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The Old-Fashioned Thanksgiving

by Edgar Albert Guest, 1881-1959

It may be I am getting old and like too much to dwell
Upon the days of bygone years, the days I loved so well;
But thinking of them now I wish somehow that I could know
A simple old Thanksgiving Day, like those of long ago,
When all the family gathered round a table richly spread,
With little Jamie at the foot and grandpa at the head,
The youngest of us all to greet the oldest with a smile,
With mother running in and out and laughing all the while.

It may be I'm old-fashioned, but it seems to me today
We're too much bent on having fun to take the time to pray;
Each little family grows up with fashions of its own;
It lives within a world itself and wants to be alone.
It has its special pleasures, its circle, too, of friends;
There are no get-together days; each one his journey wends,
Pursuing what he likes the best in his particular way,
Letting the others do the same upon Thanksgiving Day.

I like the olden way the best, when relatives were glad
To meet the way they used to do when I was but a lad;
The old home was a rendezvous for all our kith and kin,
And whether living far or near they all came trooping in
With shouts of "Hello, daddy!" as they fairly stormed the place
And made a rush for mother, who would stop to wipe her face
Upon her gingham apron before she kissed them all,
Hugging them proudly to her breast, the grownups and the small.

Then laughter rang throughout the home, and, Oh, the jokes they told;
From Boston, Frank brought new ones, but father sprang the old;
All afternoon we chatted, telling what we hoped to do,
The struggles we were making and the hardships
we'd gone through;

We gathered round the fireside.
How fast the hours would fly—
It seemed before we'd settled down
'twas time to say good-bye.
Those were the glad Thanksgivings,
The old-time families knew
When relatives could still be friends and
every heart was true.



News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

OCCUPY (Your Town Here) is not Robin Hood and His Band of Merry Men

Lately, this ragtag movement itself has been attaching Robin Hood to its mantra. However, Occupy Boston reportedly is now holding on to more than \$300,000 in the bank. Aren't you surprised they've found a bank for themselves at all? Dare I ask where the money is flowing in from? Perhaps, it stems from the SEIU, AFL-CIO and other like-minded liberal unions as well as billionaire George Soros maybe?

What is wrong with these liberal big city mayors like Michael Bloomberg from New York, Antonio Villaraigosa from Los Angeles and our own Tommy Menino? Feeding into this well-financed mob rule? Menino lets them destroy part of the Rose Kennedy Greenway, Bloomberg lets them continue on as a big nuisance to the surrounding working-class neighborhood that they pretend to represent and Villaraigosa hands out free ponchos for the incoming rainy season.

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THANKSGIVING: So Much to be Thankful For

by Bryan Golden

Thanksgiving is much more than a big meal with family and friends. It's a time to reflect on, and be thankful for, all of the good things you have. Even with all of the uncertainty and turmoil in the world, you have so much to be thankful for. It's important to be grateful, not just on Thanksgiving, but each and every day. Rather than lamenting what you feel is lacking in your life, begin each new day by developing an attitude of gratitude. Take inventory of your blessings and you will be surprised at just how much you have to be thankful for.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive as-

pects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Dreams of the future shouldn't diminish appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you won't enjoy today. Don't be jealous of others; what they do or have has no bearing on you.

You can feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. Perhaps you feel something is missing from your life, things aren't going your way, or you have been treated unfairly. You may wonder, "Why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to dominate your thoughts, turning your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things you think would make your life

better if you had them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different boss, had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become overwhelmed by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a consuming vicious cycle starts.

Being bitter or resentful blows situations out of proportion. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges might befall you, bitterness makes finding solutions much more elusive.

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Mayor's Column

by Thomas M. Menino, Mayor, City of Boston

Thanksgiving arrives next week and "Black Friday" marks the official start of the holiday shopping season. As you make your holiday shopping lists, I urge you to skip the midnight lines and mall traffic and explore Boston's neighborhood retailers. Our Main Streets districts offer a variety of shops and restaurants where you can find unique gifts close to home. The *Mayor's Holiday Special* is a great resource for finding deals on holiday events and shopping in Boston.

We are also continuing the annual *Holidays on Main Streets* campaign, a small business initiative designed to highlight the many festive events taking place in and around the 20 Main Streets districts through the end of December. Businesses are getting into the holiday spirit by participating in our district-wide contest for the best dressed storefront window, offering shopping deals, and hosting fun family events including holiday strolls and tree lightings. Visit www.mayorsholidaysspecial.com to find events, deals, and discounts in your neighborhood.

We're even offering free holiday parking hours in commercial shopping districts, making it even easier for shoppers to access their neighborhood retailers on weekends. As is tradition in Boston, weekend shoppers will enjoy

two free hours of metered parking throughout the city's commercial districts, including downtown, starting on "Black Friday," November 25 and continuing on five consecutive Saturdays through December 24. While meters will be free on these days, a two-hour time limit will be enforced by the Boston Transportation Department to accommodate as many visitors as possible in shopping districts.

If you do get a ticket, remember that you can redeem it with a toy donation through the city's "Toys for Tickets" program. The program will allow any driver that is issued a non-public safety parking ticket on Boston's streets between December 5 and December 9 to resolve their ticket by providing a non-violent, wrapped toy of equal or greater value than the fine on the ticket. Toys will be accepted from December 8 through December 16 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM on the second floor of Boston City Hall. To participate in the "Toys for Tickets" program, drivers must bring the parking ticket and a receipt for the toy. Last year the "Toys for Tickets" campaign contributed over \$3,000 in toys to brighten Christmas morning for many children.

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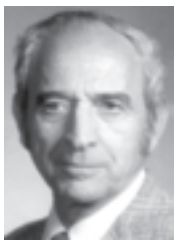
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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



HADRIAN'S VILLA AT TIVOLI

History is still uncertain about Hadrian's formal education and training. Some reports credit him with being an architect and others claim that he was an extremely talented amateur. Ancient writers say he was accomplished in arithmetic, geometry, painting and art. He was also a student of Greek art, architecture and civilization, and was responsible for sending many young men to Athens to study.

Hadrian was one of the most cultured and gifted figures in all of ancient Roman history, but was not without his vanity and temper. As a young man he was snubbed by the celebrated Greek architect, Apollodorus of Damascus. Later as emperor he was again severely criticized by the same architect on the design of a temple. This was a bit too much for Hadrian and it became the last critique ever made by the tactless Apollodorus.

Hadrian ruled as emperor from 117 to 138 A.D. Shortly after being proclaimed emperor he made a grand tour of the Roman Empire. He visited Greece, Asia Minor, Egypt, Mauritania, Spain,

Germany, and Britain. A few years later he put down an insurrection in Palestine, and then visited Syria on his return trip to Rome. During his visits to these countries he was deeply impressed by many of their national monuments and had exact miniature reproductions constructed at his villa in Tivoli. There was the Academia, a public garden or grove originally located in a suburb of Athens. This original facility was named after Academus, the person who left it to the citizens of gymnastics. The entire area (in Athens) was surrounded by a wall and the interior space was adorned with buildings and statues of illustrious men. It was within this enclosure where Plato started a school for those who were sympathetic to his brand of philosophy. The Academic Sect was applied to this group and it in turn became the origin of the Academy as we know it today.

The Lyceum was also represented in miniature at Tivoli. This was originally a sacred enclosure at Athens which was dedicated to Apollo. The area contained

copies of fine buildings, fountains, and lush gardens that were originally designed by some of the best known figures during the Golden Age of Greece. It was the usual place of exercise for the Athenian youths who aspired to military career. The original Lyceum was especially famous because it was frequented by philosophers like Aristotle and his followers. Hadrian's villa at Tivoli also contained a reproduction of the celebrated temple of Serapis that was located in Canopus, an important city on the coast of Lower Egypt, about twelve miles from Alexandria. Serapis was a mythical deity of the lower world who was considered to be a god of healing. During ancient times his worship had spread from Egypt to Greece and then into Rome. Canopus was also noted for its commerce and luxury, but infamous because of its debauchery. This was also a point of origin of that world famous dye known as henna, that was used by women on their hair and finger tips.

NEXT WEEK: Hadrian's Tomb, Castel Sant' Angelo

Paul Revere Memorial Association NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

Dear Neighbor:

As you may know, after years of struggling with the limitations imposed by lack of adequate space for children's programs, visitor amenities and program staff offices, the Paul Revere Memorial Association/Paul Revere House purchased 5 and 6 Lathrop Place. The 1835 building had languished in poor condition for the better part of 10 years. In 2010 we completed critical structural stabilization and restored the exterior to its 19th century appearance.

We are now gearing up to complete our project and hope to open the facility in 2013. The property at 5 and 6 Lathrop Place is currently zoned multi-family residential and we will be asking for a change of use to allow for its use as a cultural acces-



sory. This will allow us to extend our current operations into this facility, an action that is critical to our being able to use the building as we plan. The Association has been working for years to be able to transform our historic complex by making it fully handicapped accessible, increasing our program space by 400% and adding public restrooms. We value your support and hope we can count on it for our zoning request.

We will be bringing our plans and our request to the community at the following meetings:

NEWRA ZLC Tuesday, November 22, 2011, 7:00 pm Pilot House, Atlantic Avenue

NEWRA Meeting Thursday, December 8, 2011, 7:00 pm Nazzaro Center, North Bennet Street.

NEWNC Meeting Monday, December 12, 2011, 7:00 pm Nazzaro Center, North Bennet Street.

For NEWRA please contact David Kubiak at 617-833-9564 and for NEWNC contact admin@newncboston.org.

We welcome the opportunity to present our project and respond to questions you may have about our plan. Please feel free to contact me before the meetings if you would like any additional information or are unable to attend the meetings. I can be reached at 617-523-2338 or nina@paulreverehouse.org.

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Nina Zannieri

Executive Director

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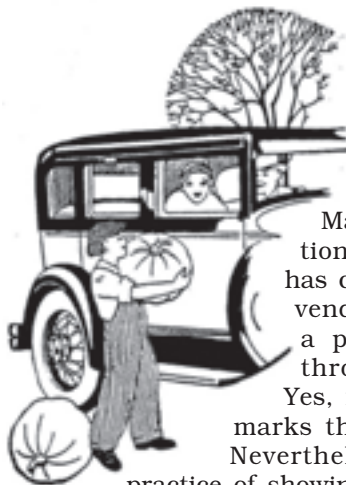
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Res Publica

by David Trumbull



HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS



In our home, perhaps in yours too, Thanksgiving Day festivities begin with tuning the television set to the **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** which we half watch and half just have in the background while preparing dinner.

Macy's at least since the 1947 motion picture **Miracle on 34th Street** has come to be more than just another vendor for holiday gifts, but is itself a part of America's Thanksgiving through Christmas holiday season.

Yes, for many of us the Macy's parade marks the beginning of the holidays.


Nevertheless, I miss the older television

practice of showing not just Macy's but bits of several department store Thanksgiving Day Santa parades. I liked when they would switch to the J.L. Hudson's Thanksgiving Day Parade in Detroit and the Gimbals' Thanksgiving Day Parade in Philadelphia. Hudson's Department Store in Detroit is gone, but the parade which like the Macy's parade started in 1924 continues as **America's Thanksgiving Parade**. The Gimbals' parade, now called the **6abc IKEA Thanksgiving Day Parade**, is the oldest of America's Thanksgiving Day Santa parades, having started in 1920.

Locally, from the 1940s until 1972 and again in the early 1990s a visit to the **Enchanted Village** in the Jordan Marsh department store in Downtown Crossing was how Bostonians inaugurated the Christmas shopping season. Remember how, up to just a few years ago, Jordan Marsh, and its rival Filene's put up competing Christmas displays in their windows that faced each other on Summer Street?

I have nothing against R.H. Macy's Department Store. I wish it a profitable Christmas selling season. If Americans choose for our Thanksgiving Day morning entertainment a televised, extended-length, open-air advertisement for that retailer, who am I to object? But more and more local shops are giving way to national brands and "big-box" retailers. Local events (such as the Enchanted Village) give way to a few huge national spectacles. Likewise, our political discussions are focused much more on what is happening in Washington, rather than Boston.

The problem with looking to the national scene rather than locally is that nationally most of us have little opportunity to be anything more than observers. Locally we have power to change things. As the Democrats and liberals in Washington consolidate more and more power in the hands of a few remote unelected bureaucrats in Washington, let's be thankful this year that we still have locally elected representatives and senators in the General Court. Next year all 200 members of that body will be up for election. Have you thought of running? Surely no one is so happy with the current crop of state legislators that you can't think of a few you'd like to see replaced. If you think it's time for a change and you believe you have what it takes, change can begin with you!



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GUEST EDITORIAL

WHAT HAPPENS WITH MAYOR'S RACE IN '13 NOW?

by Sal Giarratani

Many political know-it-alls, you know that group of media faces always getting interviewed about campaign races, assumed that if Michael Flaherty had snatched one of the four at-large seats this past Election Day, he would use it as a springboard to another run for mayor in two years. However, with his loss at the polls, he may now be taken out of any consideration as a mayoral candidate then.

If he is out of the picture, the first thing to figure out is whether Mayor Tom Menino is ready to engage in a campaign for a sixth term. If he does run, he might not even get a serious challenger. However, if he does retire, we can assume a wild preliminary fight amongst a number of viable candidates. Ayanna Pressley or Felix G. Arroyo might seriously consider a run for mayor. There is also John Connolly to contend with as well.

The mayor's race in 2013 could be a very important race after 21 years of a Menino-run City Hall.

I also see City Councilor Rob Consalvo from District 5 being a very strong contender for the job. The next mayor will become the first mayor elected in the 21st century. He or she will be much younger than the incumbent and will offer hopefully some fresh ideas and greater energy. Boston voters may very well be ready for change two years down the road. Menino remains quite popular but how long in office might be too long in office?

We haven't had a good mayor's race since 1967, when Kevin White won the first of four terms, or 1983, when Ray Flynn went on to serve 10 years at City Hall as mayor.

Time will quickly tell what is to be because as soon as one campaign ends, you know the next one has already begun.

**A PEOPLE FREE TO CHOOSE
 WILL ALWAYS CHOOSE PEACE.**

— Ronald Reagan

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St. Lucy Society Sends Christmas and New Year Wishes TO OUR TROOPS IN AFGHANISTAN



TWO THUMBS UP TO THE ST. LUCY SOCIETY ... On Wednesday, November 9th the St. Lucy members got together at their monthly meeting and wrote Christmas cards and made goodie bags that were mailed Saturday, November 12th to our very own North Ender Ricky Scimeca and his fellow troops who are fighting the war in Afghanistan. This is the Society's way of saying THANK YOU to the soldiers who are risking their lives and protecting the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Also, they wanted to wish them a very Merry and Safe Christmas and New Year ... VIVA!!! The above photo was taken when Ricky Scimeca was home on leave during the summer.

