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The Carnevale Festival in Italy

by The Italian American Alliance

The Carnevale is both an acclaimed Italian festival and a Catholic holiday that is celebrated the day before Ash Wednesday, 40 days before Easter. The festival incorporates a substantial amount of merrymaking. It involves huge parades with great, creative floats displaying paper mâché characters, fancy masks, and tons of brightly colored confetti. For Catholics it is their last chance to revel in gluttony before turning their attentions to the more pious rituals of the Easter season. The date varies each year, depending on the Easter date. Generally, it begins around two to four weeks before Ash Wednesday and for most, it ends on Fat Tuesday.

The rich and vibrant celebration of Carnevale can be traced all the way back to the ancient civilizations. At the time the participants painted their faces and bodies, as they danced and chanted in observance of the earth's re-birth during the



springtime. It eventually evolved into the Roman Saturnalia festival. Through the centuries, it survived many obstacles set by wars, bans, and restrictions while it continued to evolve its rituals honoring fertility and nature's rebirth. In Italy today, most city, town, even the smallest village celebrate the event over several weekends. Currently, the most elaborate Carnevale celebrations happen in Venice. It was first observed in the year 1162, as a way of celebrating the victory of Venice

over its enemy: Aquileia. At the time, the people gathered in Saint Mark's Square (San Marco) to celebrate their victory. In subsequent years, the Carnevale festival expanded to include other rituals. Sadly, now-a-days the "celebrants" probably have no idea where and how it originated. Today's interest is to have fun while keeping the ancient cultural ritual relevant! With each passing year, the celebration has swelled into an excessive number of elaborate costumes and masks. Since its inception in 1162, The Venice Carnival was celebrated yearly for several centuries, until it was outlawed in 1797 by the Holy Roman Emperor, Francis II. People, however, still gathered in the privacy of their home to add a splash of merrymaking to the gloomy and cold winter month of February. Of course, it was

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

East Boston Haul Road a Hot Topic

There has been a lot of discussion and debate over the proposed East Boston Haul Road over Route 1A. Recently, Mike Freedberg wrote a piece on *eastboston. com* sharing his opinion on this proposal, which has reportedly been dividing neighbors over its benefits and impact on the surrounding neighborhood and much discourse on whether this haul road is a good or bad plan for East Boston. I urge everyone to check out the Mike Freedberg on-line commentary.

Musk Limits Ukraine Net

Elon Musk has confirmed he would restrict Ukraine military's use of his Starlink satellite internet service raising the alarm after former NASA astronaut Scott Kelly tweeted, "Please restore the full functionality of your Starlink satellites." Musk replied that the SpaceX-run internet service remains "the communication backbone of Ukraine, especially at the front lines, where almost all other internet connectivity has been destroyed. But we will not enable escalation of conflict that may lead to WWIII."

Ford Invests in Batteries

Ford Motor Company reportedly is investing \$3.5 billion to build a battery plant in Michigan with the help from China's Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd., the world's largest maker of batteries for electric cars. The facility will be built in Marshall, Michigan about 100-miles west of Detroit and is expected to create about 2.5 thousand jobs.

IG Office Eyeing Boston School Busing Contract

The Office of Inspector General has its eyes reportedly on the BPS bus contract that raised the state entity telling the school district to "proceed at their own risk" with this pact.

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MDAR Receives \$1.4 Million to Increase Seniors' Access to Locally Grown, Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

The Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) announced that Massachusetts has been awarded \$1,410,222 to expand the highly popular Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP). The award was granted by the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

The \$1.4 million grant award will allow MDAR to increase the level of benefit for seniors participating in the SFMNP from \$25 to \$50. The increase in funding will also allow MDAR to serve an additional 2,300 seniors and disabled individuals over the next two years.

"This award is a win for seniors, farmers, and our Commonwealth," said EEA Secretary Rebecca Tepper. "The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program provides an important safety net for our seniors and has proven to be a vital part of our recovery from the pandemic when food insecurity skyrocketed. With these funds, we can continue to expand access to local and nutritious fruits and vegetables, while continuing to support our Massachusetts farmers."

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program is a seasonal, annual program providing low-income seniors with coupons to purchase fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, freshcut herbs, and honey from Massachusetts farmers. Every year, coupons are spent at over 300 farmers' markets and farm-

stands across the state. "MDAR appreciates the support and partnership with USDA's Food and Nutrition Service and remains committed to ensuring that our most vulnerable populations, including elders, have access to local, fresh food," stated MDAR Commissioner John Lebeaux. "At a time when food insecurity rates remain high, the added benefit will provide elders with high-quality, nutritious food while supporting our Massachusetts farmers and food producers."

"Every food dollar spent through the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program directly benefits local farmers, farmers' markets, and Massachusetts residents in need," stated MDAR's Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program Coordinator Rebecca Davidson. "Doubling the SFMNP benefit will amplify the impacts of this successful program on the local Massachusetts food system, while increasing access to nutritious fresh food for our Commonwealth's seniors."

The SFMNP is administered thanks to the 23 Elder Nutrition

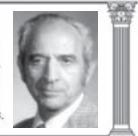
Programs across the state that distributes coupons throughout their service areas. Every summer, coupons are distributed to eligible participants at senior centers, councils on aging, and senior housing sites across the Commonwealth. Eligible seniors must be 60 years of age or older or disabled, living in senior housing where congregate nutrition services are provided, and with household incomes below 185% of the federal poverty level. Coupons are distributed from July through the end of September every year. For further information about SFMNP, please visit the MDAR program website at www.mass.gov/farmersmarket-nutrition-program.

MDAR's mission is to ensure the long-term viability of agriculture in Massachusetts. Through its five divisions -Agricultural Conservation & Technical Assistance, Agricultural Markets, Animal Health, Crop and Pest Services, and Food Safety - MDAR strives to support, regulate, and enhance the rich diversity of the Commonwealth's agricultural community to promote economically and environmentally sound food safety and animal health measures, and fulfill agriculture's role in energy conservation and production. For more information, visit MDAR's website at www.mass.gov/agr.

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



TITUS THE DISSEMBLER



A reconstructed relief panel from the original on the Arch of Titus, Rome, c. 81 CE. The scene, showing the triumph of Titus, is carved in three-quarter view and has Titus riding a four-horse chariot (quadriga) and shows him being crowned by a personification of Victory. The goddess Roma stands in front, holding the bridle of one of the horses. The two figures to the right of the chariot are personifications of the people of Rome (naked torso) and the Senate (wearing a toga). (Los Angeles County Museum of Art, L.A.)

Titus Flavius Sabinus Vespasianus was the first son of the emperor Vespasian and Flavia Domitifla. He was born in Rome on December 30, 41 A.D., named after his father and educated at the Court of Claudius. During his youth, he was the constant companion of Britannicus, the son of Claudius, who was poisoned by Nero. During their younger days, they were very close and it is believed that when Britannicus drank that fatal cup of poison, Titus also tasted a bit of it because he suffered from a stomach disorder for a long time. Later, Titus dedicated two statues to Britannicus; one in gold and the other in ivory. As a young man, Titus was good-looking and possessed great dignity, grace, strength, an extraordinary memory, and an aptitude for the arts. He was also skillful in the use of arms, horsemanship, languages, music, public speaking; he wrote verses in Greek as well as Latin, and even developed a form of shorthand that he used with great speed. It is said that he could imitate any handwriting and often jested that he could have become the prince of forgers. Titus served with distinction in the Roman legions that were stationed in Britain and in July 79 A.D. and his

Germany. He commanded his own legion while serving under his father in the Palestinian war. When Vespasian became emperor, he left his son in command of the war before returning to Rome.

Titus fought gallantly throughout the Palestine War and became so popular that he was suspected of attempting to replace his father as king of the East. Because of these rumors, he hastened to Rome at the conclusion of the war in 70 A.D. to join his father for a victory celebration. Titus remained there to assist the emperor as partner and protector. He took upon himself the discharge of many duties, wrote edicts and letters in his father's name, and read the emperor's speeches in the Senate. His earlier days in Rome were marred by known incidents of his cruelty while in command of the Praetorian Guard and by rumors of his fondness for boys and eunuchs. Most noteworthy during this time however, was his scandalous affair with Berenice, the sister of King Herod Agrippa II. Pressure groups eventually forced him to send her away from Rome.

He succeeded his father

government turned out to be an agreeable surprise to those who had anticipated a return to the times of Nero. He was highly praised when youthful faults gave way to imperial dignity, compassion, integrity, and virtue. He also selected as his subordinates men who possessed these same qualities. During his entire reign as emperor, Titus displayed a sincere desire for the happiness of the people, and he did all that he could to help them, especially in times of distress. He also vowed to keep his hands free from blood and it is said that he kept his resolution. He also maintained a fixed rule not to let anyone go away from an imperial visit without hope. Even when his advisors warned him that he was promising more than he could possibly deliver, he said that it was not proper for anyone who was interviewed by his emperor to leave in sorrow. On one occasion, he remembered that he had done nothing for anybody all that day and said, "Friends, I have lost a day." He even visited the baths that he built in company with the commoners.

