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L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore A Week of Spring Holidays by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz Spring has blossomed all to honor the renew

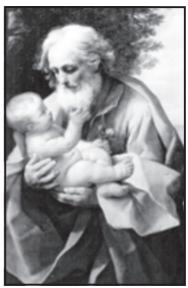
around us! Yes, I groaned about losing an hour of sleep because of Daylight Savings this past weekend, but then instantly forgot my misgivings when lovely streaks of butter-pale sunlight poured in through the windows at 6:30 in the evening. In front of my workplace, I noticed strong yet tender shoots of thick green stems peeking out above the damp soil, ready to burst into golden daffodils in a few weeks. The temperature has gotten warmer, and the balmy breezes of mid-March beckon me outside, calling me to enjoy the days of late sunshine and new life. We are definitely in the throes spring, no matter what sort of unpredictable weather may follow. This arrival of the springtime has instilled in me a spring fever, a desire to revel in the vege-tation and brightness surrounding me. I know that my excitement

has roots in ancient times,

when peoples all around

the world celebrated spring

with holidays that gave



St. Joseph

a proper welcome to the season and sought to thank Mother Earth. This upcoming week, in particular, is filled with three wonderful spring holidays that emphasize the rebirth of nature in our world. St. Patrick's Day falls on March 17th, quickly followed by St. Joseph's Day on the 19th and the spring equinox on the 20th. Collectively, these feasts instill in us a desire for joy and celebration

to honor the renewal of springtime.

It is hard to miss any signs of St. Patrick's Day in Boston, due to the city's proud Irish-American culture and its love for this festive celebration. All around my town I see houses decorated with grinning leprechauns, Irish flags, and glittering shamrocks like the ones adorning the wreath on my own door. As I do with most holidays, I honor St. Patrick's Day with food — a delicious soda bread studded with caraway seeds, a pasta dish made with Dubliner cheese and stout, a salad of spring greens mixed with glazed pecans, beets and goat cheese. My father-in-law even makes a traditional boiled dinner replete with soft and tender carrots, turnips, and parsnips. However, St. Patrick's Day is so much more than the gastronomical treats that have come to symbolize this festival. It is a day in honor of St. Patrick, or San Patrizio in Italian, a Roman-British man who was at first

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Happy

St. Patrick's Day

from the

Post-Gazette

Even Democrats Turned on Cop-killer's Lawyer Advocate

It is always nice to see Democrats turn on President Obama, as seven Democrats did last week when a majority in the U.S. Senate said NO to the president's nominee to lead the Civil Rights Division inside the U.S. Justice Department.

This is the second time the president has failed to nominate NAACP lawyer Debo Adegbile. In 2011, Obama nominated him for a federal judgeship and when he realized it wasn't going to fly, withdrew his name

In November, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid changed the filibuster rules and Obama brought his nominee lawyer back again. In February, the Senate Judiciary Committee rubber-stamped the nominee and his confirmation appeared a nobrainer. However, on a very recent full Senate floor vote enough Democrats joined the Republicans in handing Obama a rare defeat in the Democrat-controlled Senate.

The NAACP lawyer lost another federal position, mostly due to Black Panther Mumia Abu-Jamal, who was convicted decades ago of killing a Philadelphia police officer in cold blood. Attorney Debo Adegbile has been a longtime supporter of this convicted cop killer.

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North End Youth on BC High's Award-Winning Robotics Team



BC High boys celebrate victory.

Michael Laposata of the North End, a sophomore member of Boston College High School's FIRST Robotics team, traveled to Nashua, N.H. on March 1st to compete in the Granite State District event against 38 other New England Robotics teams.

FIRST stands for Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology, a program developed to promote science and technology to today's youth.

The BC High team named their Robot FRC 3958, "Schrodinger's Cat." Laposata

and his teammates spent nearly six weeks designing and building the Cat.

After a day of fierce battle, team spirit and camaraderie, Team 3958 was overjoyed when the judges announced that the BC High team won the Imagery Award. This award is selected by the judges for attractiveness in engineering and outstanding visual aesthetic integration from the machine to team appearance.

Boston College High School is a Jesuit Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades seven to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,600 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more information, visit http://www.bchigh.edu.

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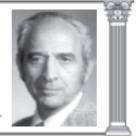
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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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THE FIRST TRIUMVIRATE

(chief magistrate) in 59 A.D. and shortly thereafter entered into a coalition with Pompey (an army general) and with Crassus (a wealthy real estate dealer). This coalition became known as the First Triumvirate and its ties were further strengthened by the marriage of Caesar's daughter Julia to Pompey. The jealous Pompey soon attempted to check the increasing power of Julius through much political intrigue. He succeeded in obtaining a decree from the Senate that Caesar should disband his army by a certain date or be considered a public enemy. With the strength and speed characteristics of all his earlier military campaigns, Caesar assembled his legions which were still in Cisalpine Gaul, crossed the River Rubicon and within three months was master of all of Italy.

Caesar then set out for Spain where he soon dispersed the forces of Pompey and then later defeated Pompey's superior army in Greece by his excellent generalship and courage.

Caesar became a consul Pompey fled to Egypt where he was soon murdered by unknown assassins. Caesar arrived in Egypt in time to settle a disturbance known as the Alexandrine War and then placed Cleopatra on the throne.

> Later he proceeded to Pontus (city on the Black Sea) which at that time was called Cappadocia and ruled by forces opposed to Rome. He defeated Pharnaces and this is when he sent his famous dispatch to Rome, "Veni, vidi, vici," I came, I saw, I conquered. Caesar then returned to Rome where his supremacy was no longer disputed.

> During the ensuing months he exercised the full scope of his civil administration. All of his projects were characterized by the highest order of statesmanship. Meanwhile, Crassus the third member of the Triumvirate became very wealthy through his association with Caesar. He also trained a group of slaves as firefighters. Fires of suspicious origin would often occur in very desirable pieces of property. Crassus

usually appeared on the scene very quickly to offer sympathy to the grieving landlord and also to offer a pittance for the purchase of the burning property. If the offer was refused, then the firefighters usually milled around to hamper all firefighting efforts. If the offer was accepted, then the fire was quickly extinguished and the property repaired. Older structures standing on valuable land were usually permitted to completely burn down and Crassus would then bring in a team of trained builders who had a good income producing structure on the site in record time. He was then handsomely rewarded for his sympathy and capital outlay.

It was said that his fame spread faster than his flame. Crassus was captured while leading an army against the Parthians, and because he had such a great love for wealth, they put him to death by pouring molten gold down his throat. This was known as getting your teeth filled the hard way.

> **NEXT ISSUE:** Imperator Julius Caesar

Res Publica

by David Trumbull



One Party Rule in Massachusetts

With President Barack Obama's approval rating at 41%, the lowest ever, and the latest polling showing a majority of Americans favoring Republican control of congress, this November's election looks to be a good one for Republicans nationally. Add to that the latest news from Tampa, in what many considered a referendum on Obamacare, there was a special election in Florida Tuesday to fill a vacancy in the U.S. House of Representatives — Republican David Jolly defeated Democrat Alex Sink. Jolly, considered the underdog throughout the race, campaigned for repeal of Obamacare, and that was enough to assure a GOP victory.

What will the 114th Congress which convenes on January 3, 2015, bring us? An increased Republican majority in the House? Certainly. Currently there are 233 Republicans and 199 Democrats. More Republicans in the Senate? Certainly. Currently 45 out of the 100 senators are Republican. A Republican majority in the Senate? Possible. Republicans need a net gain of six seats. The good news for Republicans is that many of the seats that up for election this year (every two years one-third of the senators are up for election) are in states that are somewhat more favorable to Republicans than to Democrats.

Yes, 2014 will be a good year for Republicans nationally. So what about here in Massachusetts? Is Boston Magazine correct in its headline "There's Little Hope for Republican Gains in Massachusetts?" The article is by former Boston Phoenix reporter David Bernstein, one of the best observers of Bay State politics and, his own liberal views notwithstanding, one of the few members of the mainstream media in Massachusetts who actually pays attention to, and reports on, the state of the GOP.

Why is the outlook so poor for the Republican Party in Massachusetts? The answer is simple. Years — nay, decades - of the party establishment fighting fairly and unfairly against the party activists has left a shell of a party with no substance. There's a good donor base that pays the bills, keeps the party office open, and finances the high profile races. But behind that, there is not much of a political party. Most legislative seats go uncontested, and what candidates the party has for the legislature are, mostly inexperience, under-funded, and unsupported by the party which directs all resources toward a few favored candidates.

It is difficult to say what, if anything, the Massachusetts Republican Party stands for. One might think that the Party Platform (from which I quoted last week) would be a guide. However, Kristen Hughes, chairman of the Massachusetts Republican Party, was quoted in the online edition of the Springfield Republican newspaper as bashing her own party's platform. Candidates Charlie Baker and Richard Tisei, often cited as the GOP's rising stars are both actively opposed to the party platform adopted by the State Committee. The Republican establishment is solidly behind Baker who, again, is running for Governor, a race he lost in 2010, and behind Tisei, who is, again, running for the congressional seat he failed to win 2012.

Yeah, Baker and Tisei, what a great idea, because, what? They that worked so well in the past. Resign yourself to more years of one-party rule in Massachusetts.

Dan Ryan on the Way to the State House Soon

by Sal Giarratani



Dan Ryan (center) with Brown Jug owners Chery and Michael Matriako. Chery, by the way, is a Visconti from the North End. The Brown Jug is now 25 years old and later this summer will be celebrating its fourth anniversary at its plaza site.

the Second Suffolk House over his two opponents

Dan Ryan's campaign for great victory, almost 2-1, seat ended up being a in the March 4th Special Pri-

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ESTABLISHED IN 1938 CELEBRATING 76 YEARS IN BUSINESS mary to replace former Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty, who resigned to take a top post in Marty Walsh's mayoral administration. The general election for this House seat will take place on Tuesday, April 1st, and with no Republican challenger on the ballot, Ryan will become the first Charlestown resident to hold this Charlestown/Chelsea seat since 35 years ago when Jimmy Collins occupied the

Ryan carried nearly 80 percent of the Charlestown vote and received a decent Chelsea vote, too. He is well-known in both areas after years of working out of U.S. Representative Michael Capuano's District Office.

One of his final Chelsea events took place over at the Brown Jug in the Parkway Plaza in Chelsea on Wednesday, March 26th. The place was packed with many Chelsea folks, including members of the Chelsea Fire Department and a number of Chelsea politicians, including Chelsea School Committeeman Carlos Rodriguez, who is also my friend.

Also present that night was another election winner, RoseLee Vincent, who finished first in the $16^{\rm th}$ Suffolk District fight. She won the mostly Chelsea/ Revere seat by a 2-1 margin and will face Republican Todd Taylor in the April 1st final election.

A Spring Fling

Nunzio DiMarca Productions presents A Spring Fling with Enzo Amara on Saturday, March 22, 2014 from 7:00-11:00 pm at the Methuen Sons of Italy, 459 Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA.

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Marilyn Riseman

arilyn Riseman, 86, passed away at her home in Beacon Hill.

A part of Boston's Socially Set for over four decades. Marilyn attended many of Boston's, fashion shows, cultural events and society events in the city.

In the 1960s Marilyn opened one of the first haute couture boutiques on Newbury Street, which was Apogee, designed by her artist/



architect husband William Riseman. She also worked for many years as a party-planner, organizing elegant events, weddings and bar mitzvahs — usually at the old Ritz-Carlton.

She hosted fashion events at the Colonnade Hotel where she was a strong supporter of young, local

Marilyn was once cast as an extra in the made-in-Boston flick "Pink Panther Deux," playing — of course a society woman.

Born Marilyn Sagansky, Riseman's father was the legendary Harry "Doc" Sagansky. She grew up in Roxbury and Brookline.

Marilyn is survived by her daughter, Marcy Prager of Chestnut Hill; three brothers, Robert Sage of Newton, Burton Sage of Concord, and Norman Sagansky of France; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Services were held at Temple Israel of Boston

Remembrances in her memory may be made to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, 330 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215 or MSPCA, 350 South Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02130.

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Charlestown's Toni Pollak Retires

After Record-setting Service to City of Boston

Charlestown's Antonia M. Pollak officially retired on February 28th after 11+ years as Boston's longest-serving Parks Commissioner, the second woman to ever fill the post.

"Toni Pollak's accomplishments are evident in all of our city parks as well as the programs and events that will continue well after her retirement from the Boston Parks and Recreation Department," noted Mayor Martin J. Walsh. "On behalf of all of our city's residents and visitors, I thank her not only for her service as Parks Commissioner but for her dedication and hard work since joining the City of Boston in 1995."