(Photo by Matt Conti)

21st ANNUAL BOSTON WINE EXPO

Monday, January 16 to Sunday, January 22, 2012

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Beginning Monday, January 16th, wineries will host exclusive Vintner Dinners at some of the city's most enticing restaurants. Many local favorite restaurants will provide the opportunity for guests to taste creative pairings of food and wine as they learn about each. Saturday and Sunday's Grand Tasting features wines from four regions of the world, as well as food and wine pairings from more than 40 restaurants. Ticket admission covers all wine and food samples, and allows consumers to enjoy two Chef Stages showcasing demonstrations from celebrity chefs including Christopher Coombs of Deuxave, Antonio Bettencourt of 62 on Wharf, Vittorio Ettore of Bistro 5 and Patricia Yeo of Om Restaurant & Lounge. A local farmer's market and Cyber Café will feature live tweeting and

attendee polling of the wines available at the Expo.

The educational series offers three days of seminars featuring top winemakers and industry experts including keynote Kevin Zraly, as part of the 2012 Seminar Program. Consumers and trade can explore a range of topics such as "The One Hour Wine Expert" with Zraly, "Explore the Crus of Beaujolais" with Domaine Louis Jadot, "Get to Know Amarone" with the Wines of Masi, "Armand de Brignac Champagne Experience" and "The Tuscan Gem: Ornellaia Vertical Tasting."

Premier consumer ticket holders will experience The Grand Cru Wine Lounge on Saturday and Sunday. Ticket holders will enjoy exclusive tastings of rare and expensive vintages as well as food from some of Boston's finest restaurants. Grand Cru tickets include admission to the Grand Tasting.

For tickets visit www.WineExpoBoston.com or by phone at 877-946-3976.

NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER



North Shore Community College recently held a fundraiser to help support their many scholarships and educational programs. This annual event which included dinner, entertainment and a silent auction, was held at the Black Swan Country Club in Georgetown. In attendance were members of the faculty, and the Greater Boston business community. Pictured, standing, left to right: Doreen DiBari, Sr. Vice President, Eastern Bank, Eastern Wealth Management; Dr. Lori Azzara, Chairperson of Behavioral Sciences; Dr. Dean Saluti, CEO of Saluti and Cahn and president of the Greater Boston Renaissance Lodge of the OSIA; Margie Cahn, VP of Saluti Cahn; Dr. Georgette Wilson, NSCC faculty; Dr. John Christoforo, NSCC faculty NSCC and Post-Gazette columnist. Seated, left to right: Dr. Laurel Messina, Asst. Dean of Liberal Arts NSCC; Cheryl Fiandaca, Reporter WCVB-TV Chanel 5, and guest speaker for the event; Dr. William Hurley, NSCC faculty; Sandra Hurley, Dr. Hurley's wife.

FinanciallySpeaking

with Ben Doherty

OBAMACARE

Everyone is talking about tax reform in Washington, DC. President Obama is calling for reforming the tax code so it will be simpler and one of the road blocks is Obamacare. The penalties for not buying coverage runs through the tax code the IRS says it needs more than a thousand new auditors and staff and \$359 million in 2012 alone to administer Obamacare. Most returns focus on cutting special tax breaks that gum up the code and costs hundreds of billions of dollars a year in lost revenue, Obamacare will narrow be the tax base due to the refundable tax credit which will take 8 million more people off the income tax rolls according to an analysis by the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. Another goal is to improve the fairness of the tax code measured by whether families with similar income pay the same amount of taxes. This could have a big effect on the costs of insurance for millions of Americans. There is a question as to whether the IRS has the authority to collect the penalties from those who fail to buy insurance as mandated by law. Software-maker Solarwinds advanced to a new high up 3%. The stock is up 18% past a \$25 buy point. Advance Auto Parts rose 5% in triple its volume after topping estimates. On the downside Apple lost 2.05% in 30% fewer trades and the Euro dipped in value, estimates on iPad shipments the strong buy is buy. Top-rated stocks have some challenges in this choppy market. Nine stocks have triggered the 8% sell rule after breakouts. They are World Fuel Services, ARM Holdings, Opec Holdings and Omet Technologies. Some have bounced back to reduce their loses, others have not rallied.

Jobless claims are at seven month lows. New filings for unemployment fell by 10,000 last week was 390,000, the lowest since April. The data suggest the number of people who continue to get claims were 92,000 to 3.6 million, a 3 year low. This suggests improvement in labor markets, but still no hiring. Stocks closed higher in weaker trades, as investors remain cautious about European debt crisis. Winners beat losers by 2-1 on the NASDAQ and 3-2 on the NYSE. Italy's yields fell to 7%, Lucas Papademos of Greece. France is in danger of losing its AAA rating and its yields are rising. In the week, good results are forecast for Dollar Tree, Salesforce.com, and Questor Pharmaceuticals up 30% for a \$32 buy point. Italy lost its prime minister. Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi is stepping aside for an emergency government led by Mario Monti. Yields fell for two days after spilling over 7%. Greece tapped Lucas Papademos to be Prime Minister and lost its AAA rating and the Euro rebounded and tapped Lucas Papademos as head of Unity Government for Greece. Yields tumbled for two days after spiking over 7% yield.

It's time to call your Financial Advisor or call me at 617-337-5712.

THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giaratani

When it Comes to GPS-Tracking:

CALL ME A LIBERAL

The U.S. Supreme Court will soon decide whether high tech tracking by police is such an intrusion on people's lives that police need to obtain a warrant before attaching a GPS device to a person's car. The case started to be heard on November 8 will test law enforcement's use of the latest technology (constant surveillance) to fight crime as it raises the specter of George Orwell's Big Brother government knowing one's every step. GPS tracking lets law enforcement engage in surveillance 24/7 over a prolonged period of time that could never be equaled by traditional law enforcement tactics.

The US Court of Appeals in Washington, DC ruled that the 4th amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures requires police to get a warrant before affixing a Global Positioning System device to a motor vehicle. US Appeals Court Judge Daniel Ginsburg wrote in the ruling that the US Supreme Court will take up, "A person who knows all of another's travels can deduce whether he is a weekly church-goer, a heavy drinker, a regular at the gym, an unfaithful husband, an outpatient receiving medical treatment, an associate of particular individuals or political groups and not just one such fact about a person, but all such facts.

The US Justice Department had appealed the warrant requirement arguing that drivers do not expect their movements to be kept quiet. According to US Solicitor General Donald Verrilli, police officers aren't conducting a search when they observe things conducted in public. This case has a chance to be a ground breaking decision over the dispute of using new technologies regarding police tactics into the future.

The case in question involves a Washington, DC nightclub owner who was investigated in a drug trafficking case. Over a dozen 'friend of the court' briefs have been filed by numerous groups and includes Roger Eaton, 90, regarded by many as "the father of the GPS." Lawyers for Eaton say, GPS tracking is done in such continuous fashion that it cannot be compared to beepers and other electronic surveillance tactics previously reviewed by the US Supreme Court.

However, one group, the New York-based Center on the Administration of Criminal Law, see the cost benefits of GPS devices in tough financial times. They think it is far cheaper to use a GPS than have agents following supposed bad guys around. This group further states using a GPS is on solid constitutional ground because the information revealed was observed in plain sight. The US Justice Department is seeking the high court to re-instate the drug conspiracy conviction of a person who was tracked with a GPS device over four weeks in 2005. Federal agents had secretly placed a GPS on the car of.

The suspect while it was parked in a public lot and then used the evidence from the suspect's travels to a stash house in Maryland to help get a conviction in court. Large amounts of cocaine were found in that house and some \$70,000 hidden inside the Jeep vehicle.

Solicitor General Verrilli is urging the Court to rely on another 1983 Supreme Court ruling that a beeper was not a search under the 4th amendment. The lower court in this case today said that a month long detailed tracking could not be considered "public" in the usual sense of the word. Be-

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Chris Zizza, President of C&R Flooring

Receives Longevity Honor Award at 2011 PRISM Awards Gala

Chris Zizza, President of New England's premier wood floor specialists, C&R Flooring, is the first recipient of the Longevity Honor Award presented by the Builder's Association of Greater Boston at the 2011 PRISM Award celebration on October 19th. This award honors Zizza for his many years in the building industry and is a fitting commendation as the company just celebrated its 25th anniversary.

Presented with all the 2011 PRISM winners at Boston's House of Blues, this bi-annual awards event hosted over 400 builders, architects, interior designers, and other professionals from the home industry to celebrate exceptional achievement in design, construction, sales and marketing. Chris Zizza, also president of the Wood Flooring Inspectors of New England, was recognized as an expert in his field as well as an exceptional leader of his company, C&R Flooring, which he started in 1986. Over the past 25 years the com-



pany is consistently recognized for their expertise in all areas of flooring and floor maintenance, C&R Flooring received a number of honors including Best of Boston HOME in 2008 and 2010. C&R was the first flooring company in New England to introduce the "dustless" hardwood refinishing system and "green" flooring options. Additionally, C&R recently introduced the exclusive "Signature Series" custom flooring program for design professionals. In addition to continued success in the flooring industry, Zizza supports a number of charities and recently launched the Zizza Family Foundation.

"I am extremely pleased to have received an award under such an honorable category," states Zizza. "My team and I at C&R have always taken great pride in what we do and there is no doubt that we will continue to do so for many years to come."

Congratulations to Chris Zizza and C&R Flooring for the well deserved honor!

NEAA Soccer Program 2011 Season Comes to a Close

The North End Athletic Association (NEAA) Soccer Programs season finale was held on Saturday, November 5th at Langone Park on Commercial Street. The NEAA Soccer

program had 99 players this season. There were three leagues: 4-5 year olds, 6-8 year olds and 9-10 year olds. This was an 8 week program held on Saturday mornings.



COPLEY SQUARE TREE LIGHTING NOVEMBER 29

Mayor Thomas M. Menino, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and The Friends of Copley Square will welcome revelers to the annual Copley Square Holiday Tree Lighting on Tuesday, November 29, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The free event will feature appearances by Back Bay resident and WHDH-TV anchor Janet Wu, Santa Claus, Rudolph and the Bear from Boston Ballet's "The Nutcracker" along with live entertainment including the Trinity Church Choristers, Boston Children's Chorus, and a holiday sing-along. The Old South Church bells will toll when the tree is illuminated. Light refreshments will be provided by local businesses including HP Hood LLC, Burger King, and the Fairmont Copley Plaza will host a family reception immediately following for attendees.

In addition to the tree lighting, a number

of other festivities will take place in and around Copley Square on November 29. The Boston Public Library and The Catered Affair will host a Story Hour and Candy Cane Tea at the Courtyard Restaurant in the Boston Public Library Central Library in Copley Square from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event is free but reservations are required by calling (617) 859-2282.

"The City is pleased to join The Friends of Copley Square for our first holiday celebration of the season" said Mayor Thomas M. Menino. "Come join us as we welcome this festive time of year in one of Boston's most popular open spaces."

For additional information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505. To learn more about The Friends of Copley Square, please visit www.friendsofcopleysquare.org.

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Patricia Donatelli, Publisher

Saint Margaret of Scotland

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Margaret was born in Hungary in 1045; she was an English princess of the House of Wessex the daughter of an exiled noble known as King Edward the Exile and a Hungarian princess named Agatha. A tradition asserts that Margaret's father and his brother Edmund were sent to Hungary for safety during the reign of the Norman, King Canute. Margaret and her family returned to England in 1057, but fled to Scotland following the Norman conquest of England of 1066. Around 1070 Margaret married Malcolm III, King of Scots, becoming his Queen consort. This event had been delayed for a while by Margaret's desire to enter religion, but it took place sometime between 1067 and 1070. In her position as Queen, Margaret had great influ-



ence and used it in the cause of religion. Her private life was given up to constant prayer and practices of piety. Margaret instigated reforms within the Scottish church, as well as development of closer ties to the Roman Church in order to avoid a schism between the Celtic Church and Rome. Margaret was also active

in works of charity. She frequently visited and cared for the sick, and had hostels constructed for the poor. She founded several churches, including the Abbey of Dunfermline, built to enshrine her greatest treasure, a relic of the true Cross. She established a ferry across the Firth of Forth for pilgrims travelling to the Abbey which gave the towns of Queensferry and North Queensferry their names. Malcom and her eldest son Edward were killed in a battle against the English at the Battle of Alnwick on November 13, 1093, Margaret, who was ill, died in Edinburgh three days later, on November 16. She was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1250 and proclaimed Patroness of Scotland by Pope Clement X in 1673.



ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo

The Beauty of Etiquette in 2011 – Where Have All Our Manners Gone?

Ciao Bella,

My parents seem to have lived their life in a gentle era where niceties were displayed commonly everyday. I know; I was there! Has anyone noticed how rude and inconsiderate people have become? Lately I have noticed that more and more of the younger generation are just so totally in their own world. I know it's a generation that were taught not to say "excuse me, thank you, you're welcome" simply because I don't hear it anymore. If you say those things it shows weakness and vulnerability! So why leave yourself open by being considerate and just taking the time to be nice? It would sure make for a better day when life gets tough. When you follow your manners and smile doing it, a great reward will follow — the beauty of kindness.

Why even in Italy there is the word *prego* that not only means "you're welcome" but "go ahead before me!" And now in a world with technology ringing from our purses, what to do, what to do?

Here are a few tips for your mobile distraction:

Always silence your phone when in a restaurant, theatre or cinema. Use the vibrate mode in a restaurant if you are expecting something important. Excuse yourself from the table and make it quick especially if people need to order.

Lower your voice when talking in a public place.

Never have a "personal" conversation in a public spot.

Use the 10 ft rule when speaking on your cell —

mark your distance!

When you must take a call in company, excuse yourself with permission to accept the call. Never blame the caller for a "dropped call."

I have seen these rules broken everyday! So listen up ladies!

What happened to the thank you note of old? You know with a stamp and return address. I hope the schools are bringing back penmanship lessons because I've heard some kids don't know how to sign their names. One strike for excessive computer use! Ahhh, the cursive way! One of my school subjects that would be marked scrupulously! Here are a few etiquette tips:

You may freshen your lipstick at the table quickly after dining in a restaurant — never your hair! Summon the waiter by raising your hand, first finger pointing up or you may call "waiter" or "miss" never "sir."

Remember to tip your bartender 15-20%! Let a gentleman open a door for you.

So remember we live in a city with close proximity to the next person. Show a little kindness and feel the beauty of it all!

