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**TUESDAY**  
**November 8, 2011**

*Your vote does count ...*

## Anthony C. Simboli

### *Receives Lifetime Achievement Award from the City of Chelsea*

Anthony C. Simboli, a principal of the real estate development company ACS Development was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award from the City of Chelsea at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual All Chelsea Awards evening.

Over the past 27 years, Mr. Simboli has been one of the City's most loyal, passionate and dedicated supporters putting significant sums of capital to risk over and over again demonstrating his belief in the City. Initially, he did it when few, if any, had the courage to do so. He has been a champion of Chelsea and is ever so proud of the winning team it is today.

Mr. Simboli graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and a Masters in Philosophy in the same year. So far, he is the only known person in the history of Boston College to have done so.



It was out of need as much as talent that he was able to do both. As a kid growing up in the North End, he always knew he wanted something different. Determination and infinite amounts of hard work led him to Boston College. An education, focus and perseverance coupled with luck created the opportunities that followed thereafter.

He joined the CIA in the early 1950's. He moved to Washington DC and then

later Japan, leaving behind his new bride. His hard work and intelligence earned him a stellar reputation and many significant assignments. He was young, at the top of his game and there were few opportunities remaining without him buying some time.

Anyone who knows Anthony understands that he would not "sit around and wait" so as luck would have it, he gained access to his personnel records in which an evaluation said, "the sky is the limit for this officer if he were in private business".

In the late 1950's, Anthony returned to Massachusetts where he bought a drugstore for \$55,000 and thus began his career in business and real estate. From drugstores, he opened convenient food stores. More

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## News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

### **Reflecting on an Old SDS Activist's Death**

Back when I was in college (1968-72), campuses were filled with all kinds of political folks. One of the largest groups was campus radicals Students for a Democratic Society. Ironically, what they did best was to shout down those they disagreed with over the War in Vietnam. They were most famous for shutting down campuses and taking over administrative offices.

Recently, Carl Oglesby passed away at age 76. He had been elected president of SDS back in 1965 at age 30. He once told an audience, "Revolutions do not take place in velvet boxes. They never had. It is only the poets who make them lovely."

It was a crazy time on American campuses

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## Fort Devens Memorial Service

*In Memory of Italian and German Soldiers of WWII*



**Fort Devens Memorial Service for Italian and German prisoners of war who died in America during World War II. Ceremony was held on Saturday, October 15, 2011. Left to right: Franco Vitiello, Pasquale Luise, Sal Bramante, Deputy Consul General Luigi Munno, Lino Rullo, Irmagard Aurilio and a contingent from the Nazionale Marinai d'Italia.**

*(The following are the remarks given by Deputy Consul General Luigi Munno during the Fort Devens Memorial Service)*

We are again here for this moving ceremony to remember our two Italian soldiers (concetto aleo e agostino barbetta) and twenty German soldiers.

Fort Devens is a place where history, with all its contradictions and mistakes, has marked forever the life of a generation (for many of us, the generation of our fathers).

A reminder of where many Italian and German soldiers, captured in North Africa and Italy during World War II spent a part of their lives after the war where they were first soldiers and then prisoners. Italian and German prisoners started to share tolerance and pluralism in the land of freedom. The destiny of these soldiers were different: some of them found love and their children now live here. Some were able to change

life experiencing the friendship and understanding of American people. Some unfortunately died and today we want to honor the ones buried here.

We should give them our respectful tribute of affection by our countries, now that our countries are free Democracies.

I am sure that all the Italian and German prisoners who experienced the same destiny in 27 camps in the United States of America probably never felt like real prisoners (in the worst meaning of the word) and Americans perhaps never looked at them as real prisoners.

Let the memory of the Italian and German prisoners in Fort Devens be a warning to multiply always our efforts in building a world where our sons can be free without being twisted and muddled by blind prophets of war.

Long life to the eternal friendship between Europe and America.

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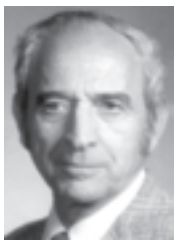
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# Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



## HADRIAN — HIS PERSONAL LIFE

Hadrian was quite tall and was elegant in appearance. His hair was curled by artificial means, and he wore a full beard to cover some birthmarks on his face. He rode and walked a great deal and kept fit by using arms, the javelin and by hunting. He was in one person, many things; austere and genial, dignified and playful, sluggish and yet quick to act, miserly but yet generous, deceitful but yet honest, cruel but yet merciful, and in all matters and at all times he was changeable.

His vigilance was not confined to the military, but was extended to his private household, and to that of his friends as well. Private agents were used for this purpose and it was conducted so skillfully that the persons involved were never aware of it. This habit of

probing into the affairs of his friends coupled with his notorious passion for males, and adulteries with married women, are listed among his most grievous faults.

Hadrian often visited the public baths and bathed with the commoners. One day he observed an old soldier who was scratching his back against the marble wall. When asked the reasons why, the veteran replied that he did not own a slave to rub him. The man was soon presented with some slaves and the cost of their maintenance. Others who tried this trick later were called out of the pool and forced to rub each other.

He gave public games and constructed fine buildings in many cities of the Empire, while in Rome he furnished public entertainment which was of unbounded extrava-

gance. He gave rare spices to the people in honor of his mother-in-law, and at one time even spread costly perfumes in the theater in honor of Trajan. Plays were presented in the theaters, wild beast fights were held in the circus and he even produced public exhibitions of ancient Greek (Pyrrhic) dances. He was responsible for restoring many public buildings but insisted that the original dedication be preserved. One of his most noteworthy projects was the relocation of the Colossus of Nero while keeping it upright at all times. As many as 20 elephants were used during this project. When the relocation was completed, Nero's features were removed and the statue was dedicated to the Sun.

NEXT WEEK:

*Hadrian, His Military Life*

## NEAD COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD WINNERS FOR 2011

2011 Robert Decristoforo President's Award:

**Matt Conti**

2011 Barbara Decristoforo Senior Award:

**Lillian Ferullo and Mary Anne Tordiglione**

2011 Emily Pugliano Public Service Award:

**Nicole Leo**

2011 John Dexter Award Unsung Hero Award:

**Rebecca Griffin**

2011 Uncle Fred Carangelo Organization Award:

**Friends of the North End Library**

2011 N.E.A.D. Alumnus Award:

**John Pagliuca**

2011 Andy Puopolo Youth Award:

**Alexis Scalia**

2011 Walter Salvi NSTAR Business Award:

**Dayco Services**

2011 Anthony Morella Good Guy Award:

**Boston Parks "North End Crew"**

The banquet will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2011 at 6:30 pm at Filippo's Restaurant. There are still some tickets available. Please e-mail John Romano at [jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com).

### In Loving Memory of Our Dearest Friend



**FATHER BEDE FERRARA, O.F.M.**

on his  
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from the  
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## TONY DeMARCO

*Honored at West End Museum*



**Tony DeMarco and James Campano**

On October 26, 2011, as part of its ongoing celebration of Italian Heritage Month, the West End Museum honored Tony DeMarco in recognition of his contribution to the history and culture of the West End, preserving the Italian American history of the neighborhood. A longtime friend of the West End Museum, DeMarco was welcomed by Executive Director Duane Lucia and members of the Museum's Board of Directors.

The former undisputed Welterweight Champion of the World, DeMarco grew up in the North End but cut his boxing teeth beginning at age 11 at a West End Boys Club. Born Leonardo Liotta, the Boston legend took on his new name when he used the birth certificate of one Tony DeMarco in order to box professionally when the minimum qualifying age was 18 (DeMarco was 16 at the time).

During the 1950s, DeMarco fought and defeated the top contenders and champions in his division, including Kid Gavilan, Paddy DeMarco, Teddy "Red Top" Davis, Chico Vejar and Don Jordan. On April 1, 1955, he defeated Johnny Saxton by TKO in the 14<sup>th</sup> round and won the welterweight title. DeMarco's epic bouts against Carmen Basilio, despite losing him the title, are considered among the greatest matches in boxing history.

DeMarco is no stranger to honors with a street named after him in the North End (Tony DeMarco Way) and induction into the National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame (NIASHF). In August 2011, DeMarco was named "Man of the Year" at the North End's annual Fisherman's Feast and released his autobiography, *Nardo: Memoirs of a Boxing Champion*. On October 10, 2011, the NIASHF announced plans to erect a statue of DeMarco in the North End.



## North End Christmas Fund Luncheon

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**OUR POLICY:** To help preserve the ideals and sacred traditions of this our adopted country the United States of America: To revere its laws and inspire others to respect and obey them: To strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty: In all ways to aid in making this country greater and better than we found it.

## GUEST EDITORIAL

### JOHN MAYNARD KEYNES VS. BARACK OBAMA

*by Sal Giaratani*

Most liberals today tout Keynesian economics but apparently don't even understand it. I recently read a copy of "The Nation" that carried a front page story inside on "What Would Keynes do?" Obama keeps resurrecting stimulus bills after a preceding one fails. He just doesn't seem to get why there is such a failure rate with his economic policy. I wonder if Obama ever read the book Keynes wrote in 1936, "The General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money." If he did he should have recognized that pouring more money at this time into the economy can't quite work in this latest crisis we face.

Keynes hated trade debts. Stated The Nation, "It's not just our jobless rate but our huge trade deficit that would appall him. He'd be aghast to see the United States bogged down in so much debt to the rest of the world." Keynesian economics such as deficit spending can't really work properly to push employment back up in 1936 when he wrote his book, the United States was the largest creditor nation in the world. He never thought we would become mired in credit as we have. The Nation said if he were living today, he would be pushing for not just short term goals but a long range plan to get us back into a creditor position again.

According to "The Economist," the United States as of July 9 had rolled a \$680.9 billion trade deficit over the previous 12 months which means in 12 months time, we rolled up another \$0.7 trillion in the red. Over the same period of time, China, that great democracy, (ha, ha, ha) had a surplus of \$188.4 billion.

Read this from *The Nation* magazine, "Keynes believed that practical leaders would always see the supreme importance of keeping the country out of external debt." Keynes obviously never imagined a president like our current one.

## WITH ALL DUE RESPECT MR. PRESIDENT

*Submitted by Sal Giaratani*

**"There is no disagreement that we need action by our government, a recovery plan that will help to jumpstart the economy."**

— President-elect Barack Obama, January 9, 2009

**"When you make (your decision to vote next Tuesday), it might be well if you would ask yourself: Are you better off than you were four years ago? Is it easier for you to go and buy things in the stores than it was four years ago? Is there more or less unemployment in the country than there was four years ago? America as respected throughout the world as it was?"**

— Presidential candidate Ronald Reagan, October 1980

**"Obama will have to answer that question Reagan asked in 1980."**

— *Wall Street Journal* columnist William McGurn, 2011

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## Happy 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Josephine Gaeta



**Family members gathered recently to celebrate Josephine's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday bash at Limoncello's in Boston's North End on Sunday, October 16. Left to Right: Bruce, granddaughter Maria, great-granddaughter Alexandra, Parko, Joanne, daughter-in-law Anna, birthday girl Josephine, Josephine's son Anthony, Anthony and Carol Fabiano great-grandson Anthony, Mary and grandson Joseph Gaeta.**

**Anna, Josephine and Anthony Gaeta.**



## Kiwanis Club of Medford

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**GRAZIE! GRAZIE! GRAZIE!** To the wonderful and generous restaurants for sharing their delicacies with all! To all the attendees who clearly had a fabulous time! To our friends at Accardi Foods — your generosity in allowing us your venue is outstanding. On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Medford, thank you all for a wonderful evening and the opportunity to raise thousands of dollars for the children of Medford and Kiwanis charities including the food pantries!! God bless you all and we hope to see you next year!

## LENA ASSENZA

**Passes Away at Age 84**

Lifelong North End resident Lena M. Assenza passed away at home on October 25. She was the daughter of the late Vincenza (Giusta) and Gaetano. She was the sister of Jennie Ruotolo of Chelsea and the late Anna Sinagra, Joseph and Jimmy Assenzo, Carmille Renzulli and Mary Riley. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, and many grand and great-grand nieces and nephews.

Her wake and funeral were held at Sacred Heart Church this past Saturday. Interment was at St. Michael's Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were handled by McGrath's Funeral Home of East Boston.