Ms. Pollak was appointed Parks Commissioner by former Mayor Thomas M. Menino in April of 2004 after serving as Acting Commissioner for the Parks Department following the untimely passing of her esteemed predecessor and Boston's first female Parks Commissioner, Justine M. Liff, in the fall of

Ms. Pollak, during her tenure, oversaw \$110 million in capital investment in over 148 parks and improved playgrounds, athletic facilities, natural areas, and historic landscapes in all of Boston's neighborhoods. In addition, she was responsible for guiding and permitting programming in city parks that included such highlights as ParkARTS events and workshops, Shakespeare on the Common, Wednesday Night Concerts on City Hall Plaza, holiday celebrations including the annual Boston Common Tree Lighting, and the Mayor's Garden Contest and Neighborhood Coffee

Ms. Pollak oversaw 2,200 acres of open space in Boston and 225 employees in the Maintenance, Design and Construction, Urban Wilds, Cemeteries, Historic Burying Grounds, Park Rangers, Finance, Permitting, Personnel, and Marketing divisions.



Boston Parks Commissioner Antonia Pollak (center) was the guest of honor at a "thank you" celebration hosted by the Boston Park Advocates at the Fairmount Copley Plaza Hotel on February 26th. Congratulating Ms. Pollak on her retirement after leading the Boston Parks and Recreation Department for 11 years — the longest of any Parks Commissioner in the city's history — are, left to right: Julie Crockford of the Emerald Necklace Conservancy, Liz Vizza of the Friends of the Public Garden, Christine Poff of the Franklin Park Coalition and Valerie Burns of Boston Natural Areas Network.

(Photo by Roger Farrington)

The open space locations under her jurisdiction were comprised of parks, playgrounds, squares, tot lots, cemeteries, urban wilds, and traffic islands, as well as the city's street trees.

Her experience working with all levels and areas of government was critical to the success of several major capital projects undertaken during Ms. Pollak's years as Parks Commissioner.

These collaborative projects included: reclamation of Boston Harbor's Spectacle Island from a landfill into a major hub in the Harbor Islands park system featuring a pier, marina, visitors center, thousands of trees and shrubs amid acres of meadowlands, and five miles of ADA accessible stone dust paths; the \$90 million Muddy River Flood Risk Management and Environmental Restoration partnership between the City of Boston, the Town of Brookline, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Common-

wealth of Massachusetts that, when completed, will include the day lighting of portions of the river that had been diverted underground and dredging of the ponds and river from Olmsted Park in Jamaica Plain to the Back Bay Fens; conversion of the vacant Men's Comfort Station on Boston Common into the Earl of Sandwich restaurant; restoration of Brewer Plaza on Boston Common by the Friends of the Public Garden; the transformation of the Stony Brook Gatehouse in the Back Bay Fens into a visitor's center in collaboration with the Emerald Necklace Conservancy and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission; and the 2003 opening of the East Boston Greenway featuring paths for pedestrians, bicyclists, and in-line skaters, areas for passive enjoyment of the park, and a genuine railroad caboose placed as a nod to the park's past as a Conrail right-of-way.

EAST BOSTON "K" TRUST 2014 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

The East Boston "K" Trust is now accepting college scholarship applications from qualified high school seniors. All applications must be completed and submitted by Friday, April 18, 2014 to:

> East Boston K-Trust ATTN: Marisa Di Pietro East Boston Social Centers 68 Central Square East Boston, MA 02128

Applications are accepted from all high school seniors who are East Boston residents (one year minimum) regardless of where they attend high school. The only residency exception is for seniors who are members of the Key Club of East Boston High School. Scholarships are

awarded to students based on their scholastic achievement, community involvement and financial need.

Applications with complete instructions are available at all area high schools (please see Guidance Counselor for an application). Applications are also available at the East Boston Social Centers, 68 Central Square in East Boston (contact Marisa Di Pietro, mdipietro@ebsoc.org or 617-569-3221 ext. 19).

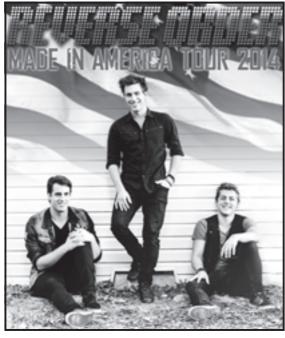
Applicants will be interviewed at Spinelli's in East Boston on Wednesday, April 30th, at 5:30 pm.

Scholarship winners will be honored during a special East Boston Kiwanis and East Boston "K" Trust Scholarship Dinner on Tuesday, May 13th at 6:00 pm at Spinelli's in East Boston.



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Reverse Order at Faneuil Hall



Reverse Order, a dynamic pop-rock band that combines powerful teen anthems with driving guitars and infectious melodies, is excited to announce their *Made in America* tour that includes a show in Boston to pay **tribute to the Boston Marathon bombing victims.**

On January 1, 2014, Reverse Order released their *Made in America* EP, tells the tale of real life stories, emotions and

events that everyone can relate to, through the spectrum of contemporary pop and rock. The track *Our City*, by John Russo, Cruise Russo and Rob Freeman, was written in memory of the Boston Marathon bombings that tore apart not just the City of Boston, but also the world. The mayor of Boston was so moved by *Our City* that he chose it to be played during the tree lighting ceremony at Faneuil Hall this past November.

Produced by Rob Freeman (Adam Levine and Gym Class Heros), 'Made in America' also includes Waiting, Nothing Left to Give, Everything Beautiful, The Lucky Ones, Hold On, These Summer Nights, These Walls, and Hold Me Closer.

In September, Reverse Order will embark on an anti-bullying tour which will focus on schools throughout the U.S. The mission of the tour is simple: to be a voice, to connect, to encourage. "We have all been bullied at some point in our lives, even celebrities are bullied, and we want our fans to know that they are not alone and they can overcome this obstacle and achieve greatness," said John Russo, Reverse Order Lead Singer.

Reverse Order was a producer's pick for season seven of *America's Got Talent* and their song *Go* was nominated for a Grammy.

To learn more, visit Reverse Order at www.ReverseOrderOnline.com or connect with them via their social media accounts.

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brought to Ireland as a slave but then devoted his life to bringing Christianity to the island. According to legend, St. Patrick used a shamrock to explain the concept of the Holy Trinity, thus establishing the shamrock as one of the indelible symbols of this holiday. St. Patrick's Day is also a pure spring holiday, with the bright green hues prevalent during this day reminding us of the burst of new life that spring brings. St. Patrick's Day is a chance for everyone to honor Irish culture and revel in the springtime that bestows hope and optimism for all people, which is why I wholeheartedly support the efforts of gay rights groups to march in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Boston. I think one of the best symbols of St. Patrick's Day is the mythological pot of gold at the end of a springtime rainbow. It reminds me that after a cold and snowy winter, we will all receive our proverbial pot of gold — a beautiful, warm springtime.

Two days after St. Patrick's Day comes St. Joseph's Day, a holiday which, among many other customs, celebrates Italian culture. My father fondly remembers this

feast, known as il Giorno di San Giuseppe in Italian, from his boyhood days living in Sulmona, an ancient city located in the mountainous region of the Abruzzi. St. Joseph's Day honors the spouse of the Virgin Mary and the stepfather of Jesus, and celebrations in Italy emphasize the role of San Giuseppe as a father to the Italian people. In Sicily and other regions of Italy, as well as among some Italian-American communities, people construct altars dedicated to St. Joseph, known as le Tavole di San Giuseppe, laden with candles, breads and fava beans — a crop that supposedly saved the inhabitants of Sicily from a famine in the Middle Ages after they had prayed to St. Joseph for help. It is also customary to perform charitable acts on St. Joseph's Day, a lovely tradition that should be followed all year long. My father remembers people in his region igniting large bonfires on the eve of the feast, called ilfaló di San Giuseppe, for which he would sometimes scour the forest with his friends, looking for wood to feed the flames. These bonfires sym-

bolize the transition from winter to spring, and indeed in some bonfires an effigy representing winter was tossed in among the firewood, metaphorically providing a fresh start for the springtime. The pastry most associated with St. Joseph's Day is the zeppola, or a fried donut-like puff. My father always brings home versions stuffed with delectable sweet cream from quaint shops in the North End, while my grandmother stands by her old savory version of zeppole made from potatoes. Either way, zeppole remind me of a beautiful holiday that makes me proud of my Italian heritage and notifies me that spring days are here.

The spring equinox arrives

the day after St. Joseph's Day, solidifying the promise of spring that the feasts of St. Patrick and St. Joseph made clear. Spring is a season that inspires much hope and joy through its blossoming vegetation, warm temperatures and promise of new life. From the green shamrocks of St. Patrick's Day to the flickering bonfires of St. Joseph's Day, the holidays that occur around the spring equinox welcome in the season with fanfare, emphasizing communal activities and employing symbols that speak to the sense of rebirth that characterizes spring. On the 17th and the 19th, go out and enjoy activities that remind you of spring, and know that the light will win over the darkness after March 20th, when the hours of daylight outnumber those of night. When we greet spring with happiness and love, those wonderful feelings will accompany us all season through.

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The Parade Controversy Marches On

This annual controversy over the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston is generated by folks at Mass Equality and a number of folks from the LGBT community. For years some within Boston's gay community have apparently decided to scream discrimination by the South Boston Allied War Veterans, who work hard every year to give the South Boston community the best parade possible.

Apparently, there are some groups in Boston who think the South Boston parade is a great venue to push an agenda that has little to do with the day, the parade or the South Boston neighborhood. Since this controversy began over 20 years ago, this community has grown and today is quite diverse. There is old South Boston and there is new South Boston. Today there are many African Americans and Latinos who live side-by-side with everyone else as one. The same is true of South Boston's growing gay community, which has come to enjoy all that South Boston offers.

Once again this year we have seen what I call professional protesters who seem to live for this controversy over exclusion in the parade. This year Mayor Marty Walsh has been trying to broker a deal between the two sides. There was a deal on the table by the parade organizers to allow identified gay groups or units to march without banners or rainbow flags turning the parade into a protest march. MassEquality has accused the veterans' council of a "hostile tone." A spokesperson for the gay group said, "We were under the impression that negotiations were positive."

Mayor Walsh is to be congratulated for trying to do something besides walking away from the parade, but it does take two to tango. Hurley and his group made a good faith effort to move the discussion to a new point, but the other side seemed unwilling to move or bend.

I am proud of my Irish roots route.

in West Cork. I enjoy the annual parade to celebrate my Irish roots, St. Patrick and the whole South Boston community. I fully support gay rights and have come to believe that gay marriage is not the new Pompeiian ruin of America and think that marriage is about two people committing themselves to each other. I am a straight, middle-age guy, but I don't care about the personal lives of others. It is none of my business. However, I do care when groups try to hijack a parade for political ends, as I think a few within the LGBT community attempt to do every 12 months in Southie.

It is understandable that the veterans' council became angry when they found out reportedly that there was no such group as LGBT Veterans for Equality. When pressed, according to news reports there was one identified member of the LGBT Veterans for Equality. One guy does not make a military unit. When asked reportedly if that one guy could round up enough members to do a color guard, reportedly that too was impossible.

Liberals in the media and politically correct politicians should be congratulating Whacko Hurley for trying to move the tired conversation on, rather than being criticized for banning gays from marching.

Gays and straights march every year in this and every parade held in Boston. A parade celebrating a neighborhood is about the entire life of the neighborhood and not just about the neighborhood's bedrooms.

MassEquality should be about making everyone equal in the eyes of everyone else. After all, we are truly all the same in different ways. It should not be viewed as a battle between them and us. It should be about celebrating community as one.

If I were Marty Walsh, I would march in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and invite former Mayors Tom Menino and Ray Flynn to join him along the parade route.

• Hoops & Hockey (Continued from Page 16)

career with the Celtics before he was traded to Brooklyn. Third on the list is Larry Bird with 5,605 while John Havlicek is second with 6,114. The all-time Celtics leader in assists is the Houdini of the Hardwood — Bob Cousy — who recorded 6,945 — a record that has stood for over 50 years.

Rondo still has a number of quality years ahead of him since he's only 28. So, if he isn't traded, he could easily slip into at least third place (above Bird) on the all-time list.

REUNION TIME — When the Celtics played the

Knicks on Causeway Street on March 12th, it was a reunion for some. Celtics center Brandon Bass and Knicks center Tyson Chandler were teammates in New Orleans for one season (2006-2007). Knicks forward Andrea Bargnani and Celtics forward Kris Humphries were teammates in Toronto for three seasons (2006-2009). Celtics Assistant Coach Walter McCarty played one season for the Knicks (1996-1997) and later was a teammate of Knicks forward Amar'e Stoudemire in Phoenix for part of one season (2005).

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ABCD Valentine Party



Seniors in attendance at Valentine Party.

The ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NE/WE NSC) recently held its Valentine Party. Nearly 60 members of the community, almost all of them seniors from the neighborhoods, came to the center at 1 Michelangelo Street in the North End to enjoy salad, antipasto, roast beef, potatoes, peas, cake, and coffee, despite the snowstorm! The NE/WE NSC's fantastic team of volunteers cooked the meal, as they do every week, and handled everything from menu planning, shopping, cooking, serving, and clean-up! They do it with such love and dedication and the NE/WE NSC cannot thank them enough for their ongoing support.

