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**A Very Merry Christmas
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NEMPAC & Boston Landmarks Orchestra Delivers Standing Room Only Messiah Concert



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With an audience of over 300 people, the North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) and Boston Landmarks Orchestra together presented the 4th annual Handel's Messiah, Part I, Concert on Wednesday, December 12, 2018, at the recently renovated St. Leonard's Church in the North End of Boston. This concert was free and the venue was packed, standing room only!

To welcome the Holiday Season, the program featured the beautifully precise Boston Landmarks Orchestra directed by Christopher Wilkins; the energetic One City Choir directed by Daniel Mahoney, the

angelic voices of NEMPAC Youth Choir directed by Alexandra Dietrich; and the superb professional soloists Teresa Wakim (soprano), Emily Marvosh (contralto), Ethan DePuy (tenor), and Junhan Choi (bass). The combination of quality performances, historical backdrop, and anticipation from a multi-generational audience makes this performance unlike any you will see in the City of Boston!

The crowd pleasing Hallelujah chorus concluded this beloved performance, including an encore where attendees sang along with the choir and orchestra.

The Messiah performance has

become a tradition, a gift for Bostonians and music-lovers who want to visit Boston's Little Italy during the holiday season. Attendees get to experience art and culture through a production that brings together both professional and amateur singers and musicians to create a meaningful, unforgettable experience for all.

This concert was sponsored in part by Lucia Ristorante and the Frattaroli Family in Loving Memory of Mark F. Frattaroli.

For further information about future events, please visit www.nempacboston.org.

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarattani

Why Was Pence Even in the Room?

Last week's White House meeting between President Trump, Nancy Pelosi, and Chuck Schumer was pretty interesting. However, even with Vice President Mike Pence in the room, it was a 2 to 1 meeting because Pence sat there like a lump on a log. Totally useless! Someone must have removed his battery pack. The lamps in the room were more alive than him.

Liberals thought it was a Democrat victory. Honestly, Trump kept the Democrats on defense. Larry O'Donnell on *MSNBC'S Last Word* said he loved the moment that Schumer got Trump to own any upcoming shutdown.

Trump wants his wall and he couldn't believe that the Democrats in the room want no wall, no way. Did you see Pelosi demanding that the reporters leave the room? Trump hit back saying he wanted transparency and no private meeting.

The government budget is \$4 trillion and the president's desire to get \$5 billion is but .01 percent of the federal budget. Obviously, the Democrats are for open borders. As far as the shutdown goes, what do you call a shutdown in mid-December? I call it an early Christmas break in Washington, D.C.

Now What About Pence?

I think it is time for President Trump to think about a new running mate in 2020. Mike Pence is a nice guy, but

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THE GILARDI GROUP'S 18TH ANNUAL Toys for Tots Event

The Gilardi Group and Divine Design Center hosted their eighteenth annual Toys for Tots fundraiser earlier this month. Toni Gilardi of Gibson Sotheby's International Realty shares a special thank you for the continued success of this event:

Thank you to all for your continued support throughout the years! Of course, none of this is possible without all who donated their time and resources. We would like to shout out a special thanks to The Divine Design Center, Carmelita's Restaurant, Il Molo, Fantasy Wines, Billy Tse's, Bricco, The Golden Goose, Umberto's, Cirace's, JG's Kitchen and Father Claude! It takes a village! Happy Holidays to all, looking forward to next year!

Toni Gilardi



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by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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THE ROMAN PROCESSION

In ancient times, all funerals took place during the hours of darkness. Torches were used to light the way and also to light the funeral pyre in the case of those who were to be cremated. In time, the funeral processions took on such splendor that laws were passed to limit expenses. The order of the funeral procession was regulated by an attendant dressed in black and known as a “designator.” Musicians were usually first and were followed by professional mourning women. They sang a mournful song in praise of the dead person. Next came the dancers and the “Mimi” who wore a mask in the likeness of the deceased. They were allowed free license to imitate speech, manners and to make jests at the expense of the dead one. The most striking part of the procession was probably formed by the “imagines” (wax masks) which represented the distinguished ancestors of the deceased. These masks were taken from their normal resting places in the atrium of the domus, and each was worn by one chosen to resemble as closely as possible the person whom he was supposed to represent. The “imagines” was clothed in the dress of office, which the prototype of the mask had held, and each rode on a chariot, accompanied by the insignia of his office. Thus, all of the distinguished ancestors of the deceased were present in effigy at his funeral. If the deceased was of high rank, many of the related families were also represented by their “imagines.”


It is said that the funeral of Marcellus (adopted son of the Emperor Augustus) contained about six hundred participants. Sometimes, as a special honor, crowns and other records of triumphs were carried before the bier.

The bier itself was often carried by slaves who were to be liberated by the will of the deceased. Their heads were shaved and they wore a traditional skullcap.

Relatives of the deceased walked behind the bier, dressed in mourning. The sons kept their heads veiled, while the daughters went with heads uncovered and with disheveled hair. Women in the procession cried aloud, pulled their hair and slapped their faces. In this order, the whole funeral train proceeded to the Forum and halted in front of the rostrum. Those who were wearing the wax masks took their seats upon curule chairs on the platform and the eulogy was given by a close relative. From the Forum, the procession moved on to the

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Happy Holidays from
Boston City Councilor Lydia Edwards



Res Publica

by David Trumbull



Happy HOLY DAYS to All

On December 8th, New England’s tallest menorah was lit on the Boston Common at the Brewer Fountain, the 35th annual such celebration of light and liberty. It was a meaningful civic statement of the importance of Jews and of the Jewish faith in our fair city. Nearby stands a Christian Nativity Scene and a secular Christmas tree. This is as it should be. It was not always so.

In Puritan Boston Christmas was not generally celebrated at all until the middle of the 19th century. In the mid-17th century, when Puritans held political power, the celebration of Christmas was banned. The Puritans, you see, did not subscribe to our legal doctrine of separation of church and state. They did not consider Christmas permissible in their sect and had no qualms about using the power of the state to deny the joys of Christmas to anyone else, be it Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran or even the non-believers who simply enjoyed a bit of merriment during the shortest days of the year.

Imagine what Puritan preacher Cotton Mather would have said from his pulpit in North Square if he knew that a menorah would be on Boston Common 300 years later! He would have probably condemned as witches any Jews he could find in the Bay Colony. A state-run church, especially one organized around very narrow beliefs, is not likely to deal gently with other faiths or persons of no faith.

Now we have freedom! Under our 1787 Federal Constitution the United States may not establish a state church. The Fourteenth Amendment, in 1868, extended that prohibition to the States, although by then all the States had separated state and church. In 1834, Massachusetts was the last state in the Union to remove the established church.