Here's a photo taken back in 2009 of the *Post-Gazette's* Sal Giaratani and Lena Assenza. Sal's grandmother was Lena's aunt. The history between the Assenza (Assenzo) and Giaratani families dates back to approximately 1845 in Siacca and 1906 in the North End.



Saint Bertille

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Saint Bertille, also known as Bertilla, was born a French noble in the region of Soissons under the reign of Dagobert I. As she grew older she secretly had a strong desire to enter religious life but was afraid to express her desire to her parents, fearing that they would forbid her. Bertille consulted with Saint Ouen of Rouen who encouraged her in her desire.

Bertille's parents agreed to her religious aspirations, they brought her to the great abbey of Jouarre in Brie where she was received with great joy. Bertille made rapid progress as a novice, and though young, she was charged with taking care of the sick and the children who were educated at the



monastery. Her diligence in the performance of her duties resulted in her being chosen Prioress, assis-

tant to the Abbess. Bertille's humility was so perfect, that she is said to have been everyone's servant.

About the year 646 she was appointed first abbess of the abbey of Chelles, which was restored by St. Bathildis, wife of King Clovis II. The abbey was originally established by Saint Cloitldis. Saint Bertille headed a small group of novices, in time the abbey drew to it several Merovingian princesses, as well as Herewith, Queen of East Anglia. Queen Bathildis herself joined the community in 665.

Saint Bertille governed Chelles for forty-six years growing constantly in religious fervor. She passed away in 692; her feast is celebrated on November 6.

• Anthony Simboli (Continued from Page 1)

than 60 Sunnyside and SunnySide Farms convenient food stores were designed and built all over downtown Boston and the North Shore. The Harbor Towers store was the highest grossing store/psf in the country at the time. He sold the chain in 1980, which allowed him to focus exclusively on real estate development.

And so it was. He built two successful retail businesses and a real estate development and management company. Mr. Simboli had a lot of fun in the process. He helped a lot of people along the way. And in the case of Chelsea he did something no one had done in decades. He built the first speculative office building in 1984, then known as Harbour Executive Park and now known as Massachusetts General Hospital-Chelsea. Governor Dukakis declared it a Renaissance Day. Nothing had been built in Chelsea since the fire in 1973, 10 years earlier.

He then designed and built his second speculative building in Chelsea in 1986, Harbour Tech Center. From there, he acquired 12 more properties in the City of Chelsea. And, he developed elsewhere in the Commonwealth. Chelsea however won most of his time, capital and attention.

Mr. Simboli founded the Simboli Family College Award in 2006, which offers financial awards to graduating seniors from Chelsea High School to help make college expenses more feasible, with 64 recipients to

date. He served on the Schools Building Advisory Committee in the early 1990's when Chelsea was building three new campuses for elementary, middle and high schools. He assisted ROCA in the acquisition of the "Hy Pallin Building" and has offered support to numerous other non-profit organizations in the City of Chelsea.

Mr. Simboli has been honored by greater Boston ARC. He served on the Board of the Speech and Hearing Foundation of Massachusetts and served as President for six years. Anthony served on the Real Estate Council for the Archdiocese of Boston, Trustee for eight years at St. John's College and Seminary. His philanthropic efforts have advanced medical research for asthma and heart disease. He is a devoted supporter of education for young people, including establishing the Anthony C. Simboli Scholarship at Boston College in 1985.

The people who Mr. Simboli met on the Economic Development Board gave Mr. Simboli the courage to develop in Chelsea. Their passion for their City persuaded him to take a chance. That chance led to a continuous desire to try to help the city. Through the quality of his properties and the unique nature of his tenants, he helped the City grow, develop and improve. In the early 1990's, Anthony again began buying and rehabilitating properties for a total of 14 to this day. He has

brought larger professional and more diverse tenants every year to the City. His 27-year history with the City is now capped with the prestigious award to bring the new REGIONAL FBI headquarters to Chelsea.

Anthony has been recognized by the City Council for the appearance of his properties setting an example for other property owners. Most of all, he has passionately promoted the incredibly unique attributes of this city, which for so long were misunderstood by so many. During Receivership, he never lost hope in the possibility that Chelsea would thrive. And today, he is most excited about Chelsea's future and is so happy to still be part of its history.

Other recipients of the All-Chelsea Awards were: Lifetime Achievement Chelsea Record; Public Servant of the Year-Councilor Brian Hatleberg; Businessperson of the Year- Juan Gallego; Community Organization Person of the Year Juan-Vega; Youth Resident of the Year-Elsa Nunez; Adult Resident of the Year-Ilana Ascher; Senior Resident of the Year-Leona Grell; Contributing Stakeholder of the Year-Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Project of the Year-Youth Star.

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All residents are invited.

THINKING

OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani

**Seeing Wrong and Trying to Right it**

Growing up in post-World War II America with memories of it still very much alive, growing up in the Cold War era when many Americans became quite paranoid over communist spies within our midst, it was easy to see how Senator Joe McCarthy, R-Wisconsin was able to see the Soviet handprint on everything. I remember quite well the Cuban Missile Crisis as a ninth grader at the Michelangelo in the North End. The Bay of Pigs was always a bit too hazy for me. However, the missile crisis was really important since we thought World War III was about to start at any moment.

I grew up in a very Democratic and working class household. My father Sicilian from the North End and my mother Irish from Charlestown. My father thought FDR was the greatest. He didn't like Ike. He proudly voted for Jack Kennedy in 1960. Boston's best mayor to him was James Michael Curley. I grew up in Lower Roxbury where Rep. Charlie Iannello served his constituents well for nine terms which also included nine months outside his House district at Charles Street. Charlie was a throw back. If you needed a project apartment, have no fear Charlie was here. Number 100 on the waiting list, don't fret, number one in 24 hours. Needed a pair of shoes, he had them as gifts from the Green Shoe somehow or another.

The first person I ever voted for in my life after turning 21 years old was Albert L. "Dapper" O'Neil. In 1972 in my first presidential primary, I voted for George Corley Wallace. One could say I was a very conservative Democrat and not be lying. I never saw myself as a liberal or conservative. Some of my favorite political leaders back then were Hubert Humphrey, Jack Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson, not a Republican in sight.

I was pretty optimistic until Jack Kennedy's assassination came along. I became increasingly pessimistic as 1968 rolled around with both Martin Luther King and Bobby Kennedy getting gunned down. I also

remembered the way Mayor Richard J. Daley handled protesters at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago when he ordered the police to go hog wild in the streets. That probably led me to voting for many Republican presidential candidates over the years.

I will never forget watching Sirhan Sirhan gun down Bobby Kennedy moments after declaring victory in California. In seconds hope died again and again. I remember watching the funeral train carrying Bobby Kennedy home to the East Coast. I remember all the people lining the tracks waving good bye to him. Grieving was everywhere as people waited aimlessly for right.

Most of all, I remember his funeral Mass at St. Matthews Cathedral. His younger brother Teddy gave the eulogy and said one line I would never forget, "He saw wrong and tried to right it." I truly believed those spoken words. Isn't that what a political leader should be? Isn't it the job of a leader to make things right for all? He saw a war and wanted to stop it. He saw poverty and tried to end it. He saw hatred and tried to overcome it. His message was universal. Politicians come and go with their cutesy sound-bites but the issues that drag us down as a people are rarely addressed or attempted to solve.

Back in 2008, people thought they saw another Bobby Kennedy filled with hope and change but the hope vanished quickly and change never arrived. Things got worse not better. It seemed like Jimmy Carter all over again.

I'm still a registered Democrat but vote my heart and hope for the best. I've seen all the campaign promises before and before that. Republicans still usually get my vote for the key to the White House front door. I still long for the days when Bobby Kennedy still walked among us inspiring us to move forward and take on the challenges of life. Winning wasn't the only thing but it was in the ever trying that we gain our mettle in life.

We await the arrival of others who see wrong and try to right it.

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# NORTH END LIBRARY HOSTS Project Pesce Azzurro — Blue Fish from Sicily



Left to Right: Alessandra Russo, General Director of Family and Social Policies, Region of Sicily; Giuseppe Pastorelli, Consul General of Italy in Boston; Dave Casoni, Secretary of Massachusetts Lobsterman's Association; Francesco Daniele, Federazione Siciliana of Massachusetts; Giovanni Bologna, General Director of Public Function, Office of the President, Region of Sicily; Sara Baer-Sinnott, President of "Old Ways Preservation Trust"; Salvatore Mazzola, Centro Nazionale di Ricerca and Lucio Oieni, Director of Family and Social Policies, Region of Sicily.

(Photos by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)

The North End Boston Public Library recently had the pleasure of hosting a seminar and exhibit on Tuesday, October 18, 2011. Boston's historic North End was a great setting for the event as many Sicilian immigrants settled in this area. The Region of Sicily under the auspices of Alessandra Russo, General Director of Family and Social Policies, in collaboration with Salvatore Mazzola from Centro Nazionale di Ricerca and Francesco Daniele of the Federazione Siciliana di Massachusetts presented an exhibit which illustrated the value of blue fish and its healthy properties, by conjugating economic development with environment protection, which is the principle mission of the marine policies in the Region of Sicily. As part of a project funded by the Region of Sicily, the mission is to trace stories of Sicilian immigrants in all parts of the world. This particular seminar focused on the fishing industry. This initiative aims at promoting Sicilian fish species and their



Giovanni Russo (Boston) and Giovanni Bologna

health characteristics. As the seminar pointed out the Sicilian marine heritage, in the framework of fishery economy related to sustainable development, the intent is to further explore Sicily's roots in Boston. The reach out will be specifically to sons and daughters of immigrants to expand the region's mission in sustaining this culture in America. They want to establish the basis of cooperation between Italy and the USA. The group was well received by many local organizations and media partners.

Many thanks to all participants and supporters, from City of Boston Mayor Menino's Office, The Consul General of Italy Boston, Accademia Italiana della Cucina (Boston), Massachusetts Lobsterman's Association, "Old Ways Preservation Trust," Western Sicilian Fishermen's Organization, The North End Public Library, Gloucester Fishermen's Wives Association, Augusta Boston Club, Boston World Partnership and Damiano's Ristorante.

## World Eco Art Project to Collaborate with Renowned Local Artist Giovanni DeCunto and the Nazarro Community Center



The World Eco Art Project (WECO), a non-profit founded and based in Boston is proud to announce its collaboration with renowned local artist Giovanni DeCunto and the Nazarro Community Center to create one of the

first national recyclable art programs. Mr. DeCunto has hangings in many local and national museums, as well as being a stalwart figure in the North End artistic scene. The Nazarro Community Center is able to provide the vast amounts of imagination required in the form of children ranging from 6 to 18. WECO is committed to fostering a sustainable artistic program in Boston that can be used as a guideline for a national program with many local feeder programs contributing.

### World Eco Art Project

The World Eco Art Project is the brainchild of Mark Pincus, a local entrepreneur. Its vision is to generate good will, and proffer the idea of sustainable art using the nearly infinite resource of children's energy and imagination. Sustaining the non-profit model using recyclable materials, and local resources is included in the

All the glory that was Rome ..... Pompei



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## 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](mailto: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.

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual "Sorrentino Stompers" fundraiser for my beloved friend Robert was a success. Even with the bad weather we did very well. For all of those involved — a job well done — so be proud of what we have accomplished this year. I couldn't have done it without the generous donations from friends, business owners and residents. I am so happy to be a pooch residing in the North End and have so many friends that have helped me out for this event. I want to thank as many as possible for your generous donations: Florentine Café (Jerry Ricco), True Value Hardware (Kenny), Vinoteca di Monica (George), Riccardo's Restaurant (Richard, Sr.), Living Room (John), Bella Vista Restaurant (Anthony), Trattoria Il Panino (Frankie DePasquale), The Varano Group (Nicky), Pagliuca's Restaurant (Joe), Antico Forno Restaurant and Terramia Restaurant (Carla), Mercato de Mare, Polcari's Coffee, Benevento's Brick Oven Kitchen & Bar (Joe Bono), La Summa Ristorante (Barbara Sullivan); Lo Conte's Restaurant (Carla), Caffè Nuovo (Vinnie), Ristorante Filippo (Filippo), Ducali Pizzeria and Bar (Philip), Artu Restaurant (Nancy), David A. Bagni (friend), Joan (Post-Gazette friend), Regina Pizzeria (Richie), Mike's Pastry (Angelo) the cupcakes were out of this world.