NEXT WEEK:

Volcano Fire, and Plague

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

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 02/10, 02/17, 02/24/2023

Warren Calls on Top Five Egg Producers to Explain Recent Price Hikes

"American Families Working to Put Food on the Table Deserve to Know Whether the Increased Prices are a Legitimate Response to Reduced Supply or Out-of-Control Corporate Greed"



United States Senator Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) and Rep. Katie Porter (D.-Calif.) sent letters to top egg-producing companies calling on them to provide answers about the elevated price of eggs and the extent to which egg producers may be using fears about avian flu and supply shocks as a cover to pad their own profits. In the letters, the lawmakers note that in the midst of recordhigh egg prices, Cal-Maine, the largest egg producer in the US, announced a 65% increase in profits while reporting no cases of avian flu. They ask the companies to provide transparency about the rationale for increasing egg prices and the financial impact to the companies. The letters were sent to Rose Acre Farms, Cal-Maine Foods, Hillandale Farms, Versova Management, and Daybreak

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, increases in retail egg prices have outpaced all other food categories, jumping 59.9% annually as of December 2022, with consumers in some states paying more

than \$7 per carton. The avian flu outbreak, which producers have largely blamed for the price hikes, impacted approximately 43 million egg-laying chickens. However, advocates have noted that the outbreak has decreased the size of the total flock by no more than 6 percent in most months, and in October 2022, total table egg production was down no more than 4.2 percent.

At the same time that prices were skyrocketing, Cal-Maine Foods, which controls approximately 20% of the retail egg market, was reporting record profit margins and no positive avian flu cases on any of its farms. In December, Cal-Maine Foods reported gross profits increase of more than 600% over the same quarter in 2021, which the company claimed was "driven by record average conventional egg selling price."

"Although (many) top egg producers are private companies that have not publicly announced either their

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USPS Warns about Surge in **Use of Counterfeit Postage**

Postal Service Files Federal Register Notice to Address Issue

the use of counterfeit postage has been found in the mail stream. The intentional use, or sale, of counterfeit postage is a crime because it seeks to obtain services without payment. This activity reflects an intentional effort to defraud the Postal Service of the funds it needs to provide services to the public.

In response to this problem, the Postal Service is filing a federal register notice about changes to the Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) that will allow the Postal Service to treat items found in the mail stream bearing counterfeit postage as abandoned. "As the most trusted government agency in the nation, we will continue to work together with other law enforcement and government agencies to protect the sanctity of the mail," said Chief Postal Inspector Gary Barksdale.

The Postal Service's proposed

In recent years, a surge in changes will provide the public notice of the handling of items bearing counterfeit postage. Under the revision to DMM 604.8.4, articles found in the mails with counterfeit postage will be considered abandoned and may be opened and disposed of at the Postal Service's discretion. The mission of the Postal Service and the Postal Inspection Service is to ensure the safety, security, and integrity of the U.S. Mail. The implementation of these new regulations will continue to support and enhance this mission.

Counterfeit postage is any marking or indicia that has been made, printed, or otherwise created without authorization from the Postal Service that is printed or applied, or otherwise affixed, on an article placed in the mails that indicates or represents that valid postage has been paid to mail the article. Consumers purchasing online

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Maureen Fiorelli

March 17, 1946 – February 15, 2023



Maureen Firorelli of Boston, MA passed away on Wednesday, February 15, 2023. Beloved life-long partner of Paul Guild. Beloved sister of Peter and Marge McNamee of Cottonwood, AZ, John and Audrey McNamee of Glendale, CA, and Michael and Ginna

McNamee of Knoxville, TN. She is predeceased by her parents, John and Helen McNamee of Hollywood, FL and sister, Mary Bobber of Lawrence, GA.

Maureen lived and worked in the North End for over 50 years. She started working in banking at Commonwealth and then Haymarket Bank on Hanover Street. She opened Maureen Fiorelli Realty on Salem Street over 35 years ago. She was a well-established and well-known realtor in the North End.

In the early 90s for several years, Maureen held an Easter Egg Hunt for the North End children in a park on Atlantic Avenue for neighborhood contributions. Maureen made a positive impact on so many lives. She will be greatly missed.

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The Post-Gazette invites its readers to submit Letters to the Editor.

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- . Due to space considerations, we request that letters not exceed two double-spaced, type-written pages.
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Girard Anthony Joseph Plante

May He Rest in Peace

Girard Anthony Joseph Plante, 63, of Auburndale, MA went to his enternal home on St. Valentine's Day, February 14, 2023.

Girard lived in Newton for 22 years and began his writing career in 2003 for the Boston Post-Gazette with his popular column Simple Times.

He lived his life to the fullest never backing away from a challenge especially his civic activism. He became a quadriplegic on September

30, 1974 after a freak bicycle accident keeping him in a wheelchair for the rest of his young and adult life.

Born in Utica NY to Royal Francis Plante (WWII Hero) and Winifred Mitchell Plante on December 4th, 1959 with his twin, Gerald, who was eight minutes younger. To avoid confusion with similar sounding names for twins his beloved mother was told when they were first born that she should have named them "Tom and Jerry."

While growing up in Utica he attended catholic and public schools graduating from Thomas R. Proctor High School in 1979. After that, he went on to college graduating in 1988 from then-Utica College of Syracuse University - now Utica University with a BA degree in Broadcast Journalism. After this, the World was his oyster.

He wrote for a time for the Utica's hometown paper — the Observer-Dispatch. He ran for public office twice and lost, but not by much, no matter - he thoroughly enjoyed the challenge and debate of local and statewide issues. Woe to the hypocrites if his many interests were challenged.

Girard was involved with Utica NY's Human Rights Commission during his time at RCIL. He also worked in Utica, NY for the RCIL - Resource Center Independent Living — during that time RCIL was the second largest center for disability services in the nation. He helped many clients find housing along with public services when many were turned away. He knew the legal challenges and hardships that the disabled face daily and would defend many against a corrupt and moribund system with his knowledge of laws whether they be local, state, federal or ADA.

Once done there, he moved to Newton and the rest is history. He served on the Newton Disability Rights Commission as co-commissioner. Girard received numerous awards, but none matched more than his cause for human rights.

Girard was a beloved brother, but most of all



a friend to all who knew him. He was referred to as the "Mayor of Newton" and made sure living conditions at his Norumbega Apartments were in tip-top shape and embraced ADA laws. His quick wit and intellect knew no bounds. The testament of his many completed projects in Newton and surrounding environs, including Boston, which the Newton commission is part of the BCIL — Boston Center for Independent Living.

Girard recently received a Commendation from Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller for his long and dedicated service as a member of the City's Commission on Disability. He was also a friend of Cape Cod's CORD for People with disabilities.

He leaves his twin, Gerald F. X. Plante and his husband Stan Christy, eldest sister Mary C. Plante and Jerry Godkin, Anne M. Plante, Denise M. Plante, Therese B. Plante, all in the Utica NY area. He also leaves many cherished nephews and nieces, Robert Thrasher, Sheryl Thrasher, Andre Fici, Daniel C. Plante, Joseph V. Plante, Vincent J. Hoover as well as great nephews and nieces. He leaves a lifetime neighbor, friend, caretaker, Jenna Catrambone, RN who moved to Auburndale with him to help him and now is employed in Boston as an RN at Boston Children's Hospital — he inspired Jenna to become a nurse and she is the best he ever met. Last, but not least, a great friend, mentor and Co-Commissioner Rob Caruso who served with Girard on the Newton Disability Rights Commission and helped to fight and win many battles for the development of ACCESS and services for all throughout the greater Newton and Boston area - the projects are numerous — to find out you can always access minutes from the last several years' commission meetings to see what projects they helped to develop. None of us ever know when we may need their services so it's a must to support their commission as well as their endeavors for the quality-of-life in one's hometown. "Keep on keepin' on" was Girard's mantra. May he do the same in heaven for us down here because we'll need his help now more than ever!

Family and friends are invited to a Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, 1321 Centre Street, Newton Center, MA Saturday, February 25th, at 10:30 a.m.

Donations in his honor may be made to Craig Hospital, 3425 S. Clarkson Street, Englewood, CO 80113.

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Tom Zazzara 1st Year Anniversary August 25, 1929 - February 25, 2022

Missing You Always

You never said I'm leaving You never said goodbye, You were gone before we knew it And only God knows why.

A million times I needed you A million times I cried, If love alone could have saved you You never would have died.

> In life I loved you dearly In death I love you still, In my heart I hold a place That only you can fill.

It broke my heart to lose you But you didn't go alone, As part of me went with you The day God took you home.

Author Unknown

Love, Joanna RIP

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

An Italian Baking Bounty

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



I recently noticed that the culinary world is at war, a drawn-out conflict between cooks and bakers. If one believes the Internet, cooks deride bakers for their supposed lack of spontaneity and creativity; bakers prefer the comfort of following a recipe. This conflict never manifested in my childhood — my mother cooked up a hearty meal of orecchiette with broccoli rabe as easily as she baked my scrumptious birthday cakes. However, as I grew older and developed my own identity in the kitchen, I realized that I am definitely more of a baker. I love the magic of turning the basic essentials of human life, flour and water, into substantial treats. I adore the way the oven warms my kitchen and embraces me with tantalizing scents. Finally, I do see the creativity in baking, in the way one simple recipe can be adapted, tweaked and altered to yield a myriad of delectable results.