Happy Thanksgiving and God bless the United States of America!

— Mary DiZazzo-Trumbull

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"Say thanks"!

EMBASSY OF ITALY WASHINGTON DC

LA NOSTRA COMUNITA', LA NOSTRA LINGUA: IL RUOLO DEGLI ITALIANI D'AMERICA

OUR COMMUNITY, OUR LANGUAGE: WHAT ITALIAN AMERICANS CAN DO

Quest'anno ha consacrato ottobre come "Italian Heritage Month" negli USA. A Washington, Camera e Senato hanno già in agenda la proposta, grazie a un'iniziativa della comunità italo-americana sostenuta dall'Ambasciata. Il Presidente Obama, nel chiedersi "cosa sarebbe l'America senza i contributi dell'Italia e degli italo-americani", si è detto onorato di celebrare l'Italian American Heritage Month insieme ai 150 anni dell'unificazione dell'Italia.

Sono attestazioni di amicizia straordinarie perché vengono dalle più alte Istituzioni e perché si accompagnano alla partecipazione popolare senza precedenti che in tutti gli Stati Uniti ha caratterizzato le iniziative di queste settimane. E' ancora forte il ricordo delle decine di migliaia di persone sulla Quinta Strada a New York per il Columbus Day. E analoghi sentimenti di orgoglio e soddisfazione mi sono stati riportati dai nostri Consoli che in questi mesi hanno organizzato gli oltre 130 eventi di Italy@150.

E' a questo orgoglio italiano che faccio appello nel chiedere alla comunità italo-americana negli USA di sostenere ancora una volta l'azione del Governo italiano per diffondere l'insegnamento della nostra lingua nelle scuole americane a un anno dall'accordo che, grazie al vostro contributo, ha riportato l'italiano nel programma Advanced Placement.

Abbiamo creato le premesse facendo del 2011 un anno tutto italiano negli USA, segnato da passaggi altamente significativi, come il proclama del Presidente Obama per il "compleanno dell'Italia" il 17 marzo e la visita a New York del Presidente Napolitano. Abbiamo nuovi strumenti per portare l'italiano più vicino ai giovani, e giovanissimi, americani anche attraverso i social network: da qualche mese e' attivo il sito www.usspeaksitalian.org un foro di discussione creato dall'Osservatorio sulla Lingua Italiana per studenti, famiglie e insegnanti; abbiamo lanciato il portale Italy4Kids per far conoscere di più l'Italia, la sua lingua e la sua cultura anche ai più piccoli.

Adesso abbiamo bisogno di voi: parlate, incontrate, spiegate le opportunità che l'italiano offre agli studenti; chiedete a presidi, insegnanti, genitori delle vostre scuole di conoscere l'AP Italian e i suoi vantaggi, utilizzando informazioni e contatti contenuti nella brochure preparata per l'avvio dei corsi a settembre.

Parliamo italiano e parliamo dell'italiano.

Giulio Terzi
Ambasciatore d'Italia a Washington



the 150th anniversary of Italy's unification."

They are affirmations of an extraordinary friendship. They come from the highest of authorities and match the unprecedented public participation throughout the United States in the events of recent weeks. I still have vivid memory of the tens of thousands of people along 5th Avenue in New York on Columbus Day. I received reports of similar manifestations of pride and satisfaction from our Consuls that organized over 130 events for Italy@150.

I am calling on this very Italian pride when I ask the Italian-American communities in the United States to once again support the Italian government's efforts to disseminate the teaching of our language in American schools one year after we signed the agreement which, thanks to your contribution, reinstated Italian in the Advanced Placement program.

We set the scene by making 2011 an all Italian year in the United States marked by very significant moments such as President Obama's proclamation for "Italy's birthday" on March 17 and President Napolitano's visit to New York. We have new tools to bring Italian closer to young Americans also through social networks: the website www.usspeaksitalian.org, a forum for discussion created by the *Osservatorio sulla Lingua Italiana* for students, families, and teachers has been active for several months now; we launched a portal, Italy4Kids, so that children and young people can learn more about Italy, its language, and its culture.

Now we need you to get together, talk, discuss the opportunities that learning Italian offers; tell your school's principals, teachers, and parents to learn more about Advanced Placement Program (AP) Italian and its advantages, using the information and the contacts in the brochure that has been prepared for the introduction of courses in September.

Let's speak Italian and let's talk about it.

Giulio Terzi
Ambassador of Italy to Washington

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East Boston Calendar

to Benefit Mario Umana Academy and EBMS



Local Artist Leigh Hall has captured the old and new of East Boston in the 2012 Calendar for East Boston Main Streets.

With the cooperation of the Boston Public Library, Leigh has taken historic photos of East Boston and merged them with new images of how

Eastie is today. Some of these dramatic transformations that have occurred over the years unfold in the pages of the 2012 calendar and are amazing.

East Boston Main Streets has designed this calendar as a fundraiser for the Mario Umana Academy and East Boston Main Streets. 50% of the proceeds will go directly to the school.

With help from graphic designer Todd Antonellis who pulled it all together, local talent has come together with EBMS to create something very special for East Boston.

The spiral bound calendar has 50 coupons, all from local businesses, saving buyers hundreds of dollars on food, gifts, shoes, clothing and jewelry. There are even freebies!

You can pre-order your calendar by contacting us at ebmainstreets@verizon.net or call us with your contact information at 617-561-1044. Calendars will also be available at MP&CO, 146 Maverick Street and other participating businesses.

Don't miss out! Call now to reserve your 2012 East Boston calendar.

East Boston Main Streets and East Boston Chamber of Commerce Announce

Sixth Annual Holiday Window Contest



All East Boston businesses are encouraged to enter the Sixth Annual Holiday Window Contest.

East Boston Main Streets and the East Boston Chamber of Commerce are requesting all East

Boston businesses and organizations to help decorate the commercial districts for the holidays. The Sixth Annual Holiday Window Contest will be judged by volunteer residents and business owners and will take place the week of December 5th, 2011. The top five selections will receive special recognition. Your business or organization could be the best of East Boston so let's take pride in our neighborhood and enter now!

To enter call us at 617-561-1044 or email us at ebmainstreets@verizon.net. Please leave the name of your business or organization and a phone number.

INVITATION

The Fathers of Don Orione's Congregation are pleased to invite you on

November 30th at the Celebration of the Holy Mass and the blessing of the plaque and bust in memory of

Fr. Rocco Crescenzi, FDP

recalling his vocation and his work for over 60 years in this city. The Holy Mass will be presided by

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PROGRAM

- 5:00 PM Gathering at the Pilgrims' Plaza
- 5:15 PM Blessing of the plaque
- 5:30 PM Celebration of the Holy Mass and unveiling of the bust
- 6:15 PM Refreshments for those present at the event

All are welcome to join us



Freeway Says ...

Due to his increasing popularity and several suggestions from readers (and after much negotiating on our part with his huge salary demands), our friend Freeway has consented to try to answer readers' questions concerning him or any of our little four-legged friends. You can email your questions to postgazette@aol.com to the attention of Freeway. Don't forget folks, Freeway is not a vet, so please keep the questions light-hearted! Thanks.

Turkey day is coming and I can't wait. I hope my human companion will be kind to me and give me a break from my dog food for this special holiday and fill my dish with turkey, please! Don't forget the mashed potatoes, no butter. I want to stay trim for all my female pooch friends. Spoiling your pet for the holiday is fine with common sense. A small piece of turkey is okay. NO turkey bones, no gravy that is too heavy for their stomach. They know they are part of the family and want to be included.

Also, let me remind you to consider donating canned

goods to your local parish and to shelters for the needy. Most importantly remember the elderly who have no one to bring them over a nice hot plate of turkey goodies. This is the time to be "Thankful" and also a time to remember those in need. Thanksgiving has always been my favorite holiday to share this time with friends and family and be thankful for those that are sitting around the dinner table on this special holiday. I would like to wish all my pooch friends and of course my pals at the *Post-Gazette* a "Happy Thanksgiving" and remember to please drive

safely. Before I forget I want to thank my co-worker Joan for coming up with the idea of the Thanksgiving Pet Food Drive for the shelter which we have been getting a lot of food for dogs and cats and treats. The deadline for this is Tuesday, November 22nd. Anyone that is interested can drop the food at the *Post-Gazette*, it would be greatly appreciated and we know the animals will appreciate it even more.

That's all for now!

REMEMBER TO KEEP OUR NORTH END STREETS CLEAN. PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET!

Notice of 2011 East Boston Chamber of Commerce Election of Officers & Directors

OFFICERS:

(One to be elected, per each position)

President, **Diane Modica**, Law Office of Diane J. Modica
1st Vice President, **Pasquale 'Pat' Todisco**, Todisco Towing
2nd Vice President, **Marisa DiPietro**, East Boston Social Center
3rd Vice President, **Scott Heigelmann**, Heavy Advertising
Treasurer, **Kim Altschul**, East Boston Savings Bank
Secretary, **Joanna Cataldo**, East Boston Chamber Boston Neighborhood Health Center

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

(Four to be elected)

Pedro Cordano, Cordano Real Estate
Phil Giffie, Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH)
Bobby Martin, Piers Park Sailing Program
Mike Sulprizio, East Boston Community Development

The elections take place at the Chamber offices at 175 McClellan Highway, Suite 1, on Thursday, December 15, 2011 from 11:30 am-2:00 pm and also 4:30 pm-5:30 pm. (Candidates for officers and directors are typically present at this time.) All East Boston Chamber of Commerce members in good standing as of November 15, 2011, are eligible to vote. Good standing requires that members be current on their membership dues. Each member business of the Chamber is allowed one vote; however, Chamber by-laws stipulate that any member who joined the Chamber after August 31 of the current year shall not be entitled to vote in this election; voting by multiple representatives of the same business is not allowed. Proxy voting and absentee voting are not allowed. All voting results will be counted and reported after 5:30 pm on Thursday, December 15, 2011, at the Chamber office; results will then be made available on the Chamber website and by phone call request as well.

A nominations committee is selected each year and is responsible for identifying candidates for the board of directors. This year, several members of the Chamber were recognized by the committee and invited as candidates, including: Citizen's Bank, Meridian Insurance, First Priority, Cordano Real

Estate, East Boston Community Development Corporation (CDC), Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH), and Piers Park Sailing Center. As of the response deadline, November 10, four of these members, Michael Sulprizio of East Boston CDC Board of Directors, Robert Martin of the Piers Park Sailing Center, Pedro Cordano of Cordano Real Estate and Phil

Giffie of NOAH, replied that they were able to accept candidacy for board service at this time.

Any other eligible candidates seeking to run for the four open Board positions are invited to run through the process for independent nomination outlined below. According to the bylaws of

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The Socially Set

by Hilda M. Morrill



Chanel boutique manager Mary Nobile-King, left, and author Justine Picardie at the Boston Public Library.
(Photo by Roger Farrington)



Michael "Bingo" Sears with Caroline MacGillivray, left, and her mother Dr. Leslie Lucchina, right, at the BPL.
(Photo by Roger Farrington)



Doris Yaffe, left, and Sue Paresky at the BPL.
(Photo by Roger Farrington)

More than 100 guests recently gathered in the Abbey Room at the Boston Public Library to celebrate the launch of Justine Picardie's new deluxe edition of her book, "Chanel - Her Life," featuring original sketches by Karl Lagerfeld.

The acclaimed journalist and author was granted special access to Chanel's archives and is the first author to have examined undiscovered private archives in the United Kingdom and France.

Picardie's in-depth approach to discovering Coco

Chanel's life allowed her to move past myths and rumors, and unlock the truth about one of the twentieth century's most captivating personalities.

"Chanel - Her Life" explores every aspect of Chanel's world: from her alluring personal life to the famous icons of her fashion empire - the tweed jacket, the little black dress, Chanel No. 5 perfume, the pearls, the camellia, etc. The comprehensive biography includes more than 200 unpublished photographs and

drawings and tells Chanel's story with a style and clarity of which Coco herself would approve.

"People often ask me," she noted, "When did you first become interested in Coco Chanel?" "I was fascinated ... all the way back to my earliest memories in childhood. Chanel has come to represent the essence of every woman and the story of Coco feels somehow entwined with my own as a writer. Chanel was entirely her own creation, still seeking perfection in her designs until the very last day of her life."

After the glittery event, Picardie noted in her blog, "I'm writing this on a flight from Boston to LA, feeling somewhat dizzy from the last few days. New York was amazing, as always. I met so many interesting people, talked endlessly about life and love, through the prism of Chanel, and then arrived briefly in Boston yesterday, where I spoke at the Boston Public Library. What a magnificent place it is; murals by John Singer Sergeant, and 19th century architecture at its most splendid. There I encountered an astonishingly chic 82 year old woman, who looked as alluring as Mademoiselle Chanel herself ..."

Among the fashionable VIPs at the reception were Chanel's boutique manager Mary Nobile-King, Courtney Forrester, Susanne Hatje, Marilyn Riseman, Doris Yaffe, Bill Emery, and Sara Underwood, to name a few.

The Boston Common Frog Pond Opening Night Skating Spectacular, "Skating Under the Stars," originally

scheduled for this evening, November 18, has been cancelled due to the warm temperatures.

The Boston Common Frog Pond is managed through a public-private partnership between The Skating Club of Boston and the Boston Parks Department. The partnership's mission is to manage the Frog Pond for the benefit of Bostonians and visitors alike, and to provide recreational activities year-round at a customer-friendly destination in the heart of America's oldest public park. Updates to the winter schedule will be posted at www.bostonfrogpond.com. For further information, call 617-635-2120.

..... On Wednesday, November 23, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society's "Festival of Trees" at Elm Bank in Wellesley kicks off the holiday season in a special way: by giving families an opportunity to see spectacularly decorated holiday trees in a festive environment.

Tree themes are intended to appeal to all ages. All trees are raffled off, with proceeds going to help maintain the gardens at Elm Bank.

This year, we are invited to participate in the Festival of Trees Gingerbread House Competition. Festively decorated gingerbread houses will be shown along with the trees during the event. Holiday train rides around the property will also be offered

during the family-friendly Festival.

The Festival runs through Saturday, December 10. Visit www.massshortfestivaloftrees.org for further details and to view photo galleries from previous Festivals, or call 617-933-4943.

..... The Boston Parks and Recreation Department has announced their Lighting Schedule for the festive Holiday Season and it is as follows:

The Christopher Columbus Trellis, November 21 at 5:30 p.m.; Copley Square Tree Lighting, November 29 at 5:00 p.m.; Boston Common Lighting of Official Christmas Tree, December 1 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.; and the Commonwealth Avenue Mall Lighting, December 1 at 8:15 p.m.