Special guests included State Representative Aaron Michelwitz and Councilor Sal LaMattina, who visited with Valentine greeting — Aaron with roses and Sal with a delicious cake! Rod Payva, Community Outreach Specialist, from United Health Care, was also in attendance.

Cake donated by City Council Vice President Sal LaMattina.



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After the Senate defeat, President Obama condemned the vote as a "travesty" However, Richard Costello; speaking for the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police, summed it up best by saying, "The true travesty is sitting in the White House.'

Remember what they say about what goes around, comes around?

Republicans on Display at CPAC 2014

Once a year, in March, the makers and shakers within the conservative Republican movement get together, usually in Washington, D.C. This year's gathering for the Conservative Political Action Conference was held in National Harbor, Maryland, but the change of venue didn't change things.

I attended a CPAC conference back in the mid-80s at the D.C. and Virginia line. I got to hear the great conservative rising stars of the day. Most of their names were quite forgettable, except for the great conservative thinker William Rusher, who was the longtime publisher of Bill Buckley's National Review.

This year's lineup included Paul Ryan, Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz and Chris Christie, but he's now a bridge too far for most real conservatives. They all deliver their sermons to the choir but not much more. One CPAC for me was more than enough.

Safe Driving? Don't Drive There!

Celia Blue, who heads the Registry of Motor Vehicles, believes granting illegal immigrants licenses would generate nearly \$15 million in state revenue plus another \$7 million in renewal fees.

She spoke before a legislative hearing on Beacon Hill and said, legalizing illegals for driver's licenses "is about public safety and ensuring that the drivers on the road have passed the tests and have the qualifications to be safe drivers." She also asserted it would lead to fewer car crashes and more drivers with insurance. To me this last statement appears to be a boldface lie or to speak politicalese -"a misstatement."

My friend, Bristol County Sheriff Tom Hodgson, also speaking at the hearing, countered that this bill would reward people for breaking the law and that there was no guarantee that acquiring a license would lead to safer

We are a nation of laws. If we give any group a dispensation from the laws, what do our laws mean?

Welcome to Massachusetts, where Attorney General Martha Coakley once said, "Technically, it is not illegal to be illegal in Massachusetts."

Dudley as a Food Desert?

Back last year, Mayor Tom Menino nixed any plans by Walmart to open up a store near Dudley Square in Roxbury at a nearby abandoned MBTA bus yard. The mayor said he didn't like the idea of a big box store competing with the little shops in the area. He also seemed to be questioning its hiring practices too. The same thing happened last year in Portland, Oregon, when Trader Joe's pulled out of a planned expansion into a workingclass area of the town after community activists objected

supermarket chain was called "wealthy poverty racketeers," and opponents claimed that a \$2.4 million store in the neighborhood would gentrify the rundown neighborhood and drive up retail prices. Trader Joe's told Portland politicians, see you later alligator.

Most people in that community were upset with the radical agitators who chased a good store out and left a wasteland devoid of good investment. Now, the nearest supermarket is 12 blocks

In years back, getting back to Roxbury, all I heard was how major supermarket chains were fleeing the inner city for the suburbs. Today, many supermarkets are back in the city thanks to those who fought to end food deserts. Last year, thanks to dumb politics, we have a food desert Dudley Square again. The last supermarket in Dudley was Blair's Foodland and the area could have used a Trader Joe's as an option.

Happy Anniversary to L'Italo Americo

The Italo Americo newspaper out in California is celebrating its 106th anniversary this year. It is the oldest Italian American newspaper out on the West Coast. This newspaper began in 1908 by Gabriello Spini, a native of Florence, with the aim of helping preserve the Italian language and cultural heritage and providing information to the growing Italian American community in Los Angeles. The paper is still growing strong today as the voice of Italian Americans on to Trader Joe's plans. The America's other coast.

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Visit www.friendsnelibrary.org to purchase tickets at or to make a donation. Checks should be payable to "Friends of the NE Branch Library" and mailed to P.O. Box 130197, Boston, MA 02113.

East Boston Republican Ward 1 Committee to Meet

The Boston Ward 1 Republican Committee meets Sunday, March 16, 2014 at 10:00 am at the East Boston YMCA. East Boston voters who are registered as undeclared or unenrolled voters or as Republicans may attend. The agenda includes discussion of the March 22, 2014 Massachusetts Republican Convention in Boston.

The East Boston YMCA is located at 215 Bremen Street (near the corner of Porter Street) in East Boston. The MBTA station closest to the YMCA is the Blue Line's Airport Station.

Please call Chris Morton at (617) 569-4075 for more information about this meeting.



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Bucky's "Library" has Closed

by Sal Giarratani



When I moved to East Boston about three years ago, I met Bucky Spataro at the Bennington Street Dunkin' Donuts up by Orient Heights after joining the Knights of Dunkin' Donuts gang. The regulars at the shop formed a men's group years ago and eventually let the gals in, too. Almost nightly they gather to talk about their day, politics, the casino issue, etc. We all read the Post-Gazette and I have often worked this group into my commentaries.

I joined the group at the urgings of my friend Johnny Two-Dog and quickly assimilated into knighthood. Every winter like clockwork, the group shrinks when many fly down to Florida to escape the cold and snow.

Bucky was the dean of the group, the head knight. We all awaited his arrival with his books and magazines and his usual greeting, "The library is open." He would sit by the window and talk about World War II when he served in the U.S. Navy. He was also never without that unlighted cigar in his mouth. He was a chewer, not a smoker.

The past year wasn't one of his best. Time appeared to be catching up with him but he continued to push forward. Not long ago he and his son Richie headed to Florida for the winter, but it came to a quick end when Bucky passed away this past Monday at the age of 89.

The gang already misses him and his refrain, "The library is open." However, now Bucky has taken his library with him to heaven, where hopefully he is allowed to chew on that cigar.

Bucky seemed to be as well known in East Boston as he was in the North End. He was a bit rough around the edges but quite loveable, too. He was always honest, upfront, kept up on everything in the news and had opinions on everything.

He was a young 89 years old and full of life. When he wasn't at the donut shop, he was down at the brand new East Boston library on Bremen Street.

There will be a memorial service for Bucky at the Most Holy Redeemer in East Boston on Saturday, March 22nd at 11:00 am. Those who wish to make a donation in his name may do so to the "Friends of the East Boston Library," a place that he enjoyed immensely.

Good bye Bucky, it was good to know you!



by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

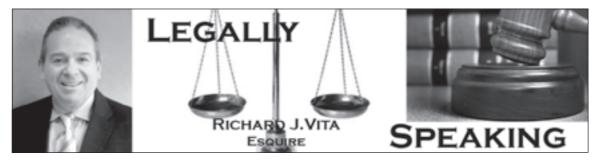


Saint Theophanes was born in Constantinople about the year 758. He was the son of Isaac, imperial governor of the islands of the White Sea, and of Theodora, about whom little is known. After the early death of his parents, he came to the Court of Constantine Copronimus. He was married at the age of twelve, however he and his wife vowed themselves to celibacy. In 799, after the death of his father-in-law, they separated with mutual consent to enter religious life, she choosing a convent on an island near Constantinople, while he entered the monastery called Polychronius in the district of Sigriano near Cyzicus to become a hermit.

Theophanes' wisdom and holiness were quickly noticed by others. He decided to use his great wealth to form March 12th.

two monasteries, becoming abbot of the one on Mount Sigriana. While he lived in the monastery, he worked to write a history of the Christian world starting at the end of the Diocletian persecution to the early ninth century. It was for this work that he became known as the Chronicler. Theophanes was present at the second General Council of Nicaea, 787, and signed its decrees in defense of the sacred images.

brought to a halt by the persecutions of the emperor of Constantinople, Leo the Armenian who in 814, renewed the persecution against the church, and abolished the use of holy images, which had been restored under Constantine and Irene. The emperor tried to get Theophanes to support his actions through subterfuge and coercion but he remained faithful to Rome. Leo. unable to change the mind of Theophanes, placed him in a dungeon for two years where he suffered much, he was scourged, having received 300 lashes. He was taken from his dungeon, and banished to the isle of Samothracia, where he died seventeen days after his arrival, on March 12, 818. His feast day is celebrated on



Massachusetts Anti-SLAPP Statute Applies in Federal Court

For the first time in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, a federal judge has held that the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation) statute, G.L. c. 231, 59H, applies to state law claims pending before the federal court. This is an important development in Massachusetts, because it means that the protections afforded by the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP statute cannot be avoided through "forum shopping." As this development is somewhat technical. I will begin with a basic summary of the concept lawyers call "federalism" in order to lay the foundation for discussing a very exciting development in the

In Massachusetts, as in every other state in the country, there are both state and federal courts. State courts are administered and funded by the state government: judges are appointed by the governor of Massachusetts (subject to the approval of the Governor's Council), the state legislature appropriates funds for the state court's budget and state court judges hear all manner of cases. But, generally, the cases heard by state court judges in state courts are cases concerning questions of state law (laws passed by the Massachusetts Legislature). Federal courts, in turn, are courts that exist pursuant to federal law — the law of the government of the United States. Federal judges are appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the United States Senate and generally, but not always, hear cases concerning questions of federal law (laws passed by Congress).

As opposed to state courts. which lawyers sometimes call "courts of general jurisdiction," federal courts are courts of "limited jurisdic-Theophanes' studies were tion." This means that federal courts will refuse to hear a case unless a basis exists for the court to do so. The two most common bases for a federal court to hear a case are "federal question" and "diversity" jurisdiction. Put simply, federal question jurisdiction refers to cases where a question of federal law is at issue. Common examples of federal question cases include disputes over the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (SOX), and the False Claims Act (FCA); these are all federal laws passed by the United States Congress.

> The other common basis for federal jurisdiction, diversity jurisdiction, involves cases where there are no questions of federal law, but parties in the case are from dif

ferent states (Diversity jurisdiction also requires that the monetary value of the dispute be at least \$75,000.) Examples of these cases could be contract disputes between an in-state and an out-of-state company, tort claims such as claims for negligence against out-ofstate drivers and other claims involving only state law issues. Thanks to diversity jurisdiction, a car accident case between a resident of Massachusetts and a resident of Rhode Island could be heard in federal court if there was at least \$75,000 in dispute in the case. However, a car accident case between a resident of Boston and a resident of Worcester would almost never be heard in federal court, regardless of the amount in dispute, because both parties in such a case would be residents of the same state -Massachusetts.

When federal courts hear cases "on diversity grounds," they are supposed to act like their state court counterparts and apply the state law as it is (except with regard to the procedural rules). In other words, federal courts in diversity cases are supposed to apply state law as state courts would the Massachusetts federal court must, for example, defer to the opinions of the Supreme Judicial Court and may not substitute its opinion of what Massachusetts law says, unless the state law in question clearly violates a federal law. (This is called pre-emption and is another issue for another column.) The purpose of this rule is to have cases involving state law claims resolved the same way, regardless of whether the case is heard in state or federal court. A case that would have been won in state court should not be lost in federal court simply because the federal court chooses to interpret state law differently — the goal of federal courts hearing diversity cases is to ensure fairness irrespective of the forum.

The difficult part of this system is that the federal courts have different rules than the state courts with regard to how cases are heard. These are called the procedural rules. Although state and federal procedural rules are often similar, they are sometimes very different. And for cases before the federal court, the federal rules of procedure apply, even if the court is applying only state law to the legal issues. The difference between what is a procedural rule and what is a substantive state law, however, is not always clear.

For example, the Massachusetts Legislature has enacted a law called the anti-SLAPP statute, which is designed to protect "petitioning activity" by giving courts authority to throw out a lawsuit that is "based on" another person's petitioning activity. Petitioning activity includes calling your Congressman and asking him to vote a certain way, complaining to a government agency about an unsafe condition, and, perhaps most importantly, filing a lawsuit to protect your rights. Put simply, the anti-SLAPP statute is meant to prohibit a person from suing you because you've done nothing more than complain to a government agency about that person because you believe he or she has done something wrong or illegal.

The difficulty with the anti-SLAPP statute is that, on its surface, it appears to be a rule that controls how courts are supposed to hear certain cases — it appears to be a procedural rule that requires courts to throw out cases "based on petitioning activity." While it is clear that Massachusetts state courts must apply the anti-SLAPP law, what about the federal courts hearing cases involving Massachusetts state law? Must the Massachusetts federal court throw out cases when they appear to be based on petitioning activity?