One individual that has helped me for the past four years to make this all possible by placing ads and articles every week for the month of October to remind people of this special event, my friend and boss Editor and Publisher of *Post-Gazette* (a special "thank you") Pam for all that you have done.

A THANK YOU TO ALL AND I TRULY MEAN THAT, I APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE AND GIVEN TO MAKE THIS FUNDRAISER SUCCESSFUL.

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## Made in America: in East Boston

by Lisa Cappuccio



**Frank Fredella, President and CEO of Sterlingwear of Boston stands in front of family photos in his office, including a portrait of his father Lorenzo Fredella.**

Sterlingwear of Boston is a classic American company. They are a solidly rooted family company, stable in their dealings, bold in their approach and committed to building one of the best American-made brands ever produced right here in East Boston, Massachusetts.

In 1918 many Italians migrated to America in search of the "American Dream". Lorenzo Fredella was one of them. Ship bound for America, his dream was to find work to support his family and make his mark in this world. As difficult as it was for Lorenzo and the millions of other immigrants that left their humble beginnings, Lorenzo made sure to take his opportunity in America and reap what the country had to offer. With the help of family already settled on this side of the Atlantic, he first found work in a New York clothing factory owned by his cousin, where he started off performing odd jobs and maintenance. In the meantime, however, he was working toward his goal to launch his own enterprise.

Lorenzo moved to Massachusetts after the company relocated to Lawrence, Massachusetts. He married and started his family of five children, never losing site of his dream and hoping that his children would one day join him.

Struggling through rough times throughout the Crash of 1929 and the start of WWII, he was fortunate that his then employer Picariello and Singer managed to stay afloat. In fact, during the war, the company's focus was the production of uniforms for the U.S. Armed Forces. At the young age of 16, his son Frank worked part-time with him while attending Boston University. It was Frank who encouraged his dad to pursue his dream of a "Fredella family company". As fearful as this sounded to Lorenzo, especially since he had experienced firsthand the sufferings of the Depression, he agreed with his son and together they formed Viking Clothing, Inc., in 1965, along with another son, Anthony. With strong work ethics, a growing economy and — as some Italians would say — "a little luck" it certainly was their time to move forward. The company initially started with cut-and-sew contracting for other retailers and clothing makers. However, within a competitive bidding process, Viking won a government contract to become the exclusive maker of the peacoat for the United States Navy. This lucrative deal prompted Viking to file for other government contracts for a wide range of military uniforms, thus changing the name to reflect their almost exclusive military clothing to "Vi-Mil (Viking Military)". This was all happening in East Boston.

As times were changing the company's vision of expansion was growing as well. In the 1980's they purchased an existing company with a strong line of rainwear and outerwear called Sterlingwear of Boston. The idea was to expand into commercial fashion. Thanks to Sterlingwear, they soon began selling through Army/Navy Surplus Stores. The peacoat was being sold to civilians as it was an item that easily crossed over to everyday wear.

Winning another contract for military raincoats helped the company thrive during the tumultuous '80s and '90s.

In 2005, Sterlingwear moved to 175 McClellan Highway, a site owned and maintained by the Bulgroun Companies, from its former location on Orleans Street, East Boston. The Orleans Street building was under a sale agreement that incidentally fell

through. According to Jack Foster, Director of Marketing and Sales, Sterlingwear had already made the move to its new location and found the new location to be more conducive to their production environment with its spaciousness and loading docks, which also included space for its newest retail store. "We are very happy at 175 McClellan Highway and it truly was a win-win situation for us," said Foster. He jokingly recounts the story when he was told to start looking for a new place from Frank Fredella, President and CEO. "I was thinking of moving to Fall River or New Bedford where we were literally handed too good to be true opportunities, but that was squashed as soon as I made mention of that to Frank. Frank simply looked at me and said, we can't move out of East Boston. We would put 300 people out of work here. We can't do that to them ... they have families ... they rely on me and I rely on them ... find me a place here."

And so he did.

The location now boasts its latest retail addition launched at the beginning of the month. Their commercial line features the same made in the USA craftsmanship, heritage and family-owned pride sewn into every garment. "Like the little black dress or black tie, every wardrobe needs the peacoat; the timeless classic that always looks smart," said May Aye, Sterlingwear of Boston Designer.

Frank Fredella can often be spotted walking around the manufacturing plant overseeing the production and chatting with his employees, with many still employed for over thirty years. He takes great pride in his work and it shows. The company is still family owned and operated. His daughter Gina Tenaglia is Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and nephew David is Vice President, Chief Operating Officer. His son Larry Fredella is President of Old School Chopper, a motorcycle-inspired clothing line, which is a division of Sterlingwear of Boston.

Along with the East Boston location, Sterlingwear of Boston retail stores are also in Braintree, Massachusetts, and Nashua, New Hampshire; as well as online at [www.sterlingwear.com](http://www.sterlingwear.com).

Sterlingwear is also very charitable, on this particular day volunteers were collecting coats as part of the Winter Coat Drive that benefits, "Voices Against Violence, Lazarus House, Heading Home and Friends of Boston's Homeless."

Sterlingwear is a company built by a family dedicated to people, quality and integrity.

It was Lorenzo's hard work, inspiration and dreams that made Sterlingwear the success that it is today. He passed on his ideals to his family who never lost sight of Lorenzo's goals. He provided for his family, he became a success. He gave back to the country that made his family the successful and generous people that they are today.

The Fredella's got the most out of America and never forgot that. They are the epitome of the American Dream and they continue to provide for those who are now seeking that same "American Dream."

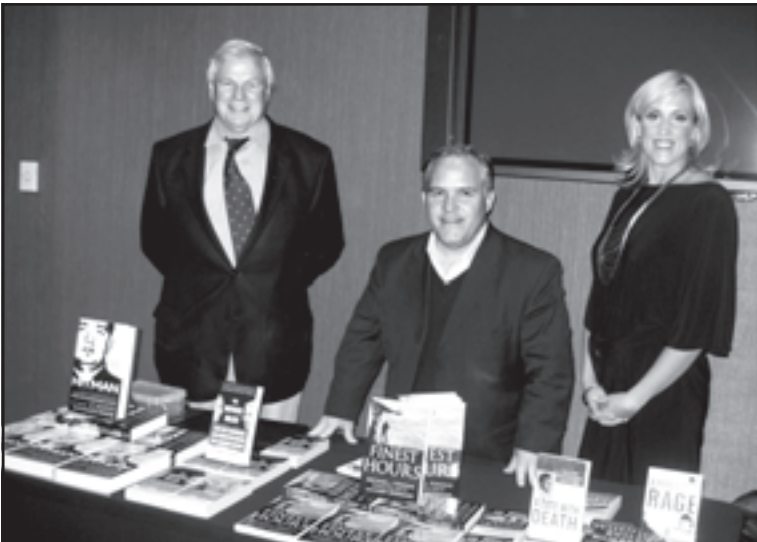


**Sterlingwear coats on display.**



# The Socially Set

by Hilda M. Morrill



**Howie Carr, Casey Sherman and Michelle McPhee, left to right, signed copies of their popular books at the "Masters of Suspense" event. (Photo by John Harrison)**

In spite of last week's Nor'easter, the storm did not keep fans away from the "Masters of Suspense" stage show. According to noted photographer John Harrison, "It was a full house!" and even included a surprise visit from 'Sarah Palin' (Cecilia Thompson).

The evening began at a reception for fans at the W Hotel across from Boston's Wilbur Theatre, where everyone would ultimately end up for a presentation of "Whitey Bulger And Boston's Biggest Crimes," featuring Howie Carr, Casey Sherman and Michelle McPhee.

The press release had invited the public to join Boston's top true crime writers as they revealed the shocking truths behind the city's most notorious crimes in the "frighteningly entertaining" new stage show, "Masters of Suspense." If you ever wanted to know what goes on in the mind of a master criminal, this was

the opportunity. These prominent reporters didn't just cover these stories, they lived them!

Howie Carr examined the infamous Whitey Bulger case. Carr is the author of the "New York Times" bestsellers "The Brothers Bulger" and "Hitman." A "Boston Herald" columnist, he is also a frequent contributor to FOX News and is the host of a radio program on WRKO. Carr was recently inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame.

Casey Sherman focused on the heart-stopping hunt for the real Boston Strangler, who terrorized the city and captured the world's attention in the 1960's. Was the true Strangler ever caught? Sherman is an award winning journalist and best-selling author of five books including "Search for the Strangler," "Bad Blood" and "The Finest Hours." Two are now in development as major motion pictures.

Michele McPhee dissected the bizarre crimes of the "Craig's List Killer" and delved into the possible motives of college professor turned accused spree killer, Amy Bishop. Michele is also a columnist for the "Boston Herald" and a radio host on WRKO. Her book "A Date with Death" was made into a Lifetime movie in 2011.

According to John Harrison, it "was a fun evening from beginning to end."

..... Authenticity, history, and tradition define Mary Ann Esposito, one of America's most beloved television chefs. As the creator and host of the nationally televised PBS series, and the longest running cooking series on television, "Ciao Italia with Mary Ann Esposito," Mary Ann has brought those values to millions of Americans.

We are all invited to join Mary Ann this coming Wednesday, November 9, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Boston Center for Adult Education for an evening of "tradition, great food + drink and fun," as she prepares wonderful dishes inspired from her newest book, "Ciao Italia Family Classics."

Esposito's newest book presents more than 200 treasured recipes from three generations of Italian cooks.

Guests attending Esposito's Boston appearance in support of her new book will have the opportunity to see her demo some new dishes from the book, enjoy a post-demo tasting and wine reception, as well as mix and mingle with the well-known chef.

This unique open-house, book signing and tasting is a not-to-be-missed event. Tickets include an autographed advanced copy of Mary Ann's new book.

For admission costs and more details, call 617-267-4430 or visit [www.bcae.org](http://www.bcae.org).

..... Room to Read's "For the Love of Literacy" Benefit takes place on Tuesday, November 15 at the Microsoft New England Research & Development Center, One Memorial Drive, Cambridge.

We are all invited to join the Boston Chapter and meet Erin Ganju, co-founder and CEO of Room to Read at "International Night." The evening will feature cocktails, international foods and entertainment, as well as a live auction and raffles.



**Michelle McPhee, left, and Howie Carr's producer Nancy "Sandy" Shack smile for the camera at the W Hotel reception. (Photo by John Harrison)**

There will be a VIP reception with Erin Ganju from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., with the general reception continuing from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

In its first decade, Room to Read has changed the lives of more than five million children in Asia and Africa. Their goal is to reach 10 million children by 2015.

For tickets and more information, call 508-397-1138 or visit [www.roomtoread.org/boston2011](http://www.roomtoread.org/boston2011).

..... Galleries from the United States and Europe will offer more than 3,000 original works of art at the "Fifteenth Annual Boston International Fine Art Show," taking place at The Cyclorama, Boston Center for the Arts, 539 Tremont Street, Boston.

The show opens with the Gala Preview on Thursday, November 17 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to benefit The Greater Boston Food Bank.

Friday evening, November 18, is "New Collectors' Night" and guest lectures take place throughout the weekend.

The only show of its kind in New England, it features 40 galleries from the United States and Europe, with no restrictions on the type of

work that may be shown. Works on offer range from fine original prints priced at just a few hundred dollars to museum-quality masterpiece paintings priced at more than \$3 million. Last year, more than 3,000 people attended the show.

The Greater Boston Food Bank, which distributes more than 34 million pounds of food and grocery products annually to approximately 550 member hunger-relief agencies and 30 Food Bank Direct service programs, will benefit from the Gala Preview this year.

"We are thrilled to welcome The Greater Boston Food Bank as our beneficiary the week before Thanksgiving," notes co-producer Tony Fusco. "And we are pleased to offer our special programs, as many people come back to the show day after day and discover renewed interests and new passions."