For more information, call the Parks Department at 617-635-4505.

..... The Irish Cultural Centre of New England invites us to save Saturday morning, December 3 when they will be celebrating a "Children's Irish Christmas."

We are told that a delicious Irish Breakfast Buffet will be served. The little ones can visit with Santa, and Moms and Dads are encouraged to bring their cameras for photos. In addition, there will be storytelling with Mrs. Claus, Christmas caroling, an Irish dance perfor-

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Kathryn Jigarjian, left, and Mahasti Dadgar at the Justine Picardie Chanel book event.
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Simple *T*IMES...

with Girard A. Plante



Two international superstars showed up on the same early November weekend to meet two diverging groups of Boston area's young people. And though both never crossed each others' path, the reasons for attending their respective events drew stark contrast.

Mark Zuckerberg, the CEO and founder of Facebook, returned to Harvard University for the first time since dropping out seven years ago to grow his popular social network company into the gargantuan multi-billion-dollar global business it has become.

He then rolled a few blocks up Massachusetts Avenue to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to chat with 200 students and drum up new recruits for Facebook's expansive network. Though he never desired leaving Boston for Silicon Valley in Palo Alto, CA Zuckerberg tossed titillating ideas to MIT's prospective engineers. "A lot of good companies get started all over the place. You could start a com-

pany here," said Zuckerberg. On the other side of the Charles River the world's highest paid supermodel Gisele Bundchen, wife of New England Patriots' quarterback Tom Brady, selflessly sauntered secretly into the Salon Pini & Co. in Boston to hang out with 29 girls whose lives have been altered by cancer.

The girls are patients at the Jimmy Fund Clinic at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. They got treated to a weekend of fine dining, makeovers, shopping spree, and pampering by several of Boston's best hair stylists and fashionistas.

Bundchen never tripped in wowing her captive audience. "We all started clapping and everyone was excited," gushed Hannah Baiona, 15-year-old sophomore at Braintree High School, who's been in remission for seven months from Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Gisele strode a makeshift catwalk at the Newbury Street salon with girls reluctant to strut it alone. She

also flawlessly pushed a few girls in wheelchairs across the catwalk to the delight of the many sponsors and spectators who cheered the world's most sought-after supermodel for sharing the spotlight with her newfound friends.

The classy Bundchen gave each girl a rose and a hug, posed for photos, and made every girl feel super. "The one thing that you notice is that there's a deep and abiding sadness in their eyes," said WEEI DJ John Dennis. "But when she (Gisele) came in, it went away."

As Zuckerberg schmoozed with the elite at Harvard and MIT, he praised the Boston area for "having really smart people." Bundchen's unique talents and savvy business skills keep her brand burning white-hot. Despite their effervescent egos and the glamour that follows them, both superstars shone brilliantly by leaving their human imprint on hundreds of young people ready to meet the challenges before them.

• Thinking Out Loud (Continued from Page 4)

cause it was very unlikely anyone could have actually observed all of the suspect's travels.

The high court must also look at whether the planting of a GPS device violated protections under the US Constitution. The Justice lawyers say it was permitted under the constitution because it didn't interfere with the driving of the vehicle or take up space inside the

Jeep itself.

The defendant's lawyer told the justices in his brief that unrestrained GPS monitoring becomes "a grave threat to the personal privacy and security of every individual in this country." I personally believe, as does the defense lawyer, that the government doesn't have the right to track people relentlessly without a warrant. With every day that passes,

we appear moving closer and closer to that day when we are ruled as George Orwell called by a "Big Brother" when a totalitarian mindset, constantly monitoring us electronically from sunrise to sunset and maybe even more.

Call me a liberal but I'm not going for all this "Big Brother" scary stuff. This remains America, a free country not a prison.

• Thanksgiving (Continued from Page 1)

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you and makes things worse. Filling yourself with gratitude on a daily basis makes

you feel good, while driving out negative feelings.

Begin your practice of gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great day. If you have

any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't waste any time with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

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HAPPY ENDINGS: THE FIRST SEASON (2-DVD) Sony Pictures Home Ent.

Happy Endings is the hilarious new comedy about six twentysomething Chicago friends. Dave (Zachary Knighton) finds fulfillment (sort of) manning a food truck after losing his hot fiancé, Alex (Alisha Cuthbert), at the altar. Alex's type-A sister Jane (Eliza Coupe) is almost happily married to horndog Brad (Damon Wayans Jr.). Dave's roommate, Max (Adam Pally), is a gay, sports-loving slob and Penny (Casey Wilson) is on the prowl for a good man ... or men. The laughs are nonstop as they do what tightly-knot friends do best: hang out, have fun, debate the meaning of life, hook up, break up, and do it all over again!

THE KENNEDY'S (3-Blu-ray) New Video

Inspired by one of the world's most iconic families, this eight-hour scripted drama/miniseries, ventures upstairs at the White House to chronicle the saga of America's first "royal" family during the 1960s. Through exhaustive research, The Kennedys provides an intimate look at how Joseph Kennedy, Sr. shaped his sons John and Robert to become two of the most influential men in America's history. With political events such as the Cuban Missile Crisis, Bay of Pigs and the civil rights movement playing background to the personal stories of the relationships between brother and brother and father and son. The Kennedy's details how the two men handled their father, whose ambition exceeded their own, and ultimately made them who they were. Recounted are the scandal, tragedy, public greatness and private frailty of our nation's most fabled political family during one of the most momentous decades in history.

THE HOUR (2-DVD) BBC

This thrilling 1950s drama follows a deadly conspiracy, laced with intense ambition and crackling with sexual tension. BBC has just launched The Hour, a topical news program. At the heart of the show are three contrasting journalists: enigmatic producer Bel Rowley (Romola Garai), a spirited woman in a man's world; her best friend Freddie Lyon (Ben Whishaw), a brilliant and passionate reporter; and charming, well-connected front man Hector Madden (Dominic West). As Freddie moves to cover a significant but controversial breaking story, the trio becomes entangled in an

intense interplay of politics; ambition and romance, all ignited by a mysterious murder and chilling conspiracy. A riveting thriller!

GO FOR IT! (DVD) Lionsgate

Carmen (Aimee Garcia) lives for the underground hip-hop dance scene, but mounting personal problems cause her to quit the dance team and put her dreams on hold. When one of her professors clues in to her real passion, she is encouraged to audition for a formal dance school, and the opportunity to shine. Faced with a huge dilemma ... she just might have to dance for her life.

IN TREATMENT: THE THIRD SEASON (DVD) HBO Home Ent.

Set within the highly charged confines of individual psychotherapy sessions, In Treatment: Season 3 continues to center around Dr. Paul Weston (Gabriel Byrne) who is coping with the after effects of his recent divorce, as well as his move to Brooklyn to continue his practice. In the midst of new emotional and physical challenges (including hand tremors he fears might be the onset of Parkinson's Disease, which killed his father). Paul will be treating three new patients (Debra Winger, Irrfan Khan, and Dan DeHaan), and will see a new therapist (Amy Ryan) in New York City.

AMERICAN LOSER (DVD) Lionsgate

Seann William Scott stars as Jeff, a wealthy loser from the Upper East Side, who definitely needs help in the "money can't buy love" department. Helping him to get there is Lynn (Gretchen Mol) — a hot blonde gold-digger who has many reasons to give him the push he needs. A hilarious slapstick comedy filled with twists and turns.

THE BALLAD OF MOTT THE HOOPLE (DVD) Start Productions

The Ballad of Mott The Hoople is a feature length documentary that tells the story of one of England's most cherished rock 'n' roll bands. The film brings the band's story to life through a stunning combination of rare and unseen archive footage, their magnificent music, and the testimony of band members Ian Hunter, Mick Ralphs, Verden Allen, Dale "Buffin" Griffin, Luther Grosvenor a.k.a. Ariel Bender, and Morgan Fisher. Plus other associates and witnesses that include The Clash's Mick Jones, Queen's Roger Taylor and Mott "Seadivers" fan-club president Kris Needs. Also, includes footage from Mott the Hoople's triumphant 2009 Hammersmith reunion concerts.

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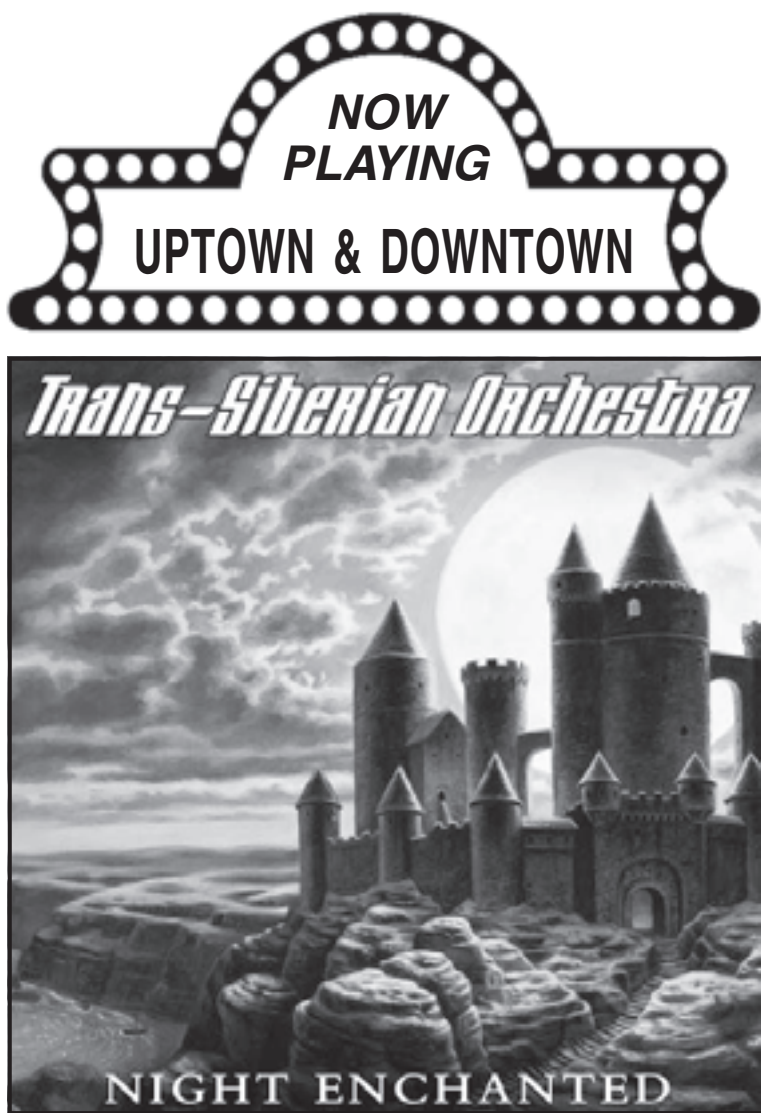
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With over-the-top stage show and epic “Rock Theater” approach, Trans-Siberian Orchestra has cemented itself as one of the most successful acts on the road. TSO established its connection with audiences in large part thanks to a trilogy of Christmas-themed albums and its must-see annual winter tours. See MUSIC SECTION for further details.

THEATER

NORTH SHORE MUSIC THEATRE 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, MA

A CHRISTMAS CAROL December 2–23. With dazzling special effects that have grown even more exciting over time, traditional and original songs, and colorful costumes, **A CHRISTMAS CAROL** has become a holiday favorite throughout New England. Based on the Charles Dickens classic, **A CHRISTMAS CAROL** tells the tale of curmudgeonly miser Ebenezer Scrooge, who is visited by the ghosts of Christmases Past, Present and Future hoping to change his destiny and save his soul. This brilliant musical, an original adaptation written by former NSMT Artistic Director, Jon Kimbell, follows Scrooge through a series of strange and magical journeys, where he ultimately discovers the true spirit of the holiday season. For further information, visit www.nsmat.org, contact the Box Office at 978-232-7200 or visit in person at 62 Dunham Road, Beverly.

LOEB DRAMA CENTER 64 Brattle St., Cambridge, MA

AS YOU LIKE IT – December 7, 2011 – January 8, 2012. “All the world’s a stage, and all the men and women merely players,” in Shakespeare’s beloved pastoral comedy *As You Like It*. This classic tale follows Rosalind and her friend Celia’s escape from a deadly conspiracy into nature’s wild, liberating arms. What follows is an unconventional romance with everything from wrestling matches to cross-dressing shepherds culminating in a joyful finale. For further information call 617-547-8300 or visit www.americanrepertorytheater.org.

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE 539 Washington St., Boston, MA

Don’t miss the final season of the current Boston Ballet’s **THE NUTCRACKER** – November 25–December 31, 2011. Experience the magic of this beloved production one last time. For tickets: Colonial Theatre Box Office, 106 Boylston Street, on line at www.broadwayacrossamerica.com/Boston, Ticketmaster.com or Ticketmaster at 800-982-2787.

REAGLE MUSIC THEATRE 617 Lexington St., Waltham, MA

IT’S CHRISTMAS TIME – December 3–11, 2011. The one Boston Christmas spectacle guaranteed to warm any heart! Children of all

ages are enchanted by Santa’s Workshop, Teddy Bears’, Nutcracker, Parade of the Wooden Soldiers, Victorian Christmas, precision dancers and The Living Nativity. Our cast of 200 comes gift wrapped in fabulous holiday sets and costumes — all backed by a full live orchestra.

SHUBERT THEATRE 270 Tremont Street, Boston, MA

THE ADDAMS FAMILY – February 7, 2012 to February 19, 2012. They’re creepy and they’re kooky, mysterious and spooky — c’mon, you know that tune! A dream cast takes on the quirky characters in a new and original Addams Family tale. As the musical begins, there are storm clouds gathering over the Addams Family home. Wednesday is falling in love, young Pugsley, jealous of his sister’s attention, begs her to keep torturing him severely, while mother Morticia fears being upstaged and discarded by her daughter’s lurch into womanhood ... like yesterday’s roadkill. But when outsiders come to dinner, the events of one night will change forever this famously macabre family — a family so very different from your own — or maybe not. Tickets can be purchased at the Wang Theatre Box Office Tuesday thru Saturday 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Box Office: 866-348-9738 (TTY: 888-889-8587).