Recognition of the universal right of freedom to practice religion is part of the fundamental charter of our nation. Sadly, some today are attempting to change that fundamental understanding of the place of religion in our secular republic. From some liberal politicians we are increasingly hearing the phrase “freedom of worship” in place of the traditional American doctrine of “freedom of religion.” “Freedom of worship” merely guarantees the right to gather in church, synagogue or other place of worship for the liturgies or services of


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L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

The Love and Warmth of Christmas

by Ally Di Censo Symnkywicz

The magical season known as midwinter is upon us! The shortest day of the year, also known as the winter solstice, descends upon the world this Friday, the 21st of December. On the days surrounding the solstice, I can sense the darkness enveloping me like a thick velvet cloak, veiling the world in a perpetual state of dusk. However, I do not mind the darkness, as I view it as a necessary and intriguing spoke on the wheel of the year. These are the nights when stars appear sharp and bright against the inky black sky, their light sending diamond-like spangles flitting across the frost below. The darkness also imbues the winter solstice with a profound significance: now that the date has passed, we know that the sun will remain for longer periods in the sky, bringing its much-awaited warmth and its sweet, luminous blaze. For this reason, Christmas — with its focus on candles and crackling yule logs and electric light displays — occurs during the darkest time of the year. Religiously, Christmas represents the light arriving to the world in the form of Jesus's Nativity, while metaphorically the radiant decorations of Christmas signify the return of the sun after the solstice. Due to the complex symbolism comprising this holiday and its traditions, I revel in Christmas customs which emphasize the literal and figurative lights of my life. Whether enjoying age-old recipes or exchanging gifts with loved ones, I most appreciate Christmas when the glow of family and tradition encircle me.

Many of my family's much-loved holiday customs revolve around food. Food forms an ancient and essential part of the Italian Christmas Eve feast known as *la Vigilia di Natale*, which my family celebrates every year. *La Vigilia di Natale*, or "Christmas vigil," is traditionally a meatless meal in Italy,



a vestige from the era in which Christmas Eve was considered a fast day in preparation for Jesus's birth on the following day. Therefore, many Italian families trim their tables with seafood dishes for *la Vigilia*. I am always excited to plan fish recipes with my mother for *la Vigilia*; in the past, we served sole bursting with a buttery shrimp stuffing and a delectable smoked salmon quiche. This year, my mother will prepare a creamy seafood lasagna laden with shrimp and scallops. However, my favorite component of Christmas cooking involves the plethora of desserts that fill my family's kitchens. A great number of traditional Italian desserts have become inextricably linked with Christmas, and remain an indispensable part of my holiday celebrations. My father would always bring home a cylindrical cardboard box of *panettone* home right before Christmas. *Panettone*, whose name means "great bread," is a sweet bread studded with dried fruit and candied peel. I am not a huge fan of the taste of *panettone*, but I appreciate its time-honored symbolism in the Italian Christmas festivities. I hold the nostalgic *struffoli*, a dessert my grandmother has been making since I was little, in high esteem. *Struffoli* are deep-fried spheres of dough soaked in honey, then arranged into the shape of a tree or wreath and sprinkled with colorful nonpareils. *Struffoli* are a fun, whimsical way to celebrate the childlike wonder of the holiday season. I also make a lemon tart every year to cap off

our *la Vigilia* meal and honor the citrus fruits seasonal during the winter. Collectively, these desserts stand in the exquisite tapestry of love and family that characterize my Christmas memories.

Indeed, I believe that family forms the crux of Christmas joy. The true meaning of Christmas derives from the sensation of comfort and peace that envelopes a person when surrounded by loved ones. I cannot imagine Christmas without my family. Our Christmas traditions, from the *la Vigilia* meal to opening presents at midnight, strengthen our familial bonds. When my family plays a silly board game on Christmas Eve, our merriment and laughter create a barrier of delight against the darkness and chill air outside, filling the room with the warmth of our love. Opening gifts — which my family does at midnight, according to old Italian lore, while huddled under the multicolored glow of the Christmas tree lights — provides me with yet another way to relish time with my loved ones. I adore the looks of happiness and delight that fill my family members' and friends' faces when they open a present selected or crafted with thoughtfulness and care. That moment of love and understanding is the real significance of gift-giving, not materialistic gain. No matter what traditions typify your Christmas, it remains important to approach them with joy, selflessness, and a true appreciation for the people in your life. Midwinter celebrations like Christmas developed as a response to the frigid and dark days of the winter solstice. At a time when nature seems barren and gelid, lively festivities serve to honor the abundance of past harvests and reinforce the convivial strength of community and family, offering hope that life will cycle on as surely as the sun will once again shine in the sky. An old Italian aphorism states that no one should be left alone on Christmas, which is why we should strive to do good deeds on behalf of those who are lonely or separated from their families during the holidays, including the sick, the

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THINKING OUT LOUD



by Sal Giaratani

Bring Back the Elected School Committee

As I read of the move by some in Boston to directly elect members of the Boston School Committee, I like many critics of the current appointed board, believe it is time for an elected school committee again and replace the current mayoral-appointed board because the members of this board too often only amplify the Mayor's wishes.

The original idea behind an elected Boston School Committee came about because folks became frustrated with the political nature of our city. In 1983, Boston voters switched from five citywide members to a hybrid system, three citywide members and nine district members were still elected.

In 1992 during the Flynn Administration, the elected school board was abolished and replaced with mayoral-appointed members. Ostensively, this was done to eliminate politics from the running of the school system and what most of us discovered was that whether the board is elected or appointed, politics still remain strong in all decision making.

I thank City Council's Education Committee chair Annissa Essaibi-George for pushing a discussion on this issue of real voter accountability. Like City Councilor Matt O'Malley, I question why Boston voters are the only voters statewide who do not elect their school committee members. Like John Drew, ABCD president, I question why Bostonians are not worthy of electing their school committee members.

As someone who ran unsuccessfully twice for a seat on the Boston School Committee (1977 and 1983), I believe Boston voters in general and parents of school-age children in particular are more than capable of electing good voices to represent their many needs for their children in the system. Either you believe in the people making wise choices or you don't believe in our democratic republic where the people are the government.

Because something has been around 26 years doesn't mean we can't make improvements by allowing the people to elect our voices in government, even in the Boston School Department.



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Honorable Santo J. Ruma

May He Rest in Peace

Honorable Santo J Ruma, of Winchester, passed away Tuesday, December 18th. He was 82. Born and raised in Medford, Santo was the son to the late Joseph C. and Mary J. (Postizzi) Ruma. Santo grew up helping his father run a produce stand at Quincy Market, and also helped delivering to local restaurants. This was something he spoke of throughout his life often whenever he saw a vegetable, especially a tomato.

Santo was the first member of his family to attend college, and then continue on to law school. To which he received both degrees at Boston University. While in being a remarkable student throughout college, Santo also worked full time so he could put himself through school. He rose through his profession in private practice and public service. As counsel to the Department of Natural Resources, Santo drafted the first state-wide Wet Land Protection Act. He also represented the former Speaker of the House Thomas W. McGee.

In 1983, he was appointed by the Governor Edward J. King as the Presiding Judge for the Peabody District Court,



where he discharged his duties with honor, dignity and fairness. Santo was frequently honored for outstanding accomplishments and exemplary public service. This was included by the Massachusetts House of Representatives, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, the City of Peabody, the Middlesex Bar Association, the Augusta Boston Club and the Order Sons of Italy in America.

He was a principled jurist and person. Santo was beloved by all who met him, almost immediately. He was a tremendously popular man, and was always

looking to help others. He was always supportive and always proud of the any achievements of others. He was charming, loving, and hard working man. He was an ambitious chef (earning mixed reviews). He loved to read, loved to travel, especially to Italy. Even more so, he loved to visit New York to spend time with his daughter, son-in-law and grandson. Santo was a devoted husband of 60 years, an incredible father and father-in-law, and an amazing and proud grandfather. He will be deeply missed by those who knew him.