For a number of years, multiple judges of the Massachusetts federal court said "no" and rejected efforts by lawyers to apply the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP statute in federal court, ruling that the law is a procedural rule applicable only in state court. However, in 2010 the 1st Circuit Court of Appeals, which is the appellate court for most federal courts in New England (including Massachusetts), heard a case from the Federal District Court for Maine involving Maine's anti-SLAPP statute. In that case, the Court of Appeals held that Maine's anti-SLAPP law could be used in federal court and that, although it appeared procedural, it effectively protected substantive legal rights (the right to be free from being targeted by a coercive lawsuit) that Maine's federal court was obligated to recognize.

Although the Court of Appeals made its decision about Maine's anti-SLAPP law in 2010, no federal judge in Massachusetts had been asked to reconsider the issue of Massachusetts anti-SLAPP law following the Court of Appeals' decision, until last year. In a very exciting opinion, Judge Nathaniel Gorton of the U.S. District Court for Massachusetts held that Maine's anti-SLAPP law

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Mrs. Murphy . . . As I See It

Vincent, candidate State Sena-

tor, enjoyed a huge victory last week when she won easily against her opposition (2-1). Vincent was elected to replace Kathy Reinstein. Where is Rein-stein going? Heard Reinstein accepted a job offer she couldn't refuse as a lobbyist for Samuel Adams Beer Co. ... Cities and town workers should have plenty to do plugging up the pot holes after this long ugly winter ends. There are so many pot holes you have to dodge, consider yourself your lucky if car doesn't need to be realigned!!! ... Callahan Tunnel opened to traffic recently, which will make the commute a whole lot easier ... Hungry visitors from all over the world that land at Logan Airport make their first pitstop at Santarpio's Pizza on Chelsea Street. They want know what makes Santarpio's the number one Pizza Parlor of the locals and out of towners. An on-line food magazine has said Santarpio's Pizza is #29 in the world after it turned to a panel of experts to narrow the list down to America's 101 best. The Daily Meal named Santarpio's mozzarella, sausage and garlic pie a must have. For decades locals have been enjoying this East Boston landmark, Santarpio's Pizza ... The Massachusetts Gaming Com-

Rose Lee mission, whose job is to important to the gays to decide on who is to get the for one gaming license to open a casino, Everett or Revere, is having internal problems with conflict of interest. Heard there are members at the Mass. Gaming Commission who have ties with Steve Wynn. Three famous chefs and restaurant owners, Bobby Flay, Ming Tso and Lydia Shire, have already applied to Mayor Dan Rizzo for operating licenses to open at Suffolk Downs if the project comes to fruition. What does Everett have? Nothing! Steve Wynn's proposed location (once the home of Monsanto Chemical) is no doubt not desirable soil and may be contaminated ... Don't rain on my parade! That's what newly-elected Mayor Marty Walsh is doing by refusing to march in the St. Patty's Day Parade. The St. Patrick's Day Parade has gone on without a hitch for decades. Now members of the gay community want to make a statement by being included to march. But, the problem is the Allied War Veterans Council that organizes the parade each year says "You're Not Invited." Marty Walsh announced he would only march in an inclusive parade. So, Marty stay home and march in the gay parade whenever and wherever it is. Many people feel "there has been no interference when gays hold their parade, so why is it so

march in a parade honoring a saint? The Allied War Veterans Council, which puts on the parade, won a 1995 U.S. Supreme Court decision that allowed the private group to exclude gay, lesbian and other groups from their parade. So what's the problem? ... Who is being dumped on? The Back Bay's planned medical marijuana dispensaries may not be getting their permits. So, the medical marijuana dispensaries may be seeking a new location. Boston City Council members said they are concerned about the locations and security aspects of the potent facilities. However, Revere councilors didn't seem to object when former D.A. Bill Delahunt opened two on the Revere/East Boston line. Where was the outrage from the public, or did the public even know a medical marijuana dispensaries was about to open in their city? ... Is there too much competition among stores forcing some chains to close? RadioShack and Staples are among the latest to announce closing some of their stores. Expect lots of layoffs ...

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2014 Evacuation Day Holiday **Begins with Senior Salute**

by Sal Giarratani



Tina Martini and Wacko Hurley, Southie Strong and Proud.

Saturday, March 8th, began the eight days of celebrating for the upcoming Evacuation Day/ St. Patrick's Day holiday ending with a great parade this Sunday, March 16th.

The annual senior luncheon saluting Southie seniors once again took place at St. Monica's Church Hall, the place was packed to the rafters as usual. No one wants to miss the Tommy and Eddie Butler Senior Salute, which is

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Bid documents will be made available beginning WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014.

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Talking with Joe Cross About Not Being Fat, Sick, and Nearly Dead

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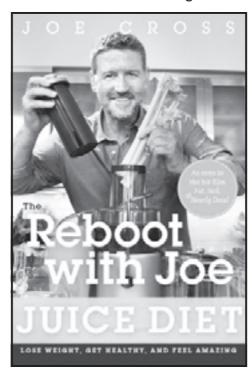
In 2010 the movie "Fat, Sick, and Nearly Dead" was released. It was directed by Joe Cross and chronicled his journey from a 310 lb. man suffering from a rare autoimmune disease and taking a handful of medications every day to a 210 lb. picture of health. He did this by drinking only vegetable juice, what he calls a Reboot, while spending 60 days driving across the United States. The movie was a great hit and is still very popular. Joe, 47 years old and a native of Sydney, Australia, is back on the road, this time with a book, "The Reboot with Joe Juice Diet." I

recently caught up with him by phone while he was traveling to Albany, N.Y., for an

Speaking with Joe, you immediately feel his optimism and positive attitude. His Australian accent is infectious, and his story of how he took control of his health is truly inspiring. He plans traveling the world in an effort to lead by example in showing people how they too can change their lives. He is quick to point out he is not a doctor or scientist, but a man who just wants people to see how he was able to improve his health by making some important lifestyle changes. He is spreading the word about how we all have the power to do the

I began our conversation by telling Joe how most of the books and movies I have read and watched about changing to a healthy lifestyle when it comes to food tend to be preachy and not at all flexible. Many interject a strong political bias as well. His approach is different. He tells me, "I think, predominately, that people are pretty smart and crowds are dumb. We tend to do things as a group, but I think trying to reach people as a crowd and then work that down to the individual doesn't work very well. You already know fruits and vegetables are good for you, but when someone gets up and says you should do this and you should do that, the message gets lost. The preachy side is not the way we educate, not the way we inspire, and certainly not the way we entertain. Make it fun, make it interesting, and make it something that resonates within. Find the answers we all know and then present the questions in interesting, fun, and inspiring ways. Healthier is happier. I have a view that happiness is by default about being useful, but unless you have your health you can't be fully useful." He asks rhetorically, "Who's unhealthy and happy? Very few people."

In the movie Joe drank only fresh vegetable juices for 60 days and then the viewers assume he was able to stop taking all of his medications. "No, after the 60 days, I continued with a very strict vegan diet for an additional 90 days. At that point I was pill-free. I had done some research and found that for 70% of us our health problems are caused by lifestyle choices, the other 30% is from genetics. I wanted to give myself the chance to find out if I was causing my own disease or if I was one of the 30% for whom it is genetic. Was I in the bad luck crowd or the stupid crowd? I got my answer." Should



those who are unfortunately in the 30% crowd just give up? "No, they should still make the changes, and they will most likely find they will need less medication and will feel a lot better."

Is Joe a vegetarian? "No, I can tell you what I don't eat. I don't drink soda or alcohol. No caffeine. I don't eat fast food. I will eat a hamburger but only in if it is good and from a reliable source. I do not push a plant-only diet. I talk about plant-based. There are three things available for us to eat: plants, processed food, and animal food. If you can make the

plants the base, 40 to 50%, and then split the others up at 20 to 30% you will be doing well. I know when I do eat plantonly I feel better, but I am not ready for that now."

Joe talked about how our bodies are programmed to go into famine mode, a survival mechanism from a time when we would live through feasts and famines. After all, fat is stored energy. "A lot of people wake up in the morning and are not happy with what they see in the mirror, not a good way to start the day. Don't look at it as a negative, just think about how your body is protecting you and storing up a lot of energy in case a famine is coming. I would advise before doing a Reboot checking the Internet to make sure there is not a food shortage happening in Boston anytime soon. As long as the coast is clear, maybe it's time to bring on your own nutritional famine."

There are many who believe government should step in and play a role in what we should be allowed to eat. Joe leads by example and believes "healthy is happy." "I don't want to become a nanny state. I am all about market forces, and my role is writing books, making movies, and doing TV shows. I want to educate people, entertain people, and inspire people to make healthier choices that can affect their happiness and existence. People are sick and tired of being sick and tired. The more we demand it the more the tsunami of change will happen." I mentioned how I am seeing more and more healthier alternatives on menus. "People are voting with their dollars, and when you vote with your dollars in America \$#!+ happens. Those businesses that don't keep up with the changes will be left by the wayside."

What's next for Joe? "The book is number one in Canada and in the top 100 on Amazon. The tour is going global. The movie is now available in 15 languages. I have a new movie coming out in September and am working on a possible program to be aired on PBS. With a base of ten million viewers of my movie, the scientific community is now talking to me. I take their advice and regurgitate it in simpler ways so we can all understand it."

Joe Cross is leading a revolution that is gaining tremendous momentum. He has boundless energy and the power to motivate and inspire. Watch his movie, read his book, listen to him talk, and you will be inspired to make the changes that will keep you from being Fat, Sick, and Nearly Dead. Check him out at Rebootwithjoe.com.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division** 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P0679EA

Estate of DONNA L. KIDDER Date of Death September 26, 2013 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the abovecaptioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Michele J. Cochran of Athol. MA

Michele J. Cochran of Athol, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P0661EA

Estate of SETH WENDELL FISHER Date of Death February 9, 2013 INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the abovecaptioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Susan M. Kelly of Newton, MA.

Susan M. Kelly of Newton, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed General Bids for MPA Contract No. H240-C1, SHAWSHEEN RIVER SECURITY FENCE, L.G. HANSCOM FIELD, BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, Suite 209S, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909, until 11:00 A.M. local time on WEDNESDAY APRIL 9, 2014 immediately after which, in a designated room, the proposal will be opened and read publicly

PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN THE THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM AT THE CIVIL AIR TERMINAL AT L.G. HANSCOM FIELD IN BEDFORD, MA AT 11:00 AM LOCAL TIME ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014.

The work includes INSTALLATION OF APPROXIMATELY 1,500 LINEAR FEET OF 10 FOOT HIGH SECURITY FENCE WITH 5 FOOT BURIED SKIRT. INSTALLATION OF FENCE WILL REQUIRE APPROXIMATELY 0.2 ACRES OF CLEARING AND GRUBBING OF EXISTING VEGETATION. ALL WORK SHALL INCLUDE CAREFUL AND COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH ORDERS OF CONDITION FOR THE PROJECT BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF

Bid documents will be made available beginning WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014.

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

The estimated contract cost is ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$140,000).

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

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

The successful Bidder will be required to purchase and maintain Bodily Injury Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance for a combined single limit of \$5,000,000. Said policy shall be on an occurrence basis and the Authority shall be included as an Additional Insured. See the insurance sections of Division I, General Requirements and Division II, Special Provisions for complete details. This contract is subject to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation provision requiring that not less than 0% of the Contract be performed by disadvantaged business enterprise contractors. With respect to this provision, bidders are urged to familiarize themselves thoroughly with the Bidding Documents. Strict compliance with the pertinent procedures will be required for a bidder to be deemed responsive and eligible.

This Contract is also subject to Affirmative Action requirements of the Massachusetts Port Authority contained in Article 84 of the General Requirements and Covenants, and to the Secretary of Labor's Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Opportunity and the Standard Federal Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246).

The General Contractor is required to submit a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities prior certification where the subcontract exceeds \$10,000

A Contractor having fifty (50) or more employees and his subcontractors having fifty (50) or more employees who may be awarded a sub-contract of \$50,000 or more will, within one hundred twenty (120) days from the contract commencement, be required to develop a written affirmative action compliance program for each of its establishments

Compliance Reports - Within thirty (30) days of the award of this Contract the Contractor shall file a compliance report (Standard Form (SF 1001) if:

- The Contractor has not submitted a complete compliance report within twelve (12) months preceding the date of award, and
- The Contractor is within the definition of "employer" in Paragraph 2c(3) of the instructions included in SF100.

The contractor shall require the sub-contractor on any first tier sub-contracts, irrespective of the dollar amount, to file SF 100 within thirty (30) days after the award of the subcontracts, if the above two conditions apply. SF 100 will be furnished upon request. SF 100 is normally furnished Contractors annually, based on a mailing list currently maintained by the Joint Reporting Committee. In the event a contractor has not received the form, he may obtain it by writing to the following address:

> Joint Reporting Committee 1800 G Street

Washington, DC 20506

Complete information and authorization to view the site may be obtained from the Capital Programs Department Office at the Massachusetts Port Authority. The right is reserved to waive any informality in or reject any or all proposals.

