that one-sided victory back on February 27. Despite their losing 33-39 regular season record, the Lakers had beaten Detroit and St. Louis to reach the Finals. It would be the first meeting of the Celtics and the Lakers in the NBA Finals, the commencement of a long rivalry that has continued into contemporary times.

Boston won the first two games at the Garden, with the first being the closest game of the series as the Celts won 118-115. Frank Ramsey led Boston in scoring with 29 points while Bill Russell led in rebounding with 28. Elgin Baylor had 34 points for Minneapolis.

Boston also won what proved to be the final two games of the series, taking out the Lakers on their home court in Minnesota to claim the title in a 4-0 series sweep in games. Minneapolis would move to Los Angeles in 1963.

The 1959 title would be the first of eight consecutive NBA championships for the Celtics, the commencement of a championship winning streak that has never been equaled in the history of the NBA. The team had claimed its first title in 1957, lost in the 1958 NBA Finals to St. Louis and then started its remarkable playoff title run in 1959. The C's would go on to win every NBA championship through 1966.