The Cyclorama provides the ideal venue for this exciting show. A large circular rotunda and adjacent salons encourage visitors to both linger and wander. The historic structure is located

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**'Sarah Palin,' right, drops by to congratulate Howie Carr at the "Masters of Suspense" event. We are told that 'Sarah' (celebrity tribute artist, Cecilia Thompson) was a big hit. (Photo by John Harrison)**





# HALLOWEEN 2011 IN THE NORTH END

Nothing on Earth so beautiful as the final haul on Halloween night. — Steve Almond



Charlestown Halloween Parade



(Photos courtesy of Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography and Dom Campochiaro, D&S Video)

## HALLOWEEN AT THE POST-GAZETTE WITH FREEWAY AND FRIENDS ...

Plenty of treats and a few tricks took place at the second annual Post-Gazette's "Halloween Treats for Dogs" held on Friday, October 28 and Monday, October 31, 2011. Many of Freeway's old and new friends arrived in costume and received a Halloween treat bag.



Toby as Spider-Man



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across the country. The shootings at Kent State took place on my 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday in 1970. Personally, I remember the names of many SDSers but his name is not in my memory bank.

Back in college, I was a member of Young Americans for Freedom, a conservative campus group countering the SDS radicals on the left. We were learning so much about U.S. history out of the classroom during that era. Things really never got ugly except for the often shouting matches when we both arrived at the same place at the same time.

Now reading this obituary and remembering my college days, I think both groups actually made everyone think about our U.S. Vietnam policy. At some point during the national debate, I stopped supporting the Vietnam War because we had no real effective policy or leadership in Washington. Too many young Americans were dying and it was hard to justify our continued presence in the war-torn country.

It was the young people of America who stood up to the status quo and failed government leadership.

Eventually, that war would end in failure for the United States as Ho Chi Minh and his North Vietnamese Army stormed into Saigon taking over everything.

Back then as a 20-something student, I saw the world in black and white, with age, I realize that there's just you and me and we both disagree.

## Pat Boone and Sheriff Joe Aren't Giving Up the Fight

Latest news over President Obama's birthplace have both pop singer Pat Boone and Sheriff Joe Pyle from Arizona not allowing Obama's birth details fade into history. Boone, who by the way is a distant relative of Daniel Boone and a member of the Beverly Hills Tea Party still says Obama was born in Kenya. His proof? He says most Kenyans actually believe Obama is from there. Pat Boone calls the released birth certificate nothing more than a "Photoshop fraud."

Meanwhile, Sheriff Joe, the lawman who wants to round up and deport illegals in his county has launched a county investigation into the matter of the president's birth status. Joe is the sheriff who dresses his inmates in pink jumpsuits and when ordered by the courts to turn TVs back on in jail, now gives inmates the news, weather, sports and G-rated movies.

## Hicks for Queen Elizabeth Warren?

Recently, "Queen Elizabeth Warren" already crowned by the Democrat elitists in Washington, referred to her middle-class base as "hicks." You can only wonder how Democrats would have reacted if Senator Brown had used the "hicks" terminology? She's trying to pass herself off as a regular hard-working middle-class family person. Brown is a hundred times more a regular person

than she could ever hope to be.

Why even bother with a primary election with Alan Whatshisname? Hey, why not cancel the whole election itself, send Brown home to Wrentham and install the new Queen Elizabeth into the U.S. Senate now?

Thank God we hicks still have the right to vote, huh?

## Toxic Loans, Who Owns Them?

If you listen to the White House, the Democrat-controlled U.S. Senate, the very liberal news media and the Occupy movement, blame greedy big banks and greedy financial institutions for the economic meltdown and housing crash. However, in reality, most of those poisonous toxic home loans are owned by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac thanks to the Community Preservation Act which gave out loans to unqualified first-time homebuyers reportedly based on race and ethnic background. The bottom had nowhere to go but foreclosure on many of these "not ready to be a homeowner" homeowners. No one is saying that there is no greed on Wall Street but the problem with those toxic sub-prime home loans is to be found with those at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Blame the right source.

## They Can't Be Serious, Can They?

I just learned that Hertz is in trouble with the ACLU. It seems recently five Muslim employees who are required to pray five times a day at work were told they would have to clock out to pray. Hertz thought. They made it clear but the five employees kept on praying daily on company time. Hertz finally fired the five of them. The ACLU jumped right in saying it violated their constitutional religious rights. I am sure a discrimination lawsuit is being thought of or written up as you read this. In the end, one talk show host jested; Hertz will be required to put pray rugs in every rental car and all GPS devices will be frozen in an east position facing Mecca. Then there's that young Muslim student who belongs to a Jr. ROTC program in Tennessee who wanted to wear her head scarf in a parade in uniform. The ROTC commander said no way to that idea. Her parents think she's being discriminated on the basis of religion. All that the ROTC commander said was "no head scarves in uniform." Several Middle Eastern political action committees are taking up her cause now, too. Then there's that principal over in Somerville at a public school named in honor of President Kennedy. She would like to see the celebrations of Columbus Day, Thanksgiving Day and Halloween, all banned from public schools because they are apparently politically incorrect holidays. After all weren't the Pilgrims and Columbus evil. Didn't Native Americans die because of their adventures and settlements? Then, there's Halloween. Of course you have to ban that too,

because kids are just having too much fun with that tradition. I just have two words for you when it comes to my opposition to Elizabeth Warren getting elected to the U.S. Senate seat. The two words are "George Soros," the multi-billionaire liberal who seemingly loves beating up on things most of us favor. If he's for Warren I'm not.

## Rick Perry is Still Most Electable Conservative to Me

No matter his miscues on the campaign trail and at various debate forums, Texas Governor Rick Perry is by far the most electable Republican running for the presidency. His trouble, he's having difficulty in the nomination race to Mitt Romney. However, I believe that Romney will not be able to beat President Obama on Election Day. Many say that only Romney can win over the moderates and independents from the all important suburbs of America. They say that Perry will have a hard time going beyond his conservative base.

People are underestimating Perry and Perry's draw from frustrated Americans who think the country is going down the same sewer pipe that Libyan rebels found Khadafy hiding in. America is seeking a leader who can take them forward and not just another politician saying anything to get elected. Perry with all his flaws on the campaign trail today is still the most real person running and eventually more voters will see this plain spoken guy with his Texas accent as a leader who can put America back on the right track again.

## Anglo-American Values Endangered

In 1776, Britain and America were enemies at war but today in 2011, we are joined at the hip when it comes to all those barbarians out there trying to destroy our culture and our western civilization. My family roots are in Sicily and Ireland but my cultural roots are English. Our political, social cultural and governmental structure date back to the Magna Carta in 1215. Today, America has no stronger ally in this crazy world than Great Britain. Most of the world today views the Anglo-American culture as outdated. We have become the bad guys in the world. We aren't!

## Class Warfare from Our President

Recently, reacting to Republican criticism, President Obama says his Jobs Bill and the \$547 billion in new stimulus cash needed is not a form of "class warfare" but rather just an attempt in making things fair such as tax burden. Obama supports the so-called Buffet Bill increasing the taxes upon rich people. However, this idea and legislation will never pass muster in the U.S. House and the White House knows this. Rather, Obama is trying to set himself up as

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## LEAPFROG: 3 DVD LEARNING COLLECTION + BOOK (DVD) Lionsgate

LeapFrog Enterprises' all-new gift set includes recently released titles: *The Amazing Alphabet Amusement Park*, *Learn to Read at the Storybook Factory* and *Numbers Ahoy*. Lily, Tad and Scout find the letters to start the fun at the *Amusement Park*, with special features as sing-along songs, short vowel shorts, a video featuring Scout and a curriculum commentary for parents. In the *Storybook Factory*, pictures, words and imagination bring stories to life with sing-along songs helping little ones learn using the string of read-along words on the screen. *Numbers* teaches math skills as number recognition, counting and estimation. All this plus a book, for ages 2-7!

## THE BEST OF THE TEMPTATIONS ON THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW (DVD) Motown-Hip-O

The Temptations set a very high bar for R&B groups with their distinctive harmonies, flashy suits and dazzling choreography. They popularized a new, refined style of singing and were a breakthrough success with both African-American and white audiences. Ed Sullivan welcomed the group onto his show and the Temps delivered classic performances. Their first appearance was May 28, 1967, and they went on to perform most of their smash hits during numerous appearances on the legendary television show. The three medleys include one five-song set with The Supremes. (40 mins. Color & BW).

## FRINGE: THIRD SEASON (Blu-ray) Warner Home Video

The mystery of the universes deepens in the critically acclaimed 22-episode, third season of TV's exciting sci-fi *Fringe*. The team escapes from parallel universe — except for Olivia, trapped in the other world and replaced in ours by her double, who turns Peter and Olivia's tentative relationship into a love affair. Then Olivia returns, bonds of trust fray, even more bizarre and terrifying phenomena occur, and secrets that stretch back to 1985 threaten to destroy our universe — or theirs. Immerse yourself in dual universes and enjoy Season Four, which premiered September 23<sup>rd</sup>. (16 hrs. 2 mins.)

## HUNG: SECOND SEASON (2-DVD) HBO Home Ent.

Life is still very hard for Ray Drecker in Season 2 of *Hung*, the hit comedy se-

ries. The show, which stars Thomas Jane as Drecker, Jane Adams as Tanya Skagle, Rebecca Creskoff as Lenore Bernard and Anne Heche as Ray's ex-wife, continues to follow divorced teacher/coach Drecker on his quest to provide ultimate customer satisfaction to women everywhere. This season his two leading female pimps (Adams and Creskoff), facing off in a hilarious battle to see who can most maximize Ray's growth. Season 3 premiered on HBO, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. (4 hrs. 34 mins.)

## CAMELOT: FIRST SEASON (3-DVD) Anchor Bay Ent.

In the wake of King Uther's sudden death, the sorcerer Merlin has visions of a dark future and installs the young and impetuous Arthur, Uther's unknown son and heir. But Arthur's half sister Morgan will fight him to the bitter end to claim the crown. Faced with the challenge of uniting a kingdom broken by war and steeped in deception, Arthur will be tested beyond imagination. Forget everything you think you know ... this is the story of Camelot that has never been told before, featuring all ten episodes. (8 hrs. 35 mins.)

## BEVERLY LEWIS' THE SHUNNING (DVD) Sony Pictures Home Ent.

A heartwarming story by *New York Times* best-selling author and top Amish fiction writer comes Beverly Lewis' *The Shunning*. Katie Lapp (Danielle Panabaker) has always struggled with the rules that define her sheltered Amish community, but when a wealthy outsider (Sherry Stringfield) begins asking questions about her family, Katie begins to wonder about her origins. She questions what connection does this woman have to her life ... and how will the unraveling secrets challenge Katie's faith? Travel with Katie on her powerful, personal journey of discovery. (1 hr. 28 mins.)

## WISHFUL DRINKING (DVD) HBO Home Ent.

An actress, screenwriter, and best-selling author, Carrie Fisher is the daughter of the late singer Eddie Fisher and actress Debbie Reynolds, known as "America's Sweethearts" in the late '50s. She became a cultural icon at age 19 after starring as Princess Leia in the first *Star Wars* trilogy. Combining wry wit and raw facts, Fisher's hit stage production *Wishful Drinking*, an intoxicating autobiographical tale of her life, reveals her hilarious slant on the not-so-glittering side of being a celebrity. Humor and honesty! (1 hr. 16 mins.)