A lot of praise has been heaped — justifiably! — on how wonderful Italian entrees are, but oftentimes traditional Italian desserts go unnoticed. So, in honor of my love for baking, I have compiled a list of desserts from the Old Country that stir passion and nostalgia through my veins. Since Italian desserts are plentiful, I will try to focus on desserts that pertain to the month of February, a very sweet month indeed due to St. Valentine's Day and Carnival! I hope you enjoy this trip down memory lane as much as my stomach does!

Cannoli: Arguably the most famous Italian dessert, cannoli are a staple in cookbooks and supermarket aisles everywhere. To find an authentic cannolo however your best bet is a small family-run bakery or Why not extend St. Valentine's

restaurant, of which Boston's Italian neighborhoods have plenty! The traditional filling for cannoli is ricotta, and the shells must be freshly filled with it to order. Leaving a cannolo languishing with cream inside will make the shell turn from a decadent crisp to a mushy mess. Interesting facts about cannoli: they originated in Sicily, specifically the Palermo region, but they are now enjoyed all over Italy and around the world. Cannoli were originally treats for the Carnival season, when dishes made of rich ingredients were eagerly consumed before the austere period of Lent. The name "cannolo" means "little tube" in Italian, speaking to their distinctive shape!

Cenci: Known as "angel wings" in English, these fried strips of dough covered in powdered sugar are a real Carnival delicacy in Italy. I loved making them with my grandmother on an early-spring day, when the joyous sensation of Carnival penetrates my bones and the promise of Easter seems just a few hops away. My grandmother has always called these little goodies cenci, but they are known by different names according to the region of Italy. Many of the names reflect the whimsical nature of Carnival, as you will also find them called bugie (lies) or chiacchiere (chatter)!

Crostata: A crostata is an Italian tart or pie, whose name derives from the word "crust." Crostatas are rustic, free-form pastries, and the beauty of this treat is that the filling can change according to the season. February can call for crostatas stuffed with wintry orange marmalade, tart lemon curd or a fresh pear compote.

Day celebrations all month long by making a romantic crostata with ruby-red strawberry or raspberry preserves, or - my favorite! — Nutella?

Pizzelle: Hard or soft? Vanilla, anise or lemon extract? No one can agree on what makes perfect pizzelle or the waffled cookies so popular among Italians and Italian-Americans. When there is this much debate about a dessert, it must mean that it has permeated deep into the culture. I am partial to soft pizzelle, but honestly all forms are so good that I'd rather eat them than fight about them. Pizzelle are often associated with holidays. like Christmas or Easter, or special events like weddings and baby showers, so much so that I cannot think of pizzelle without imagining some kind of party in my mind. Fun fact: pizzelle originate from Abruzzi, the part of Italy my father hailed from!

Tiramisu: I always thought tiramisu was an old Italian dessert, but quick research tells me it is a mid-twentieth century invention. That could be why tiramisu, in its modern incarnation, never appeared in any of my grandmother's childhood cookbooks. One would think that because it is a more contemporary dessert its origins would be easily investigated, but the creation of tiramisu is actually shrouded in legends and myths. Some say the earliest tiramisu was prepared in 17th century Siena for Cosimo de Medici. Others say it was created in the 1960s in the Veneto city of Treviso. All that is certain is that the name of this mascarpone-and-ladyfinger layered dessert means "pick me up," which its servings of espresso will certainly do! Tiramisu is a romantic pick for continuing St. Valentine's Day desserts later into the month.

What is your favorite Italian dessert? Let me know what makes your stomach grumble and your heart melt like a chocolate zabaglione. Until then, keep cooking!

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.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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Docket No. MI23W0116WD SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION IDAH ZVOUSHE, Plaintiff(s)

RUZIVE RUZIVE, Defendant(s)

To the above named Defendant(s) A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, seeking Custody/Support/ Parenting Time.

You are required to serve upon Idah Zvoushe - plaintiff - whose address is 692 South St., Apt. C, Waltham, MA 02453 your answer on or before March 21, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Woburn.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Woburn, this 7th day of February, 2023.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court Run date: 02/24/2023



Starting to Think We are All Victims of the Gov't Lying Club

Obviously, the ecological disaster that is East Palestine, Ohio is looking more and more like a government-produced climate change that is seemingly looking toxic to air, soil and water, and we have government responses that seems to have flat-lined into total abdication of its role and responsibility. They speak much, but say very little and provide only the appearance of doing something.

When that train carrying toxic chemicals derailed, an initial fire began and awful images of 20-foot flames rising into the sky creating a large cloud of ominous black smoke over the town caused by a government decision to create a slow controlled leak and a controlled burn to deal with the disaster in a quicker way think many of the townsfolk. One resident of the town told reporters he saw the whole thing as a calculated decision to simply nuke the town with chemicals to get trains back on track as soon as possible. Health experts are telling folks everything is fine. Go home, watch TV or something. You are safe. However, nobody is believing anything they are being told.

Does anyone remember seeing Mayor Pete Buttigieg in town lately? After all, he's only the transportation secretary! I've been hearing a lot of nothing from a guy named Michael Regan, the EPA administrator (who's not one of those Reagans), talking a lot of nonsense when he talks at all. God forbid by the way, that Biden should be speaking about this issue to the American people, especially those people whose lives, health, and property have all gone up in a toxic controlled

If we had real leaders in government, they would be doing something. Even more lying to us sounds better than ignoring us. Most of us are now starting to think we are being drowned in lies. They tell folks not to believe their own lyin' eves because there is nothing

Everyone is telling folks to drink your water, bathe, etc. Guess what, I haven't yet seen one official actually drink a glass of water on TV. They're probably carrying bottled water around with them.

The national media seems to have dropped down into a hole somewhere or into a "code of silence," aka Get Smart. The only media speaking out is local media at Ground Zero and some of them reporting from the scene are reportedly being arrested for getting in the way.

People are angry because they are being ignored. When they say they feel sick, they are told to stop imagining things. It's all in your head. When they say their pets, livestock, wildlife, and fish are all dropping dead, there is still nothing to see here.

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One Woman Keeps Promise to Hero Son, Another Woman Backs Firefighter Families Everywhere

by Sal Giarratani



(L-R) - Kneeling: Anna Higgins, and Matthew Lombardi; Standing: Steven Higgins, Tommy McGovern, Mark Lombardi, Tom McGovern, Tom McGovern, Janet McGovern, Lindsey Higgins, Meredith Lombardi, and Jack Lombardi



Lindsey Higgins and Kathy Crosby-Bell

On Valentine's Day, a crowded ceremony was held at the Firehouse on Boylston Street where Engine 33 and Ladder 15 are housed. This house has not been exempted from the horrors of fighting fires because every time fire apparatus rush out onto the street, death is always a potential ending to a call as it is at every firehouse everywhere.

Last week, a mother's love to honor her firefighter son was on display as Kathy Crosby-Bell fulfilled a gravesite promise she made to her son Michael. She was on hand to help introduce the "Snap Title Warrior Fire Hose" that was funded by the Last Call Foundation.

When she had been told her son's hose back to Lindsey, her entire on March 26, 2014, never received water in that fundraiser possible.

awful fire, she made a promise to her son at his gravesite to do something to fix the problem.

Mayor Wu was at the firehouse on February 14th to dedicate the hose to Firefighter Michael Kennedy and Fire Lt. Eddie Walsh who died on the fateful day almost nine years ago at 298 Beacon Street on a short trip for both these heroes but one which took them into eternity for them.

Boston Fire Commissioner Paul Burke said this new hose will provide more safety for firefighters fighting a blaze inside. There is a history of heroism at this firehouse. I still remember another deadly blaze, in which this firehouse was the first to respond back on June 17, 1972, when nine firefighters perished a bit further away on Commonwealth Avenue at the Hotel Vendome while extinguishing the fire. There is still one image in my mind of a Ladder 15 crushed under the rubble of that deadly blaze almost 51 years

For Kathy Crosby-Bell, it was a promise made, a promise kept.

Now, recently, a friend and coworker of mine Lindsey Higgins will be running in the 127th Boston Marathon raising funds for the Last Foundation which does great work standing up for firefighters and is a cause close to her heart.

She is the granddaughter of a Boston Fire Captain, the daughter of a Boston firefighter and the sister of a Quincy Fire Lieutenant. If you would like to donate to her funding effort, go to www. GivenGain.com and honor both Michael Kennedy and Eddie Walsh, Jr.

She hosted a well attended fundraiser at Malachy's Bar in Quincy on Granite Street this past Saturday evening. The place was packed with firefighters, retired firefighters, police officers, retired cops like myself and so many others. Kudos to Lindsey, her entire family and all who made this fundraiser possible!

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

In December, the Boston Finance Commission, a statutorily created city budget watchdog, took issue with the fact that only one company put in a bid for the job and it was the same company already busing Boston Public School children.