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY THOMAS P. GLYNN **CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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Socially Scene

by Angela Cornacchio



The Museum of Science is host to many exhibits and not all are just for the kiddies. The "Innovation in the Art of Food Chef Ferran Adria" has great incite to the history of our favorite dishes.

(Photo by Angela Cornacchio)

Socially Scene Reviewed

... Since the kids have been on school vacation I thought, why not join in on the fun? This past week *Socially Scene* visited one of Boston's best, the Museum of Science.

When you arrive, there are hallways everywhere; green wing, blue wing, red wing OH MY! Two of the highlighted exhibits currently are the "Butterfly Garden" and "Human Body," so instead of trying to figure a direction Socially Scene went straight for butterflies in flight.

The second you walk in it feels like spring has sprung! There are beautiful colors fluttering around, lush green plants, and exotic everything everywhere. It was almost impossible to focus on all the information available when there were so many species of butterflies ruling the room. Every few feet there are signs to describe the breathtaking creatures: the piercing blue "Morpho Peleides," silver-studded "Hypna Clytemnestra," and a swallowtail "Papilio Thoas" were just a few.

It was amazing to hear the tenant of the exhibit just gush knowledge about all the residents in the habitat. I thought the billions of ladybugs were there just to add to the beauty, but they are actually brought in frequently to help keep a certain bacteria from forming. Oh Mother Nature and her mysterious ways!

There was a sign attached to a full-length mirror just before you exit: "Check yourself for 'hitchhiking' butterflies before leaving." It made sense; you have to be ever so careful with each move you make to not step on any of the butterflies. When you enter, it's to their world.

Just outside the exhibit were a lot of "Can You See" type games on the wall — the things you can learn about the mind and what it chooses to see. Just after was a "household-type" exhibit where you could see the science behind — why does a sink drain swirl the way it does, why does food spoil, and a little experiment with temperature of a coffee machine and microwave.

Just as Socially Scene arrived at the prehistoric panel, time was up. The Museum of Science is an allday event and another Boston landmark with so much to offer. Currently in the Omni Theater: Jerusalem, Rocky Mountain Express through April 11th, The Human Body through April, and Grand Canyon Adventure: River at Risk returns April 12th. The Charles Hayden Planetarium is featuring Magic Tree House, Moons:

World of Mystery, Laser Beatles and so much more! They offer 3-D digital cinema, laser shows, live animals, and the list goes on. Socially Scene will return; stay tuned for my review on "Innovation in the Art of Food, Chef Ferran Adrià." If you would like more information on current exhibits or for tickets you can call 617-723-2500 or visit www.mos.org.

Let the Blooming Begin ... Catch the final three days of the Boston Flower & Garden show through Sunday, March 16th at the Seaport World Trade Center.

We're in the home stretch of one of the toughest winters New England has seen in years and for that reason, the Boston Flower & Garden Show is just in the nick of time! This year's theme "Romance in the Garden" will be all encompassing, featuring lectures and demonstrations by top garden writers, industry experts and creative local chefs, a diverse and lively marketplace featuring thousands of plants and hundreds of the newest gardening products, and new special events designed to illustrate the changing landscape of gardening.

Some of this year's high-lights include Boston Flower Show After Dark, A Garden of Cakes — Where Sweet Tooth Meets Green Thumb, and platinum-selling songwriter and singer Matt Nathanson performing a "Mix Lounge" acoustic set of his hits, including Come On Get Higher at the Flower Show Preview Party!

Boston, step into spring at the Boston Flower & Garden Show through March 16th at the Seaport World Trade Center located at 200 Seaport Boulevard in Boston. For further information visit www.bostonflowershow.com.

Get Cookin' With Dr. Stan & Chef Steve Ali ... at Scullers Jazz Club on Thursday, March 27th.

Dr. Stanley Sagov celebrates his 70th birthday with a night of hot jazz at Scullers Jazz Club. Outstanding jazz pianist, composer, full-time physician and Harvard Medical School faculty member Dr. Stanley Sagov has been packing his jazz shows with his Remembering the Future Jazz Band in Boston area clubs for the past five years, and his band features some of the most highly-regarded jazz players

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Dr. Stanley Sagov celebrates his 70th birthday with a night of hot jazz and classic cookin' at Scullers Jazz Club on March 27th. (Photo by sueauclairpromotions.com)

in Boston: John Lockwood on acoustic bass; Bob Gullotti on drums; Robert Douglas Gay on alto sax; Stan Strickland on sax, flute and vocals; Mike Peipman on trumpet and flugelhorn; and Special Guest vocalist, Wannetta Jackson. Also featured at Scullers will be performance painter Nancy Ostrovsky.

"Cookin' With Dr. Stan and Chef Steve Ali" will be a special dinner/show package where "South Africa Meets Trinidad" in Scullers' Green Room Restaurant. Dinner show packages will feature several Trinidad-flavored specials by Chef Steve Ali along with Dr. Stanley Sagov's South African Jazz Beef Curry. Other items on the menu include Chef Steve's Caribbean Chicken Stew and South African Pickled Fish. The food promises to be unique and is not the standard restaurant menu by any means, and DoubleTree Suites Hotel Food & Beverage Manager Tarun Shanker has come up with wines to pair with the various entrées.

Born in Cape Town, South Africa, Dr. Stanley Sagov has always been crazy about jazzbased music. Sagov, who also plays guitar, violin, oboe, bass and drums, is known primarily as a keyboardist with extraordinary talents. An award-winning, full-time family practice physician and Harvard Medical School faculty member by day, his evenings and weekends are spent with his jazz, his family and his photography.

In 1970, he moved to Boston, where he attended the prestigious New England Conservatory of Music; he graduated with a degree in jazz piano and oboe. His mentors while at NEC included Jaki Byard, George Russell, Thad Jones, John Lewis, Kenny Dorham, Bob Brookmeyer, Frank Foster, Gerry Mulligan, Cecil McBee, Buell Neidlinger, Tom McKinley and others.

Chef Steve Ali hails from the Caribbean island of Trinidad — land of Carnivals and heady cuisines mixing African, Indian and Chinese cultures and seasoned with fresh herbs and spices. Steve Ali came to the United States 14 years ago and found a

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CHICAGO: **DIAMOND EDITION** (Blu-ray) Lionsgate Home Ent.

At a time when crimes of passion result in celebrity headlines, nightclub sensation Velma Kelly (Catherine Zeta-Jones) and spotlightseeking Roxie Hart (Renée Zellweger) both find themselves sharing space on Chicago's famed Murderess Row. They also share Billy Flynn (Richard Gere), the town's slickest lawyer with a talent for turning notorious defendants into local legends. But in Chicago there's only room for one legend. Winning over six Academy Awards, including Best Picture (2002), this brand-new, fully restored feature film is set to razzle-dazzle audiences once again; includes an all-new feature-length documentary, "Chicago in the Spotlight.'

THE VENTURE BROS. -SEASON FIVE (Blu-ray) Warner Home Video

The top-rated series "The Venture Bros." returns with its exciting fifth season of adventures. The popular animated series, starring the super-science-minded youths of the Venture family, offers up all eight episodes on this Blu-ray collection. Join them as they explore it all, from the steamy jungles of Central America to the sparkling sands of the Greek Islands to the seedy back alley of Tangier to the jagged cliffs of By-Golly Gulch. In spite of it all, the Venture family can't escape the treachery of enemies old, new and within. Enjoy deleted scenes and commentary from series creator.

GAME OF THRONES: 3RD SEASON (5-Blu-ray) HBO Home Ent.

In the third season of the hit HBO drama series "Game of Thrones," the Lannisters barely hold on to the throne after a savage naval onslaught from Stannis Baratheon, while stirrings in the north threaten to alter the overall balance of power. Robb Stark, King in the North, faces major calamity in his efforts to build on at its best! his victories over the Lannisters, while beyond the Wall, Mance Rayder and his huge army of wildlings continue their inexorable march south. Across the Narrow Sea, Daenerys Targaryen reunited with her three fastmaturing dragons — attempts to raise an army to sail with her from Essos, in hopes of eventually claiming the Iron Throne. The battling families of Westeros continue to clash as bonds are strained, loyalties are tested, and cruel fates are met. Shocking!

BEWARE THE BATMAN: SHADOWS OF GOTHAM (DVD)

Warner Bros. Home Ent.

Another night falls in Gotham City, and the evervigilant Dark Knight watches over his city and its citizens. With the help of his ex-secret agent butler, Alfred and sword-wielding assassin Katana, Batman wages a tireless war against Gotham's twisted criminal underworld. Buckle up for 13 all-new adventures from the first season and ride along as Batman battles the evil machinations of Professor Pyg, Magpie, Mister Toad and criminal mastermind Anarky. It's a crime-fighting collection of hidden clues, cool tech and detective thrills as Batman prowls in the shadows, ready to deliver action-packed excitement and justice! Villains beware!

WINGS (DVD) Lionsgate Home Ent.

A few weeks before a big air show competition, Ace, a young aircraft fighter, gets his acceptance letter to take part in the prestigious competition. Determined to be the next champion, he ventures out to find and train with Colonel, a legendary retired aircraft fighter. But lurking in the wings of the flight training camp is another competitor, Cyclone, who will stop at nothing to win the title for himself. On the day of the big competition, Ace and Cyclone compete, leaving only one brave aircraft fighter not only the champion, but also a hero. It will be Ace's journey of a lifetime!

YOUNG DETECTIVE DEE: RISE OF THE SEA DRAGON (DVD) Well Go USA

From legendary action director Tsui Hark comes the captivating tale of Dee Renjie's beginnings in the imperial police force. His very first case, investigating reports of a sea monster terrorizing the town, reveals a sinister conspiracy of treachery and betrayal, leading to the highest reaches of the imperial family. Martial arts

SWAMP PEOPLE: SEASON 4 (6-DVD) Lionsgate Home Ent.

In Season 4, the resolute crews face wild weather, a ticking clock and life-threatening feats. While surrounding states are knee-deep in drought and dehydration, the swampers once again wade through the Atchafalaya waters as Hurricane Isaac hits on gator season's opening day. With the ultimate goal of bigger gators and higher profits, the hunters employ new and unconventional baiting techniques.

The Federal Trade Commission works for the consumer to prevent fraud and deception. Call 1-877-FTC-HELP or log on to www.ftc.gov. 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

AIR CARGO TIME **COMING UP SOON**

Michelle DeFronzo just informed this column that the upcoming Air Cargo Club NE will be holding its 8th Annual International Trade Night at the Winthrop Yacht Club on March 20th at 6:00 pm.

KUDOS TO BEACON HILL

State lawmakers moved quickly last week, as did our governor, after the Supreme Judicial Court ruled it was not illegal to take photos or videos of unsuspecting skirt-wearing women, as one Arlington man reportedly did back in 2010. The House and Senate both passed a bill criminalizing the secret video-taping or snapping pictures of a person's sexual or other intimate parts, known as "up-skirting." This legislation was such a no-brainer.

BAD FORTUNE COOKIE MESSAGES FOR CONDOMS

Condoms with sleazy messages led Boston Public Schools to pull tens of thousands of donated condoms from city schools after parents got rightly upset over inappropriate messages on the wrappers.

The 40,000 condoms were donated by the State Department of Public Health, and now the condoms have been replaced by a new supply from the Boston Public Health Commission.

What were state public health officials thinking?

FABRICATED CONTROVERSY **HURTS SOUTHIE**

Kudos to Paul Walkowski and Chester Darling for their great letter to the editor in the Boston Herald last week taking on a recent commentary by Margery Eagan on the South Boston Allied War Veterans, who put on the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

State the two letter writers, "The organizers don't deserve Eagan's callous and offensive remarks" and "Now, details, stop by the Nazzaro an obnoxious advocacy group with an agenda has tried to poison the event."

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY FROM SEN. SAL DIDOMENICO

Over at the Knights of Columbus in Charlestown this past weekend, State Senator Sal DiDomenico held his annual St. Patrick's Day celebration. The color of the night was green and more green, but it didn't stop five Sals from showing up at the time. Photographers had to snap this moment in history as Senator Sal DiDomenico, his father Sal, his little son Sal, City Councilor Sal LaMattina and I posed for the camera lenses.

The hall was packed with Irish and the wannabe Irish. The food was Irish, the band was Irish and Tony V, who is not Irish, told lots of good Irish jokes.

While there I bumped into the Somerville aldermen's table and chattered with Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters and talked old Somerville politics. I told him that back in my 20something years I lived on George Street, and he called the area almost Charlestown rather than East Somerville.

We chatted about S. Lester Ralph and Marie Howe and had some good laughs. I should have given Bob a good campaign slogan for his next race, "Vote Bob McWatters: Be Ambitious. Not Thirsty." Get it, McWatters? Never-mind!