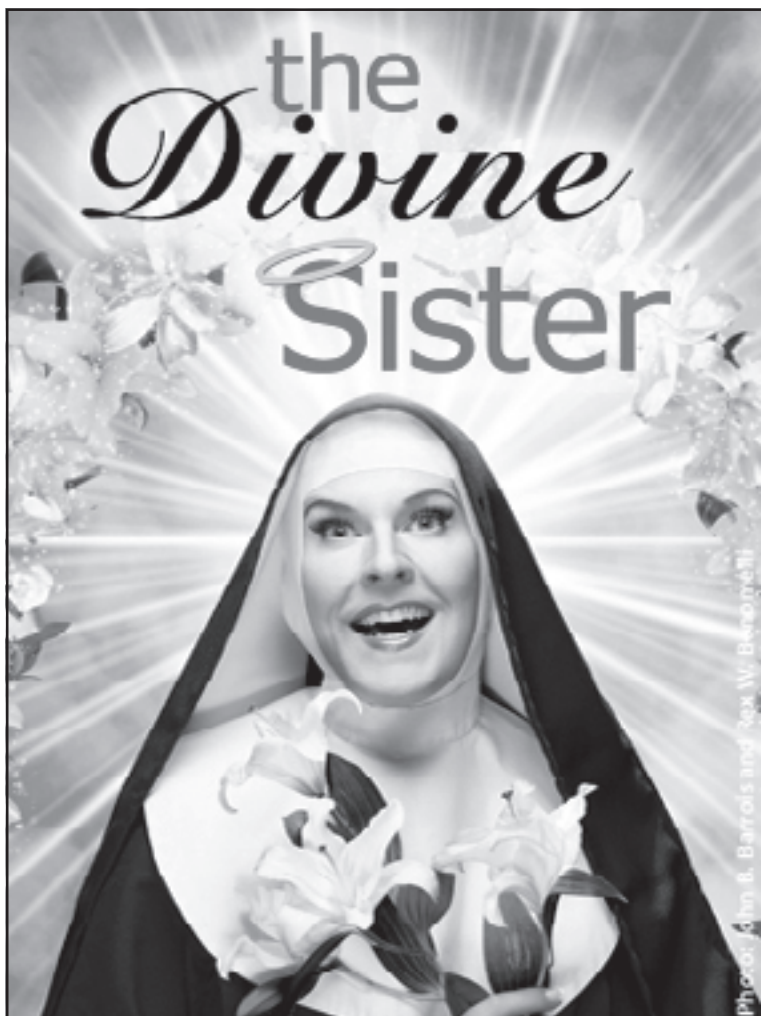
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**The Divine Sister is an outrageous comic homage to nearly every Hollywood film involving nuns, from *The Song of Bernadette* and *The Bells of St. Mary's* to *The Singing Nun* and *Agnes of God*. The play tells the story of St. Veronica's indomitable Mother Superior, who is determined to build a new school for her Pittsburgh convent. Along the way, she has to deal with a young postulant who is experiencing "visions," sexual hysteria among her nuns, a sensitive schoolboy in need of mentoring, a mysterious nun visiting from the Mother House in Berlin and a former suitor intent on luring her away from her vows. SEE THEATER SECTION FOR DETAILS.**

**NORTH SHORE MUSIC THEATRE**  
62 Dunham Road, Beverly, MA  
**LEGALLY BLONDE** November 1-13, **A CHRISTMAS CAROL** December 2-23. For further information, please visit [www.nsmat.org](http://www.nsmat.org), contact the Box Office at 978-232-7200 or visit in person at 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, MA.

**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](http://www.americanrepertorytheater.org).

**BOSTON OPERA HOUSE**  
539 Washington St., Boston, MA  
Escape to Verona with John Cranko's **ROMEO AND JULIET** - November 3-13, 2011 - Masterfully told through Cranko's choreography and Prokofiev's score, *Romeo and Juliet* is a triumphant must-see. 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, visit the Colonial Theatre Box Office, 106 Boylston Street, [www.broadwayacrossamerica.com/](http://www.broadwayacrossamerica.com/) Boston, Ticketmaster.com or call 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

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**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 noon 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, GN'R 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. GN'R'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](http://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 Chaffield." Tickets available at the DCU Center Box Office, Ticketmaster locations, by phone at 800-745-3000 and online at [ticketmaster.com](http://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](http://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](http://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 for all Wilbur Theatre events 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.

**SOMERVILLE THEATRE**  
55 Davis Square, Somerville, MA  
**THE "FRIEND OF MINE: THE BILL MORRISSEY TRIBUTE CONCERT"** - November 17, 2011. An All-Star tribute to the late singer-songwriter. Patty Larkin, David Johansen, Peter Case, Shawn Colvin, Barry Crimmins, Mark Erelli, John Gorka, Peter Keane, Fred Koller, Cormac McCarthy and Pete Nelson have all signed on to pay tribute to their friend, mentor and fellow troubadour. Tickets for the show are now on sale through the venue's box

office and website. A very limited number of preferred "Friend of Mine" tickets, which will provide front orchestra seating and a signed limited edition poster, are available. Profits from the event will be donated to MusiCares. Singer-songwriter Cliff Eberhardt and David Dye, host of the nationally syndicated NPR radio show, World Café, will co-host the concert. Morrissey passed away on July 23, was regarded as a songwriters' songwriter. Between 1984 and 2007, the New England native released 12 highly acclaimed albums and published the novel, "Edson." His live performance schedule took him from small coffeehouses to major concert venues like Carnegie Hall to prestigious festivals including Newport and Kerrville. For tickets and further details, please log onto the website at [www.somervilletheatreonline.com](http://www.somervilletheatreonline.com)

## 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](http://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 passer-by, 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](http://ticketmaster.com).

### TD GARDEN

**Causeway Street, Boston**  
**WWE RAW** - November 14, 2011. Finally the Rock comes back to Boston! A special three hour edition of WWE Monday Night Raw Super Show. What will happen when seven time WWE Champion, "the most electrifying man in all of entertainment." The Rock and 10 time WWE Champion John Cena meet in Cena's hometown? Also see all of your favorite WWE superstars including: Randy Orton, Mark Henry, Sheamus, Christian, Dolph Ziggler, Kofi Kingston, and More!!! \*Card is subject to change\*

### AGGANIS ARENA

**925 Commonwealth Ave., Boston**  
**COMICS COME HOME XVII** - Saturday, November 12. The longest running comedy benefit in America, returns to Agganis. The show will be hosted by actor/comedian Denis Leary from the hit television show "Rescue Me." This year's lineup will include: Denis Leary, Lenny Clarke, Kenny Rogers, Tony V, Robert Kelly, Dom Irrera, Joe Derosa, Artie Lang and Nick Di Paolo! Don't miss the show the *Boston Globe* calls a "laugh

riot." The evening will benefit The Cam Neely Foundation for Cancer Care and The Neely Cancer Fund. The Fund was created to benefit Tufts Medical Center's Cancer Center and its Floating Children's Cancer Center. Through the Fund the Foundation supports treatment, research and overall cancer care for patients and their families. Call Ticketmaster at 800-745-3000.

### TSONGAS CENTER

**AT UMASS LOWELL**  
300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Lowell, MA

**JEFF DUNHAM: CONTROLLED CHAOS** - Friday, November 4, 2011. The man whose standup concerts rule the comedy world, Jeff Dunham, returns to Lowell to offer fans brand new laughs and hilarious additions to his famed troupe of sidekicks. Jeff Dunham's sidesplitting performances have made him the top grossing live comedian in North America for three consecutive years as well as the last two worldwide. Now his ever-growing legion of devoted fans that flock to his shows year after year will meet the newest additions to his suitcase posse. Achmed the Dead Terrorist has to now contend with his rebellious offspring, Achmed Junior, a/k/a A.J. Meanwhile, Peanut has decided that he's tired of being Jeff's sidekick and has taken up ventriloquism with his own character: Little Jeff. More hilarity than ever ensues as the never-before-seen characters unleash their own havoc on stage. Tickets can be purchased at the Tsongas Center Box Office, online at [www.tsongascenter.com](http://www.tsongascenter.com) or by calling 866-722-8780.

**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. Doofenshmirtz's evil plans. Musical madness abounds in an escapade so awesome that even Candace can't help but join the hilarious hijinks. It's the ultimate end to summer vacation, so seize the day 'cause Phineas and Ferb are gonna do it all! All persons two years of age and older must have a ticket. Purchase tickets at Tsongas Center Box Office, [www.tsongascenter.com](http://www.tsongascenter.com) or by calling 866-722-8780.

## ARTS

### 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](http://www.mfa.org) or call 617-267-9300.

### SALEM WAX MUSEUM

**28 Deby Street, Salem, MA**  
Composed of eerily life-like London made wax figures that depict Salem's vivid history from its founding in 1626 through the terrifying Hysteria of 1692. Come face to face with such notable Salem figures as the famed author of *The Scarlet Letter* and *The House of Seven Gables* — Nathaniel Hawthorne, the pirates of New England, the merciless Witch Trials judge Colonel John Hawthorne, and Tituba the accused "witch" who helped fuel the hysteria of 1692 — just to name a few! Visit [salemwaxmuseum.com](http://salemwaxmuseum.com) or call 978-740-2929 for further details.

## 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 DiMarca every Sunday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Go to [www.1110wccm.com](http://www.1110wccm.com). **"Italia Oggi"** Sundays 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm with host Andrea Urdis 1460 AM [www.1460WXHR.com](http://www.1460WXHR.com). **"Dolce Vita Radio"** DJ Rocco Mesiti 11:00 am-1:00 pm Sundays 90.7 FM or online [www.djrocco.com](http://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 WSR0

650 AM and online at [www.wsro.com](http://www.wsro.com). **"Radio Italia Unita"** - Thursdays 2:00 pm-3:00 pm on [www.zumix.org/](http://www.zumix.org/) radio or iTunes, college radio click on Zumix. For more information, log onto [www.italiaunita.org](http://www.italiaunita.org).

**"Tony's Place" on MusicAmerica WPLM FM 99.1** - Every Sunday night 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm on MusicAmerica host Ron Della Chiesa presents Tony's Place on WPLM FM Easy 99.1. During the hour, Ron will feature recordings by his good friend Tony Bennett. You'll hear all your Bennett favorites from his early hits to his latest Grammy winners. For further information visit [www.MusicNotNoise.com](http://www.MusicNotNoise.com).



Ray Barron's  
11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Holding it in, after Evergreen Park High School in Illinois announced that students would be allowed to leave class to go to the bathroom only three times per semester. Students who need to pee more often will have to make up class time after school.

Wow! A family in Danvers had to call 911 when they couldn't find their way out of a seven-acre corn maze. "I'm really scared. It's really dark, and we've got a 3-week-old baby with us," said mom who made the call. "We thought this would be fun."

When Irish eyes are smiling! Ireland ended the 350-year-old practice of requiring judges to wear British-style white wigs in court. The decision will save the cash-strapped government about \$3,000 a wig. Well, that's using their heads!

Huh? Florida State Rep. Brad Drake proposed that the state's executions be conducted by electrocution and firing squad instead of lethal injection. Drake said that killers should know they will die violently, rather than by "going to sleep."

Capital punishment laws are on the books in 91 countries, but only 23 of them carried out any executions last year. The United States executed 46 people last year and 37 so far this year — more than any other country, except for the dictatorships of China, North Korea, Iran and Yemen. In most parts of the modern world, the practice appears to be in steep decline. Since 1976, a total of 123 countries have effectively abolished the death penalty as a barbaric legacy of the past. All signs point to an unmistakable downward trend, says Mario Marazziti, co-founder of the World Coalition Against the Death Penalty. "There is worldwide growth of a new moral standard of decency and of respect for human rights," he said, "even the rights and lives of those who may have committed severe crimes." Current trends suggest that the number of states that execute prisoners will continue to dwindle. But with capital punishment still popular with voters, it is unlikely to disappear altogether unless the Supreme Court rules that it is "cruel and unusual punishment."

Ah, criminals! To think, women shoplift more than men; the statistics are four to one. Fifty percent of bank robberies take place on Fridays. About 43 percent of convicted criminals in the United States are re-arrested within a year of being released from prison. Sweden has the least number of murders annually. And the murder rate in the United States is two hundred times greater than in Japan. In Japan, no private citizen can buy a handgun legally.

What? About 6 percent of murdered American men are killed by either their wife or girlfriend or their wife who caught them with their girlfriend. And forty percent of women have hurled footwear at a man. Ouch!

Interesting to note, nobody has yet explained satisfactorily why couples who marry in January, February and March tend to have the highest divorce rates.

Terrible! A Tibetan nun set herself on fire to protest China's occupation of Tibet, becoming the ninth Buddhist cleric this year to do so. Tenzin Wangmo, 20, died of her burns.

Lady Gaga has it bad for Bill Clinton, said the *New York Post*. The great pop singer, 25, seductively serenaded the former president at his recent 65<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration at Los Angeles's Hollywood Bowl. After dancing suggestively in front of Clinton and altering the lyrics to her song *Bad Romance* to *Bill Romance*, Gaga swooned for the former commander in chief, "I'm having my first Marilyn moment," joked the singer. "I always wanted to have one and I was hoping that it didn't involve pills and a strand of pearls."

Start doing the Tarantella! Good old-fashioned olive oil can reduce the risk of a stroke, according to a study conducted at the University of Bordeaux. "researchers found that older people who used olive oil intensively — meaning they regularly cooked with it and used it in salad dressing — were 41 percent less likely to have a stroke than those who rarely consumed it. "Health Day reports: Stroke is the third-

leading cause of death in the United States.

Will Hillary switch to vice president?