Mayor Wu a No-No on

Elected School Committee Mayor Michelle Wu has

Mayor Michelle Wu has doubled down on her opposition to return to an elected school board on GBH radio on February 14th setting up friction between her administration and the near 80 percent of voters who have expressed an end to an appointed school board answerable to the mayor.

Said Wu, "I have never been

supportive of an elected school committee. I ran for the job because I wanted to make a difference in the schools. I want to have accountability and responsibility to be able to make the changes we need."

More on Ford Striking Lightning

Ford Motor Company has halted production and shipping of its F-150 Lightning electric trucks in order to address a battery issue, a setback in the company's effort to ramp up output of its electric vehicles.

The Detroit-area factory where these pickups are built has been idle a few weeks now. The company had been working to speed up factory work to stay ahead of its competition.

150,000 Dead on Both Sides in Ukraine

While Ukraine has been boasting about taking out massive numbers of Russian soldiers — including a record day of casualties two weeks ago — Kyiv has also been losing a staggering number of its own troops. Western intelligence sources estimate that each side has suffered about 150,000 deaths since Russia launched its invasion on February 24, 2022.

End Quote

"The difference between the almost right word and the right word is really a large matter —'tis the difference between the lightning bug and the lightning."

— Mark Twain

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Richard A. Aliberti, Jr. May He Rest in Peace

Richard A. Aliberti, Jr., 63, formerly of Medford, MA, died suddenly on February 3, 2023, as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Richard is survived by son, Michael of North Andover and granddaughters, Ella, Addison, Isabel, and Leah. He was the son of Mary Aliberti of Cotuit, MA and was predeceased by his father, Richard A. Aliberti, Sr. He also leaves siblings, Anthony, John, Thomas, James, Katherine, and



William, as well as in-laws, many nieces and nephews, and friends. Richard spent much of his life pursuing his passion for sculpting. He attended the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, where he was able to develop his skills and appreciation for art making. His work was much admired not only by friends and family, but also by patrons and collectors. Writing poetry and music were other interests he pursued. A private service will be held at Saint Leonard Parish, Hanover Street, Boston on Saturday, March 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The West End's

"Bakery with a Thousand Windows"



The Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company (previously Austin Biscuit Company, and later Sunshine Biscuit) opened its "bakery with a thousand windows" in the West End in the early 1900s. The company's location on Causeway Street was an ideal spot to do business in Boston. Workers

at the Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company formed a mutual aid association and formed close relationships through both work and play.

The Austin Biscuit Company opened its first Boston factory in 1906 at a brick building on 226 Causeway Street, in the historic West End, followed two years later with the opening of a new location on 176 Causeway Street. This new biscuit factory, which cost \$1.5 million in construction and new machinery, was "a six-story fireproof structure, with every conceivable improvement." The building had 260,000-square-feet of space and one-thousand windows. According to the Boston Globe, Austin Biscuit Co.'s location on Causeway Street was "an ideal situation...in the business part of the city, [and] handy to the railroad stations and steamboat landings." Austin Biscuit Co. maximized the space with twenty-eight ovens on the top floor, large mixers, machines to shape the dough, and an assembly line of women and girls in the packing department (on the third floor). This efficient process allowed the Austin Biscuit Co. to create 300 styles of biscuits using 800 barrels of flour each day. The Globe lauded the factory, particularly for its openness to air and sunlight, as "one of the cleanest and best equipped in any section of the civilized world."

Read more by visiting the West End Museum website at thewestendmuseum.org

• **Egg Prices** (Continued from Page 2)

profits or disclosed the financial impact of the avian flu on their flocks, past anticompetitive practices in the egg industry raise concerns about price gouging on their part," wrote the lawmakers.

Lawsuits against Rose Acre Farms and other dominant producers accused the companies of price-gouging, collusion, and "cartelistic conspiracies" to limit production and keep supply artificially limited. In August 2020, New York Attorney General Letitia James sued Hillandale Farms, the

nation's second largest egg producer, for illegally gouging "the prices of more than four million cartons of eggs," Similarly, a wide-ranging lawsuit accused several of the largest egg producers of colluding to increase prices during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"American families working to put food on the table deserve to know whether the increased prices they are paying for eggs represent a legitimate response to reduced supply or out-of-control corporate greed," continued the lawmakers.

• Counterfeit Postage (Continued from Page 2)

items may be surprised to find out that the vendor mailed their goods using counterfeit postage. Under the new regulations, such items will be considered abandoned and disposed of at the Postal Service's discretion. When this occurs, consumers will have to seek recourse from the vendor.

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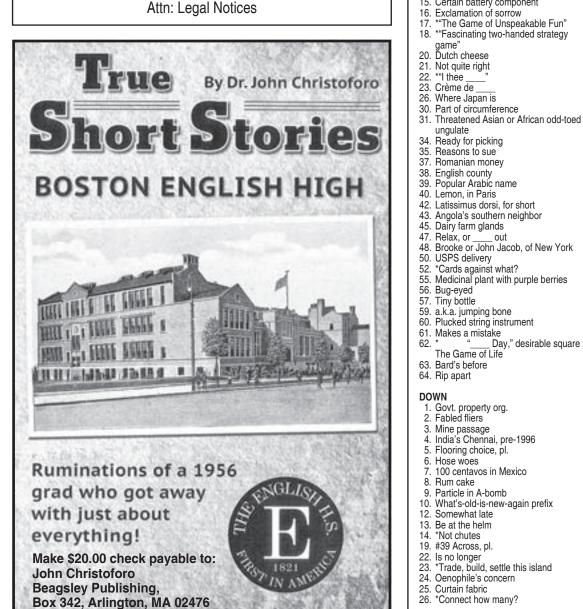
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• Carnivale (Continued from Page 1)

not celebrated at the same level of merriment that it is known for today! In 1979, the Italian government, as a way of improving commerce for the region decided to help Venice re-establish the festival and preserve its culture for the future generations. Today, about 3 million tourists visit Venice to participate in La Festa Veneziana (The Venice Carnival). The huge crowds render Venice to be the host to the biggest carnival celebration in Italy.

Other popular Carnevale in Italy take place in:

Viareggio, Tuscany: Here the celebration is mostly known for their magnificent papier mâché floats, meticulously engineered, and intended to ridicule important politicians and dignitaries. The float-makers invest an entire year of work prior to the Carnevale to have their creations ready! For this year, it is celebrated during February 4th-25th.

Acireale, Sicily: This celebration is described as one of Italy's most beautiful Carnevale. This is due to the wide-ranging intricacy of their flower floats and displays of lights. Ironically here the Carnevale originated as a ritual of throwing rotten eggs and lemons at the celebrants, until it was banned and replaced with the flower floats, poets and intricate flower displays. (February 4-21, 2023)

Ivrea, Piedmont: The Carnevale of Ivrea is the most unique in Italy. The honor is due to the yearly enactment of a huge orange battle between soldiers with helmets in carriages and the unprotected citizens in the streets. The battle is their last ritual, and it brings their

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Putignano, Puglia: The ancient town of Putignano, home of the trulli houses and interesting caves, hosts the oldest and longest Carnival celebration in the entire Italy. It lasts no less than two months. It originated on December 26, 1394 and the celebration starts on Santo Stefano, December 26th and ends on Fat Tuesday. From December 26th to January 17th, the celebration takes place every Thursday. After January 17th, the ritual becomes a daily occurrence, and it culminates with a funny and highly eccentric funeral procession to express their sadness for the end of their festivities. For this year, the main events are set for January 19th-February 21st.

Fano, Le Marche: This Carnevale is the sweetest Carnevale of them all. The masked jesters on the floats toss hundreds of pounds of sweets, candies and chocolates to the crowds below who come fully equipped with cones or other means to catch the treats! (February 5-19, 2023)

Cento, Emilia Romagna: Here the citizens of Cento "construct" a character, named Luigi Tasini to serve as their "king" during the Carnevale. At the end of the festival, Tasi is burned in a bonfire, his will is read aloud, and his imaginary possessions are given to the prominent citizen of town. (February 5-March 5, 2023)

Milan, Lombardy: The Milan celebration has little uniqueness of its own. The importance rests in its timing. Their last event is celebrated on the Saturday, after Fat Tuesday. Hence it is the very last Carnevale event celebration of the year throughout Italy. For this year, the last celebration is set for February 25th, Saturday after Ash Wednesday.

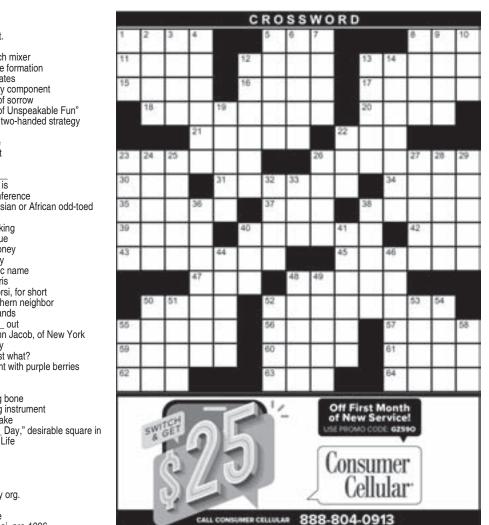
All over Italy, preparations for the Carnival take months and the props are often created by local families and businesses. The characters on the floats generally depict a vast bunch of politicians, fairy tales or spooky fictional characters. Each float has a unified story to tell. The parades generally follow an established route and are held mostly on weekends. In addition to the parades, contests for the best costume and the best float and special events for children are also featured. Most Carnevale culminate with a display of fireworks and for some with a sort of symbolic feature to mark the end of the event.