NAZZARO CENTER AWARDS BREAKFAST

The annual Nazzaro Center's Awards Breakfast will recognize all their young people who participated in the center's basketball programs this winter. Three cheers for the Small Fry Leaguers and CYO Knights. A breakfast will be held at Filippo's Restaurant on Sunday, March 30th, starting at 10:00 am. For more

Community Center or call 617-635-5166.

SOLO MIO TIME

The North End Music and Performing Arts Center will be hosting a Musical Exploration of Neapolitan Song on Saturday, March 15th at 2:30 pm at the new North Bennet Street School on North Street. For more info, go to www.nempacboston.org.

N.H. BILL BACKS D.C. **VOTING RIGHTS**

The "Taxation Without Representation" advocates of getting voting rights in Congress to folks living in the District of Columbia arrived in New Hampshire at the State Capitol. D.C. citizens have only a non-voting delegate in the House and no senator in the Senate. All of the D.C.'s budget and laws are subject to congressional oversight.

The executive director of "D.C.Votes" thinks it is time for direct representation in Congress for its 646,000 residents. A hearing was held by the New Hampshire House Committee of State, Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs, and a state rep from New Hampshire actually introduced a resolution endorsing voting rights for D.C. residents. The House up in Concord sees a mid-March vote on the resolution.

When our Founders moved the national capital from New York City to the city of Washington, the District of Columbia was carved out of two surrounding states, Maryland and Virginia, if memory serves me well. Our Founders saw the District as the government seat, not the large metropolitan area it is today. Something went amiss at some point and the City of Washington turned into a large urban center. How do citizens of the District get on Capitol Hill if it isn't a state? Our national government consists of individual states within a federal union

Like the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico lacks full representation in Washington, D.C. because it is a commonwealth and not a state. Often Puerto Rican citizens vote on its future and statehood is not a majority viewpoint on the island vet. How do you make a city a state?

How do you make a state that was carved out of other states?

The real solution might be to return those sections of the District back to the states from whence they came. Then, keep the federal government the only inhabitants of the entire Washington, D.C.

Residents of the City of Washington do not constitute a state, plain and simple. Allowing the City of Washington to become a reality was not foreseen by any of the early 19th century American leaders who followed our original founders in running our government.



FIVE SAL'S — L to R: Sal Giarratani, Senator Sal DiDomenico, his son Sal, his father Sal, and City Councilor Sal LaMattina posed for the camera. (Photo by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI10P0233EA

Estate of MARY K. WILSON Date of Death December 14, 2009 CITATION ON PETITION FOR **ORDER TO RENDER**

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by Mark Wilson of Nashua, NH requesting that the Court enter an Order that Karen T. Weaver of Ponte Vedra Beach, FL be ordered to render an Inventory, render an Account, compel distribution and fo

such other relief as requested in the Petition. 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 April 10, 2014.

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

WITNESS. HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR. First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 05, 2014, 2014

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date:3/14/14

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P0900EA

Estate of **BORIS MAGASANIK** Date of Death December 25, 2013 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Helen Donis-Keller of Cambridge, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Helen Donis-Keller of Cambridge, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P0790EA

Estate of RICHARD J. GARGAN Date of Death January 23, 2014 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner John K. Gargan of Sutton, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

John K. Gargan of Sutton, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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The MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY (Authority) is soliciting consulting services for MPA CONTRACT NO. A315-D1, FY14-16 ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTING EXCELLENCE SERVICES. The Authority is seeking a qualified multi-discipline architectural consulting firm which emphasizes and demonstrates design excellence, to provide professional services to evaluate and to guide the design quality for selected projects on an on-call, as needed basis. The requested services are expected to be provided at any Massport owned or operated aviation and maritime facility including Boston-Logan Airport, L.G. Hanscom Field, Worcester Regional Airport, Conley Terminal, and Cruiseport Boston. The Consultant must be able to work closely with the Authority, its designated design consultants and other interested parties in order to provide such services in a timely and effective manner. The projects for review may range from small and simple to relatively

The Consultant shall demonstrate a history of design excellence in its own portfolio as well as experience in the critique of all aspects of architectural design including but not limited to architecture, urban design, landscape architecture, interior design, art, sustainability, and workplace design. It is the goal of the Authority to achieve design excellence in its projects to achieve more innovative, creative, and accessible environments. The intent is to deliver projects that others want to emulate. Projects must incorporate the best qualities of contemporary design thought and superior building performance while adhering to constructability concerns and long term operating issues. The selected consultant might be asked to facilitate and manage design charrette, provide a forum for ideas to be developed and tested, design to be augmented and improved. The Consultant might be asked to perform independent design reviews of projects, attend design review sessions and evaluate design development, facilitate critical design discussions and recommend design and graphic solutions. The Consultant shall demonstrate its ability to understand the design, cost and constructability issues for each project reviewed in order to effectively evaluate and promote the design quality that meets the Authority's goal.

The Consultant may be required to provide limited conceptual design services to develop and/or advance the design quality and to work with the designated design consultant to provide as needed design-assist services to enhance the project. The development of concept plans and elevation sketches, evaluation of project definition documents, limited preliminary design services and ongoing design review through construction may be required.

The Authority expects to select one (1) consultant. However, the Authority reserves the right to select a different number if it is deemed in its best interest to do so. The Consultant shall be issued a contract in an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$250,000). The services shall be authorized on a work order basis

Each submission shall include a Statement of Qualifications that provides detailed information in response to the evaluation criteria set forth below and include Architect/Engineer & Related Services questionnaires SF 330 *(www.gsa.gov/portal/forms/download/116486)* with the appropriate number of Part IIs. M/W/DBE Certification of the prime and subconsultants shall be current at the time of submittal and the Consultant shall provide a copy of the M/W/DBE certification letter from the Supplier Diversity Office, formerly known as State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (SOMWBA) within its submittal. The Consultant shall also provide an original and fourteen copies of litigation and legal proceedings information, signed under the pains and penalties of perjury, in a separate sealed envelope entitled "Litigation and Legal Proceedings". See http://www.massport.com/business-with-massport/capital-improvements/resource-center for more details on litigation and legal proceedings history submittal requirements.

As this scope will not cover Construction Documents and Specification writing services, the Authority has opted to waive Provision 44, Chapter 7C of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts requirements

The submission shall be evaluated on basis of:

- current level of experience and knowledge of the team in performing the requested
- demonstrated ability to respond in a timely manner,
- geographic location and availability of the Project Manager and other key personnel to be
- experience and knowledge in utilizing BIM to develop conceptual design options,
- experience is using various visualizations techniques, including animations, to evaluate graphic and design alternatives.
- M/W/DBE and affirmative action efforts, please indicate the proposed % of M/W/DBE participation
- current level of work with the Authority, & past performance for the Authority, if any, and
- experience with sustainability and resiliency. The selection shall involve a two-step process including the shortlisting of a minimum of three firms

based on an evaluation of the Statements of Qualifications received in response to this solicitation, followed immediately by a final selection of the consultant(s) by the Authority By responding to this solicitation, consultants agree to accept the terms and conditions of Massport's standard work order agreement, a copy of the Authority's standard agreement can be found on the

Authority's web page at www.massport.com. The Consultant shall specify in its cover letter that it has the ability to obtain requisite insurance coverage. Submissions shall be printed on both sides of the sheet (8 1/2" x 11"), no acetate covers. Fifteen (15)

- copies of a bound document and one PDF version on a disc each limited to: 1) an SF 330 including the appropriate number of Part IIs.
 - resumes of key individuals only each limited to one (1) page under SF 330, Section E,
 - no more than ten (10) projects each limited to one (1) page under SF 330, Section F, 3)
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 - no more than 2 sheets (4 pages) of other relevant material not including a 2 page (max.) cover letter, SDO certification letters, covers, dividers, and other required information.

This submission, including the litigation and legal proceedings history in a separate sealed envelope as required shall be addressed to Houssam H. Sleiman, PE, CCM, Director of Capital Programs and Environmental Affairs and received no later than 12:00 Noon on May 01, 2014 at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Suite 209S, Logan International Airport, East Boston, MA 02128-2909. Any submission which is not received in a timely manner shall be rejected by the Authority as non-responsive. Any information provided to the Authority in any Proposal or other written or oral communication between the Proposer and the Authority will not be, or deemed to have been, proprietary or confidential, although the Authority will use reasonable efforts not to disclose such information to persons who are not employees or consultants retained by the Authority except as may be required by M.G.L. c.66.

The procurement process for these services will proceed according to the following anticipated

EVENT	DATE / TIME
Solicitation: Release Date	March 19, 2014
Deadline for submission of written questions	April 4, 2014 - 4 PM
Official answers published (Estimated)	April 11, 2014 - 4 PM
Solicitation: Close Date / Submission Deadline	May 1, 2014, 12 PM (Noon)

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Questions may be sent via email to CPBidQuestions@massport.com subject to the deadline for receipt stated in the timetable above. In the subject lines of your email, please reference the MPA Project Name and Number. Questions and their responses will be posted on Capital Bid Opportunities webpage of Massport http://www.massport.com/doing-business/_layouts/ CapitalPrograms/default.aspx as an attachment to the original Legal Notice and on Comm-PASS (www.comm-pass.com) in the listings for this project.

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Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Ah, Ellen DeGeneres! Well, according to the February 24th edition of the National Enquirer, Ellen is terrified that her life will be cut short by deadly breast cancer! Sources told the Enquirer the beloved talk show host feels as if she's a ticking time bomb because her mom, grandmother and aunt have all had the dreaded disease and she fears that due to her family history she has to pack as much into her busy life as possible. She certainly looked great as a host of the Oscar Awards program.

The number of cancer cases worldwide is expected to rise by 70 percent over the next 20 years, from a current rate of 14 million new cases per year to 25 million a year. The World Health Organization blamed the predicted increase on the increasing use of tobacco, alcohol and "highly processed foods" in countries with growing middle-classes.

Let's move on! Youth participation in the four most popular U.S. team sports — basketball, soccer, baseball and football dropped by four percent from 2008 to 2012. The lure of social networks and technology may be drawing some kids and teens away from sports.

Huh? Since 2008 Americans have left an estimated \$44 billion unspent on gift cards from retailers, which can't consider the value stored on the cards to be revenue until it is spent on merchandise.

According to Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill, among the most expensive gifts on earth is the gift of gab.

Robyn Waters of Swampscott says "Money is an ideal gift — everything else is too expensive!'

The astute unofficial mayor of Medford, Tom Analetto, says, "The greatest gift we can bestow on others is a good example."

Good move! CVS has dropped tobacco products. CVS is kicking the habit, said Phil Wahba and Julie Steenhuysen in Reuters.com. The drugstore chain said it would quit selling tobacco products at its 7,600 stores by October, "becoming the first national drugstore chain in the United States to take cigarettes off the shelf." The move is expected to cost CVS — the country's second largest drugstore chain — roughly \$2 billion in annual sales, but analysts say that loss will hardly figure in its projected revenue and may even "strengthen its position as a health-care provider" through its Caremark subsidiary.

Do you know that CVS stands for? Consumer Value Store.

Say goodbye to your RadioShack, said Emily Glazer in The Wall Street Journal. Sources say the electronics retailer is planning to close around 500 of its 4,300 stores within the next few months. "The news was a cold dose of reality after the upbeat feeling generated" by RadioShack's Super Bowl ad, which "poked fun at its outdated image." RadioShack has been taking a new approach to transform "its image from an old-school electronics store into a destination for shoppers looking for entertainment gadgets."

Bravo! The recent punishing snowstorm in Birmingham, Alabama, wasn't enough to keep Dr. Zenko Hrynkiw from his duties. The 62-year-old neurosurgeon was working six miles away when Trinity Medical Center called to say that a patient there needed emergency brain surgery. Hrynkiw jumped in his car, but snarled traffic immobilized him. "I'm not getting anywhere in this," he told a Trinity nurse. "I'm walking." He trudged through snow for two hours, then performed a successful operation. The patient was bound to die without surgery, Hrynkiw said, "and that's not going to happen on my shift."

So, do you wish to know how the Democrats became known as the party of the donkey? It all started when Andrew Jackson ran for president in 1828 with the slogan "Let the people rule," and his opponents tried to label him a "jackass." Jackson, however, turned the tables on his "neigh"-sayers by using the donkey, representing his stubbornness, on his campaign posters. The donkey symbol of the Democrat party was first used in a political cartoon in 1837 titled "A

Baalim and his Ass." Again the symbol was used in con-



junction with Andrew Jackson. Even though he had left office by this time, he still thought of himself as the party's leader. He was shown in the cartoon trying to push the donkey where he wanted to go. Dumb Ass.

Stay awake! Although lynching was popularized during the Old West, the practice actually started during the American Revolution. Colonel Charles Lynch, a justice of the peace and farmer before the war, led a group of vigilantes to dispense swift and final justice on British supporters and outlaws. Soon stringing someone up without a trial became known as "lynching," and the groups that performed the activity were called "lynch mobs."