Will Hillary Clinton and Joe Biden switch jobs asked Jonathan Alter? Don't rule it out. Rumors of a "Great Switcheroo" involving the secretary of state and vice president have been denied by the Obama administration, but those denials will be moot "if it's clear that Democrats need to do something dramatic to avoid losing the White House."

Putting the popular Hillary on the ticket as vice president would serve several purposes: She would ensure that Obama benefited from a large gender gap and would help build support among blue-collar independents. With Bill Clinton taking a visible role alongside his wife, Obama would be able to cast the election as a choice between the Clintonian economics of the 1990s and the Bush/GOP economics that led to the Great Recession. The switch would also excite Democrats at a "sour and dispiriting time."

It all may seem "far-fetched" now. But if Obama's approval rating doesn't improve by summer and the unemployment numbers remain bleak, then "the Switcheroo may be his only shot." So says Jonathan Alter of *Bloomberg.com*.

The astute Tom Analetto of Medford, says, "All politicians fear high unemployment — they fear they may be next."

Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill claims the only time a politician can't demand a recount is when his wife gives birth to triplets.

Proprio Stronzo thinks some politicians are so good at double talk they could easily get a job as a weather forecaster.

Giuseppina, la coscia storta, says, "There'll never be a woman president. No woman will admit to being over 35."

Giuseppina, you faccia brutta, stick to eating Baccala! So says Bella Culo!

Not a happy holiday: Thousands of Chilean Indians marched to protest Columbus Day. The anniversary of Columbus's 1492 landfall — in the Bahamas — is a national holiday in much of the Americas but is a day of mourning for many indigenous groups. "It signified the arrival of the Spanish usurpers and all they brought with them, colonialism and imperialism," said Manuel Diaz, spokesman for Chile's Mapuche tribe. Marchers demanded the return of ancestral lands currently owned by farmers and timber companies, and they called for the release of Mapuche activists who have been jailed for trying to occupy some of those lands.

Some interesting show biz stuff by our noted musicologist Albert Natale. Mary Livingstone on Jack Benny. "Jack's lucky to have me. He needs someone to keep him in line." Rudy Vallee shot his mouth off about Rudolph Valentino. "Rudolph Valentino was no Italian stallion, at least where the ladies were concerned. He had two wives (both reportedly lesbian), but neither marriage took off. Apparently Rudy thought "consummate" meant to make soup. Bette Davis, says, "My fourth husband was actor Gary Merrill. We had tremendous fights. He used his fists more than his mouth ... It was a hell of a marriage, even the making up. They ought to rewrite the ceremony — "in sickness and in hell ..." Bandleader Sammy Kaye had a degree in civil engineering. Gene Kelly, Cary Grant and Burt Lancaster were all considered for the part of Sky Masterson in the 1955 movie "Guys and Dolls." Marlon Brando got the job. The Harry James hit "I've Heard That Song Before," featuring a vocal by Helen Forrest, had sold one million, 250-thousand copies by June, 1942. The biggest seller Columbia Records had at that time. When Frank Sinatra was born he weighed thirteen and a half pounds. And our noted paesano, Al Martino's first hit came in 1952 with "Here in My Heart." Al came back with a slew of hits in the late '50s well into the mid 1970s. "I Love You Because," "I Love You More and More Every Day," and "Spanish Eyes."

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**BRACCIOLETINI**

20 thin slices of beef (approx. 4" x 4")	1 tablespoon olive oil
1 cup flavored bread crumbs	3 metal skewers (6 or 9 inches long)
2 small garlic cloves chopped	
1 tablespoon grated Romano cheese	

**MARINADE:**

1 crushed garlic clove
1 tablespoon dried basil
2 tablespoons olive oil

Prepare marinade first by mixing crushed garlic clove, basil and olive oil in a bowl and set aside. Then mix bread crumbs, chopped garlic, and grated cheese in a separate bowl. Additional bread crumbs may be needed depending on the number of Braccioletini you prepare. Add olive oil to slightly moisten the bread crumbs. Take one beef slice at a time. Spread about one teaspoon of bread crumbs in the center of meat. Leave sides of meat about half-inch clear of bread crumbs. Gently roll while folding in edges forming a small rolled piece. Squeeze the rolled meat in your hands. Insert metal skewer. Add each rolled Braccioletini onto skewer. They should fit tightly up against each other. When all Braccioletini are on skewers, place them into the marinade. Marinate for about 20 minutes. Before broiling, brush extra marinade over Braccioletini after placing them on the broiling tray. Brown on both sides. Check frequently because they cook fast.

Serve hot with mashed or baked potato and a vegetable or salad.

*NOTE: When I make Braccioletini today, I select a bottom round roast at the supermarket and ask at the deli counter to have it sliced the thickness of cold cuts. Then I cut the larger slices to the size I need. Patience and experience are required but it is well worth the effort.*

*Braccioletini can be cooked on the gas grill but must be watched because they burn easily.*

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# Nanna & Babbonnonno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Last week I left off talking about a trip to Italy back in the day. Sal Meli, a friend since childhood, had gone to Sicily to visit his parents who retired from their jobs and returned to their roots. Sal called me late June from his family's condo in the outskirts of Agrigento, a southwestern city in Sicily. He convinced me to take the summer off and join him in the city he was born in, stay on the island for a week or so and then tour all of Italy at our leisure. I liked the idea, cancelled the few bookings I had, called Alitalia, booked the flight and flew to Europe at the end of June.

After landing in Rome, I took a shuttle to Palermo where Sal, his father and uncle were waiting for me. They had taken the train from Agrigento north to Palermo, booked two hotel rooms and awaited my arrival. We spent a couple of days in Palermo sightseeing and I became the student of Uncle Gus, Sal's mother's brother. He showed me one of his favorite cities and explained the history of the area from day one to the present time.

Gus had been educated in the states and spoke English without an accent, almost impossible for most Italians who learn English as adults.

What I didn't know about Sal's father and uncle was that, before WW II, they were both policemen with the rank of captain. When the war started they joined the military and were given the same rank. Gus quickly rose up to the level of general and became part of Mussolini's inner circle. Becoming disenchanted with the direction the Fascist party was heading, he helped plot the overthrow of the Italian dictatorship and surrendered to the American forces in 1943. After the war he became an attaché for the Italian Republic in the United Nations. In retirement, he returned to Italy and received both police and military pensions that were due to him.

When it was time to head south, I rented a yellow FIAT and we headed for Agrigento. En route I was stopped by a police blockade. I didn't know why. I was within the speed limit and hadn't done anything to provoke a stop. When two officers approached the car, they asked for my driver's license and the book. I didn't know what they meant by the book, so I handed them the rental

agreement. The officer conducting the investigation threw the license and the rental paperwork in my face and yelled, "Io voglio il libro, subito." (I want the book, now) I didn't know what he meant and asked for an explanation. They were ready to pull me out of the car but stopped as Sal's father and uncle flashed credentials that were housed in their wallets. The next thing I see is two Italian cops standing at attention while the two older men got out of the back seat. Gus started yelling at the two policemen about abusive treatment and demanded an apology and an explanation as to why we were stopped.

It seemed that a rental yellow FIAT with a Naples license plate was reported stolen and my car was a yellow FIAT with a Naples plate. They then explained that the book was the auto inspection book that Italian drivers keep in their glove compartments. Sal's father then chewed them up one side and then the other for the way they treated us.

The next thing I see is one of the officers saluting the two older men and apologizing to Sal and me. They then called to let other police units on the same road know that we were not driving the car they were looking for. Again, we were on our way.

As the day progressed it became quite hot and the car didn't have air conditioning. I told the others that I needed water and was going to stop at the next town to buy a bottle of San Pellegrino. Uncle Gus told me that within a few miles was a natural spring with a water pump aside of it. The water was ice cold and it was free for travelers. I said OK, and followed his directions to the location. When we arrived, I parked and headed to the spring. I approached the water pump holding a plastic cup from an earlier purchase. Just as I bent over to pump the water, something or someone grabbed the collar of my shirt and pulled me back. I spun around defensively, but stopped short when I saw a small old man wearing a neckerchief and a Smokey the Bear type of hat. He was leading a donkey by a rope and pointed to a water trough that was next to the pump. As he pointed, he said, "Scusi, signore, ma mi shecheridu eru primu." (Sicilian for, excuse me sir, but my donkey was first)

I backed off, bowed and said,

"Prego." With that, the donkey drank from the trough and I pumped myself a glass of cool water. Looking back, I saw Sal, his father and uncle laughing at the situation. Gus was the first to say something, "John, this is rural Sicily; the donkey takes precedence over everything here." The rest of the ride south was uneventful. We arrived in Canicatti, the suburb of Agrigento where Sal's family condo was located, just after sundown. Sal's mother had dinner ready for us and if I remember correctly, she was one heck of a cook. After dinner we strolled to the center of town, sat at an outdoor café, sipped coffee, and enjoyed dessert while watching the passersby.

Later that night back at the condo, I heard Sal's mother on the phone with a woman she referred to as Auntie. "Her comment was, 'Yes, I'll have the professor over to your house after breakfast.'" I was too tired to ask what she was scheming and headed to the bedroom I was assigned to.

The next morning I woke up smelling espresso and something freshly baked. After we ate, Sal's mother informed me that we were going to her aunt's house. The woman evidently was the matriarch of the town and she wanted to meet her great nephew's pal from America.

We walked to a walled-in gothic looking building. Sal's mother opened the front gate that led to a rectangular garden with the building covering three sides of the grass and flowers. We headed to a large door with a knocker which Sal's mother used to let anyone inside know they had company. An old lady caretaker opened the door, welcomed us saying that the Signora was in the living room. We were escorted to a large almost ballroom-like room with a platform at one end. On the platform was a high back Gothic chair. In the chair was a diminutive old lady sitting all dressed in black. We were introduced and she asked me to sit on the platform at her feet. She began questioning me about my parents, grandparents, what part of Italy they were from, where we lived in the states and then asked why I wasn't married. I told her I hadn't found anyone I had enough interest in to settle down with for the rest of my life. She said that she could remedy the situation. I looked at her not understanding as she clapped her hands together. As she clapped a second time, a door opened and a parade of the single girls from the town came strolling past us. Most had better mustaches than I sported at that time. I looked at Sal and yelled, "Get me the Hell out of here!" To be continued ... GOD BLESS AMERICA

## • The Socially Set (Continued from Page 7)



**Noted chef Mary Ann Esposito appears at the Boston Center for Adult Education on Wednesday, November 9, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., for an evening of "tradition, great food + drink and fun," as she prepares wonderful dishes inspired from her newest book, "Ciao Italia Family Classics."** (File photo by Hilda M. Morrill, 2007)

in the heart of the BCA complex, which boasts four theatres, a gallery, the Boston Ballet School, 50 artist studios and other facilities. There are more than a dozen "hot" restaurants and nightspots within a five-minute walk, making it a focal point for cultural life in the city.

"The show has grown up with the evolution of the Boston Center for the Arts, the art market in Boston and the changing demographics of the South End, Back Bay, Downtown and other neighborhoods of

Boston," comments Tony Fusco. "We couldn't be more pleased to be launching our 15th year," he adds.

For more information, call 617-363-0405, or visit [www.FineArtBoston.com](http://www.FineArtBoston.com).

Enjoy!

(Be sure to visit Hilda Morrill's gardening Web site, [www.bostongardens.com](http://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.)

## • World Eco Art Project (Continued from Page 5)

charter, and guides all that the group does.

### Giovanni DeCunto

Giovanni DeCunto is a local Boston artist who is well known in expressionist circles. Mr. DeCunto lives in the North End where he has a gallery to showcase his art for local connoisseurs and has graciously volunteered to help promote the artistic vision of this project.

### Nazarro Community Center

The Nazarro Community Center is a local center focused on school age children

and expanding their horizons by offering multi-faceted programs that consist of everything from music, art, and the humanities to local sports leagues run by the Center. The NCC prides itself on having age based programs that allow peers to interact with other children near their natural age.

### The Event

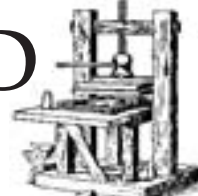
There will be a special event soon at a location to be disclosed where the art piece will be showcased and sold. This event will formally launch WECO.