Additionally, all the Carnevale celebrations showcase an array of food. Yearly, an extensive variety of dishes are prepared, such as fried cheese-filled croquettes, or half-moon potatoes from the Friuli Venezia Giulia region, etc. Sweets and desserts are also welcomed. They include fried doughnut balls, sometimes filled with apples; rice or custard known as frittelle; castagnole or favette; etc. and the regions of Sardinia and Umbria serve fried Zeppole filled with custard, chocolate, or cream.

All in all, Carnevale is a symbolic celebration that represents a transition between the lavish lifestyle and the simple living of Lent in preparation for the Easter celebration.

The Italian American Alliance has a new Website www.theitalianamericanalliance.com

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Saint Paulus of Verdun

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Paulus was the son of a wealthy family — his name suggests that he was part of the old Gallo-Roman aristocracy. According to St Augustine Abbey's *Book of Saints*, Paulus is said to have been the brother of Saint Germanus of Paris.

Paulus became a hermit and spent time on Paulsberg across the Moselle Rive near Trier, in the Vosges mountains. Later he joined the monastery at Tholey in what is now Saarland. There he had charge of the school and is said to have become the second abbot. His tenure as abbot continued from 626 to 643.

Paulus was named the bishop of Verdun about 630 by King Dagobert I. According to his biography he was made bishop against his will due to the influence of one of his students. Reportedly, he found the diocese in a very poor financial state and was aided by gifts from a wealthy student named Adalgisel Grimo and a Frankish King.

After his death in the year 648, Paulus was buried in the church of St. Saturninus in Verdun, which he had built and which was later renamed St. Paulus after him. Paulus's



remains were later transferred to a new monastery that was founded by Bishop Viefrid from 970 to 973 and was dedicated to him. The abbey was destroyed and rebuilt several times, most recently in the 17th century. In 1790, during the French Revolution, a new church was being built. Both that and the 17th-century church were

destroyed. The 17th-century conventual buildings survived, and now accommodate the *palais de justice* of Verdun and the offices of the *sous-préfecture* of the Meuse.

The Abbey of Saint-Paul de Verdun was originally occupied by Benedictines. The feast day of Saint Paul of Verdun is February 8th.

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

The SS Dorchester



On February 3, 1943, the troop carrier *Dorchester* left New York harbor, bound for the Army Command Base in southern Greenland. The Dorchester was a coastal passenger steamship requisitioned and operated by the War Shipping Administration in January 1942 for wartime use as a troop ship. The *Dorchester* was one of six ships in a flotilla escorted by two U.S. Coast Guard Cutters

During the early morning hours of February 3, 1943, the *Dorchester* was torpedoed by a German submarine *U-223*. The damage was severe, boiler power was lost, and there was inadequate steam to sound the full 6-whistle signal to abandon ship, and *Dorchester* sank by the bow in about 20 minutes.

Loss of power prevented the crew from sending a radio distress signal, and no rockets or flares were launched to alert the escorts. A severe list prevented launch of some port side lifeboats, and some lifeboats capsized through overcrowding. Survivors in the water were so stiff from cold they could not even grasp the cargo nets on rescue vessels. The crew of *Escanaba* saved 133 men (one died later) and *Comanche* saved 97 men of the 904 aboard *Dorchester*. The sinking of *Dorchester* was the worst single loss of American personnel of any American convoy during World War II. When additional rescue ships arrived on February 4th, "hundreds of dead bodies were seen floating on the water, kept up by their life jackets."

Dorchester is best remembered today for the actions of four of the Army officers among the military personnel being transported overseas: the Four Chaplains who died because they gave up their life jackets to save others. These chaplains included Methodist minister George L. Fox, Reformed Church in America minister Clark V. Poling, Catholic Church priest John P. Washington, and Rabbi Alexander B. Goode. Congress established February 3rd as "Four Chaplains Day" to commemorate this act of heroism, and on July 14, 1960, created the Chaplain's Medal for Heroism, presented posthumously to the next of kin of each of the chaplains by Secretary of the Army Wilber M. Brucker at Fort Myer, Virginia on January 18, 1961.

In 1948, the U.S. Post Office issued a commemorative stamp in honor of the heroism and sacrifice of the chaplains. It was designed by Louis Schwimmer, the head of the Art Department of the New York branch of the Post Office. This stamp was highly unusual, because until 2011, U.S. stamps were not normally issued in honor of someone other than a President of the United States until at least ten years after his or her death.

The ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) $Valentine's \ Party$

The ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) held its Valentine's party on February 14th. The site served a delicious Chinese luncheon made possible by a donation from Sarah Garabedian, owner of Loft & Vine. Strada 234 organized a Valentine's drive for toiletries and gift cards, which the NE/WE NSC raffled off to guests. The room was packed with nearly 60 seniors sharing in the spirit of the day. Victor Brogna, NE/WE NSC Advisory Board member, serenaded the room with some traditional love songs. State Representative Aaron Michlewitz distributed chocolates for the seniors. The offices of City Councilor Kenzie Bok donated babka (sweet breads) and Senator Lydia Edwards and City Councilor Gabriela Coletta's offices brought cookies. Happy Valentine's Day!



A view of the crowd





Valentine's drive made possible by Strada 234

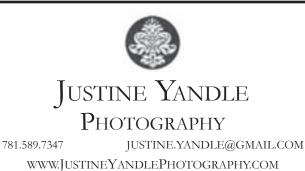


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NEAD is proud to sponsor events like this throughout the year. Please contact us at NorthEndAgainstDrugs@gmail. com with any suggestions about future events.











Keep Your Houseplants Safe from Cats

by Melinda Myers

Growing houseplants when curious cats are in the house can be challenging. We want our cats to be safe and happy while keeping our houseplants intact. You can accomplish both with a few simple strategies.

Boost indoor gardening success by selecting plants suited to your home's growing conditions and gardening style. Then be sure to remove any toxic plants to ensure your pet's safety. Consult with your veterinarian and visit the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) website for a list of pet-safe and toxic plants.

Create a list of all the plants you are growing. Include both common and botanical names for accurate identification. Do a bit of research on the care they need and their toxicity to your pets. If you suspect your pet has ingested a toxic plant, you'll have the proper plant name when contacting your veterinarian.

Match the pet-friendly plants you select to their preferred light conditions. An east- or

west-facing window provides enough light for most indoor plants. Keep those that need brighter light within two feet of a window. Those that prefer lower light can be grown near a north-facing window or up to six feet back or off to the side of an east- or west-facing window.

Keep toxic plants out of the reach of curious cats. This can be challenging if your cat is skilled at jumping and climbing. There are so many beautiful houseplants it may be safer to simply avoid those that are toxic.

Make your houseplants less appealing to your cat with the

smell of citrus. Spray a mixture of lemon, lime, or orange juice diluted with some water on the leaves of your plant. Or purchase one of the commercial



Cat grass kits are easy to grow and provide fresh, healthy wheatgrass, oat grass, and/or ryegrass for cats to nibble on instead of your plants.

(Photo courtesy of True Leaf Market)

mixes. If you don't want to spray your plants, place citrus peels in the pot.

Give your cat a pot of grass to nibble on and enjoy instead

of your houseplants. Most cat grass kits contain wheatgrass, oat grass, ryegrass, or a mixture of these. A pot of cat grass can help entertain your cat, provide fiber and some micronutrients, and aid in digestion.

There are several theories as to cats' attraction to greenery. One theory suggests plants were used to help them regurgitate undigested parts of their prev. Many cat owners find it also works for hairballs. Another theory suggests that greens provide vitamins and minerals, may promote health, and

aid in digestion.

Busy and new gardeners can successfully grow a pot of cat grass. Look for an easycare growing kit like True Leaf Market's Organic Self-Watering *Cat Grass Kit (trueleafmarket. com)*. You'll only need to fill the water reservoir twice a week and the container helps eliminate messes and spills that often happen with traditional pots.

Prevent curious cats from knocking over any of your plant containers with the help of mounting putty. A couple of pieces on the bottom of the pot will help reduce the risk of toppling.

Prevent cats from using indoor plants as litter boxes. Cover the soil surface with coarse mulch, like cork or large nugget mulch. If this is not an option, spray the soil surface with the citrus and water mix to help discourage digging.

Regular play can entertain your cat, help reduce stress, and even reduce plant nibbling. This is also good for your wellbeing and the beauty of your indoor plants.

Implement these strategies and you'll be able to help your cats and plants coexist in your home.

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by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



This is the week that I used to travel when I taught in the Boston Schools. The presidents' week vacation was something I looked forward to, to get away from everything. I would make sure I didn't play music the weekend before, that week or the weekend afterward. As a result, I was FREE and traveled to a vacation destination, year after year.