BOSTON CENTER FOR THE ARTS CALDERWOOD PAVILION

527 Tremont Street, Boston, MA
The Speakeasy State Stage Company presents **THE DIVINE SISTER** – Now through November 19, 2011. *The Divine Sister* is an inspired homage to every Hollywood film ever made about nuns. This gleefully twisted tale tells the story of an indomitable Mother Superior trying to cope with a young postulant experiencing “visions,” a sensitive schoolboy in need of mentoring, a mysterious nun visiting from Berlin, and a former suitor intent on luring her away from her vows. *Warning: This show contains adult language and content.*

MUSIC

DCU CENTER 50 Foster Street, Worcester, MA

GUNS N’ ROSES – November 25, 2011. Since they last played the U.S. in 2006, GNR has played to rave reviews everywhere including South America, Canada, Europe and Southeast Asia, playing close to one million fans worldwide. Axl Rose started Guns N’ Roses over 25 years ago. Since that time, they have become

one of the biggest bands in music history, selling over 100 million albums worldwide. GNR’s *Appetite For Destruction* has sold over 28 million albums in the U.S. alone. Tickets available at the DCU Center Box Office, Ticketmaster locations, by phone at 800-745-3000 and online at ticketmaster.com.

BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND – November 29. Bob Seger & The Silver Bullet Band are back out on the road this Fall for a second leg to their 2011 North American Tour. Gary Graff of *Billboard Magazine* said “Seger and company delivered an energetic and exhaustive show. The 65-year-old Rock and Roll Hall of Famer is one of those rarefied performers who has built a large canon of hits: Ramblin’ Gamblin’ Man, Katmandu, Against the Wind, Hollywood Nights, Night Moves — that absolutely have to be played or he won’t get out of the building alive ... The Silver Bullets appeared honed and well-rehearsed, bolstering the tight arrangements with solos by saxophonist Alto Reed, keyboardist Craig Frost and guitarist Mark Chatfield. Tickets available at the DCU Center Box Office, Ticketmaster locations, by phone at 800-745-3000 and online at ticketmaster.com.

BOSTON POPS HOLIDAY CONCERT – December 11, 2011. The Boston Pops Holiday Concert presented by TD Bank is back by popular demand! Kick off your holiday season on with Keith Lockhart, the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra and vocal powerhouse Rockapella! For the first time ever, “America’s Orchestra” joins America’s leading a cappella group for an unforgettable holiday show. Enjoy unique takes on classic favorites and brand new originals, plus a special visit from Jolly Ole’ St. Nick and a time-honored audience sing along. Treat yourself and your loved ones to a holiday tradition that millions cherish! Tickets available at the DCU Center Box Office, Ticketmaster locations, by phone at 800-745-3000 and online at ticketmaster.com.

NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY JORDAN HALL

30 Gainsborough St., Boston, MA
VIENNA BOYS CHOIR HOLIDAY PROGRAM – December 4, 2011. Since 1498, the angelic voices of the Vienna Boys Choir have been charming and moving audiences. Theirs is a ringing sound of timeless purity, the sound of a great choral tradition passed down through the ages with care. Don’t miss the chance to ring in your holiday season with a dose of old world charm from the beloved Vienna Boys Choir. For further information call 617-585-1260 or necmusic.edu.

WILBUR THEATRE 246 Tremont Street, Boston, MA

CANADIAN TENORS – December 5, 2011. The Canadian Tenors’ music is an exciting blend of classical and contemporary pop that is thrilling audiences of all ages around the world. The Tenors are the incredibly powerful voices of four gifted young men with diverse vocal styles, undeniable charm and international solo success. Tickets may be purchased in a variety of ways: In person at the Box Office, online at <http://thewilburtheatre.com>, any area Ticketmaster outlet. Call Ticketmaster at 800-745-3000 or Ticketmaster Express at 866-448-7849.

TD GARDEN Causeway Street, Boston

TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA – November 27, 2011. With more than 7 million albums sold TSO has inspired generations of fans to rediscover the multi-dimensional art form of the rock opera. On the road, meanwhile, they have become one of the world’s top acts including a recent mention in *Billboard* magazine as one of the top touring artists of the past decade. The newest album “Night Castle” released in October of 2009 debuted at #5 and was certified gold by year’s end. “Night Castle” is a sweeping two-discs of genre-blending epics and an affecting story that takes you around the world, through time and to points beyond.

Special Events

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE 1 Science Park, Boston

A DAY IN POMPEII – Now through February 12, 2012. Tickets now on sale. The Roman city of Pompeii was destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD, vanishing beneath layers of volcanic ash. Now you can discover one of the greatest archaeological treasures ever unearthed at A

Day in Pompeii. For further information on this exhibit or upcoming exhibits, log on to mos.org.

DCU CENTER 50 Foster Street, Worcester, MA

CIRQUE DU SOLEIL – QUIDAM
December 14–18 – Young Zoé is bored; her parents, distant and apathetic, ignore her. Her life has lost all meaning. Seeking to fill the void of her existence, she slides into an imaginary world — the world of Quidam — where she meets characters who encourage her to free her soul. Quidam: a nameless passerby, a solitary figure lingering on a street corner, a person rushing past and swallowed by the crowd. It could be anyone, anybody. Someone coming or going at the heart of our anonymous society. A member of the crowd, one of the silent majority. The one who cries out, sings and dreams within us all. This is the “quidam” whom this show allows to speak. This is the place that beckons — a place for dreaming and genuine relations where all quidams, by proclaiming their individuality, can finally emerge from anonymity. Tickets available at the DCU Center Box Office, Ticketmaster locations, at 800-745-3000 and online at ticketmaster.com.

TSONGAS CENTER AT UMASS LOWELL

300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way Lowell, MA

DISNEY LIVE! PHINEAS AND FERB – Saturday, November 26, 2011. Phineas, Ferb, and the whole tri-state area gang embark on a bold escape jumping out from behind your TV and onto the stage in a live action adventure right in your hometown! And, before you can wonder, “Hey, Where’s Perry?” the beloved pet platypus shifts to his secret double life as Agent P to foil another one of Dr. Doofenshmidt’s evil plans. Musical madness abounds in an escapade so awesome that even Candace can’t help but join the hilarious hijinks. Purchase tickets at Tsongas Center Box Office, www.tsongascenter.com or by calling 866-722-8780.

BOSTON SCAVENGER HUNT – See Boston with new eyes on a scavenger hunt! On teams of up to six people, you’ll tackle tricky, humorous questions about the cool things and amazing places you discover. Along the way, you’ll uncover surprising secrets. Our acclaimed hunts are like walking tours spiked with caffeine. Don’t have a team? We’ll help you find kindred spirits at the start of the hunt. No knowledge of any hunt location is required — you just need a sharp mind and a good pair of shoes. Advance purchase is required for all hunts. For dates, times, locations or to purchase tickets log on to watsonadventures.com or by phone at OvationTix at 866-811-4111.

LOWELL MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, MA
LIDIA’S ITALY IN AMERICA LIVE! – Sunday, December 4, 2011. Lidia Bastianich is one of the best-loved chefs on television, a best-selling cookbook author, restaurateur and owner of a flourishing food and entertainment business. Lidia has married her two passions in life — family and food, to create multiple culinary endeavors alongside her two

children, Joseph and Tanya. Her cookbooks include *Lidia’s Italy in America*, *Lidia Cooks from the Heart of Italy* and *Lidia’s Italy* — all companion books to the television series, “Lidia’s Italy in America” and “Lidia’s Italy” as well as *Lidia’s Family Table*, *Lidia’s Italian-American Kitchen*, *Lidia’s Italian Table* and *La Cucina di Lidia*.

MUSEUMS

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston

DEGAS AND THE NUDE – Now through February 5, 2012. The first museum exhibition devoted exclusively to the extraordinary range of nudes by Edgar Degas — tracing their evolution from the artist’s early years, through the private and public images of brothels and bathers in the 1870s and 1880s, to the post-impressionist nudes of the end of his career will be presented. For more information, visit www.mfa.org or call 617-267-9300.

JOHN F. KENNEDY PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Columbia Point, Boston, MA

IN HER VOICE: JACQUELINE KENNEDY, THE WHITE HOUSE YEARS. In the spring of 1964, a few months after President Kennedy’s death, Jacqueline Kennedy recorded a series of interviews with historian and family friend Arthur Schlesinger, Jr. At the age of thirty-four, with the White House years behind her, she was speaking for the historical record — to preserve and shape her husband’s legacy. The interviews, held on deposit here at the Kennedy Library, were sealed for 47 years. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis died in 1994. In 2011, the 50th anniversary year of the Kennedy Presidency, her daughter, Caroline Kennedy, decided it was the right time to share these conversations with the public. Call the JFK Library at 866-JFK-1960 or online at www.jfklibrary.org for more details.

HIGGINS ARMORY MUSEUM 100 Barber Ave., Worcester, MA

Spend a Knight in our Shining Armory! Our popular **OVERKNIGHT** program is an interactive parent-child adventure perfect for youth groups, scouts, and school groups studying the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Visitors will be immersed in a unique educational experience, focusing on chivalry, heraldry and the history of the knight-in-shining-armor. Spending the night at Castle Higgins is an exciting enrichment opportunity, especially appropriate for children in grades 1-6. For more details, call 508-853-6015 or visit higgins@higgins.org.

PLIMOTH PLANTATION 137 Warren Ave., Plymouth, MA

HARVEST DINNER WITH THE PILGRIMS – Thursday, November 24, 2011. Come celebrate America’s most beloved holiday at Plimoth Plantation and Mayflower II. The Museum sites are alive with energy, as visitors from around the world make the pilgrimage to the Museum to tour the sites. Spend time talking with the Museum’s Pilgrim staff in the English Village, as well as members of the Native staff in the Wampanoag Homesite. Climb aboard Mayflower II and share your gratitude, by giving thanks with us! For other happenings at Plimoth Plantation log on to www.plimoth.org.

ITALIAN EVENTS & PROGRAMS

ITALIAN RADIO PROGRAMS

“The Sicilian Corner” 11:00 am to 1:00 pm every Friday with host Tom Zappala and Mike Lomazzo and **“The Italian Show”** with Nunzio DiMarzo every Sunday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Go to www.1110wccmam.com.

“Italia Oggi” Sundays 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm with host Andrea Urdis 1460 AM www.1460WXHR.com.

“Dolce Vita Radio” DJ Rocco Mesiti 11:00 am-1:00 pm Sundays 90.7 FM or online www.djrocco.com.

“The Nick Franciosa Show” Sundays from 12 Noon to 3:00 pm on WLYN 1360 AM and WAZN 1470 AM.

“Guido Oliva Italian Hour” 8:00 am-9:00 am Sundays on WRSO 650 AM and online at www.wso.com.

“Radio Italia Unita” Thursdays 2:00 pm-3:00 pm on www.zumix.org/ radio or iTunes, college radio click on Zumix. For more information, log onto www.italiaunita.org.

“Tony’s Place” on MusicAmerica WPLM FM 99.1 – Every Sunday 9:00 pm-10:00 pm on MusicAmerica. Host Ron Della Chiesa presents Tony’s Place For further information visit www.MusicNotNoise.com.

CARPENTER CENTER FOR THE VISUAL ARTS

24 Quincy Street, Harvard University, Cambridge MA

Harvard Film Archives presents **ONCE UPON A TIME ... SERGIO LEONE - The Good, the Bad and the Ugly (Il buono, il brutto, il cattivo)** – Saturday, November 19. Among the best-known Westerns of all time. Set during the Civil War, *The Good, the Bad and the Ugly* uses its improbable story of hidden gold to pit Eastwood against Lee Van Cleef, now a sinister mercenary, with Eli Wallach completing the unholy trilogy as the lusty, oafish stumbling bandit — a striking, twitching emblem of human weakness and greed. A massively influential film, Leone’s epic is a bravura example of both his baroque visual style, revealed as much in the incredible sets as Tonino Delli Colli’s extraordinary widescreen cinematography, as well as his savage gallows humor — with both intertwining in an astonishing cemetery shootout that remains one of the iconic moments of postwar Italian cinema. For more details visit hcl.harvard.edu/hfa.

Ray Barron's

11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Moron? Christian radio broadcaster Harold Camping apologized for telling listeners the world would end on May 21st, and then on October 21st. Camping said he was getting out of the prediction business and retiring. Well, a typical optimist knows it's bound to happen — and doesn't think it will happen soon.

Huh? British woman Emma French passed her driving test while she was in labor and then drove herself to the hospital. "The nurses were very confused because I was getting congratulations cards for both my baby and my driving test," said Emma.

Quick thinking, after 24-year-old Kevin Gaylor, of Colorado Springs, invited a woman he met online to his home. When his girlfriend showed up, too, Gaylor allegedly told her that the new woman was a burglar, and called the cops to report an intrusion. He was charged with false reporting to authorities.

Holy matters! A lawyer has filed a human-rights complaint against Catholic University, on the grounds that the prevalence of Catholic imagery there violates the rights of Muslim students. Catholic University admits students of all faiths, but attorney John Banzhaf says there is almost nowhere on campus where Muslims can "pray without having to stare up and be looked down upon by a cross of Jesus."

A French satirical newspaper that put out an issue mocking Islam has had its offices burned down. The apparent arson attack on *Charlie Hebdo* came just days after the weekly put out an issue supposedly guest-edited by the Prophet Mohammed. The front page showed a cartoon of a turban-wearing bearded man saying, "100 lashes if you don't die laughing." French Muslims condemned the attack.

Gossip! George Clooney's ex-girlfriend loved him like a dad. In a new book by an Italian journalist recently released, Elisabetta Canalis, 33, reveals that her two-year romance with Clooney wasn't much of a romance. "Between us there was more of a father-daughter relationship," says Canalis of the actor, who is 17 years her senior. "He has been very special for me, as a father would be."

Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill, says, "Many girls are very romantic. They expect a declaration of love to have a ring in it."

Wow! Bernie and Ruth Madoff tried to kill themselves, Ruth told CBS's *60 Minutes*. After Bernie told her he was running a giant Ponzi scheme, Ruth said, they swallowed pills on Christmas Eve in 2008. "We decided to kill ourselves because it was so horrendous what was happening," said Ruth, 70. "We took the pills and woke up the next day. It was very impulsive, and I'm glad we woke up."

A Massachusetts couple called 911 after getting lost while picking apples in an orchard. Mark and Marcia Rosenthal of Boston were unable to find their car after the sun went down over the 200-acre Honey Pot Orchard in Stow, and say they had no choice but to contact emergency services. After police called the orchard owners, they drove out in a buggy to pick up the couple. Orchard owner Julie Martin-Sullivan said Mark Rosenthal asked her brother, "So how many rescues a year?" And my brother replied, "Well, through 85 years of business, none."

Good often comes from evil: the apple that Eve ate has given work to thousands of designers and dressmakers. Adam's experience proves that the apple should be drunk as cider rather than be eaten as fruit. Carlo Scostumato claims, it wasn't the apple on the tree that began it all! It was the pair on the ground! Carlo! You mean, pear!