The beloved husband of 60 years Joan C. (DeBilio) Ruma, he was a devoted father to Linda Ruma Kurtz and her husband Glenn M. Kurtz of New York City. He was a loving grandfather to Kevin G. Kurtz. He was a dear brother of Anna Cascio, Joseph Ruma and the late Marie Palumbo. He is also survived by many dear nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be on Friday, December 21st, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. At the Dello Russo Funeral from the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main Street, Medford. Funeral from the Dello Russo Funeral Home on Saturday, December 22nd, at 10:00 a.m., followed by a funeral mass celebrated in St. Raphael Church, 512 High Street, Medford, at 11:00 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Services will conclude with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Winchester.

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Two Memorable Annual Christmas Events

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari



Sacred Heart Church played host to two annual events that perfectly captured the joy and expectation of the Advent Season.

On Friday, December 14th, the Seventh Annual Christmas Concert sponsored by the Consulate General of Italy in Collaboration with the Boston Conservatory, Patrons of the Italian Language and Com.It.Es. took place in the magnificent setting of Sacred Heart's Romanesque upper church. The concert featured twenty-two students of the Boston Conservatory accompanied by Patty Thom at the piano performing Italian songs and arias.

On Sunday, December 16th, the Annual Saint Leonard Parish Christmas Concert took place. This year's performance entitled "An Italian American Christmas Concert" perfectly captured the spirit of the Advent Season. The concert, and party that followed, have become a parish tradition and one of the most anticipated events of the Christmas Season in the North End.

The Saint Leonard Choral Society accompanied by the The North End Chamber Orchestra, under the direction Dr. Dan Drzymalski, presented an evening of spiritual and popular Christmas music to the delight of concert goers. It was gratifying to see the upper church of Sacred Heart filled nearly to capacity, an eloquent testament to the dedication and quality of the choir and support it has enjoyed among parishioners and friends of the parish. The concert opened with Father Claude Scrima, O.F.M. of Saint Leonard Parish expressing the gratitude of the Parish to the performers for their dedication and hard work in allowing these Annual events to take place.

This year's concert was in support of the Tufts Breast Health Center. A touching moment occurred when Sue, a Cancer survivor recited the poem, *It's Me Again ... Only Better* to a stirring rendition of "Amazing Grace." Highlights of the concert were a sizzling performance of "Carol of the Bells," by violin soloist Brenda van der Merwe and a stirring performance of Puccini's "Nessun Dorma" sung by Assistant Director Jake Hudgins.

The concert ended with a sincere thank you to the concert goers from Laurie Warnock, president of the Choral Society. She then extended a cordial invitation to all present to attend the parish Christmas party. The annual parish Christmas party took place at Saint John hall, adjacent to Sacred Heart Church. Cookies were generously donated by Mike's Pastry and Bova Bakery, two of the North End's famous pastry shops. There was also a wonderful selection of homemade cookies donated by choir members. A thank you to Pizzeria Regina for the many pizzas provided for the choir's dress rehearsal. Looking forward to next year's concert and the continuation of this lovely North tradition.

Merry Christmas

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When you think about Christmas with your dog, your thoughts may center around which items to put in his or her holiday stocking this year, however, preparing for the holidays with a pet in the home involves much more than gift giving.

Dog-Safe Decorations: For many of us, decorating our home is the first step in preparing for the holidays and many of the items we use are not typically found around the house all year long. Being naturally curious creatures, dogs will want to thoroughly check out anything new that comes into the house and here is where some potential problems can come into play.

Christmas Trees: Celebrating the holidays with your dog is bound to involve setting up traditional Christmas tree.

Live or Artificial? Of course, there's nothing like the look and smell of a fresh, live Christmas tree, but how will it affect your dog? Live trees often carry unseen molds that can cause allergic reactions and/or respiratory distress in some pets and people. If this is the first Christmas you and your dog will be spending together, you might want to try a little test before setting up the entire tree. Bring a sample of your chosen evergreen into your home for a few days, allowing your dog to sniff it under your supervision. If you don't observe any negative reactions, it's probably safe to put up a live tree. However, if

Pet News from the Gazette

by Marie Simboli

Christmas and Your Dog



your dog does show an adverse reaction, remove the branch immediately, wash your pet's face to remove lingering traces of the allergen and plan on enjoying an artificial tree this year.

Set Up and Security: Choosing just the right placement for your tree also makes a difference to your pet's safety.

Consider purchasing a smaller tree and setting it up on a table-top, out of your dog's reach.

Full size trees are best set up in a corner where your pet's access can be limited.

If possible, wire the top of the tree to a drapery pole or staircase banister to lessen the chances of it tipping over if your dog accidentally bumps into it.

Wrap the base of the tree and

stand in plastic wrap to keep your dog from being tempted to drink the water, which can be toxic as fertilizers and chemical compounds leach from the tree.

Opt for plastic or resin ornaments instead of breakable glass, and resist hanging ornaments at the bottom of the tree where they'll present the most temptation to your pet.

Hide those electrical light cords at the back of the tree, and hide any exposed cords or strategically place pieces of furniture to keep your dog from chewing them and possibly being electrocuted.

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Winter Hat & Glove Collection

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Once again the North End Friends of St. Francis House did a collection of winter hats and gloves to help the homeless shelter guests keep warm this winter. The drive, spear-headed by Olivia Scimeca was run in conjunction with the Greenway Realty Group at 155 Endicott Street. Thanks to the generosity of many individuals and business people in the North End along with North End Against Drugs the Friends were able to donate approximately 400 pairs of gloves, 85 hats, 8 packs of basketball socks and 4 packages of underwear.

"We are extremely grateful to all of our friends in the North End for participating again this year" stated Olivia. "We hope we helped just a little in the battle to keep homeless people warm this winter, said John Romano.

The Homeless Shelter is located at 39 Boylston Street in Downtown Boston and will continue to collect gloves and hats throughout the winter if you want to stop by and drop them off to them.



Staff from St. Francis House with all of the donated items at Greenway Realty Group on Endicott Street.

• Toys for Tots (Continued from Page 1)



(Photos courtesy of Toni Gilardi)

Merry Christmas



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Docket No. MI18P5303EA
Estate of
PHYLLIS C. SBORDONE

Date of Death: September 16, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by George R. Sbordone of Watertown, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that George R. Sbordone of Watertown, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 4, 2019.

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

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PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 18, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 12/21/2018

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Docket No. MI18P5849EA

Estate of
JOSAE MICHAEL RUSSELL-WRIGHT

Date of Death April 17, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Jhanie R.J. Russell of Lauderhill, FL requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Jhanie R.J. Russell of Lauderhill, FL be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of February 4, 2019.

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

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North End Christmas Fund Luncheon

by Matt Conti



Ted Tomasone



Former City Councilor Sal LaMattina

It was a full house at the 2018 North End Christmas Fund Luncheon as hundreds assembled at Filippo's Ristorante for the annual charity event. The tradition raises thousands of dollars enabling the group to send out over 200 checks to North End seniors, low-income residents and families in need during this Christmas season. City Councilor Lydia Edwards and former Councilor Sal LaMattina joined with other dignitaries to celebrate and honor those who serve the community.

Receiving honors this year: **Olivia Scimeca, Uncle Fred Carangelo Humanitarian Award**

Anna Gaeta, Private Ernest J. Natale Community Service Award

The Christmas Fund Committee is led by Robert "Ted" Tomasone, John Romano of the North End Athletic Association, and James Luisi



Christmas Fund Luncheon Committee

of North End Waterfront Health. The committee includes members from local non-profit agencies: North End Athletic Association, North End Against Drugs, Nazzaro Community

Center, North End Waterfront Health, North End Seniors, ABCD Head Start Program, and North End/West End ABCD Service Center. For the last several years the luncheon has

been held at Filippo's Ristorante and the committee would like to thank the Frattaroli Family for all of their help and support in making the luncheon a huge success.