One year, I decided to spend that week in the Dominican Republic. I love the tropics, and if I was to ski, I'd rather it be water skiing in the tropics, not snow skiing in the mountains. I preferred palm trees, not pine trees. I spread the word around that I was heading for the D.R. and there were no takers. When I thought I would be traveling on my own, a new teacher on the faculty at Hyde Park High School approached me with his desire to join me. With passports in hand, on that last Friday before vacation week, we headed for New York, and then a direct flight to Santo Domingo.

My folks had never been there and couldn't give me any info about the island nation. Babbononno had never been there either, but offered to join me and see the sights. (He was 95 and heading for a nursing home.) I could only find a couple of people who had been there, but, got as much information on what to do from them as I could.

Our flight was delayed due to the weather in New York and we took off in the wee hours of the morning. When we arrived, the sun was just coming up in the Caribbean. The car I had rented was waiting for us from the Hertz kiosk at the airport and the map we received with the car pointed us to Boca Chica, the town I decided to stay in. My reason for not staying in Santo Domingo, the capital, is that you can't swim in the waters. They are shark infested and all the public beaches were outside the city. Boca Chica, a half hour ride from Santo Domingo, had a natural barrier reef that kept the sharks out and I wanted to do some diving without being eyed by a shark as a quick lunch.

My fellow traveler didn't speak Spanish and had to rely on me for everything which wasn't a problem. As we arrived in Boca Chica, I noticed that it was just a small town with one beach front hotel, one restaurant, a grocery store and a hair dressing parlor.

We checked in at the Hotel Hamaca and were told that the rooms I had booked were not available, but the entire top floor of the 4 story hotel, a penthouse, was ours if we didn't mind workmen painting one of the rooms during the day. We agreed and took over the penthouse.

The beach was perfect as were the accommodations. After checking in and changing, we immediately headed to the beach and began working on our tans, an endeavor occasionally interrupted by a swim or two. The only problem was, we were young and single and there was nothing to do in Boca Chica after the sun went down. This meant that we would have to head for Santo Domingo each night, a half hour from our location.

Beginning that first night, and for the rest of the week, we headed for the capital city after the sun set. We met some folks from New York who were staying at the hotel and didn't have a car. They joined us for our nightly escapades and we had fun. The couple were both Dominican and the man operated one of those long-gone going out of business junk stores in Times Square, New York. He and his wife spoke perfect English and my roommate, consequently, wasn't left out of the conversations.

That first night in Santo Domingo we headed for a recommended restaurant that was great. They were having a pig roast that night. A large pig was on a spit in the open window, spinning around. If you ordered a roast pig dinner, you could watch the waiter as he cut your portion from the pig in the window. When he added in a salad, beans and rice, ripe plantains and cold Dominican beer, the roast pig dinner turned into a feast.



Just as we were finishing our desserts, the waiter recommended a night club that was mostly for the locals, but he thought we might like it. The Maison De La Cava was actually a nightclub located in a subterranean cave just below a side street nearby. Once inside, I saw that it was a local crowd dancing the meringue, mambo, cha cha cha, and other Latin dances that were popular back in the day.

I saw two young ladies dancing with various men and asked one of them to dance. It turned out that she and her tablemate were airline flight attendants from San Juan, Puerto Rico, and both on vacation. The ironic part of it was that they were staying at the same hotel I had chosen in Boca Chica. They had actually taken a taxi to Santo Domingo all the way from Boca Chica. So, being a gentleman, I offered them a ride back. We were a little squashed in the car, but we made it back to our hotel.

Most of the guests at the hotel were Dominicans from other parts of the island nation. Many were young couples on their honeymoon. The Jamaican ambassador to the Dominican Republic was also vacationing for a few days and joined us each day. He must have gone to school in England, as he had a clipped Oxford accent. True to his profession, he even dressed with a suit and tie while at the pool or beach. In spite of his appearance, he was a fun guy and joined us on our nightly trips to the capital city, along with the two Puerto Rican flight attendants. If you add in the Dominican couple from New York, and a local police officer who took a shine to us, then you know that we had to come up with another car. Luckily, the hotel owner had a spare and let us use it nightly.

One of the evenings when we all headed for Santo Domingo, Angel, the Dominican from New York, asked if anyone would like to try their luck at the casino in the Hotel Ambajador. We voted and all headed there. I had never really played roulette and decided to try it. Beginner's luck was with me as, I don't know what I did, but made enough money to pay for the trip with lots left over for a good time and nice gifts for my folks and Babbononno.

When we returned to Boca Chica late that night, my travel mate and I headed for the pent house and a good night's sleep. Within a couple of minutes, he was knocking on my bedroom door, "Come and see what's going on in the jungle through my windows." I crossed to his side of the pent house, looked out the window toward the wooded area beyond the hotel's entrance, saw flickers of light from a camp fire, heard jungle drums beating out a hypnotic rhythm, and people chanting as if they were at Sunday Mass.

TO BE CONTINUED ...



Pastette or Pasterelle are classic Calabrian grandmother's soaking or milk biscuits. These rustic, fragrant milk biscuits with their cracked sugar crust and soft crumbly bite are a legacy of tradition. Typically dipped in milk and eaten for breakfast, they were prepared at home with few simple ingredients, then baked in a baker's wood-burning oven. Calabrian grandmother's soaking biscuits are incomparable with milk or when dipped in a cappuccino or latte for breakfast!

Most recipes for the dough of the Pastette or "Milk Biscuits" include flour, sugar, eggs, oil, vanilla and citrus. Some include milk and even baker's ammonia as a leavening agent. The recipe I am sharing is from my own Nonna and it's one of my personal favorites. My "Nonna's Calabrian Milk Biscuits" are delicious when made thick or thin and perfect for breakfast or even a midmorning snack!

NONNA'S CALABRIAN MILK BISCUITS Pastette or Pasterelle



4 eggs

¾ cup granulated sugar $^{3}\!/_{\!4}$ cup seed or vegetable oil 1 packet Paneangeli Lievito Pane Degli Angeli (can substitute 2 1/4 teaspoons baking powder)

3 teaspoons pure vanilla

1 organic lemon, zested 4 to 4 1/4 cups all-purpose flour (½ cup for sprinkling on dough board for kneading) 3 tablespoons granulated

sugar for sprinkling 1/4 cup milk for brushing biscuits

Preheat the oven to 375°. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, beat eggs, sugar, oil, vanilla, lemon zest and leavening agent, until fluffy. Gradually sift in flour and mix until dough forms.

On a dough board, sprinkle ¼ cup flour and place dough over it, knead until smooth. If dough is too sticky, add more flour, only a tablespoon at a time. Cut dough in half and if making thin biscuits, roll out to 1/4 inch thick and cut out whatever shape you'd like. If making thicker biscuits, take cookie scoops of dough and roll into logs. Place biscuits, thick or thin, on prepared baking sheets spaced apart (they tend to rise). Take a fork and make lines across each biscuit, brush with milk and sprinkle with sugar. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes (depending upon the thickness of the biscuit and oven) or until light golden colored. Enjoy!

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



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THOUGHTS BY DAN ABOUT THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso

Visions of America: British Writers Reflect

America, the colony their countrymen lost, was a land of wonder for many English writers and, for those who could make it over the Atlantic; a visit was a rite of passage throughout the 19th century into the early 1900s.

At best, most left with conflicting views of the republic and their own takes have since been scrutinized as reflections of their own biases or a limited understanding of a nation forming. Perhaps the most shocking came from Charles Dickens after his 1842 trip which brought him from New York down the Eastern seaboard and then as far as Illinois. His trip from January to June produced American Notes for General Circulation (a likely jab at the U.S. dollar), a travelogue detailing his journey and his thoughts, and a strange passage in the middle of his Martin Chuzzlewit set in America.

Dickens had long idealized the new world as stripped of the classism and control from royalty. He ended the last issue of his literary journal *Master Humphrey's Clock* talking excitedly about his upcoming journey to the land of his dreams.

To be sure, Dickens found things to admire once in America. He fell in love with Boston, deeming it an ideal the rest of the country should aspire to, and was fascinated by the works being done at the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts Asylum for the Blind.

It is no hyperbole, however, to consider the rest of his visit a nightmare. On certain issues he cannot be blamed. A nation he had long idolized as a land of freedom had not yet undone the shackles of slavery. So horrified was Dickens at the institution that he initially refused to speak south of the Mason-Dixie line, changing his mind only after being won over by persuasive Southern charm.

On other issues, however, Dickens demonstrates either a lack of understanding of international laws or the biases of a Victorian gentleman against the free-spirit of a developing nation as it was pushing westward.

Dickens's first real quarrel was with United States copyright laws, or lack thereof. In the end, it was how well received his work and himself as a person had become in the United States that repelled Dickens. His work had become so popular across the pond from his homeland that, due to technicalities in international copyright laws, unauthorized editions of his works were being circulated. Enraged, Dickens went on the war path throughout the cities he visited calling for tighter copyright laws.

This was only one aspect of fandom that dismayed Dickens. Though initially flattered, he eventually became suffocated by the idolatry bestowed upon him by the masses and the unrelenting attention. This was an early critique of the culture of celebrity but it also, for Dickens, wandered into condemnations of materialism and over consumption.