Unbelievable! A 92-year-old great-grandmother was refused service in a British liquor store because she didn't have a photo ID. Diane Taylor says she initially "thought the cashier was complimenting me" when he refused to sell her a bottle of whiskey without proof she was at least 18. The cashier was adamant, however, and Taylor left empty-handed. "No one can convince me I look under 25," says Taylor. "I'd only take 78 at a push."

Ah, old age! Old age is like everything else: to make a success of it, you've got to start young.

The ageless Tom Analetto, the unofficial mayor of Medford, says, "The best thing about growing old is that it takes such a long time."

Ah, the trouble with growing old is that there's not much future in it.

Giuseppina, cosce storte, says, "The best thing about old age is that a person only has to go through it once."

Chop! Chop! Every year, China cuts down an estimated 3.8 million trees to produce 57 billion pairs of disposable chopsticks, contributing to the country's rapid deforestation. Half of these chopsticks are exported to Japan, South Korea and the U.S.

From the polls: 57% of Americans support President Obama's decision to withdraw all U.S. troops from Iraq by the end of the year, while 31% oppose it. And 83% of Americans say they have made cutbacks in their day-to-day spending, including 39% who say they've stopped buying items they consider to be necessities. Nonetheless, 69% consider their own financial situations to be fairly good or very good.

Last year, Americans spent \$2.6 trillion on healthcare, slightly more than the French spent on everything — education, defense, healthcare, food, housing and more — making U.S. healthcare spending alone equivalent to the fifth-largest economy in the world.

Speaking of health, be aware, Vitamin D is now being hailed as the "hottest new healer." And it was said, lack of this sunshine vitamin is linked to cancer, heart disease and diabetes — and at least one-third of us don't get enough. Yes, we do pop daily a Vitamin D. In short, we learned about the value of Vitamin D from an old Italian in Boston's North End. He said we should start taking Vitamin D because it's good for us. And we accepted his advice. His name is Julio and he is usually at the Dolce Vita on Hanover Street. His son-in-law Franco owns the popular restaurant.

Great! Women "now hold down the majority of jobs in the U.S. workforce." But where a woman works makes a huge difference to the size of her paycheck. Washington, D.C., is the clear national winner: Women there earn the most — \$53,450 on average, \$10,000 more than in runner-up Maryland. The capital also has a high "location premium" — the amount a professional woman earns above the national average for her peers. D.C.'s premium is \$13,465, followed by those of New Mexico (\$7,913), Connecticut (\$7,121), and Maryland (\$6,728). Skilled women's location penalties are highest in Virginia (-\$6,948), South Dakota (-\$7,248). Those variances don't change the fact that "men remain the winners by a large margin" on earnings.

Time for some reminiscing with the stately musicologist Albert Natale. The first record played on the network debut of Dick Clark's American Bandstand was Jerry Lee Lewis' "Whole Lot a Shaking Goin' On." Singer Johnny Mathis is the son of a vaudeville singer. Before entering the entertainment world, Johnny made his name in athletics as a hurdles champion, basketball player and world-class high jumper. Tenor sax/bandleader Freddy Martin grew up in an orphanage and played in a band there. He played sax at Ohio State University with a student group booked as off-night replacements for Guy Lombardo. The early Dorsey Brothers band featured three trombones. One was played by Tommy himself, and another by musician/arranger Glenn Miller. One more time! Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis made their TV debut on the Ed Sullivan variety show, his 1948 debut show. For their performance, they were to split \$200.

It happened on this date, November 18: In 2347 Noah is said to have left the Ark 1307: Swiss archer William Tell shot an apple off his son's head. In 1626, St. Peter's Cathedral was dedicated in Rome. In 1928, the squeaky-voiced Mickey Mouse first appeared on the screen of the Colony Theater in NYC. **AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME**



Recipes from the

Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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NONNA LUCY'S TURKEY STUFFING

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| 2 large onions chopped | 2 eggs slightly beaten |
| 3 celery stalks chopped | 1 small French bread cubed |
| 2 cans chicken broth | ¾ cup pignoli (pine nuts) |
| 2 chicken bouillon cubes | 2 tablespoons grated Romano Cheese |
| 1 pound of white or brown instant rice | ¼ cup white wine |
| 2 tablespoons chopped parsley | 4 tablespoons butter or margarine |
| ½ teaspoon poultry seasoning | Salt and pepper |

One day earlier, cube bread and place in a paper bag to dry, or *slightly* toast cubed bread and cool on day of stuffing preparation.

Use one can of chicken broth as the liquid for cooking the instant rice and follow direction on package for cooking time. When cooked, cover and set aside.

Meanwhile melt butter or margarine in a large skillet. Add chopped onion and celery. Stir and cook until onion is opaque. Remove from burner. Carefully add remaining can of chicken broth to the skillet. Return to burner and heat broth slowly. Add cubed bread to the broth and mix until all bread is softened. If needed, add one chicken bouillon cube to one cup of boiling water. Dissolve bouillon cube and add gradually to bread as needed.

Combine rice and softened bread in a large bowl. Add parsley, poultry seasoning, grated cheese, wine, and pine nuts. Mix thoroughly. Salt to taste and store in refrigerator. When you are ready to bake the turkey, mix slightly beaten eggs thoroughly into the stuffing before you fill the turkey cavity. Place stuffed turkey into a proper-size baking pan and bake in preheated oven at 325°F until fork tender.

Since my family enjoys having some stuffing baked separately, I oil spray a 9" x 9" baking dish, or size needed to bake any remaining stuffing. Baste both turkey and the separate pan of stuffing with turkey pan drippings.

This recipe is for a fifteen-pound turkey.

NOTE: I remember the days, as a child, when I grated the cheese and chopped the onion and celery for my mother for her turkey stuffing. My children, who called their maternal grandmother "Nonna," learned to prepare this same recipe by helping as I had done. Now we have another generation — my grandchildren — eager to follow in this tradition.

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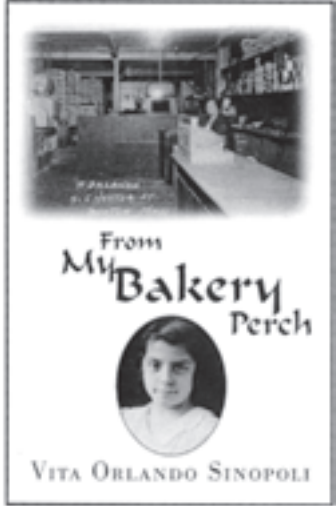
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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Last week, I left off on a cross-Sicily trip with Sal Meli, a friend from East Boston that I had known since we were kids. At that point where I left off last week, we were heading for the ancient resort city of Taormina and then Messina. We climbed the mountain road to Taormina and discovered that it was filled with British tourists. The town was gorgeous and the view of the Bay of Messina below the mountain top, breathtaking. We stayed for a couple of days and then descended the mountain road to pick up the highway for Messina. When I got to the end of the road the ocean was in front of me, and I had to go either right or left to get to Messina, but there were no signs indicating which way to turn. I was pondering as to which way to go, when an old man crossed the road in front of me. I yelled out to him, "Scusi signore." (Excuse me, sir.) He took off his hat, placed it over his heart, bowed and said, "Prego." (Please) I yelled out, "Signore, e questo la strada per Messina?" (Sir, is this the road for Messina?) The old man pointed to the water and said, "Sempre diretto, no gira." (Straight ahead, don't turn.) I yelled back, "Ma gia sta la mare a la." (But the ocean's there) The old man nodded and yelled back, "Puo nuottare?" (Can you swim) I yelled back, "Si." (Yes) He yelled back, "Sempre diretto, no gira." (Straight ahead, don't turn) And with that, he walked away. Sal and I laughed but then analyzed the situation. The ocean was in front of me. We were on the east coast of Sicily. We wanted to head north. If I turned left, the water would be on my right and I would be heading north, so I turned left and we made it to Messina by early evening. We actually were out of gas by the time we arrived and I couldn't find an open gas station. We spotted a Jolly Hotel on the main street in the center of the city and checked in.

We found out where the locals eat and walked to the trattoria that was mentioned to us at the hotel. After dinner, we walked the streets looking at the sights. We happened on a coffee shop with a bunch of guys about our age all hanging out talking politics and cars. Sal joined in the conversation and we were accepted by the crowd. Two of the guys were brothers and auto mechanics. They offered to show us the old city, a short drive from where we were. The old city of Messina was built during the middle ages and looked like it did back then except for the electric lights which illuminated the neighborhood. The streets were about as wide as the tiny FIAT 500 we rode in, but it was fascinating. Later,

back at the coffee shop, I bought the two brothers coffee and we talked Italian and American politics with them and American cars, which seemed to fascinate the two brothers.

The next day, we booked passage on the ferry which connects Messina, Sicily to Reggio, Calabria, the city on the toe of the boot-shaped mainland. The ferry boat had several decks. The lower ones, parallel to the dock were for box cars left on the dock by the local trains. The next two decks were for cars and trucks and the top decks for passengers without vehicles. We ascended the ramp to the indicated deck where we would park our rental FIAT, but were halted due to the car in front of us stalling and not restarting. It was a new Rolls Royce. Two of the dock workers labored under the hood and finally got the car started after about an hour. Their rationale for the car stalling was, "An English car using Italian gasoline."

It was now late afternoon and I was a bit hungry. The ferry had a cafeteria and I bought myself two arancini. Don't tell Barbara Summa, but they were the best arancini I've ever eaten. When we finally arrived at Reggio, it took a while to unload the ferry, and we had to wait our turn. An older couple from Palermo suggested a hotel to stay at and a good family restaurant to eat in and we followed them. Things were uneventful and we only stayed in Reggio until the middle of the next day.

I had a friend from Watertown who had gone home to visit his family in Calabria. When I told him I would be in Italy the same time he and his wife would be there, he gave me his aunt's phone number so I could get in touch when I arrived on the mainland. They would be in Catanzaro, a beautiful Mediterranean coastal city facing Africa, and invited me to join them if I might be in their part of Italy. I calculated the distance and called the number that was given to me. My friend's aunt answered and told me that my friend, his wife and several relatives were out and about, but she would give them my message. I calculated my time of arrival and the aunt told me where to stop in the main piazza of the town and we would be met by my friend and his wife.

Unfortunately, I miscalculated the distance from Reggio to Catanzaro, converting miles to kilometers in my head. As a result, we were two and a half hours late. When we arrived at the piazza that my friend's aunt indicated we meet at, my friends were no where in sight. I looked around and saw several men dressed

with suits and ties and green, white and red sashes across their chests. They looked at Sal and me, stared for a minute, and then turned away. I figured that they might be local dignitaries and asked where the home of my friend's aunt was. One of the men asked in English, "Are you the Americans?" I replied that we were and he began yelling, "Gli Americani sono qui." (The Americans are here) Everyone came to look at the two Americans. That part of Italy was off the beaten track and the only images of Americans they had was from Hollywood's cowboy movies. They were looking for two guys that looked like John Wayne or Clint Eastwood. They couldn't believe we were Americans. We didn't fit the image.

As it turned out, my friend and his wife were meeting with German developers. They owned waterfront property and the Germans were interested in buying it and building a hotel on the ocean. While we waited for them to return, we were directed to my friend's aunt's house. She had coffee ready for us and accepted my explanation as to why we were so late arriving. As it turned out, the men who greeted us were the mayor of the town and a few local dignitaries. My friend must have told them to intercept two Americans and entertain them until he got back from taking care of business.

I asked my friend's aunt if I could use her phone and reverse the charges. I wanted to call home and let everyone know that I was now on the Italian mainland. She pointed to the phone and I asked for the overseas operator, a necessity to call my folks collect, back in the day. Babbononno answered, "Allo, whozza dissa." When I told him who it was, I had to give him a rundown of everywhere I had been in Sicily. He listened and added in comments about what some of the same places looked like when he had been there in the late 1800s. Finally my folks were given the phone and I told them about my ventures. They were happy I was having a good time and we then cut it short due to the cost of an overseas phone call. I left off that I would call in a few days when I would arrive in Rome, and I'm out of space again. To be continued ... GOD BLESS AMERICA

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• The Socially Set (Continued from Page 8)



Courtney Forrester, left, and Sara Underwood smile for the camera. (Photo by Roger Farrington)

mance, holiday arts & crafts, and much more.

The Irish Cultural Centre is located at 200 New Boston Drive, Canton. Tickets are available at the door or in advance by calling 781-821-8291. For more details, please visit www.irishculture.org.

Enjoy!

(Be sure to visit Hilda Morrill's gardening Web site at, www.bostongardens.com. In addition to events covered and reported by the columnist, "The Socially Set" is compiled from various other sources such as news and press releases, PRNewswire services, etc.)

LEGAL NOTICE

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES

The MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY is soliciting Construction Management at Risk Services for MPA CONTRACT NO. L1177-C1, CBIS RECAPITALIZATION/OPTIMIZATION, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MA. In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149A, sections 1 thru 13, Massport is seeking a highly qualified and competent Construction Manager (CM) to provide preconstruction services and implement the construction of the Project in accordance with an agreement where basis for payment is the cost of the work plus a fee for a negotiated guaranteed maximum price. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is being utilized to prequalify and shortlist CM firms who will be invited to submit proposals in response to a Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by Massport.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

In 2002, in-line Checked Baggage Inspection Systems (CBIS) were installed and commissioned at various locations in Terminals B, C and E at Logan International Airport. Terminal A was subsequently constructed with an entirely new baggage handling system that also included an in-line CBIS. While these systems were state-of-the-art at the time, they were designed well before the adoption of the Planning Guidelines and Design Standards (PGDS) by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) in 2009.

Under the proposed project, the Authority is proposing to make improvements to the CBISs at Logan International Airport. The proposed improvements at each location are categorized as either a recapitalization or an optimization of each existing system. The recapitalization of an existing system involves the modernization of the CBIS to the maximum degree possible. Conversely, the optimization of an existing CBIS will involve total reconfiguration, consolidation, and reconstruction of the CBIS. Under the Project, six existing CBIS's will be recapitalized and the remaining two CBISs will be optimized.

The scope of work on the Project involves construction activities in all of the Terminals at Logan International Airport. Extensive interaction and coordination with the TSA and the airlines will be required. Construction of the Project will commence in the spring of 2012. The work will be completed in a minimum of five phases. The work on the last of the phases will be completed on or before April of 2014.

Due to the fact that a portion of the project contains sensitive security information (SSI), certain trades will be managed in accordance with the SSI provision contained in MGL Chapter 149A. The CM must have a demonstrated ability to manage a sensitive security project and protect SSI.