Anna Gaeta receives Community Service Award from Luncheon Committee

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Olivia Scimeca receives the Uncle Fred Carangelo Humanitarian Award, presented by City Councilor Lydia Edwards

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(Photos Courtesy of RUFF)



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BRIAN ENO: DISCREET MUSIC + MUSIC FOR FILMS + ON LAND (Vinyl LP) Virgin-EMI

Brian Eno created these four landmark records from his exploration of music, and mostly his fascination with notable sounds. *Discreet Music* (1975) marked a clear step toward the ambient aesthetic Eno would later codify with 1978s "Ambient 1: Music for Airports." The A-side of the album is a 30-minute piece titled "Discreet Music." The second half of the album has "Three Variations on the Canon in D Major by Johann Pachelbel" features the Cockpit Ensemble. *Music for Films* (1976) is a loose compilation of material, composed of short tracks, making it the antithesis of the long, ambient pieces he later became known for. Included is "M386," "Inland Sea," the three-part "Sparrowfall," "Quartz," "Patrolling Wire Borders" and "Final Sunset." *Music for Airports* (1978) Not the earliest entry in the genre, "Ambient 1 (Music For Airports)" was the first album ever to be explicitly labeled 'ambient music.' Eno had previously created similarly quiet, unobtrusive music on albums 'Evening Star,' 'Discreet Music,' and Harold Budd's 'The Pavilion of Dreams,' this was the first album to give it precedence as a cohesive concept. The album features contributions from Robert Wyatt and Rhett Davies. *On Land* (1982) On "Ambient 4 (On Land)" — the final edition in Eno's ambient series — his palate shifted from electro-mechanical and acoustic instruments towards "non-instruments" like pieces of chain, sticks and stones. Conventional instruments are occasionally featured, including Jon Hassell's trumpet and Bill Laswell's bass. The album also has contributions from Michael Brook and Daniel Lanois. Tracks include, "Lizard Point," "The Lost Day," "Shadow," "Lantern Marsh," "Unfamiliar Wind," "A Clearing," and "Dunwich Beach, Autumn 1960."

NORMAN GRANZ – THE FOUNDER (4-CD) Verve + UMe

Norman Granz wasn't a musician, but he was as responsible

for popularizing jazz and promoting the careers of many of the genre's greatest artists. Granz was equally influential for the series of record labels that he launched in the 1940s and 1950s: *Clef*, *Norgran* and *Verve*. In honor of the 100th anniversary of Granz's birth, *Verve/UMe* has assembled *The Founder*, a four-CD box set celebrating his life and career. The package features a chronological assortment of music spanning Granz's remarkable career and featuring music by most of the great musicians he recorded. *The Founder* encompasses some of the most significant jazz music recorded in the 20th century, beginning with Granz's founding of the Clef label in 1942, and ending with his retirement and departure from Verve Records. Disc 1 (1942) has the early days of independent label recording, with performances by such rising players as Dexter Gordon, Coleman Hawkins, Charlie Parker and Lester Young, plus capturing young Nat "King" Cole, accompanied by Illinois Jacquet and Les Paul, on the crowd-thrilling "Blues." Disc 2 (1949-1954), has some of jazz's leading lights, including the great pianist Oscar Peterson, charismatic vocalists Anita O'Day and Fred Astaire, and bandleaders Count Basie and Benny Carter. Disc 3 (1954-1957), encompasses the early years of the Norgran and Verve labels, with performances by Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Louis Armstrong, Bing Crosby, Lester Young and Lionel Hampton. Disc 4 (1957-1960), shows Granz ending on a high note, culminating his career at Verve with history-making performances by Dizzy Gillespie, Blossom Dearie, Sonny Stitt, Sonny Rollins, Stan Getz, Gerry Mulligan, Ben Webster, Paul Desmond, Stuff Smith, Lee Konitz, Jimmy Giuffre and Mel Tormé.

SEMISONIC - FEELING STRANGELY FINE (Vinyl LP) UMe

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of their seminal album *Feeling Strangely Fine*, Semisonic has released a deluxe edition reissue on UMe. The album will also be released on CD and

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On the Aisle

THEATRE NOTES

BY BOBBY FRANKLIN

Huntington Theatre Company Presents the Hit Broadway Comedy A DOLL'S HOUSE, Part 2

The 2017 Tony Award nominee for Best Play and the most-produced play of the 2018-2019 season, *A Doll's House, Part 2* makes its Boston debut at the Huntington Theatre Company at the Avenue of the Arts/Huntington Avenue Theatre, 264 Huntington Avenue, Boston, in a co-production with Berkeley Repertory Theatre. Written by Tony Award nominee Lucas Hnath and directed by Obie Award winner Les Waters, performances will run January 4th through February 3rd.

Nora famously slammed the door on her marriage, leaving her husband and children behind in Ibsen's groundbreaking classic, but what happened to the iconic heroine next? Named one of *TIME Magazine's* Top 10 of 2017, *A Doll's House, Part 2* imagines her 15 years later as a successful writer and independent woman. Nora is urgently seeking to finalize her divorce, but first her estranged family has grievances to air.

This smart and sophisticated new comedy raises fascinating questions about marriage and the ways the roles of women have — and haven't — changed. Audiences will enjoy this "smart, funny, and utterly engrossing play" (*The New York Times*) regardless of their familiarity with Ibsen's play and the undeniable legacy Nora's exit left behind.

Thanks to his "audacious Broadway debut" (*The*



Hollywood Reporter) with *A Doll's House, Part 2*, Lucas Hnath has become the most produced playwright in the country this season. Next for Hnath is his highly anticipated return to Broadway with *Hillary and Clinton* which opens this spring.

"We are thrilled to bring this hilariously eloquent play to Boston — a playful debate on marriage, gender roles, and what makes up the modern mating dance," says Peter DuBois, Huntington Artistic Director. "Somehow Lucas Hnath has made it possible to take one of the most familiar pieces of dramatic literature in history and breathe new and exciting life into its iconic characters. Under the skillful direction of

Les Waters, this company brilliantly highlights the relevance of this play in our society today with a stealth balance of humor and empathy."

Hailed as a "classic for our time and for the ages" by *The San Francisco Chronicle*, this production of *A Doll's House, Part 2* features frequent Huntington favorite Nancy E. Carroll (*Ripcord*, *Present Laughter* at the Huntington) as Anne Marie, Mary Beth Fisher as Nora (*How Shakespeare Won the West* and *The Birthday Party* at the Huntington), John Judd as Torvald (*Shining City* at the Huntington), and Nikki Massoud (Huntington debut) as Emmy.

For more information go to huntingtontheatre.org

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By Sarah DeLappe

Directed By A. Nora Long

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by Sal Giarratani

UFOs: UNFINISHED OBJECTS

Check out Atlantic Works in East Boston from January 11 - 26, 2019. The place will be doing work in progress by Atlantic Works members. Reception and artist talk will be on January 17th, 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Gallery hours are Fridays and Saturdays, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

REAL ESTATE STILL HOT IN EASTIE



Here's the house waiting for you on Paris Street.