To Dickens these problems were inescapable aspects of individualism which led to violence and corruption, which became increasingly apparent to him as he charted toward the as yet unsettled prairies and Mid-Western woodlands were the law was limited and sanitation was unchecked.

There was validity to a lot of what Dickens would observe but there was also an obtuse understanding of a nation in growth, in which expansion (territorial and technological) were part of the national pride and identity. In a sense, the very thing that Dickens believed were America's virtues were precisely what repelled him.

Perhaps it was a combination of two belligerencies, an author visiting without separating idealization with reality and a nation still finding its way. Be that as it may, on his second visit in 1868, with slavery abolished, copyright laws changed and the areas west of the Mississippi significantly more developed, Dickens left with a much higher appreciation for America.

Toward the latter half of the 19th century more English writers both visited and even lived in the United States for a brief period of time and the responses were more nuanced. After leaving India, Rudyard Kipling settled for some time in Vermont, an area he grew to love and in which he wrote some of his most famous works. H.G. Wells also took up residence in the States and remained neutral.

By the first decade of the 20th century, America had changed and changed rapidly, with population booms (due to the mass wave of immigration), urbanization transformed the landscape and the connections within the landscape and it was indeed becoming a nation of many tongues and high energy by the time Henry James began writing The American Scene. James is an interesting case as he was born in New York but had spent the majority of his life in Europe before settling in England in 1898. The writings that would become The American Scene when published in book form in 1907, were written during his 10 month visit of his home country spanning 1904-5 after living abroad for twenty-five

Obviously, in that span of time James was destined to find a very different country than he had left, New York City alone becoming a hodgepodge of cultures and ethnicities. Due to the new ease of travel, James was able to visit a lot more of the country than Dickens was, ending his trip once he made it across the country to Los Angeles. The American Scene, however, covered only his stay in the east. A planned second volume covering his wanderings to the Golden Coast was never completed.

James's memories of his American boyhood may have been as much a hinderance to his objectivity as Dickens's idealization. Perhaps seeing so,



his brother William, who had now settled by New Hampshire's White Mountains, warned James against the trip when he got word of it. Nonetheless, James was undeterred and his brother's home by Chocorua was to be the start of his trip.

The American Scene can be a slog to read, but it is an intriguing take sparking varied responses. James himself seems conflicted and even in contradiction about how he found his homeland, a sentiment undoubtedly changed by the life he created for himself

He waxed romantically about fall in New England and unexpectedly had a very pleasant time in Baltimore but New York, as the epicenter of the changing country, shocked him, as did parts of New England.

His visit to Charleston opened his eyes to the "feminization" of the South after the war and wondered what the legacy of the former Confederate States would be as they tried to find themselves again. Identity became the core point of contention in the Northeast as well. Two experiences recounted show the impression the changing face of the eastern cities had on him, one involved attending a theater production in which a group of foreigners joins him in the audience in which he laments not only their manner of consuming candy but how cheaply it is dispersed once in America when in their country it is surely a luxury. The criticism here seems to be not so much about the foreign custom but about the materialism and devaluing of goods that happen when the American mindset is taken on.

On the next instance, while looking for the famed House of the Seven Gables in Salem, James asks an Italian national for directions to the landmark only to be answered with confusion. At first James is put off by the ignorance but, not unlike his encounter in the theater, he expresses it as an American rather than Italian problem. Having visited Italy extensively, James reveled in its art and passion for culture, concluding with the question, then, of what happens to Italians (and other immigrants) when once in America.

James perhaps was blinded by his own experiences in Europe, coming from an affluent New York family and being able to traverse Europe before building a literary life in England. There is also a distinction to be made between an established artist visiting America and immigrants arriving here with little mastery of the language to build a better life.

America has remained a curious place for many artists. Not surprisingly, for a nation of so many cultures, tongues, aspects opinions are seldom neutral and even less seldom unconflicted. But its this very enigmatic nature of our land that keeps it a point of fascination for brilliant minds.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

A STORY ABOUT REMEMBERING FIREFIGHTERS

Recently, friend and coworker Lindsey Higgins decided to run the 127th Boston Marathon to raise funds for the Last Foundation, which does great work and is a cause close to her heart.

She is the granddaughter of a Boston fire captain, the daughter of a Boston firefighter, and the sister of a Quincy fire lieutenant. If you would like to donate to her funding effort, go on GivenGain and honor Michael Kennedy and Eddie Wash, Jr.

ARE THE SKIDS ALREADY GREASED?

NY Post columnist Michael Goodwin receives many letters responding to something he wrote about. The latest opine to him came from a reader named John Crowley who wrote, "Most of us have no faith that they (Biden & family) will ever be punished for their actions. The skids are greased and all the noise produced by the Republicans is the equivalent of Abe Simpson screaming at the clouds."

IMAGINE SURVIVING TWO MASS SHOOTINGS

Some students who survived the massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School or Oxford High School were faced once

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TOYOTA RAV4 VIN # 2T3BFREVXEW219437

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> Signed Todisco Services, Inc. 02/24, 03/03, 03/10/2023

again with another act of violence that took place last week at Michigan State University.

One young co-ed, Jackie Matthews, is a senior at MSU where three were killed and five others wounded on February 13th. She told a news reporter that she had been a student at Sandy Hook where 20 students and 6 teachers were gunned down on December 14, 2012.

I can't even imagine how a student would feel if he or she found themselves in the middle of a mass shooting at school for the second time?

RAYLA CAMPBELL HOSTS 2-DAY MASSACHUSETTS CITIZEN FREEDOM FORUM



Rayla Campbell with Sal Giarratani at the Hampton Inn in Revere

On the weekend of February 4th-5th, Rayla Campbell hosted and moderated a two-day event, the Massachusetts Citizen Freedom Forum. At the Saturday session, February 4th, held at MIXX360 Nightlife in Malden, and on Sunday, this conference continued at Hampton Inn Boston - Logan in Revere.

Some 200 people attended this event at either one or both sites. There were plenty of speakers on both days in-person and on zoom. Topics discussed included grassroots training, legal advice, networking tools, etc. A number of elected officials and candidates came together with attendees to discuss election integrity, medical rights, parental rights, constitutional rights, and the impact citizens can make on their communities on laws and individual rights.

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

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Docket No. MI23P0571EA

Estate of

MARY MEHRE7

MARY MEHREZ
Also Known As
MARY P. MEHREZ

Date of Death: December 25, 2022

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above cap

O. Mehrez of Newtonville, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

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Robert O. Mehrez of Newtonville, 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: 02/24/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

TO: ANY UNKNOWN BIRTHFATHER

You have been identified as the biological father of Baby Girl born on November 6. 2022 in Henry County, Georgia. The natural and legal mother of the child has surrendered her parental rights and custody to the child to Covenant Care Services, Inc. for adoption. If you have any interest in the child, please contact Covenant Care Services, Inc., 3950 Ridge Avenue, Macon, Georgia 31210, (478) 475-4990 or toll free 1-800-226-5683. If you do not file a response to this Petition with the Court within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this notice and provide a copy to me as attorney for Covenant Care Services, Inc., you will lose all rights you may have in and to the child and you will neither receive notice nor be entitled to object to the adoption of the child, pursuant to Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

NOTICE OF HEARING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that counsel of record for Covenant Care Services. Inc. will bring its Petition to Terminate on for hearing before the Superior Court of Bibb County. Bibb County Courthouse, 601 Mulberry Street Macon, Georgia, at 12:00 NOON ON MONDAY APRIL 17, 2023. THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE OF SAID HEARING.

H.J. STRICKLAND, JR. Georgia Bar No. 004450 Attorney for Covenant Care Services, Inc. 435 Second Street, P.O. Box 6437 Macon, Georgia 31208-6437 (478) 745-2821 Run dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0376EA Estate of

SUSAN LOCKHART Date of Death: August 22, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Neil Levine of Cambridge, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Neil Levine of Cambridge, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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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The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801

Date of Death: December 23, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

tioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner John

John Cullinane of Foxborough. MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI21P1154EA

Estate of FRANCIS I. BUROKAS Date of Death: January 11, 2021 **CITATION ON PETITION** FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Laureen Guariglia of Newton, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, a determination of testacy and heirs at law and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition. 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 March 15, 2023.

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. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 15, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 02/24/2023

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Docket No. MI23P0838EA Estate of

ROBERT M. CULLINANE

To all persons interested in the above cap-Cullinane of Foxborough, MA.

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court **Lowell Justice Center** 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor Lowell, MA 01852 (978) 656-7700

Docket No. MI23P0666EA

Estate of MICHAEL CALIENDO Also Known As MICHAEL P. CALIENDO

Date of Death: September 18, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

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

Ellen J. Caliendo of Natick, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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: 02/24/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

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

Docket No. MI22D3539DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING GERRY BLANC DUME** aka GERRY YVETTE BLANC

JEAN O. DUME To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B.