Still awake? In paintings, movies, and on TV, we're given the impression that worshipping the flag was something all devout Americans have done since the War of Independence, but that's not exactly the way it was. Schools were not required to fly the flag until 1890. Pledging allegiance to the flag wasn't instituted until 1892, and saluting the flag didn't happen until the Spanish-American War in 1898. It wasn't until 1916 that Flag Day was observed as a national holiday, and the flag code, the proper way to treat and dispose of flags, was not approved by Congress until 1942 and didn't become a federal law until 1976.

For you dummies: In 1805 the United States Marine Band was created by President Thomas Jefferson, who recruited 14 Italian musicians led by Gaetano Carusi. The man who inspired Jefferson to recruit the Italian musicians was Philip Mazzei, a political activist and writer. It was Mazzei who helped create the Declaration of Independence and originated "all men are created equal."

Italian American Business Leaders: Mr. Peanuts and Planters Peanut Company were created by Italian immigrants Amedeo Obici and Mario Peruzzi in 1887 in Pennsylvania. By 1930 the partners had four huge factories and raked in over \$12 million annually. Chef Boyardee, the name behind the nation's leading brand of readyto-eat spaghetti dinners, pizza, sauce and pasta, was Ettore Boirdi, an Italian immigrant, who began as a chef's apprentice at age 11 and eventually opened a restaurant in Cleveland, Ohio, and in the 1930s began selling his pasta and sauce in cans. During World War II, Chef Boyardee was the largest supplier of rations for the U.S. and Allied Forces. And Prince Company, a \$200 million-a-year pasta manufacturing business, was established by Joseph Pellegrino, who emigrated to the U.S. from Sicily at age 12. A former street hustler, Pellegrino only went to school through the eighth grade. His son, Joseph, Jr., and granddaughter both worked

Some wee bits about Italians in show business with the noted musicologist Albert Natale: The voice of Snow White in the first full-length animated film, released in 1937, belonged to Adriana Caselotti. One of Hollywood's most gifted directors, Frank Capra was born in Sicily in 1897. A Chorus Line, one of Broadway's longest running shows, was choreographed by the late Michael Bennett, who was born Michael DeFiglia. Hollywood's first sex symbol of the silver screen was Rudolph Valentino, who was born Rodoilfo Guglielmi in Castellaneta, Italy, in 1895. The producer of all but one of the 17 James Bond movies was Albert R. "Cubby" Broccoli. His ancestors developed and named the popular vegetable in Italy in the 19th century. And Hollywood's famous Walk of Fame holds nearly 400 stars imbedded in the pavement. The stars are created by Bill Paternostro, a terrazzo artist. He takes about two days to make a star, which is composed of thick, colored concrete with tiny marble chips and the name of the star, which is in brass.

AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME

Recipes from the Homeland





SFINGI "sfeen-gee" Fried Dough Treats

3 yeast packets (1/4 oz.

2-1/2 cups lukewarm water (105 to 115°F) 2/3 cup vegetable oil

3-1/2 cups flour 2 tablespoons sugar 1 teaspoon salt

A sprinkle of cinnamon (optional)

FOR FRYING:

1 quart vegetable oil

1 four-quart saucepan or deep fryer

In a ten-inch bowl, mix yeast with lukewarm water. Stir to dissolve yeast. Add oil. Gradually add flour, cinnamon (optional), and salt, blending all ingredients to form a SOFT dough. Cover and let rise to double its size.

Punch down and let rise again. Repeat two more times.

FRYING: Heat oil in small deep fryer or saucepan until hot. With teaspoon, drop portions of mixture into hot oil. They will fall to bottom and rise slowly. Remove with slotted spoon when golden brown all over. Place in large bowl. Sprinkle with granulated sugar. Serve hot or cooled.

NOTE: Though this delightful treat was also served in many homes for Easter, I remember especially waiting to see Mama mix her dough at Christmas time. Zio Nino and Zia Marianna's (Papa's uncle and aunt) top-floor apartment became a gathering place for relatives and friends on many holidays. What I remember most was seeing Zia Marianna, Mama and other women help to fry the Sfingi. The odor of frying dough was evident in the apartment and throughout the corridors of 39 Charter Street. My cousins and I served the hot, fried, sugared dough to guests arriving for supper.

It became a special time after supper. The youngsters who had not fallen asleep after supper were welcomed to the round kitchen table again. "We joined our parents in the games of Lotto (Bingo) with the other quests. A display of fruit, nuts, Cannalicchi, Cassattedi, Sfingi, or Strufoli remained available for all to enjoy until we departed for home.

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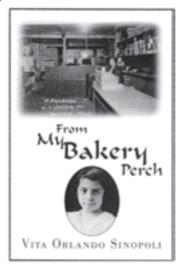
• Legally Speaking (Continued from Page 6)

was "in all respects identical" to its Massachusetts counterpart and that, as a result, the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP statute should be applied in federal court as

I will explain reasons for Judge Gorton's opinion as well as the facts in the underlying dispute in greater detail in my next column. In conclusion, I

following Judge Gorton's opinion, it should be clear that litigants in the federal district court in Massachusetts are now protected by our state's anti-SLAPP statute and, if someone is ever sued for "petitioning" the government, they should be able to invoke the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP statute to get that lawsuit thrown out, and be awarded any want to emphasize that attorney's fees as well.

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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo



A Nostalgic Remembrance

I was off to Florida all by myself. After I arrived in Miami, I headed to the Fontainebleau Hotel to pick up my friend Maryann and her cousin Harry. We were going to head out for a leisurely dinner and I had thought of bringing them to an Italian restaurant I had heard about. Instead, Harry asked if I had ever had authentic barbecue, and when I said no, insisted we head for a smokehouse he had eaten at.

The only barbecue I had ever tried was either at Bob the Chef or Slade's, both famous for their fried chicken and ribs, back in the day. Harry insisted and we climbed into his Rolls Royce convertible and headed to North Miami Beach. There was a popular nightclub called the Castaways that we passed en route to the restaurant, and I mentioned that it was well known even in Boston. Maryann added that, if I hadn't been there yet, it was a "must stop at" type of a place before the vacation was over. Soon we were on a side street stopped at a place called "The Pit." From the outside, you could smell the ribs cooking in barbecue sauce. The smell wasn't Italian, but it was mouth watering.

Once we were seated, I tried the "Tempt A Yankee" plate, a sampler of all things southern. When the food was served, my plate contained spare ribs covered with barbecue sauce, fried chicken, collard greens, rice with black-eyed peas (which are actually beans), fried okra, a wedge of corn bread and homemade lemonade. Dessert consisted of coffee and sweet potato pie. Actually, I enjoyed the entire meal. It wasn't lasagna with meatballs and sausages, but it was good.

As the meal came to an end, Harry said to Maryann that it might be interesting if they brought me to Tony's Fish Pier. To me, there was the Boston Fish Pier and New York's Fulton Fish Market, but they operated early in the morning to about midday. It was about 9:00 in the evening and we were dressed for a night on the town, not a night in a fish market. I was apprehensive until they told me that the place was a plush restaurant with a surprise in the back.

As we drove back to Miami Beach, I wondered what was in store, as I was confused. When we arrived, Harry spoke to the maitre-d, who made a phone call and came back with, "You are expected." We exited the restaurant and headed for a very big yacht docked in the back of the place on Biscayne Bay. Within a half hour, the boat was under way. Harry ordered drinks and we headed out to sea.

It was school break and After awhile a voice came over a loud speaker stating that we passed the threemile limit. When the statement ended, both Harry and Maryann said, "Let's go." We left the cocktail lounge and headed mid-ship. By the time we arrived at our destination, cloth coverings had been removed from all of the locations the guests might want to be at — blackjack tables, crap tables, roulette wheels, bird cages and slot machines. The boat was a gambling ship.

> Gambling was illegal in Florida, but its jurisdiction ended at a three-mile limit. As a result people could gamble. I watched Harry drop over a thousand dollars at a crap table as if it was nothing. I played a little blackjack and made about ten dollars. Maryann just watched. Later that night, I offered to buy coffee with my winnings, and on the way back, Harry headed for Wolfie's, a then famous deli that was open late.

The next day I headed for the beach with my school teacher friends from up north. We all worked on our tans as a winter's heat wave made life perfect for us.

When I arrived back at the apartment hotel I was staying at, there was a message for me from Ralph Porras. He wanted me to meet with him in the lobby of the Hotel Doral that evening before he was scheduled to play. When he showed up, he was ready for work, with a neatly pressed tuxedo and a large suitcase that contained his accordion. We talked for a bit and he offered me a job. He was doing so well booking music in and around Miami that he was sending out four or five bands during the week nights and ten or more on the weekend nights. He said, "You know the tunes the people dance to, you look good all dressed up and I think the men would listen to you as a leader. You could front bands under my name just about every night of the week. The pay would be better than union scale and I would add on the leader's commission. What do you say?"

This was unexpected and I was thrilled, but I didn't want to make a commitment without talking things over with my family. I also knew that Ralph was close with Jackie Gleason and I didn't know what that might mean as far as my career was concerned, but I wondered. I told Ralph that I didn't want to make any hasty decisions without speaking with my father and he understood. When I left him, I knew that I had a lot to think about. I was teaching in Boston, playing with three different bands and going to graduate school. I had planned to call home on the following morning, but it was now time to pick up Maryann

and meet my Boston school teacher friends at an Italian restaurant.

D'Agostino's was one of Miami Beach's authentic Italian restaurants according to reports I had heard. The best recommendation came from the man who headed the parking concession at the Fontainebleau Hotel. He was a Sicilian from Brooklyn. That was good enough for me. I picked up Maryann and headed toward D'Agostino's. En route, she said in her southern accent, "Ahve had Eyetalian food befoah, ya'all know about that Chef Boy-ar-dee in a can, it's real good." I cringed, said nothing, but assumed that we had a real cultural difference.

My friends were waiting for us, and Maryann was introduced to Italian bread dunked in olive oil with grated cheese, crushed olives and black pepper. This was followed by a table-sized antipasto and when I ordered for her, I had to use my discretion as she only knew Chef Boy-ar-dee. I thought she might like lasagna, sausages, sautéed mushrooms and string beans cooked in olive oil and garlic, and a garden salad with oil and lemon. I was right. Later, when it was time for dessert, I introduced her to a cannoli and espresso. By the time dinner had ended, I had a new convert to Italian food. I think the Chianti may have helped a little,

My friends from Boston had a million questions to ask Maryann and she seemed to get along with them quite well. After we left the restaurant and one and all said good night to each other, I dropped my friend off at the Fontainebleau and headed back to my apartment hotel gathering my thoughts for a morning conversation with Mom, Dad and Babbononno about moving to Florida. At that point in time, no one in the immediate family lived more than ten miles away from their birth place. Even if you were over 21, but still single and obtained your own apartment, it was assumed that you ran away from home. How was I going to phrase my thoughts?

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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• **Socially Scene** (Continued from Page 9)



Grace & Tony White, the "PunkGrass" duo will be live with Vapors of Morphine on Wednesday, March 19th at Atwood's in Cambridge.

(Photo by americansongwriters.com)

job in the kitchen at Boston's Logan Hilton Hotel. He quickly moved up from washing dishes to sous chef to executive sous chef as his talents were noticed by management and then was scooped up by the kitchen at DoubleTree Suites by Hilton that features Scullers. As a kid growing up in the home of his single mother, Steve learned to cook to help out learning quickly — curried goat, curried crab, and dumplings were some of the specialties on the home menu. Now Ali has adapted some of those flavors to suit American pallets, and as a part of the hot and spicy shows Scullers Jazz Club with Dr. Sagov, the food will be a great preparation for

Nancy Ostrovsky is a pioneer of performance painting, an art form that has not yet been embraced by galleries and museums, but which has earned her a dedicated following nonetheless. Just as jazz musicians often go unrecognized, or at least play on without the distractions of million-dollar-record deals and radio playlists, Ostrovsky has forged her own path in art without worrying about who's hot and who's not in the greater art world. Instead, she has spent her life processing her experiences, absorbing influences and putting it all back into her paintings, which have only grown more expressive and wise over the course of the past three decades.

located at 400 Soldiers Field Road, Allston. Tickets can be purchased by logging on to www.scullersjazz.com or by calling 617-562-4131.

Hear the PunkGrass **Sound ...** With Grace & Tony live and Vapors of Morphine on Wednesday, March 19th at Atwood's in Cambridge.

One of Boston's hidden gems is a neighborhood restaurant/bar and music room featuring local and touring musicians. Their bookings are diverse with a strong emphasis on Roots, Blues, Americana, Folk, and Rock, and this month they are bringing in hot-on-the-scene Grace & Tony along with Vapors of Morphine.