Just got a real estate ad in the mailbox, there's a beautiful three-unit home on Paris Street. Close to the T, great backyard, you do not want to miss this opportunity. Priced to sell but, of course, the price isn't listed. You gotta call to find out. The house photo looks great. I took the piece of mail and headed for my blue bin. Houses on my street are going for ridiculous prices. The Boston Building

Boom keeps turning East Boston into a community divided between rich and poor. Meanwhile the struggling middle-class watches it all helplessly. The best solution for many, is moving further and further away from Downtown Boston.

EBNHC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Come and enjoy the EBNHC Wellness Center's Christmas Party on December 21st.

JEFFRIES POINT HOLDS HOLIDAY MEETING



Enjoying themselves with a great menu of food. L-R: Mara Gregory, State Rep. Adrian Madero, Mary Cole, Dan Bailey, and Ron Stoia.

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

Last week, the Jeffries Point Neighborhood Association held its Holiday Party at the Jeffries Point Yacht Club. It was also a potluck dinner. A good crowd showed up despite the fact that the Grove Street Association was holding its own meeting the same night over at Massport's community room where the biggest subject of the night would be hearing from developers of the Mt. Carmel site.

The potluck dinner was superb. Even Yahya Noor, the new owner of Tawakal Café, showed up with a good serving of some great East Asian foods from his establishment down at the corner of Maverick and Jeffries Street.

VERONICA ROBLES

HONORED AT EASTIE ELVES

For 15 years now, the Eastie Elves Committee has selected one East Boston resident from the community and presented to them the Albert



Dance members of the Veronica Robles Culture Center gather with Secretary of Veteran Affairs Francesco Urena who joined in honoring Veronica Robles being named Elf of the Year for all that she does for the children of East Boston.

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

"Junior" Lombardi Elf of the Year award. The awardee is someone that others should strive to emulate. At this year's event, the Eastie Elves Committee presented Veronica Robles of the Veronica Robles Culture Center of East Boston as the 2018 Elf of the Year.

ROXBURY SCHOOL HAS NEEDLE PROBLEM

There is something wrong when a K-8 public school goes into Needle Panic mode. Could there be anything worse than a school yard full of dirty and broken needles from a nearby homeless encampment? That is what is happening at the Orchard Gardens School at the corner of Melnea Cass Boulevard and Albany Street constantly. This school is part of the Lower Roxbury community that I was raised in back in the '50s and '60s. It was right next to what once was Orchard Park and now renamed the Orchard Gardens project.

The boys and girls at this public school have a right to a safe environment and that goes for the playground and nearby soccer field, too. Dirty needles should not be happening here, or anywhere. This situation isn't new, yet it seems that City Hall needs to step up its act. It is up to school staff and parents to keep the pressure on down at City Hall. Get loud and demand action beyond words.

R.I.'s GINA RAIMONDO LEADS DEMOCRATIC GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION

The Democratic Governors Association has selected Rhode Island Governor Gina Raimondo as its new chairwoman. She was elected by her peers at the group's annual meeting in New Orleans taking over from Washington Governor Jay Inslee. Governor Phil Murphy of New Jersey was elected vice chairman. She will oversee fund-raising efforts for 2019 when Kentucky, Louisiana, and Mississippi will elect governors. Eleven states elect governors in 2020.

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Docket No. MI18C0922CA

In the Matter of
IAN JAMES TENDICK

CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Ian James Tendick of Stoneham, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Ian Kenneth James.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 11, 2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court
Date: December 13, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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Docket No. SU18C0534CA

In the Matter of
MARK ANTHONY CONTRADO-SMITH, III

CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by Mark Anthony Contrado-Smith, III of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Mark Anthony Contrado, III.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 3, 2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice
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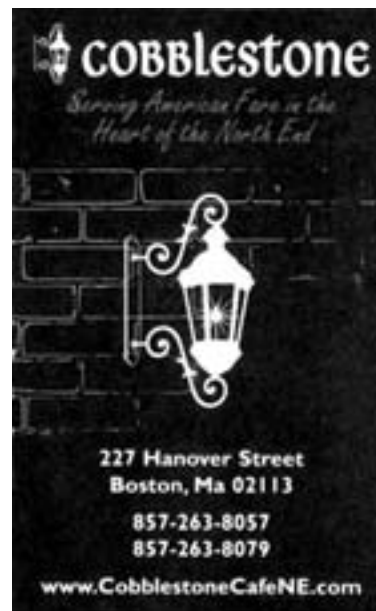
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with Daniel A. DiCenso

Wrentham Street

If you didn't have a car, there were two ways out of Wrentham Street. My parents had a car. But it often took my father to work. Before I started school and, after, when summer came, there was the bus stop on Adams Street, no more than a five-minute walk from our home. The odds were we would take a bus either to Ashmont or Fields Corner, both pigeon havens in the '80s, and from there take the Red Line to Downtown.

I have few distinct memories of either station before renovations over a decade later, except that the mortar was painted in white and they were always busy, especially on our return home in the afternoon. I do remember the rides, though, both on the bus and train. The bus was much more interactive and I often found it in me to converse with the driver and observe other passengers. True, neither the MBTA buses nor the Red Line have changed much since, but I do remember the black canvas on the train seats before the blue-hued velvet covered them

in the late 2000s.

Kids still played on the street when I was a boy and Wrentham was always busy. The Morris boys and the O'Sullivan kid were always setting up a street hockey net and, later, when the Kelly family moved in across the street from Ireland we had enough for games of tag and neighborhood hide and seek.

Birthdays were always fun and, while we lived in Dorchester, each birthday for my sister and I was celebrated in our housing unit. Most of the guests were the local kids, our landlords always came down, and much of the neighborhood stopped in. Truly, our birthdays were a family affair and our neighborhood was our family. It helped, of course, that all my grandparents lived on Wrentham as well.

Wrentham Street saw little movement while we were there. Most of our neighbors were longtime residents with little thought of leaving. Wrentham Street was not the sort of place you left, at least it was so for many years. It was a community within a com-

munity where everyone knew each other.

Sandwiched in between Adams and Florida Streets, Wrentham was a plum spot and not only for the proximity to the bus stops. That part of Adams Street was dotted with convenience stores and Hemenway Playground, where my soccer team met for practice, was an easy walk away.

When school started my parents chose a place that was not only within walking distance on warm days but one with many connections, St. Mark's, the parochial school of the church in which my parents were married and I was baptized. It was here where I went to school through third grade, made new friends and got to know the wider picture of my community. But that is another story ...



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Estate of
ELIZABETH ANN WALSH
Also Known As
ELIZABETH A. WALSH
Date of Death September 18, 2018

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Patricia W. Chadwick of Old Greenwich, CT, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Patricia W. Chadwick of Old Greenwich, CT has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Estate of
JANNIE VAUGHN
Date of Death April 5, 2018
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Marjorie Mason of Beverly, MA.

Marjorie Mason of Beverly, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Docket No. MI18P5938EA

Estate of
TRINA M. TOWNLEY-TILSON
Also Known As
TRINA MAE TOWNLEY-TILSON
Date of Death October 27, 2007

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by W.H. Dale Townley-Tilson of Concord, NH requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that W.H. Dale Townley-Tilson of Concord, NH be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 9, 2019.

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

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 12, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 12/21/2018

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Docket No. MI18P6035EA

Estate of
MARGARET A. WILLIAMS
Date of Death November 16, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Ralph T. Lepore, III of Boston, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Ralph T. Lepore, III of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 7, 2019.