The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Gerry Blanc Dume. Gerry Yvette Blanc, 7 Temple Street, Cambridge, MA 02139, your answer, if any, on or before March 21, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 07, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 02/24/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court - North **Lowell Justice Center** 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor Lowell, MA 01852 (978) 656-7700

> Docket No. MI21D3954DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** NORMA IRIS TORRES ROSADO WILLIAM GONZALEZ ROJAS

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown.

The Complaint is on file at the Court. An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Norma I. Torres Rosado, 22 Watson Place, Framingham, MA 01701, your answer, if any, on or before March 30, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 16, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 02/24/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. MI23P0717EA

Estate of **RUI SANTOS** Also Known As **RUI SANTOS**

Date of Death: January 24, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jessica Santos of East Boston, MA 02128.

Jessica Santos of East Boston, MA 02128 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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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani

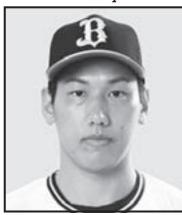


MLB Extra Inning "Runner on Second Base" to Stay for 2023 Season

Baseball fans opposed to MLB's extra inning experiment over the past three years are going have to make an apparent long-term adjustment. The league's Joint Competition Committee has met and concluded that it will keep the rule where a runner starts at second base for each inning, starting in the 10^{th} inning for 2023 and beyond.

Teams and pitchers reportedly seem to approve of it. Major League Commissioner Rob Manfred said that clubs like it, pitchers like it, and most fans seem to like it, too.

> Yoshida Arrives Early to Camp



The Red Sox are already working out in Ft. Meyers at Fenway South, including Boston's newest left fielder Masataka Yoshida who's playing catch and conditioning with his coach Klyoshi Momose from Japan.

Yoshida signed a 5-year, \$90 million contract in December,

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114

(617) 788-8300

Docket No. SU23P0342EA Estate of **EDWARD WIGGLESWORTH GREW, III** Also Known As EDWARD W. GREW, III

Date of Death: August 07, 2022 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will has been filed by Edward A. Brown of Augusta. ME requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Edward A** Brown of Augusta, ME be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in 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 March 29, 2023.

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 appear ance 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. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court

Date: February 15, 2023 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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and will be returning to Japan in March to prepare for the World Baseball Classic. Depending on how Japan advances, he could be gone until March 22nd.

Interesting side note, this young outfielder's jersey has a big Number 7 on it. As an aging baby boomer, the only other Red Sox player I remembered with this number was the one and only Dick Stuart, who played first base so badly at times, he was nicknamed "Stonefingers" or "Dr. Strangeglove." He was a slugger with Boston for 2 seasons (1963-64), hitting 75 home runs during his stay.

Great Piece by Gabrielle Starr

One of Boston's newest baseball writers is none other than Gabrielle Starr over at the Boston Herald sports desk. Recently, she penned a great article on the WooSox. The Red Sox Triple A team announced several new amenities and improvements including installing heaters for the cooler months at Polar Park, their new home in Worcester since April 2021, after decades as the PawSox in Pawtucket, RI.

She also pointed out that in their second season, they welcomed approximately 547,000 fans into the new park. Despite being barely over .500 last season, they averaged 7,493 fans and had 42 sold out contests at home.

Last season, every Tuesday home game, you received three tacos and a margarita for \$12. You don't want to know what \$12 gets you at Fenway Park. I've been there, I know and it ain't pretty.

Starr is right, the WooSox is quite the experience, and affordable. The WooSox ownership isn't sitting on its laurels. As the ending to her commentary states, "It's easy to get people to come at the beginning of something new and exciting but they need a reason to keep coming. Otherwise, they'll move on. Imagine if every team, both major and minor, kept building like the WooSox have."

LEGAL NOTICE

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> Estate of DORIS ANNE FLYNN Also Known As DORIS A. FLYNN

Docket No. MI23P0890EA

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner James W. Flynn of Medford, MA, a Will has been

Date of Death: December 31, 2022

admitted to informal probate. James W. Flvnn of Medford, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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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CELEBRITIES

AT RINGSIDE



Mickey Rooney and Ralph Bellamy at the Fights in Los Angeles



Gregory Peck and his wife Greta take in Mills vs. Maxim in London



George Bernard Shaw attends a Primo Carnera Fight in 1929



Jack Oakie (with cigar) Ringside for the Second Louis/Conn Fight



Ava Gardner and Frank Sinatra at the Joe Louis vs. Ezzard Charles Fight



Ernest Hemingway and his wife Mary at the First Basilio/Robinson Bout



Joan Blondell and Mike Todd enjoying the Second Louis/Walcott Fight



HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

A PRESIDENTIAL PACKAGE OF POSITIVE PERFORMANCES — That is one way to describe the Presidents' Day Weekend that saw the Bruins continue their winning ways with two impressive victories at the Garden.

Following triumphs over the New York Islanders and the Ottawa Senators, the B's left town for a four-game road swing. The next home game is March 2nd against Buffalo.

The pile of points in the bank continued to increase, the Bruins having amassed 91 points, the highest through 56 games in team history. Goalie Linus Ullmark picked up both victories to increase his record to 29-4-1 while leading the league with a fine 1.88 goals against average. The team also continued to lead the entire NHL in two important categories: most goals scored (210) and fewest goals allowed (118).

Against the Senators, David Pastrnak scored his 40th and 41st goals of the season, leaving him just one behind league leader Connor McDavid of Edmonton.

SOME 43 YEARS LATER MEMORIES OF A TEAM AND A SKATER — It was 43 years ago (February 24, 1980) that the United States hockey team won the gold medal in the Winter Olympics at Lake Placid, N.Y.

The game with Finland for the gold seemed almost an anticlimax to many, coming just two days after Team USA's historic 4-3 upset victory over the Soviet Union. That semifinal game, known as the Miracle on Ice, started at 5:00 p.m. on a Friday and was not televised live, with a potential audience of millions thus missing out on the action. The arena was filled to capacity with only 8,500 witnessing the game in person.

The winning of the gold medal brought a victorious conclusion to the path of victory devised by Coach Herb Brooks, who had previously led the University of Minnesota to three NCAA Division One national championships.

Brooks selected the players during a summer camp in 1979, and then forged them into a cohesive team through a demanding schedule of exhibition games. It ended with an exhibition loss in New York City to the same Soviet team that the U.S. would defeat about two weeks later in the Olympics.

Team USA was successful in the early going at the Olympic Tournament. That led to the momentous moment when a group of amateurs from the United States faced off against the Soviets in the medal round.

The team representing the USSR (the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) was essentially a professional one in all but name, with several of the players having played together for years as members of the Red Army team. In addition to the skaters, the Soviets had the world's best goalie (Vladislav Tretiak) and one of the world's top coaches (Viktor Tikhonov). Many observers felt that if the USSR team had been allowed to compete in the Stanley Cup Playoffs, it would have captured the trophy several times.

But on that particular night in 1980, the outcome would be different. From Coach Brooks' immortal words during his pre-game speech, ("You were meant to be here. This moment is yours.") To the opening faceoff to the final seconds, the Soviets knew they were in a game.

Team USA was every bit their equal, even though the Soviets did take a 3-2 lead before the Americans came back to score a pair of third period goals for the 4-3 victory. And the Soviets did indeed commit what many considered a tactical mistake. They replaced Tretiak in goal with his backup after the first period ended in a 2-2 tie. It was a move that would always be questioned since Team USA came from behind in the third period to win the game.

Although almost forgotten now, Team USA actually fell behind against Finland in the gold medal game two days later before scoring two goals for a 4-2 win.

Yet, for all the excitement and memorable moments generated by Team USA in those Olympics, another spectacular feat has been basically forgotten by the passage of time.

In the 1980 Winter Olympics the U.S. won six gold medals. The hockey team won one. But one single spectacular athlete won the other five.

That athlete was Eric Heiden. He hailed from Madison, Wisconsin and competed in all five speed skating events, winning every one. He finished first in the 500 meter, 1,000 meter, 1,500 meter, 5,000 meter, and 10,000 meter races, capturing the gold each time.

In each event he competed against specialists who had trained for that specific event. Heiden competed in every event but most did not, especially the grueling 10,000 meter capstone event, a 6.2 mile aerobic test that was only for the fittest of

Heiden set a world record in that event, a glittering finale to his performances at the games where he set Olympic records in the other four events. As an individual he won more gold medals than every nation except two - the USSR with ten and East Germany with nine.

He is the only speed skater to have won all five events in a single Olympics and the only one to have won a gold medal in all five events — even when $% \left(-\right) =\left(-\right) \left(-\right) \left$ counting skaters that competed in multiple Olympics.

Heiden retired from speed skating at age 21 and chose not to pursue offers of endorsement opportunities, indicating he preferred a low-key lifestyle.

He did go on to a higher goal, becoming a physician. He graduated from Stanford Medical School and went on to become an orthopedic specialist. He became a team physician for the NBA Sacramento Kings and the WNBA Sacramento Monarchs. He was also the team physician for the U.S. speed skating team at the 2002, 2006, 2010, and 2014 Winter Olympics. He now is in private practice in Utah. On June 14th Eric Heiden will become a senior citizen when he celebrates his 65th birthday.



Clark Gable at the First Louis vs. Conn Fight