In addition to the construction services, the CM shall also provide Preconstruction Services which shall include, but are not limited to, cost estimating, scheduling, phasing and logistics, value engineering, document review to support the preparation of trade packages and constructability reviews. The CM shall be expected to work closely with Massport's team including its Project Manager and design team in order to effectively implement the project.

The construction budget is estimated at approximately Seventy Five Million (\$75,000,000).

SELECTION PROCESS

Massport intends to implement a two-step selection process including a Qualifications phase and a Proposal phase. At the Qualifications phase, the Prequalification Committee will conduct a qualifications-based evaluation of interested CM firms in order to create a shortlist of competent CM firms. Shortlisted firms shall be invited to respond to a written RFP which will require both a technical proposal and a price proposal. A Selection Committee shall review Proposals in order to rank the shortlisted firms and make the final selection. Massport intends to shortlist firms and issue an RFP in December 2011, and make a final selection in February 2012. The Designer shall participate in the selection of the Construction Manager.

KEY FACTORS

A Supplemental Information Package which will provide more details on the scope of the Project as well as the selection process shall be available as of Friday, November 18, 2011 by contacting Cathleen Santosuosso at 617-568-5978 or by email at csantosuosso@massport.com. In addition, a Project Briefing shall be held in the Bid Room located in the Capital Programs and Environmental Affairs Department, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Logan International Airport, East Boston, MA on Monday, November 28, 2011 at 10:00 AM. Although the briefing is not mandatory, attendance is highly recommended so that interested parties can become more familiar with the requirements of the Project.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Qualification Statements from interested firms will be evaluated in accordance with the following Evaluation Criteria in order to shortlist a minimum of three CM firms: (1) proposed CM team; (2) project management experience; (3) similar project and Airport Terminal experience; (4) CM at Risk experience; (5) safety record; (6) capacity and financial stability; and (7) litigation and termination. These Evaluation Criteria will be more fully explained in the Supplemental Information Package.

The CM shall be DCAM-certified and provide an Update Statement as well as an affidavit that the Statement of Qualifications being submitted in response to the RFQ is signed under the pains and penalties of perjury. The CM shall also provide a letter from a surety company confirming the CM firm's ability to provide performance and payment bonds in the full amount of the construction estimate.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF DOCUMENTS

Any information provided to the Authority in any Proposal or other written or oral communication between the Proposer and the Authority will not be, or deemed to have been, proprietary or confidential, although the Authority will use reasonable efforts not to disclose such information to persons who are not employees or consultants retained by the Authority except as may be required by M.G.L. c.66.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Each Qualification Statement shall be limited to 15 sheets (30 pages) of written material, which shall be printed on both sides of the sheet (8 1/2 x 11). The 30 pages exclude cover, cover letter, dividers and resumes. The firm's financial information shall be submitted in a separate envelope. Ten (10) copies of the bound document and one envelope clearly marked "Financial Information" shall be addressed to Houssam Sleiman, P.E., CCM, Director of Capital Programs and Environmental Affairs and received in the Capital Programs Department no later than 12:00 NOON on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Capital Programs Department, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Suite 209S, Logan International Airport, East Boston, MA 02128-2909.

Any submission that exceeds the page limit set here or that is not received in the Capital Programs Department in a timely manner shall be rejected by Massport as non-responsive. All questions relative to your submission shall be directed to Ms. Catherine Wetherell, Deputy Director at (617) 568-3501. It is strictly prohibited for any proponent to contact anyone else from Massport from the time of this solicitation until award of the project to the successful proponent.

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News Briefs

(FROM ITALIAN
NEWSPAPERS AND
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Compiled by Orazio Z. Buttafuoco

MASSIVE BUILDING PROJECTS WILL SOON BE UNDERWAY IN ROME! In addition to current public works, much is being planned in the Eternal City to improve the quality of everyday life for all Romans. Mayor Gianni Alemanno is busy dealing with planning engineers, economists, politicians and other urban renewal specialists to plan the city of the future. The ambitious plans are progressing, notwithstanding the massive traffic, thousands of holes in the streets' pavement, as well as inadequate security, issues that cause the Mayor many a sleepless night.

One of the projects is aimed at improving Ostia's beach areas, Rome's real, almost waterfront. Another project, already underway is the restoration of the Coliseum, a work project long overdue.

We stay in tune for further news, hoping to find out some of the details regarding the new projects.

SUMMER 2011: HOT WEATHER ALL OVER ITALY! This past summer has been a difficult season for several people. Some elders have suffered terribly, and a few deaths have occurred in the Center-North where temperatures hit the high 80s and even the 90s were not uncommon. The Southern population is somewhat able to stand the 90s and even the 100s, so frequent on the Eastern and Southeastern section of Sicily. I can personally recall an experience I had in the City of Catania in 1950, when I was attending the local university. I needed to go out one afternoon. It was very hot and humid, in the 100s F. As I stepped on the asphalt I felt a funny sensation. My shoes were sticking onto the pavement, for the asphalt had slightly gotten soft. I ran fast, trying to stay mostly on the sidewalk, or in the occasional shade! I will never forget that experience. The following day I read in the newspaper that the temperature had hit 56 degree C, about 122 F.! My strong advice to those who may plan to visit Catania (the area doesn't get northern winds which are blocked by Mt. Etna) in the summer to be very cautious. Unless you want to experience a little ... self-cooking! Good luck!

THE MENU THAT MAY SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT. To raise animals that supply a considerable portion of our food is a big business, but one that also imperils the environment. Therefore when you go to the supermarket avoid buying lamb meat, beefsteaks, hamburgers, mozzarella and most cheeses as well as prosciutto. Look rather for turkey, chicken, eggs and tuna, which are healthy food and tend to save the environment. By some coincidence, the good food indicated above has a prominent place in the Mediterranean diet. How nice!

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Most importantly this holiday season, please consider sharing what you can to help families who are struggling. During these difficult economic times, families are doing their best to make ends meet, but the pressure to buy toys and provide a big holiday feast can be an overwhelming challenge. This year is the 25th annual *Boston CAN Share*

food drive and our goal is to collect 100,000 pounds of food for the Greater Boston Food Bank. Whether you contribute canned goods or donate a toy, your generosity and holiday spirit will help a neighbor in need and is greatly appreciated. For more information on how you can participate, visit www.cityofboston.gov/food/canshare/.

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



Back in the day there used to be a political deli on Blue Hill Avenue in Mattapan called the G & G. It is long gone. Now we've got the new G & G going on with Treasurer Steve Grossman and the Post-Gazette's Sal Giarratani. Just call 'em the G & G guys.

GROSSMAN SPEAKS AT EAST BOSTON MAIN STREETS BREAKFAST

Recently, State Treasurer Steve Grossman addressed a group of community business leaders at the East Boston Main Streets Breakfast event at Spinelli's in Day Square. During his address he challenged business folks to see the great potential for the business community if a casino ends up at Suffolk Downs. Said Grossman, "There are many ways businesses here can make a casino a very positive asset." He also spoke of the Grossman family roots in East Boston and of his grandfather who grew up on Marion Street.

I can remember a chat I had with Grossman a number of years ago on the Jewish community that once flourished in Boston's North End, especially around Salem Street. We laughed about family ties and kitchen cooking that made Italians and Jewish neighbors very friendly with each other. My father grew up with a number of childhood friends who were Jewish and fluent in Italian too.

Last year I did not support Grossman's bid for state treasurer but I must say he has done a great job since getting sworn into office.

BIKE RACKS AND DINERS IN THE CIRCLE

The other morning I was over in Brigham Circle and I stopped into one of my favorite diners, the Brigham Circle Diner. It is still a cool city diner with all the ambience it always had. For 31 years I worked in the area and always loved my morning ritual of coffee, bagel and cream cheese to start my day. I noticed the Hub Bike program and that bike stand on Huntington Avenue. How could you miss the 13 bikes lined up and ready to go. They were right there in front of my favorite diner taking away precious parking spots for folks trying to get some takeout from the place. If you can't find a place to park, most folks pass by looking for another diner rather than face the hassle

of finding a place to park for a few minutes while you run inside to place your order.

Where was Mission Hills Main Streets on the placement of this long bike rack?

MASS MENTAL HEALTH CENTER HAS RETURNED

On Thursday, November 3, the new Mass Mental Health Center had an open house at its new digs. Two state-of-the-art buildings; one at 20 Vinning Street and the other at 75 Fenwood Road. The old site of the original Mass. Mental Health Center (74 Fenwood Road) is now a parking lot for the time being. Eventually the Brigham & Women's Hospital will be building on that piece of real estate.

The new site which opened up for business on November 7 means that life resumes for Massachusetts Mental Health Center in the Longwood Medical Area and Mission Hill. The original building was opened in 1912 and closed in November 2003, when it temporarily moved over to the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital in Jamaica Plain. Plans are already underway for a grand centennial celebration this coming June.

WHERE IS IT?

Who knows a relatively new neighborhood gathering spot in East Boston named "The Little Blue Park?" Most of us call it something else but more and more young families call it by this new name. Take a guess.

POOR BILL KEATING IS PACKING HIS BAGS AGAIN

The new Congressional map is out and poor Bill Keating who just got elected to Congress in the 10th district in 2010 is now getting pitted against US Rep. Stevie Lynch in the new 8th Congressional District which keeps falling further south. It appears there probably won't be a Keating-Lynch battle royale. Keating will once again pack his carpetbag and head out of Lynch territory for a Cape seat more to his liking.

Keating should buy his own moving van. He used to be a state senator from Sharon, and then ran for Norfolk District Attorney. When he decided to run for Congress two years ago he had to leave Sharon for Quincy to run; now it appears he'll be leaving Quincy for his Cape Cod home to run again. After this move, there is only ocean water in front of him and nowhere to go but get wet. Next move will probably be the dreaded private sector.

I was predicting this outcome as soon as I heard Massachusetts would lose one House seat and I turned out right on the mark as usual.

MALONE TO RUN AGAIN?

Word is already out in the streets that former Treasurer Joe Malone is once again looking at a House race. Two years ago, he lost the GOP primary to what I considered a poor Republi-

can candidate who happily for me went down the tubes. There's a new district mapped out for the Cape Cod area and it appears that Joe Malone is giving it serious consideration. Time will tell how serious he is and how seriously he will be considered by voters.

JEFF KATZ IN THE A.M.

Talk 1200 Boston morning guy Jeff Katz has to be the best morning drive time conservative on the radio. He is entertaining and informative. I end up learning so much by the time I park my car at work. Thanks to him the other morning I found out that "Occupy Salem" up where the Witches once burnt down the town, the local Dunkin' Donuts had more folks sitting around than the occupiers' campsite. Where else but on Jeff's show would I learn this breaking news?

WROL IS IRISH RADIO IN BOSTON

I love listening to the Irish Hit Parade every Saturday on WROL 950AM. I've been doing it for decades now. The station started running a new motto, "The station your mother forced you to listen to." Not in my house. There it was more accurately, "The station my mother forced my father to listen to: My mother was Charlestown Irish and loved her Saturday Irish music. My father a North End Sicilian actually came to love Irish music too. I guess If you're forced to listen to it long enough, it is like learning to love eating your beets, huh?

IT'S JUST A DUNKIN' DONUTS SHOP

South End residents are up in arms over a proposed Dunkin' Donuts shop on Tremont Street in the South End. At a recent candidates night, the audience stayed on its message of no to another Dunkin' Donuts. I thought while other Boston neighborhoods are fighting crime and violence, South Enders are bi&l\%\$"& about a donut shop. The franchiser of this Dunkin' Donuts site is businessman Clayton Turnbull who owns many Dunkin' Donuts franchises across the city's neighborhoods.

Turnbull promised to hold a community meeting explaining all his plans for his proposed South End shop. He's hoping to convince skeptics that his plans fit in with the surrounding neighborhood. Turnbull has a very good reputation across the city as a responsible Dunkin' Donuts franchise business owner.

GOD BLESS THE USA

Recently driving to work along Alford Street, I noticed the American flag waving in the wind atop the Schraff Center in Sullivan Square Charlestown just as WJIB started playing "God Bless the USA" sung by Lee Greenwood. It was one of those moments that made you stop for a second and see what America is all about.

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Getting back to Robin Hood and his guys, the real English legend was a renegade because he rose up against property rights getting violated and tax abuse. His enemies were greedy bankers, they were corrupt and greedy politicians like the Sheriff of Nottingham and Prince John. Doesn't that make Robin Hood, Little John and Maid Marion nothing less than Tea Party supporters?

Where's President Obama on these Bonuses?

Last year, when Wall Street bailed out by Washington handed out big bonuses, President Obama threw a tizzy. However, now at the moment, he seems to ignore huge executive bonuses at government-owned Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. What gives? Many believe the President's language demonizing Wall Street has led to the Occupy movement across the country's cities. Back when he was running for President, he took a pretty strong stand against Fannie and Freddie doing stupid things like the latest bonus moves. Why has the President looked the other way on what Fannie and Freddie are up to today?

Judge Shoots Down FDA Cig Images

U.S. District Court Judge Richard Leon has blocked a federal requirement that would force cigarette companies to put graphic anti-tobacco images on their cigarette packages starting in 2012. The judge ruled that it was likely the cigarette companies would succeed in a lawsuit blocking this FDA rule.

Leon found that nine graphic images approved by the FDA in June go beyond conveying the facts about health and into advocacy, a critical distinction in a case over free speech. The judge also pointed out that at least some of the images were altered photographs to evoke emotion and that those FDA required labels were to cover the entire top half of cigarette packs.

Last time I looked, cigarettes were a legal produce in this country. Anti-tobacco folks are attempting a new Prohibition, this time on tobacco. It didn't work nearly 100 years ago on alcohol and it won't work this time either. Last time I looked wasn't America still a free country?

I Hate Siding With Nation of Islam's Louis Farrakhan but ...

Louis Farrakhan spoke out against President Obama and how he is gloating about taking out people like Osama bin Laden and a certain U.S. citizen terrorist with a drone attack. Obama has become unique as president. He talks peace and worldwide conciliation but smiles wide after taking someone out. The new age Macho Man is on the attack. He must be compensating for something or maybe he just hates having given up all his cigarettes. There is nothing worse than a liberal tough guy.

Poverty in Obama's America

Like I always say, "Good

Country America." We used to be considered the richest country in the world, an economic power, but today it looks like the only things stamped "Made in America" are being manufactured by China. Meanwhile, more folks remain unemployed, more folks go on food stamps and more children go hungry.

President Obama did say four years ago he wanted to transform America, but who likes this transformation?

Rubio for Vice President?