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

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Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



One of my fondest memories concerning Christmas took place when I was as a child and belonged to the Trinity Neighborhood House on Meridian Street in East Boston. During the course of the year, I attended that long-gone settlement house and learned how to make model planes, play basketball, boxing, wrestle, and even dance. During the week before Christmas, the staff would have a party for the kids who belonged, and their parents were invited to join them. My only relative who wasn't working was Babbononno and he accompanied me a couple of years in a row (1948 and 1949).

There would be all kinds of merriment: presents, food, punch and music. Once we all sat down to digest, Ms. Orr, the woman in charge, with a young Dr. Edith DeAngelis on her left side and Mr. J.J. Dana on her right would talk about the true meaning of Christmas. The one thing I remember the best was the reading of the Gospel According to Saint Luke. I would hear this same chapter of the bible once again at the Children's Christmas Mass at East Boston's Sacred Heart Church. Each December 25th, it was read to us kids by Monsignor Killian, and I thought you might like to read it here:

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed, and all went to be taxed everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered, and she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over

their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were afraid.

And the angel said unto them, 'Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you. Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.'

And suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth, peace and good will toward men."

There are many versions of this Gospel reading and this is an abbreviated one, but the one I remember the best, and I thought you might enjoy it.

Another tradition every Christmas was a visit to see Santa Claus. The real one (as far as I was concerned) could only be found at Jordan Marsh, and that's where we would head a few days before Christmas. His domain was the fifth floor toy department, and Mom and I would wait in line to visit him. For several years in a row, I would ask for add-ons to my Lionel train set, and the visit I remember best is when I asked for a new transformer, one that could operate two trains at once. Once the visit was over, Mom, Grace Manfredonia and her kids and me would head through all of the sections of the toy department and then head for Santa's Enchanted Village, where Dad on tuba, Charlie Oppen on violin and Danny Cavicchio on accordion, all dressed in Tyrolean out-fits, would entertain the kids and their families. Of course, the next visit was to Jordan's coffee shop where the ladies could sink their teeth into the store's famous blueberry muffins. Mom would always buy a dozen to take home, something which made her day. That Christmas Eve, Mom and Nanna cooked the traditional seven fishes, but Dad, Uncles Nick and Paul had to hurry out to work. Usually, the Jewish and Italian musicians covered for each other at

holiday time, but it seems that Hanukkah and Christmas fell at the same time that year and the musicians of Boston were on their own.

I went to bed after leaving a note for Santa along with a glass of wine and a few chocolate chip cookies, but when I woke up on Christmas morning, there was no transformer to be found. There were presents from relatives, and a few things I had asked Santa for, but not the transformer. I was saddened and didn't know what had happened, until Babbononno called all excited, "Jenny, Sanda Clauza, heeza make-a mistake. Heeza leave you thinga foh il choo choo train, ah my houza, no you houza."

My heart began to beat faster and faster and I began to dance around knowing Santa didn't forget me. My new transformer was left, by mistake, at my grandparent's house. I bundled up and headed to Nanna and Babbononno's place, and lo and behold, there was the box with the transformer. The only difference was that this was a much bigger transformer than I asked for. This one was the biggest Lionel made and could handle four trains at once, each operating independent from one another. I was the happiest kid in East Boston that Christmas morning. Just then, Dad called. Each Christmas morning, he played with a band that entertained aboard the U.S.S. *Vulcan*, an aircraft repair ship that was based in Boston. The captain would have a Christmas party for the families of his Boston-based crew and the party included Santa Claus. Dad was going to pick me up at Nanna and Babbononno's place and take me along.

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Estate of
TRIDIP KUMAR MUKHERJEE
Date of Death September 11, 2018

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Pradeep K. Mukherjee of Woburn, MA.** Pradeep K. Mukherjee of Woburn, MA, has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Docket No. MI18P6052PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G. L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405

In the matter of
LAWRENCE E. KAUFMAN
of Framingham, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Kathleen Daniel Healthcare of Framingham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Lawrence E. Kaufman** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Audrey S. Boulanger of Tyngsboro, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **With Personal Surety** on the bond.


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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **January 8, 2019**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.
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Docket No. MI18P5908PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G. L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405

In the matter of
YVES N. MAURER
of Stoneham, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Kaouyamon T. Maurer of Stoneham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Yves N. Maurer** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Kaouyamon T. Maurer of Stoneham, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **With Surety** on the bond.

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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **December 31, 2018**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 3, 2018
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
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• **Facts on Wax** (Continued from Page 10)

digital, and a limited edition gold vinyl LP. In addition to hits like “Closing Time” which charted #1 U.S. and #2 Canada, and “Secret Smile,” plus “Singing in My Sleep,” the deluxe edition features four 1998 B-sides taken from international CD singles. “When I started writing songs for the album that would become *Feeling Strangely Fine*, John Munson and Jake Slichter and I were living in South Minneapolis, reflects Dan Wilson. I wasn’t thinking that these songs would become the soundtrack for so many people’s lives. We definitely weren’t thinking that these songs would still be played on the radio 20 years later.”

THE ROOTS - UNDUN (Vinyl LP) Urban Legends

Urban Legends has released The Roots’ conceptual project, *Undun*, their Grammy-nominated 10th studio album. The Roots, already a veteran band at the time of the album’s

release in December 2011, maintained a sense of artistic urgency, crafting this conceptual album with a loose narrative that follows *Undun*’s imaginary protagonist, Redford Stevens, through a journey of imbalance, self-reflection, and triumph. The album features rhymes from the group’s formidable MC, Black Thought, and stellar guests including Big K.R.I.T., Bilal, Phonte and more. Sonically, *Undun* has textured production with orchestral touches, an R&B feel, driving drums and phenomenal musicianship. Tracks of note include: “Dun 2,” “Sleep,” “Make My (featuring Big K.R.I.T. & Dice Raw,” ”On Time (Phonte & Dice Raw,” and “The Other Side (Bilal & Greg Pohn).” Flip side has, “Stomp (Greg Pohn & Just Blaze,” “Lighthouse (Dice Raw),” “Tip The Scale (Dice Raw),” “Possibility (2nd Movement),” “Will To Power (3rd Movement),” and “Finality (4th Movement).”

• **L’Anno Bello** (Continued from Page 4)

poor and those in the military. After all, a family includes more than just blood relations, and the Christmas spirit of generosity and goodwill is too joyous to be contained in small numbers. This Christmas, I will continue to honor the traditions that have become an intrinsic part of my family. Whether these traditions comprise of enjoying *struffoli* or opening gifts at midnight, they link me to the world of my ancestors and their enduring values and spirituality. However, I also plan on paying attention to the true significance of all these beloved customs. For I have found that lurking behind Christmas traditions, no matter their culture of origin, is the universal need for love. Love for family, love for the wisdom of our forbearers, the love which inspires us

to improve our local and global communities, the love of Jesus and the Holy Family, the love for the sun which grows ever bigger in the sky — all these myriad facets of love imbue Christmas with its indelible complexity. So on Christmas, as you partake in your own special traditions, take heed of the love which surrounds you, and which you can provide to others. You will find that this love can warm even the frostiest night, and that it will carry you through the wonders of the New Year and beyond.

Merry Christmas! Buon Natale!