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**LO SAPEVATE CHE ...** Ad una recente udienza papale a funzionari della Questura di Roma, avvenuta nella Sala Delle Benedizioni, il Papa ha colto l'occasione per esprimere la sua preoccupazione per l'indebolimento del senso morale ed etico della società italiana. Si è rivolto alla società ed alle pubbliche istituzioni di riscoprire la vera moralità e per dare maggiore consistenza ai valori etici e giuridici della vita pratica. Il Papa evita ogni riferimento alle inchieste in corso che coinvolgono il Premier Silvio Berlusconi. Ma il Segretario di Stato Vaticano, Cardinale Tarciso Bertone, è stato più coraggioso chiedendo moralità e legalità. Il Presidente della CEI (Conferenza Episcopale Italiana), Cardinale Angelo Bagnasco dell'Arcidiocesi di Genova, ha persino parlato della vicenda Ruby aggiungendo che questa vicenda sarà esaminata dalla Conferenza Episcopale. Il Cardinale di Torino, Cesare Nosiglia, ha affermato che chi ha responsabilità pubblica ha anche maggiore responsabilità nel privato, e le due dimensioni non vanno separate, ed in tutti c'è preoccupazione per quanto sta accadendo.

Il periodico "Famiglia Cristiana" ha espresso "angoscia: per gli effetti dello scandalo ad Arcore, nella villa di Berlusconi, dove si sono svolte indecenti feste, che saranno esaminate nel processo che è in corso. Il Papa è stato più diplomatico appellandosi ai "cristiani" augurandosi che trovino nuova risolutezza nel professare la fede, e nel compiere il bene.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT ...** At a recent Papal audience reserved to the leaders of Rome's Provincial National Police, held in the Hall of the Benedictions, the Pope took the opportunity to express his "preoccupation" over the weakening of the moral and ethical spirit of the Italian society. He appealed to the Italian society and to the public institutions hoping they discover the true morality and give a new foundation to the ethical and judicial values of daily life.

The Pope avoided any allusion to the ongoing investigation involving the Premier, Silvio Berlusconi. However, the Secretary of State of the Vatican, Cardinal Tarciso Bertone, went even further demanding morality and legality. The President of CEI (Italian Episcopal Conference), Cardinal Angelo Bagnasco of the Genova's Archdioceses, even spoke about the "Ruby Case," adding that this scandal will be closely examined by the CEI. The head of the Torino Archdioceses, Cardinal Cesare Nosiglia, stated that whoever has public responsibility has a larger one in the "private," and the two dimensions cannot be split, and everyone is preoccupied for the things that are going on. The magazine "Famiglia Cristiana" has expressed its anguish over the repercussions of the scandalous parties going on at Arcore, where the Berlusconi's villa is located; its events will be the focus at the trial already underway.

The Pope sounded quite diplomatic by appealing to all "Christians," hoping that they find a more resolute spirit in their profession of the faith, as well as in doing good!

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

by Sal Giaratani

**COMMUNITY AWARDS BANQUET COMING SOON**  
The North End Against Drugs folks will be holding their annual Community Awards Banquet at Filippo's on Saturday, November 19. For more details email [jroman045@gmail.com](mailto:jroman045@gmail.com).

**A NEW SALVATORE'S OPENS**  
The Italian chain Salvatore's has just opened a new restaurant at 545 Washington Street in the Theater District. I've been to their place over in the Seaport District. This latest location is Salvatore's number four.

**CONGRATS TO ECCO**  
Ecco Restaurant and Lounge just celebrated their third anniversary. If you're entering East Boston from the tunnel, its right there smack in front of you. They've got a super large parking lot by Eastie standards. The food is great as are the drinks and prices, too. My friend Dave Modica and his wife Carla Santarpio have done a great job with the place. It keeps evolving into a better place as time goes by.

**SALESIANS PASTA DINNER NOVEMBER**  
The Salesians Boys & Girls Club will be holding a Pasta Dinner at their place on Friday, November 4 from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Call 617-569-6551 for further information. A "Thank You" goes out to Jeveli's Restaurant and Carlo's Catering.

**KUDOS TO LATIN ACADEMY PARENTS**  
Latin Academy will not be

getting relocated thanks to the efforts of parents and students who stood up to that unwise move. Superintendent Carol R. Johnson has abandoned that decision of hers. Parents could have just given up and relented to the move but they held their ground over the proposed move to Hyde Park and spoke out loud and clear.

**HAPPY 175<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TO ST. PATRICK'S IN ROXBURY**

Cardinal O'Malley helped St. Patrick's Parish in Roxbury bring a close to its year-long 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the parish in 1836 at the Old St. Patrick's Church on Northampton Street. When I was a kid in St. Philip's Parish, Old St. Pat's was part of my two church parishes. Old St. Pat's outgrew its congregation, which then moved up to Hampden Street to the present St. Patrick's Church on Dudley Street. Back in the sixties, the archdiocese renovated Old St. Pat's which at that time was quite historic being only the second Catholic church in the archdiocese. Unfortunately, that building was the victim of arson not many years later and was destroyed. Remembering St. Patrick Church for me also means remembering Old St. Pat's as well.

**CASINO NITE AT HOLY NAME IN WEST ROXBURY**  
Holy Name parish in Roslindale-West Roxbury will be holding a casino night to benefit the Holy Name Youth

Service Group. It all happens on Saturday, November 5 at 7:00 pm. Funds raised will go to supporting a students' trip to New Orleans. Tickets can be purchased at the rectory or go to [holynameyouthserviceproject@gmail.com](mailto:holynameyouthserviceproject@gmail.com).

**FENIAN SONS AT EMERALD SOCIETY CLUB**  
The Fenian Sons are returning to the Emerald Society Hall on Birch Street in Roslindale Square on November 11, 2011. It promises to be an awesome show. For more details, contact The Boston Police Emerald Society, at 617-323-9018.

**WE'RE TALKING CHRISTMAS TIME AGAIN**  
The Sicilian Association of Greater Boston will be hosting their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday, December 10 at 6:30 pm at the American Legion Post 440 in Newton. Call for tickets and further details by November 15 at 781-762-6273 or 617-773-1634.

**OOPS DEPT.**  
Last week there was two typos Ron McIntyre is the unofficial Mayor of West Roxbury not Roxbury. I accidentally created the "fictitious" Elaine Miller when in fact I meant to say Gail Miller. Sorry about that Gail!

**KELLEY'S SQUARE PUB**  
Kelley's Square Pub in East Boston is definitely the place to go. You'll find anyone who's anyone there. Recently City Council President Stephen Murphy presided over a great campaign event at Kelley's last week. The place was packed.

## FINAL TWO DAYS OF LIVE RACING AT SUFFOLK DOWNS TO COINCIDE WITH BREEDERS' CUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Suffolk Downs will conduct a special live racing card on Friday and conclude its 2011 racing season on Saturday in conjunction with simulcasting of the two-day Breeders' Cup World Championships from Churchill Downs in Louisville, KY.

Suffolk Downs will run eight races both Friday and Saturday. First post time on Friday is 12:45 p.m. Special first post on Saturday is 11:55 a.m.

The track will offer full simulcast wagering on all 15 Breeders' Cup races. There are six Breeders' Cup races

on Friday and nine on Saturday, culminating with the \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic. Advance wagering on Saturday's Breeders' Cup

races is available Friday. After the live racing season concludes, Suffolk Downs remains open year-round for simulcasting.

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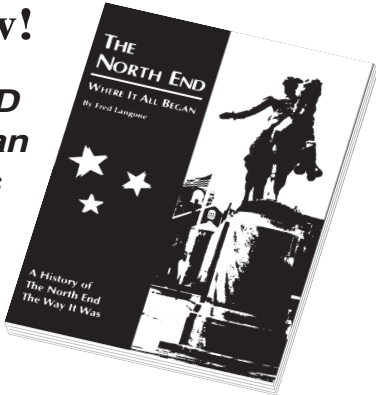
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• News Briefs (Continued from Page 10)

being on the side of angels. He's fighting for us against the greedy rich. However, a closer look at things reveals some interesting facts. The top 1 percent of Americans pays 40 percent of federal income taxes and the top 5 percent pay 80 percent.

**I Thought We Needed More Jobs?**

President Obama wants to fund his Jobs Bill by taxing those who create jobs even higher. In a recession, increasing taxes does just the opposite. Cutting the Bush tax cuts sounds like a good sound-bite for Democrats, but the more you tax producers of wealth and jobs, the less of both these things you create. More taxes mean fewer jobs and fewer jobs mean more unemployment and more unemployment means more living in poverty. It is a downward spiral that needs to be reversed.

**The Vatican Can Keep This Idea**

The Vatican has proposed a radical reform of the world's financial system, which would include the creation of a global political authority to rule over the world's economy. A proposal by the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace calls for a new world economic order that would be based on ethics and the "achievement of a universal common good." Pope Benedict back in 2009 denounced a profit-at-all-cost mentality being behind the global financial meltdown. The Vatican suggests that this reform process begin with the United Nations.

You can bet all those TV evangelical doomsayers will be talking about this new world order and the end-of-

time predictions. I'm simply opposed to the idea because I don't like any world orders where someone else is giving us orders. Hey, if the Vatican wants to join this new world economic order, they can do so without getting my money in the collection basket.

**Her "Intellectual Foundation" is Crumbling**

U.S. Senate candidate Elizabeth Warren, a/k/a "The Hick" made known to the media that she is the "intellectual foundation" of the Occupy Movement on Wall Street. After folks challenged that assertion, she did a spin saying how she has been fighting Wall Street for years and all the high priced lobbyists working for those responsible for our current economic troubles. Folks at both Occupy Wall Street and Occupy Boston went livid over her original remarks.

Meanwhile, she reportedly took time out from fighting those evil lobbyists to take a sizable donation from a big-time General Electric lobbyist and apparently didn't bat an eye over it.

**The "Audacity of Pride?"**

The U.S. State Department has recently budgeted monies to purchase two books which have been sent out to embassies around the globe. The two works of fiction are: "The Audacity of Hope" and "Dreams of My Father." This is the first time ever that our State Department has bought any books from any of our presidents. What gives? I guess this is the start of a new tradition? Hey, at least the White House didn't make these two pieces of fiction required reading in our public schools.



**EXTRA Innings**

by Sal Giaratani



**This Just in from Ed Shallow**

In answer to your question as to why Mel Parnell did not start in that 1948 playoff game against the Indians, Manager Joe McCarthy told Mel, he was going with Galehouse and that was that. Parnell expected he would pitch, but you don't argue with the boss. By the way, Ellis Kinder was also ready to go to the mound too.

I also want to tell you, a friend and I actually went to Fenway to watch that game. The game ticket price I believe was \$2.50. Someone tried to buy our tickets for \$35 apiece, but we wanted to see the game. Early in the game, we knew we were going to lose. I heard all the Braves were rooting for the Indians because they got a share off at the gate and Fenway was too small for them to make some good money.

I never forgot that move by the Braves. It left a bad taste in my mouth and I was happy to see them go to Milwaukee in 1953.

**Bautista and Kemp Award Winners**

Blue Jays slugger Jose Bautista now joins Alex Rodriguez and Barry Bonds as the only players to repeat as winners of the Hank Aaron Award that goes to each league's top slugger. Batista won the award last season with 54 homers. This year he hit 43 homers, 103 RBIs and batted .302. Kemp this past season was the NL winner with 39 homers and 126 RBIs.

**Pujols Goes Ruthian**

Albert Pujols, one of the best sluggers throughout his 11 season career to date had a terrific Game 3 in the World Series when he hit three home runs and drove in six runs in a 16-7 rout by the Cardinals over the Rangers.

Pujols now joins Yankees' Hall of Famers Babe Ruth (1926, 28) and Reggie Jackson in 1977 as the only players ever to do that in World Series history. Also, Pujols' five hits tied the Brewers' Paul Moliter (1982) for most hits in a World Series game.

**Griffey Wins His Own Historic Award Too**

Ken Griffey Jr., was presented with the Commissioner's Award for Historical

Achievement at the World Series this year. The Cardinals' Tony La Russa recently won his 68<sup>th</sup> post-season game, putting him second on the all-time list behind Joe Torre who won 84 games.

**Quote to Note**

"Stunned. Stunned. When you look at that (Red Sox) staff, the guy you look to is Josh (Beckett).