U.S. Senator Marco Rubio, (R-FL) appeared on Bill O'Reilly's *No Spin Zone* and when asked about the GOP vice presidential nomination, he flatly ruled it out of consideration saying he had things to accomplish in the U.S. Senate, which he was elected to in November 2010. He has been mentioned for a number of good reasons. He is young, 41; he comes from Florida which is an important state for Republicans. He is Cuban-American which could attract Latino voters away from the Democratic side.

Radio yakker Jay Severin thinks Rubio would be great for the Republican vice presidential candidate for all the above obvious reasons, especially because he is so conservative on the issues. The *Washington Post* must think so too because they ran a story questioning whether or not Rubio was eligible to run for vice president since his parents weren't U.S. citizens when he was born here. He set the record straight on that story too saying his parents were refugees who escaped from Castro's Cuba. To him, there is no story. The *Washington Post* seemed to be out to discredit him but he was too smart for the paper.

Severin dreams of a Romney-Rubio ticket. I am not too sure about that because Romney is still not my kind of Republican or conservative.

Rubio won't get me to vote for Romney and the Rubio magic doesn't work on me. I see this young senator as a down the road presidential candidate.

I wish Texas Governor Rick Perry could get his act together. That profile that ran in *Parade Magazine* was just super. Maybe his optional flat tax idea can move him up in the polls. He at least has passion which I believe American voters are looking for. We don't need no Massachusetts technocrat like Governor Mike Dukakis back in 1988 again.

Redman.org Warning

The founder of *redman.org* has now gone on record as saying that if the Republicans nominate Mitt Romney, it both kills conservatives and it gives Obama four more years in the White House. I agree with that statement but those ABM (anybody but Mitt) Republicans need to find somebody quick. Is there another national Republican leader out there we've all simply forgotten about? Marco Rubio on a Romney ticket won't pull victory off. Sad day for conservatives in America.



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani



From left: Jesús, Matty and Felipe Alou were all Giants in 1963.

Remember Matty, Jesus and Felipe Alou in the Giants Outfield?

Matty Alou, once a part of an all-Alou outfield for the San Francisco Giants, passed away November 3 in his native Dominican Republic. Hall of Famer and former team-mate of his Orlando Cepeda said Alou had been sick for a while. Said Cepeda, "We roomed together a few times with the Giants, very funny guy, hell of a ballplayer, a dead fastball hitter and could pull anyone (no matter) how hard they threw."

Alou was a 2-time All-Star and won the 1966 NL batting crown hitting .342. He spent his first six years with the Giants and also played for the Cardinals, Athletics, Yankees and Padres.

Alou and his two brothers, Jesus and Felipe, made history in 1963 when they appeared together for the first time as the All Alou outfield. Matty Alou was a career .307 hitter with 31 home runs, 427 RBIs, 1,777 hits and 236 doubles in 15 seasons.

The Alou legacy is a major league baseball legacy and it lives on!

Duquette New Orioles GM

The Baltimore Orioles have hired the 53-year-old Dan Duquette as executive vice president of baseball operations. It will now be the job of Duquette to bring the Baltimore Orioles out of their run of 14 successive losing seasons. He takes over from Andy MacPhail. Since getting dumped by the Red Sox in 2002, he has not been in the front office until this latest hiring news. Previous to the Sox, Duquette had been the GM for the old Montreal Expos. After nine years of exile, Duquette has signed a three-year deal and is trying to resurrect the Orioles to its past greatness.

While many credit Theo Epstein for breaking the Curse of the Bambino in 2004, it was a Duquette-built team that carried on to victory over the St. Louis Cardinals that year.

I Don't Think I Was "Misleading"

I received a note from another baseball fan who apparently took issue with comments made by another *Post-Gazette* writer Ed Shallow, concerning the 1948 one game playoff between

the Boston Red Sox and Cleveland Indians. The Sox lost to the Tribe and handed Cleveland the pennant. The comments by Ed Shallow came from a young fan at the time who sat through that brutal game loss. I have no memory of that 1948 game since I was probably sleeping in a crib being just about five months old at the time.

Everyone is entitled to their own opinion of that or any other game. Opinions are not necessarily right or wrong but just opinions. Ed Shallow misled no one in his opinion of what the Sox manager did that year, who he started in that 155th game of the season or anything else. Maybe the manager made the right decision but Ed Shallow still doesn't think so. That's 'nuff said by me.

Bob "2 No-hit" Forsch has Passed Away

Bob Forsch, the only pitcher in St. Louis Cardinals' history to throw two no-hitters recently passed away at age 61. He passed less than a week after throwing out the first pitch of Game 7 against the Texas Rangers. Forsch won more games than all but two pitchers in franchise history. Forsch was a 6'4" right handed hurler and played on three World Series teams in the 1980s. He won 20 games in 1977 and twice was a 15 game winner. His career record was 168-136 with a 3.76 ERA. Also, he was a rather good hitting pitcher as well with a career .212 average with 12 homers. He won 163 games for the Cardinals from 1974-88 and trails only Bob Gibson and Jesse Haines in team wins. This past season he was a pitching coach for the Cincinnati Reds' rookie league team, the Billings Mustangs.

• EBCC Election (Continued from Page 7)

the East Boston Chamber of Commerce, any member of the Corporation that has been in good standing for a minimum of one year as of January 2010 may run for office by Independent Nomination. To be placed on the ballot for Director, independent nominees must obtain the signatures of at least ten

(10) members of the corporation and forward them to the Chamber Secretary, Joanna Cataldo, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, 175 McClellan Highway, no less than 10 days prior to the day of elections on December 15, 2011.

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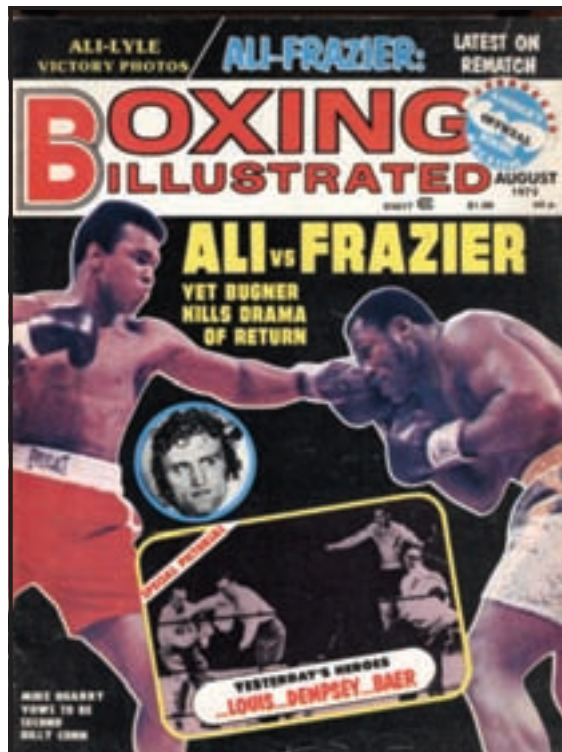
CORNER TALK

by Reinaldo Oliveira, Jr.

R.I.P. SMOKIN JOE FRAZIER

He Sparred with Ring 4 Member Paul Cardoza to Prepare for his Muhammad Ali I Bout

World Heavyweight Champion great **Joe Frazier** "Rest In Peace." **Smokin Joe Frazier**, as called, lit the Ring up with his furious style. With his energy and fighting viciousness, he fought many great fighters. A great World Champion who always gave his **best**. In his 32-4-1, 27 KO record, he fought many greats of the game: **George Foreman**, **Muhammad Ali**, **Jimmy Ellis**, **Jerry Quarry**, **Joe Bugner**, **Bob Foster**, **Oscar Bonavena**, **George Chuvalo** and **Marion Connor** at the **Boston Garden** in 1967. **Smokin Joe Frazier** won the Gold Medal at the 1964 Olympics in Japan. World rated New England Light-heavyweight Champion **Paul Cardoza** sparred and prepared World Heavyweight Champion **Joe Frazier** for his World Title fight with **Muhammad Ali** on March 8, 1971 in New York. **Paul Cardoza** fought out of New Bedford and was trained by **Jerry Houston**, and rated amongst the best boxers in the world. Heavyweight fighter **Ed Casey** of New Bedford, is another area fighter who became a good friend of **Smokin Joe Frazier**. **Ed Casey** won some titles in his brilliant fight career and shared many great moments with **Smokin Joe Frazier**. **Paul Cardoza**, a New England Champion in a great era of Boxing in New England Light-heavyweight History. We have another New England Fighter World Rated in the same era as **Paul Cardoza**. That fighter was **Iron Mike Pusateri** of Dedham. R.I.P. **Iron Mike Pusateri** who was given a great respectful ten count and Fight Family respects by President **Mickey Finn**, **John O'Brien**, **Ed Fitzgerald**, **Tom Martini**, **Richie Torsney** and **Bob Franklin** in Centerville at Our Lady



August 1975 *Boxing Illustrated* Magazine: Ali vs. Frazier. These two icons in Boxing engaged in three "wars!"

of Victory and at the cemetery by his Fight Family. I saw the look of pride and admiration by first-time observers on this great tribute to fallen Fight Family Members. R.I.P. **Iron Mike Pusateri**. Respects to the **McNeeley** family, **Pusateri** family, **Petronelli** family and **Frazier** family. Our prayers are with you all.

Dinning with the Pugs'



That's **Paul Doyle**, **John F. Ford**, **Vinny Marino**, and **Eddy "Fitz" Fitzgerald**.

The **Pugs'** and Pug Ring Leader Mr. **Tom Martini**, Ring 4 President **Mickey Finn**, **Mary Nelson**, **Kenny Butler Jr.**, **Christine Lewis**, **Rick Rudolph**, **Jimbo Curran** of the **Peter Welch Gym**, **Ed Fitzgerald**, **John Ford**, **Beverly Johnson**, **Shirley Adams**, **Vinny Marino**, **Paul E. Doyle**, **Joey "D Street" DeGrandis**, **Joe Devlin**, **Joe Marques**,



A Table for four? **Jimbo Curran** of the **Peter Welch Gym**, **Johnny Gould**, **Mickey Finn** standing and **Joey "D Street" DeGrandis**.

The California Boxing Commission has ruled that **Bernard Hopkins** is still the "Champ!"

FLASHBACK: **Dick Divola** fought World Champion **Carlos Ortiz** in Boston on December 14, 1964. **Joe Rindone** fought **Sugar Ray**

Robinson on October 16, 1950 in Boston. **Joe Louis** in an exhibition fought **Johnny Shkor** in Boston on November 9, 1948. **Vinnie Marino** sparred with **Luis Rodriquez** and **Benny Kid Paret**. **Emil Griffith** fought **Tony Licata** in Boston on February 5, 1974.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



It was over 28 years ago when it last occurred. A person who was a senior in college then is now around age 50. President **Ronald Reagan** was in office. The first personal computers had debuted a few years earlier and were beginning to replace typewriters in offices across the country.

Hockey was enjoying a period of growth at all levels — part of the extended afterglow following the historic **Miracle on Ice** Olympic Hockey Team saga that had played out at **Lake Placid** in 1980.

It was March 1, 1983 — not particularly a remarkable date for most of the world — but one that the college hockey community would come to recall as the years rolled by.

For that day — over 28 years and eight months ago — was the last time that **Boston University** shut out **Boston College**. Both teams would go on to win **Beanpots** — indeed **BU** would dominate the tournament — and both would win **National Championships**. But what occurred that day would not occur again ... until November 13, 2011.

And when it did it would most appropriately be witnessed by a sellout crowd of 7,884 up at the Heights. The score this time was 5-0 in favor of the **Terriers** compared to the 3-0 count way back when.

You just knew that on this memorable occasion there had to be a twist. And, of course, there was. Three of **BU's** goals came in situations other than the usual normal strength scenario as the **Terriers** scored two power play goals and added another while shorthanded. If there was a weak spot for **BC**, who entered the game ranked second in the nation, it was on the power play where the **Eagles** finished 0-8.

While **BU** goalie **Kieran Millan** made 21 saves to earn the shutout victory, it was the **Eagles** who had the slight advantage in shots at 21-20.

So, it was a very satisfied coach **Jack Parker** who left the Heights with his victorious **Terrier** team — the same man who was behind the **BU** bench in 1983. As for his counterpart **Jerry York** at **BC**? Well, it's never nice to be blanked, especially by an archrival. But once every 28 years and eight months. I think he can live with that.

POSSESSING THE PUCK — For **Bruins** Coach **Claude Julien**, nothing could be more important than for his players to control that little round disk. And it starts with the faceoffs. "It always does every night," noted **Julien**. "You're going to hear me mention that to players every night. It's important to start with the puck. After the first period I have a look at those things (who is winning or losing faceoffs) and even during TV timeouts I'm having a look at who's hot and who's struggling. I'm on the guys a lot for that because I feel it's an im-

portant part of the game. If you want to control the game, you've got to start with the puck. And you've got to have it on your stick."

And who is the most important player for the **Bruins** in the faceoff circle? According to **Julien**, that would be veteran **Patrice Bergeron**. "I think anytime we have a big faceoff, he's the guy you go to. He's the most reliable centerman we have on faceoffs. There can be certain nights when other guys are hot but overall he's been dominant in the faceoff circle. It helps his line (**Brad Marchand**-**Patrice Bergeron**-**Tyler Seguin**) in a way that most of the time they're starting with the puck and that's where you want to start. When the puck is dropped you want to start with the control of it and he certainly makes that happen more than his fair share of times."

SEGUIN'S STRONG START — When **Tyler Seguin** scored his 11th goal of the season in the game against **Buffalo** on November 12, he equaled the number of goals he scored all last year just 15 games into this season.

"I think we're really happy with his strong start," stated **Julien**. "He's probably playing better than we expected but that's what happens when a talented guy comes back and has more confidence. But at the same time, he'd be the first to tell you that his linemates deserve a lot of credit."

COMMENTARY — They say it's just a day now, one like most others in late November. People in good spirits and getting ready for Thanksgiving with thoughts of the holidays coming in December.

It falls on a weekday this year so there will be the normal activities of work and school and perhaps for some an early departure for the Thanksgiving Weekend. There will be plenty of smiles and good cheer all around.

But for some of a certain age that date in November with the double twos can never be a normal day. Every year memories flood back. As the clock approaches 1:30 p.m. — the fateful moment — the recollections come to the fore. The person running down the hall in school. The teacher briefly exiting the room and then returning to announce that someone just said President **Kennedy** had been shot. The normal dismissal about 20 minutes later. The short walk home and upon arrival, finding out it was all true. Watching a veteran TV network newsmen — **Frank Reynolds** — break down and cry during his broadcast. All the churches in the community opening and everyone just going like it was a Sunday — even though it was a Friday.

They say it's just a day now but for certain citizens it can never be. For they recall November 22, 1963 — a day with tragic events they will never forget.