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

• **News Briefs** (Continued from Page 1)

he doesn’t help Trump. In fact, he could actually hurt him. **Maid in Trump’s America?** The *NY Times* went bananas over a story about two females who claimed they were subject to abuse as illegal immigrant maids at President Trump’s Jersey golf club. The *NY Times* actually ran this story above the fold on Page One; like it was page one news! There is actually no evidence at all that either the Trump Organization or Trump himself knew of the maids’ status. Another attempt to keep throwing mud at Trump in an attempt to wear him down.

Beto O’Rourke for Prez? I was down in Austin during the midterms and saw first hand Austin politics in action. Boston politics is so much better. We are the Kennedy School of Politics. No one holds signs outside voting precincts. They have lawn signs but that’s about it. I learned about newly re-elected mayor of Austin, a guy named Steve Adler. No one knows what he looks like or cares to know. They seem to like him but then again, I never see

his face anywhere. Not in the papers or anywhere. Getting back to business. O’Rourke almost beat U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz. I said almost. He came real close. if Beto couldn’t beat the biggest stiff in Texas politics, what makes him think, he can take on Trump in 2020? ... However, that hasn’t stopped the Anti-Trump Media and Resistance forces from spurting on about how great a candidate Beto could be in 2020. When they are not talking him up, they are talking about the mayor of San Antonio. I kid you not.

Get Him, Get Him by Hook or by Crook

Radio host Jeff Kuhner said just that on a recent show of his. The latest way to take down the president is to start a crusade against him over casual sex between consenting adults and hush money to cover it all up. We are not talking government money or campaign money. We are talking about private money between private people. Is this the core mission of the Mueller Investigation? What happened to the Russia-Trump Collusion?

• **Stirpe Nostra** (Continued from Page 2)

place of burial or burning. Ceremonies at the gravesite had the double object of making the grave a religious spot and of purifying the family and house, which had been defiled by the presence of a corpse. Earth was thrown onto the face of the dead, a pig was sacrificed, an offering was made to the family gods and a funeral feast was held at the gravesite. If cremation was in order, then the funeral pyre was erected over the trench, which was subsequently to be the grave. The corpse was placed on the top of the pyre with the couch on which it had been carried. Relatives and mourners placed other things also, such as clothes,

ornaments, dogs, birds, etc. The pyre was sprinkled with perfumes, gums and spices and was lighted by a relative with face turned away. When the pyre had burned down, the glowing ashes were extinguished with wine. Those who attended the funeral uttered a last farewell and then departed, while the nearest relatives remained to collect the bones or to bury them. A period of mourning lasted for nine days, at the end of which time a banquet was held. Today, some of us complain about having to spend an hour attending a wake. Amen.

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Origin of the Mausoleum

• **Nanna & Babbononno** (Continued from Page 13)

The party was located in the enlisted men’s mess which was all decorated for the holidays. We feasted on a breakfast fit for kings and afterward Santa met with all of the children in attendance. When I got to him, I thanked him for my train transformer, but asked why he delivered it to my grandparents instead of me. His answer seemed strange, but I accepted it and all was well. I discovered, years later, that my father and uncles were so busy that dropping off the transformer with Babbononno was the only alternative. Later that day, a traditional Christmas dinner took place at my grandparent’s home with Dad and my uncles in attendance. They didn’t have to work beyond the Christmas morning concerts. *Christmas is only a few days away, so from the descendents of Mike and Jenny Contini (Nanna and Babbononno), from me, my wife Loretta, sons John and Michael, daughter-in-law Beth*

and granddaughter Lina, Buon Natale tutti. In case you don’t read Italian, Merry Christmas to one and all.
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Docket No. MI18P6221EA
Estate of
JORGE LEICACH
Date of Death November 13, 2018
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Laura Alleyne of Stoneham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to probate.
Laura Alleyne of Stoneham, MA, has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
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our denominations. Freedom to practice one’s religion goes beyond that to recognize the civic aspects of faith. That includes the public display of nativity scenes and menoroth (yes, that is the correct plural of menorah; my two years of Hebrew in college finally comes in handy). Those public displays of faith are important reminders that not only do we have no state religion but that the state itself is not our religion. It is also not our metaphysic nor our science. We pledge allegiance to the flag of our Republic, but we also, each of us, has other allegiances — to God, to humanistic philosophy, to the rules of physics and so forth. On Christmas we celebrate the birth of the King of Kings. We do so in a secular state that, so far, has recognized the right of every person to practice, or not practice, religion, as their conscience dictates. Let us pray and work for an America where freedom of religion is never infringed.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given by **TODISCO TOWING OF 94 CONDOR STREET, EAST BOSTON, MA**, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A that they will sell the following vehicles.
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Docket No. MI18P6021EA

Estate of
WILLIAM EMANUEL KATZ
Date of Death November 11, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Susan Katz Miller of Takoma Park, MD** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **Susan Katz Miller of Takoma Park, MD** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 7, 2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 10, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 12/21/2018

LEGAL NOTICE

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The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI18P5957EA

Estate of
ALFRED J. MENINNO
Date of Death July 18, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Diane M. Sharrow of Framingham, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **Diane M. Sharrow of Framingham, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 9, 2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 12, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 12/21/2018

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI18P6048EA

Estate of
NEIL SMITH
Date of Death October 28, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Craig D. Smith of Manchester, NH** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **Craig D. Smith of Manchester, NH** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 8, 2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 11, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 12/21/2018

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
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Docket No. MI18P5563EA

Estate of
MAUREEN M. WESINGER-LEWIS
Date of Death June 18, 2018

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **William K. Lewis, Jr. of Concord, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that **William K. Lewis, Jr. of Concord, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of January 2, 2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.
Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 4, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 12/21/2018



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani



Sox, Yankees Rivalry Under Lights in London
The Boston Red Sox and NY Yankees will open Major League's first series in Britain with a 2-game meet-up with a night game followed by an afternoon game June 29th – 30th. The night game will be broadcast at 1:10 p.m. EST. The day game will be broadcast 10:10 a.m. EST. The second game will be a "Sunday Morning Baseball" ESPN special.
Orioles Name New Skipper at Helm
The Major League Baseball version of the Titanic in 2018, the Baltimore Orioles have named Brandon Hyde as their new manager. His experience as the Cubs bench coach should help this team move forward and rebuild itself back into competitive mode once again. We shall see.
Sox Minor Leaguer Suspended
Boston Red Sox hurler Francisco Lopez-Soto is among a number of minor leaguers suspended for 50 games after testing positive for drugs. The 21-year-old pitched 17-2/3 innings with a 6.62 ERA over 16 games for the Lowell Spinners this past season.
Santana Back to Indians in Three-Way Deal
Mariner's General Manager Jerry Dipoto was in a hospital bed making a trade. Indians general manager Chris Antonetti was boarding a plane headed home trying to finalize the deal before the flight pulled out of the gate. The two of them completed the swap of players. Carlos Santana was sent back to the Indians where he was a fan favorite. Edwin Encarnacion has headed to Seattle.
The star sluggers were dealt for each other in a three-way deal also involving the Rays that got infielder Yandy Diaz and a minor leaguer from the Indians. The Indians also got first baseman Jake Bauers from Tampa Bay. Millions of dollars were traded back and forth and Encarnacion might still be in transit to somewhere else.