I thought that this was kind of the natural progression for him. He's at a place in that rotation and it's at the top, both on and off the field from a work ethic standpoint, and something changed," said Curt Schilling. He also added, "There wasn't someone in the clubhouse in uniform to change the culture and that's the bigger problem." File these

**Oil Can Makes Great Sense Too**

Recently, former Red Sox pitcher Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd added his two cents to what happened to the Sox in September. The Can said, "I was a drug addict and an alcoholic and I never once thought about drinking a can of beer during a game. Never even thought of it. If I'd have done that, I would have had Yaz or Jim Rice slap me in the head. It's amazing to me. I never even heard of that. This is a different breed of player now. They're so spoiled and feel so entitled. Having a beer during a game? How do you think you can do that? How does that even cross your mind?"

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Sealed General Bids for MPA Contract No. L1171-C1, **TERMINAL E GPU RELOCATION AND UPGRADES, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TERMINAL E, EAST BOSTON, MA**, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, Suite 209S - Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909, until 11:00 A.M. local time on **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2011** immediately after which, in a designated room, the bids will be opened and read publicly.

Sealed filed sub-bids for the same contract will be received at the same office until 11:00 A.M. local time on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2011**, immediately after which, in a designated room, the filed sub-bids will be opened and read publicly.

NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT, **ONE HARBORSIDE DRIVE, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MA AT 1 PM LOCAL TIME ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2011.**

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

Bidding procedures and award of the contract and sub-contracts shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 44A through 44H inclusive, Chapter 149 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

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

The successful Bidder will be required to purchase and maintain Bodily Injury Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance for a combined single limit of **\$10,000,000**. Said policy shall be on an occurrence basis and the Authority shall be included as an Additional Insured. See the insurance sections of Division I, General Requirements and Division II, Special Provisions for complete details.

Filed sub-bids will be required and taken on the following classes of work:

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This contract is subject to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation provision requiring that not less than 2 % of the Contract be performed by disadvantaged business enterprise contractors. With respect to this provision, bidders are urged to familiarize themselves thoroughly with the Bidding Documents. Strict compliance with the pertinent procedures will be required for a bidder to be deemed responsive and eligible.

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

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for Thy greater honor and glory, and for the  
salvation of our souls in this world, that we  
may come to the enjoyment of the unfailing  
light of the Lamb of God in paradise.  
Saint Lucy, Virgin and martyr, hear our  
prayers and obtain our petitions.  
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## CORNER TALK

by Reinaldo Oliveira, Jr.

### The Event: "Rocky Marciano Tournament" They Came, They Saw and they Conquered. "A Warrior's Code!" & "Real Warriors & Heroes!"

It's October 21<sup>st</sup>. We're being entertained at the "Rocky Marciano Tournament" in Brockton. This fabulous boxing tournament provided punches in bunches for all. The first bout was very exciting between sub-novice 141 pounder Cody K. **Haas** (unattached) and Jamal T. **Saunders** (Sampalis). They provided plenty of action for all. They displayed a good glimpse of what is to come from these future champs and contenders. Cody vs. Jamal both fought their hearts out for fight fans. In Bout #2: 178 lb. Jason J. **Bakanowski** (Camp Get Right) vs. Christopher **Taylor** (Boston Boxing). #4: 132 lb. sub-novice Oscar **Vergara** (The Ring) vs. Robert **Lyons** (Somerville Boxing). #5: 152 lb sub-novice Indya **Sheehan** (MK Boxing) vs. Kelly **Morra** (On Point Boxing). #6: 141 lb. sub-novice Alden W. **Witman** (Nonantum Boxing) vs. Derek **Young** (Cyr Farrell Boxing). In #7: Heavyweight Brandon **Montella** (Cyr Farrell Boxing) vs. Volodimir **Duda** (Boston Boxing). #8: 152 lb. Travis J. **Demko** (unattached) vs. Jeffrey **Spadea** (Cappiello's). #9: 165 lb. Brian **Ferro** (Peter Welch Gym) fought Francis **Deveraux** (Gomes Gym). #11: 152 lb. Open Nick **DeLomba** (unattached) vs. Joseph E. **Farina** (So. Boston Boxing). This was another great amateur fight card. A memorable part of their career. Maybe we saw a future amateur or professional fight star. Many started here in Massachusetts. All fighters on this fight card, I see as **winners**. Fighters listed first were victors in these bouts. Fighters listed second also got the praise and admiration of spectators. They got the respect and admiration of opponents and fight fans. In other bouts #3: 132 lb. sub-novice, Ricardo **DeloSanos** (Manfredo's Gym) and Leo **Bergin** (The Ring) fought a very good match. #10: 178 lb. sub-novices Maximillian Weidi (Boston Boxing) and Andrew J. Puopolo (On Point Boxing) engaged in a very well fought match by both. #12: Julio Perez (Hudson Boxing) and David Melendez (unattached) entertained this fine fight card with another entertaining fight. They exhibited the courage to enter the **squared circle** and face adversity. They engaged in battle with other tough trained fighters. Many veteran fight family members are here in attendance: trainers, officials and admirers. All in Support of rising fight family champions and fight stars.

At Foxwoods: They're still undefeated fighters after tough bouts: **Edwin** "La Bomba" **Rodriquez** 20-0, 14 KO's of Worcester, Mass. He fought and decisioned previously unbeaten Will **Power**



At the Fights with Ken Klapman, Brian McDonough, Mike "Little Rock" Cappiello and Steve Derouen.

Rosinsky now 14-1, 8 KO's **N.Y.** To all Red Sox and fans of baseball, I know you know what **N.Y.** stands for. It stands for "**New York!**" My second favorite baseball team after the **Boston** Red Sox. **Badou Jack** 8-0, 7 KO's of Las Vegas won by TKO in 5 over Eddie Caminero 7-6, 7 KO's of Lawrence, Mass. **Frank Galarza** 4-0, 1 KO NY, won a 4-rounder over Daniel Lugo. **Delen Parsley** NY, 7-0, 2 KO's, decisioned in six Jevon Boisseau 3-6-1. **Gabriel Bracero** 18-0, 3 KO's, NY, decisioned in ten Daniel Sostre 11-5-1, 4 KO's **N.Y.** **Ryan** "The Polish Prince" **Kielczewski** 12-0, 2 KO's of **Quincy**, Mass., won in 6-rounds over Willie Villanueva 10-4, 2 KO's. Luis **Rosa Jr.**, 9-0, 5 KO's of Conn. won too. All kept their "O's", after tough bouts. The only fighter to lose his "O" was **Will** "Power" Rosinsky now 14-1, 8 KO's to undefeated Edwin La Bomba Rodriguez.

What is a **Warrior's Code**? Did I just make that up? I guess I kind of did. Real warriors walk around with content expressions on their faces. Not like individuals who walk around with what I call the "ugly face expression"! You know, the expression of "**trying to look mean and tough so that everyone will think that they are ?X!#@ Ding Ding!!!**". They try to intimidate others by trying to look tough. Having an ugly expression on one's face looking mad and like everyone should get out of their way because **they're mad**. To me that is the look of a **sap!** Thinking they look tough because they are unhappy and mad. Thinking that others will get scared of them because they look like the **diaper** they have on hasn't been changed yet. Give me a break. If they are that mad and ready to **Fight, go to a gym and fight**. They'll get plenty of others willing to **fight** in gyms, cages and octagons. "**Ding!**" Get my drift! **Fight family members** realize guys who usually start fights where they'll be protected "are **chumps!**" Walking around like they can beat everyone up. They're really scared to go into a gym where they'll be

allowed to be "**beat up,**" and not get the person who beat them up in trouble. They know law abiding citizens avoid **street fighting especially** because of getting in trouble. Starting fights on the street where they know it will be broken up "**is for punks!**" Or where they know they can only win by using a needed weapon, vs. who can "**beat them up!**" These **clowns** make me **laugh!** "**Ha, ha!**" They don't realize **real fighters don't act tough, real fighters are tough**. Real fighters fight to protect society. Real fighters fight to make life better for all. **No acting** like the jerk on the street, stage and in the courtroom. **Self defense** is the only reason real fighters fight on streets. Real fighters are tough in ring or gyms. If not there, they engage in football, baseball, basketball, track and field or other competitive athletic sports. Tough fighters also "fight with their mind." Parents who raise their children to be good American citizens. Mothers and fathers who wake up early, work hard and provide for their family.

**Happy Fight Family Birthdays, on November 4<sup>th</sup>** Robbie Simms, **14<sup>th</sup>** Mike **Ryan**.

**R.I.P.** World Heavyweight title contender and challenger **Tom McNeeley**. The next column will carry a tribute to this top tough Heavyweight.



**World Heavyweight title challenger Tom McNeeley spoke at a boxing function in Boston. His brilliant words of wisdom still inspire many. God bless you and rest in peace.**

## HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



ANOTHER GAME SEVEN, ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP — It was 135 days after the championship celebrations began in the Hub but a team in the Heartland got to celebrate once again.

We refer, of course to the St. Louis Cardinals, who captured the seventh and deciding game of the World Series on October 28<sup>th</sup> — some 135 days after the Bruins took out Vancouver back on June 15.

The cities are somewhat linked because it was the Red Sox who derailed the championship hopes of the Cards, sweeping them in four games, to claim the 2004 World Series. St. Louis then came back to capture the title two years later by defeating the Detroit Tigers in five games.

So we hope all the fans in Cardinals Nation — who are numerous, given that there isn't a major league baseball franchise in the states directly to the south — Alabama, Arkansas and Mississippi being prime examples.

NOWHERE TO GO BUT UP — Well, it happened, didn't it. After the Bruins lost on October 27, the Stanley Cup Champions fell into last place in the Eastern Conference, prompting all those who had warned of "Stanley Cup Hangover" to say we told you so.

True, it wasn't a good feeling but there were some positives to be found on the listing ship. First, the goaltending remained solid with Tim Thomas and Tuukka Rask keeping the Bruins in nearly every game. Thus, secondly, the B's could have won several more games if it weren't for the proverbial missed chances. As the B's prepared to enter November, they had lost five games by one-goal margins.

Another thing that's a bit of a positive is that if something like this had to happen, it's good it happened early. It took the Bruins less than 10 games to fall into the Eastern Conference cellar. They thus have roughly the remaining 85 percent of the season to do something about it.

They appeared to have started to do something about it on November 1 at the Garden when the B's defeated the Ottawa Senators, 5-3 — breaking the six game winning streak of the visitors from Canada.

In contrast to several prior games, the Bruins seemed to come alive and not get down on themselves, coming from behind twice and surging in front on the strength of two third period goals.

If it harkened back to last year and brought forth good memories, that's because it did — starting with coach

Claude Julien. Asked during his post-game press conference whether this was the closest the team has come to playing as they did last season, the coach responded "I think so and I think the difference is our confidence. I think the fact that we were better at putting pucks behind their defensemen plus our chasing and fore-checking was a lot more than our team last year. Our determination was a lot better and positive."

While the victory didn't lift them out of last place in the conference — they were tied for last place with the New York Islanders, it was also true that things remained fairly bunched up with only seven points separating the B's from Toronto — the leader in the Northeast Division.

Thus, because it is so early, just a few victories can send them upward by several places in the standings. And remember, they don't have to necessarily finish at the top of the heap to have a fine postseason.

All a team has to do is qualify for the playoffs by finishing eighth or higher. The prime example of this is the 2009-2010 Philadelphia Flyers, who qualified via a shootout on the last day of the regular season and then proceeded to advance all the way to the Stanley Cup Finals. They didn't win (Chicago did). But it did illustrate how different the experiences can be for a team in the regular season when contrasted with its playoff performance.

But as one left the Garden on the first night of November, the horrors of the Halloween season of October seemed to have at least temporarily passed and the horizon, like the coming of dawn, seemed brighter indeed. One game does not a month or season make, but it was a good win over a quality team, a most satisfying way to start the second month of the regular season.

JFK ELECTION ANNIVERSARY — Those of a certain age might recall that it was exactly 51 years ago (Tuesday, November 8, 1960) that John F. Kennedy was elected President of the United States. Kennedy concluded his national campaign with a rally and speech at the old Boston Garden the night before and then went back to his apartment adjacent to the State House.

The next morning — Election Day — he and his wife went to the Old West Church on Cambridge Street and cast their ballots. It's a historic day that folks might pause and think about as they go about their daily activities on Tuesday, November 8, 2011.