We are Familia New York
The NY Mets bullpen gets better by the minute. Soon it may get reliever Jeurys Familia. He has reached an agreement worth \$30 million upon passing a physical. The 29-year-old hurler will join a pen that includes new closer Edwin Diaz. Familia had spent his entire career with the Mets before being traded to Oakland last July.
Brewers Adding Bullpen Strength
The Milwaukee Brewers have added another relief pitcher to its pen getting lefty Alex Claudio from the Rangers for a draft pick. Claudio was 4-2 with a 4.48 ERA with one save in 65 appearances. He has a 13-6 record with 12 saves and a 3.20 ERA in 206 appearances with two starts in 5 seasons.
I Think it's Time for Kimbral to Go, Just Go
This past season the Red Sox won the World Series and finished the season with a

record 108-54 season. Craig Kimbrel played a great role in the closing game of the season. HOWEVER, toward the tail-end of the season, he pretty much stunk. In the post-season, he was PLAIN SCARY. He is seeking a five-year deal with BIG, BIG money. However, after watching him throw home runs and almost lose games, he isn't really worth what he is seeking. The Sox need a closer who can do it under great pressure. Kimbrel really wasn't that guy any longer.
Joe Kelly's Out of Here
Relief pitcher Joe Kelly just signed a three-year deal with the Dodgers. He's a good pitcher, not great one. He has had his ups and downs on the mound. The downs usually come at the worse times. Good luck to him out in Los Angeles. I wish him well. He reminded me of Masterson! Great potential but not always showing it when you need it to happen.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given by **Stevens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155**, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 539A, that on **December 24, 2018 at 10AM**, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

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Vin: KM8SC73D85U721281
Amanda Quevillon
108 Vane Street
Revere, MA 02151

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Vin: 2MEFM75W84X622484
Kilsoit Glaude
121 Riverside Ave, Apt 810
Medford, MA 02155

1999 CHEVROLET ASTRO VAN, SILVER
Vin: 1GCDL19W8XB194409
Joseph Reid
25 Courtland St, #2
Everett, MA 02149
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Docket No. MI18P5877EA

Estate of
KATHLEEN T. McCLAIN
Also Known As
KATHLEEN McCLAIN
Date of Death November 5, 2018

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **John D. McClain of Lexington, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
John D. McClain of Lexington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
Run date: 12/21/18

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI18P6047PO

In the matter of
THEODORE J. PEREGRIM TRUST
TRUST CITATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by **Nathaniel K. Brown of Bedford, MA** requesting that this Honorable Court terminate the Theodore J. Peregrim Trust in accordance with M.G.L. 203E.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on January 8, 2019.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.
Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 11, 2018

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 12/21/2018

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Suffolk Division
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
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Docket No. SU18P1944EA

Estate of
JEFFREY ROBERT POULIN
Date of Death November 3, 2017

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Tricia Poulin of Barrington, NH**, Petitioner **Jeffrey Poulin of Barrington, NH**.
Tricia Poulin of Barrington, NH, Jeffrey Poulin of Barrington, NH, has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
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HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



He was born in 1965, the first year the Stanley Cup playoffs entered the merry month of May. He has played at all levels of the game and knows the euphoria of being a high draft pick. He has held a championship cup, though not the Big One. He knows what it is like to be seriously injured and be out of action for quite some time. And he knows what it is like to be behind the bench, directing those who are sitting on it and will soon see action in the game.

Oh, and one other thing, he knows what it's like to be in your middle 50s and living out your dream come true. And yes, it is wonderful despite all the headaches that come with the position.

We first met Bruce James Cassidy, the current head coach of the Bruins, several years ago on the last day of the Bruins Development Camp. The annual event is an opportunity for new players and prospects to showcase their abilities before the watchful eyes of the Bruins coaching over the course of several days of drills that normally culminates in a scrimmage.

And thus it was on a sun-splashed summer Sunday, when all the world seemed focused on outdoor activities, that Cassidy, the then-Providence coach who had been tasked to lead the on-ice drills, offered his assessment of the camp on its concluding day.

Sitting in a leather backed chair in a lounge area, above the rink at Risticcia Arena, the former long-time practice rink of the B's, Cassidy was direct about his life's goal.

"I want to be a National Hockey League head coach," offered the Ottawa native and former defenseman in a rather definitive way that perhaps spoke of the number of years he had already toiled in Providence.

Or perhaps he thinking back to the time he had actually been an NHL head coach with the Washington Capitals. Yes, Cassidy knows what it is like to get a pink slip, too. It arrived following a stint that encompassed the entire 2002-2003 season and the first 25 games of the 2003-2004 campaign.

But before that there was growing up in Canada and playing with the Ottawa 67s of the Ontario Hockey League. His

best season with them came in 1982-1983 when he rang up 25 goals and 86 assists for 111 points. The next year he had his hands on a Cup—the Memorial Cup, though by that time he had been drafted by Chicago in the NHL Draft.

There have been many coaches who did not leave much of a mark as players in the NHL. That would be Cassidy's fate as well. Sprinkled around stints in the minors, he was beset by injuries over the course of several partial seasons in the big time, the worst one being a major ACL that would set him back for months. In the end it was a total of 36 NHL games played with four goals and 13 assists for the future coach of the Bruins.

There would be eight more years spent in rinks in the minors and overseas before Cassidy ceased to be a player and commenced being a coach.

The Jacksonville Lizard Kings, the Indianapolis Ice, the Trenton Titans plus the Grand Rapids Griffins all saw Cassidy come through town before he got the Washington NHL job.

The Caps came away with 92 regular season points and a berth in the 2003 Stanley Cup Playoffs. But they didn't get very far, being eliminated by Tampa Bay in the first round. The 2003-2004 didn't start well for the Caps and Cassidy was shown the door after compiling an 8-16-1 mark to start the season. But the losses kept coming for Washington, which finished with a lowly 59 points. The big victory for the Caps: winning the draft lottery that spring and selecting Alexander Ovechkin as the No. 1 overall pick.

Meanwhile Cassidy went "home" again, serving as an assistant with Chicago for two seasons. From there it was on to Kingston, Ontario for a little over a year before he joined the Providence Bruins as an assistant for the start of the 2008-2009 season.

Three years later he was promoted to head coach, where he would serve behind the bench

for an additional five seasons.

Being in Providence had its benefits. It meant that he was only about 55 miles from Boston, so there was a lot of interaction between the executives in the Hub and the personnel in Providence. The Development Camp and the opening days of the preseason camp were essentially combined affairs with the two coaching staffs working together.

Thus, there were plenty of opportunities for Boston front office executives to observe Cassidy in person. All that eventually would pay dividends as he would be named a full-time assistant in the Hub for the start of the 2016-2017 season.

A little more than halfway through the campaign, the B's front office pulled the plug on long-time coach Claude Julien and elevated Cassidy to the top job on an interim basis.

The change, as it turned out, wasn't much of one. In fact, it appeared seamless. At least 10 players on the roster the day Cassidy took over had played for him in Providence and the rest had been coached by him as an NHL assistant since the start of the season.

The B's shook off their slow start and finished the regular season at 18-8-1 under Cassidy. They earned a playoff berth under their "new" coach and eventually the interim designation went away.

Last year the team compiled a 112 regular season points, one shy of the Tampa Bay Lightning who would go on to eliminate Boston 4-1 in the second round of the Stanley Cup Playoffs.

Thus far this season, the B's are treading water somewhat with numerous players out with injuries, including Patrice Bergeron and Zdeno Chara. With a week to go before Christmas, the B's were in one of the Eastern Conference's wild card slots.

But there's a lot of hockey left to go before the final regular season game in April. So time will tell.

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