When Grace and Tony White met they fell in love, and their music together followed afterwards. Exposed to music early in their lives by

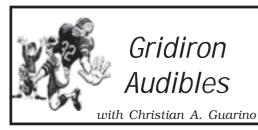
family (Grace's liked the southern styles from gospel all the way to rock, while Tony learned from his brother, John Paul White of The Civil Wars fame), Grace & Tony experimented with an unlikely blend of genres by mixing punk, folk, bluegrass, and Texas swing to create something new; "Punkgrass" was born.

"Punkgrass is simply a natural fusion of my punk rock background and Grace's southern gospel and bluegrass upbringing," stated Tony. "It isn't forced; it's very organic and it stands out because it's a real fusion of what's new and old. We play whatever pops into our heads; from classic rock to southern gospel, we scratch every itch. It's dark yet happy; silly yet serious. Plus, it's a whole lot of fun to play."

Vapors of Morphine (formerly known as Members of Morphine) have been performing tunes by the seminal, noire-inspired "Low Rock" outfit Morphine, adding originals and obscure covers of rock, African Blues and New Orleans street tunes, played with inventive arrangements and the unusual yet funky and powerful instrumentation of baritone saxophone, two string bass/slide guitar and drums

They leave audiences from Boston to Chile and New Orleans to the Netherlands screaming for more. The band officially formed Scullers Jazz Club, is in 2009, when the group played Nel Nome Del Rock Festival in Palestrina, Italy, ten years after Morphine leader Mark Sandman died on the same stage. Since then the group has released one eponymous CD, and played selective shows at home and abroad. Highlights have included The New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival (2012), New Orleans' Voodoo Experience (2011) and many more.

These two up and coming acts are here for one night only in the Atwood Tavern, a performance not to be missed! Grace & Tony will hit the stage at 8:45 pm. and Vapors of Morphine will be live at 10:15 pm. Located at 877 Cambridge Street in Cambridge and can be reached at 617-864-2792, or visit atwoodstavern.com to purchase tickets.







FREE AGENCY

The new league year officially began March 11 with the start of free agency kicking off at 4:00 pm. As I'm writing this, a day into free agency, the period to build the 2014 New England Patriots is well underway.

In last week's article, I focused on the need for the team to re-sign two of their own free agents, Wide Receiver Julian Edelman and Cornerback Aqib Talib. The Patriots offered Edelman a 3-year deal for an undisclosed dollar amount prior to the start of free agency. Despite rejecting the initial offer, and opting to test the free agent waters, a deal to keep Edelman a Patriot for the foreseeable future could still be worked out.

Talib, signed Tuesday with the Denver Broncos on a six year, \$57 million dollar deal with an astounding \$26 million guaranteed. The Patriots were not going to match that offer. The Broncos had the cap space and grit to make such a pricey move for Talib. Denver sees him as a difference maker for their defense and did not shy away from the player given his injury history. Going by recent Patriot free agent negotiations, once Talib hit the market, chances of the two sides reaching a deal were slim.

However, fear not Patriot fans, this year's free agent period is rich with possibilities. Many big names are available on offense and defense, particularly in positions that the team is in need of. With limited cap space, the Patriots may be able to come away with a talented player for below market value.

Just before the start of free agency, rumors were circulating that Tampa Bay may release Cornerback Darrelle brought before the league's Revis should they not find a Competition Committee.

trade for the all-pro corner. Rumors abound that Revis could be an option for the Patriots. A move for Revis is a topic that simply will not go away. In many ways it is reminiscent of the Randy Moss to New England "rumors" that eventually formulated into reality at the 2007 draft. Revis would give the team arguably the best cover corner in the league. The Cornerback position is one spot that the Patriots cannot bargain to bin shop at. At this point with Talib gone to their chief AFC rival, the team needs to make getting Revis a top priority.

Another viable, although less talented option to fill the void would be recently released Saint Louis cornerback Cortland Finnegan. Finnegan, 30, is not a shutdown corner but would bring a veteran presence and physical play that the secondary has been lacking since the great Rodney Harrison last roamed the backfield. Similar to Harrison, Finnegan is coming off a disappointing season and may look for the opportunity to prove his critics wrong. This sounds like a Patriots kind of player.

EXTRA POINT CHANGES?

Recently the NFL has played around with the notion of eliminating or extending the extra point play. As a traditionalist of the game, I would hate to see the play eliminated. The league has already all but eliminated the kickoff return by moving the kicking spot to the 35-yard line. One proposal calls for extending the distance of the kick from the two-yard line up to the 25, making for a 42-yard attempt. This proposed change, would be an intriguing change to a play that is quite frankly a formality. This would also force NFL coaches to at least guestion whether a 42-yard onepoint play is statistically more achievable than a two yard play in the two-point conversion. Factors such as weather would play an even bigger role in this decision. This is a matter that may be

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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY (Authority) is soliciting consulting services for MPA CONTRACT NO. L1191-D1, PARKING GARAGES 2,050 SPACE CONSOLIDATIONS, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. The Authority is seeking a qualified multidiscipline consulting firm or team, with proven experience to provide professional services including planning, architectural and engineering design, and construction related services, including resident inspection relative to THE CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 2,050 PARKING SPACES AT THE WEST AND TERMINAL B GARAGES. The Consultant must be able to work closely with the Authority and other interested parties in order to provide such services in a timely and effective manner.

The consultant shall demonstrate experience in several disciplines and including but not limited to Architectural, Civil, Structural, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Security, Signage, Vertical Transportation, Parking Circulation, Geotechnical, Landscape Architecture, Code Compliance, Cost Estimating, Construction Phasing, and Scheduling. The consultant shall also have demonstrated experience with Construction Management at Risk, MGL

The scope of work shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- Collecting existing information and performing site investigations for two identified locations where the construction is planned.
- Performing architectural engineering studies relating to pedestrian pathways and circulation
- Providing high quality architectural renderings of proposed interior and exterior finishes for presentation to the various stakeholders.
- Providing architectural engineering studies for modification of existing and new features that allow seamless integration of the new structures into the existing garages, walkways, and adjacent terminals.
- Performing field investigations of utilities and existing soils for the purpose of identifying conflicts, and determining foundation types and
- Preparation of preliminary layout plans and cost estimates to assist in development of a program budget.
- Development of a BIM Model and management of a BIM xP (BIM Execution Plan) in support of Design and Construction.
- Demonstrated experience in Lean Construction or long-term experience working collaboratively with CMs selected early in the design phase. Preparation of contract drawings in a phased approach to allow for early construction packages as design is developed.
- (10) Preparation of final architectural and engineering design plans, specifications, and cost estimates for up to 3 design reviews for each design
- (11) Preparation of design which have high quality exterior finishes.
- (12) Evaluation of electrical, security, and mechanical systems to be incorporated into the design.
- (13) Preparation of high quality presentation graphics.
- (14) Assist in the procurement of a Construction Manager at Risk as per MGL Chapter 149A
- (15) Preparation of bid documents for subcontractor and trade work. (16) Provide support services, field inspection, project controls, and resident engineering during the construction phase
- (17) Manage construction closeout, including commissioning of systems, as-built drawing preparation, and O&M submission review.
- (18) Asset management database development.

The project is expected to be studied, designed and implemented using Building Information Model (BIM) software. It is understood that the selected firm will develop a model as part of the scope. All subsidiary models are expected to be interoperable with Autodesk Revit or support robust exchange with Autodesk Revit. The designer will be expected to utilize the BIM in all phases of work and in presentations and reviews. The Consultant will be required to have a BIM/Visual Design and Construction (VDC) Manager for each of the following disciplines: Architectural, MEP, Structural and Civil Engineers as part of the team. Resumes for each manager shall be included in the submission package

The contract will be work order based, and Consultant's fee for each work order shall be negotiated; however, the total fee for the contract shall not exceed

In recognition of the unique nature of the project and the services required to support it, the Authority has scheduled a Consultant Briefing to be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at the Capital Programs Department, Suite 209S, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909. At this session, an overview of the project will be provided, the services requested by the Authority will be described, and

Each submission shall include a Statement of Qualifications that provides detailed information in response to the evaluation criteria set forth below and include Architect/Engineer & Related Services questionnaires SF 330 (www.gsa.gov/portal/forms/download/116486) with the appropriate number of Part IIs. M/WBE Certification of the prime and subconsultants shall be current at the time of submittal and the Consultant shall provide a copy of the M/ WBE certification letter from the Supplier Diversity Office, formerly known as State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (SOMWBA) within its submittal. The Consultant shall also provide an original and fourteen copies of litigation and legal proceedings information, signed under the pains and penalties of perjury, in a separate sealed envelope entitled "Litigation and Legal Proceedings." Please follow this link to the Massport Website at: http://www.massport.com/business-with-massport/capital-improvements/resource-center/ for more information.

In order to be eligible for selection, all aspects of Chapter 7C, Section 44 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall be satisfied including the majority of the firm's Board of Directors or ownership shall be registered in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in accordance with the applicable provisions of the statute. Consultants shall furnish professional registration status of the firm's board of directors or ownership. All individuals responsible for technical disciplines shall, upon commencement of the project, be registered Architects or Engineers, in that discipline, in the Commonwealth

The Authority may reject any application if any of the required information is not provided: Cover Letter, Insurance Requirements, Litigation and Legal proceedings, and Registration of the Board of Directors as defined in MGL Chapter 7C Section 44, SF330 Part IIs for the Prime and every sub-consultant.

The submission shall be evaluated on basis of:

- (1) The background, credentials, management capabilities, and communication skills of the Project manager,
- Current level of experience and knowledge of the team for similar projects, particularly the Architectural Project Manager,
- Geographic location and availability of the Project Manager, resident inspectors and other key personnel to be assigned to the project,
- Experience and expertise of sub-consultants, including prior working relationships,
- Demonstrated ability in using BIM for programming, design and construction of all architectural and engineering disciplines. The BIM Manager must have demonstrated experience in developing BIM Execution Plans, and have managed, directed and implemented BIM in projects during the pre-construction and construction phases
- Demonstrated experience in Lean Construction or long-term experience working collaboratively with CMs selected early in the design phase.
- Demonstrated ability to perform work with minimal disruption to airport operations.
- Demonstrated ability to produce clear and effective design documents within tight time frames, Demonstrated projects within which high quality exterior finishes have been developed and constructed.
- (10) Familiarity with MGL Chapter 149A, including filed sub-bid experience,
- (11) Cost management and scheduling capabilities,
- (12) M/WBE and affirmative action efforts, please indicate the proposed percentage of M/WBE participation,
- (13) Current level of work with the Authority,
- (14) Past performance for the Authority, if any,
- (15) Experience with sustainable and resiliency design concepts, and
- (16) Project understanding and technical approach to this project.

The selection shall involve a two-step process including the shortlisting of a minimum of three firms based on an evaluation of the Statements of Qualifications received in response to this solicitation, followed immediately by a final selection of the consultant by the Authority. The Authority reserves the right to interview the firms prior to final selection, if deemed appropriate

A Supplemental Information Package will be available to interested parties beginning Thursday, March 27, 2014, by contacting Susan Brace at 617-568-

By responding to this solicitation, consultants agree to accept the terms and conditions of Massport's standard work order agreement, a copy of the Authority's standard agreement can be found on the Authority's web page at www.massport.com. The exception to this standard agreement is the insurance requirement of \$1,000,000 of commercial general liability. The Consultant shall specify in its cover letter that it has the ability to obtain requisite

Submissions shall be printed on both sides of the sheet (8 1/2" x 11"), no acetate covers. Fifteen (15) copies of a bound document and one PDF version on a disc each limited to:

- 1) an SF 330 including the appropriate number of Part IIs.
- 2) resumes of key individuals only each limited to one (1) page under SF 330, Section E,
- 3) no more than ten (10) projects each limited to one (1) page under SF 330, Section F,
- no more than 4 sheets (8 pages) of information contained under SF 330 Section H addressing the evaluation items (except for the litigation and legal proceedings history), and
- no more than 2 sheets (4 pages) of other relevant material not including a 2 page (max.) cover letter, SDO certification letters, covers, dividers and other required information.

This submission, including the litigation and legal proceedings history in a separate sealed envelope as required shall be addressed to Houssam H. Sleiman, PE, CCM, Director of Capital Programs and Environmental Affairs and received no later than 12:00 Noon on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Suite 209S, Logan International Airport, East Boston, MA 02128-2909. Any submission which is not received in a timely manner shall be rejected by the Authority as non-responsive. Any information provided to the Authority in any Proposal or other written or oral communication between the Proposer and the Authority will not be, or deemed to have been, proprietary or confidential although the Authority will use reasonable efforts not to disclose such information to persons who are not employees or consultants retained by the Authority except as may be required by M.G.L. c.66.

The procurement process for these services will proceed according to the following anticipated schedule:

EVENT D	ATE / TIME
Solicitation: Release Date	March 20, 2014
Consultant Briefing/Supplemental Info. Available	March 27, 2014
Deadline for submission of written questions	April 3, 2014
Official answers published (Estimated)	April 11, 2014
Solicitation: Close Date / Submission Deadline	April 24, 2014

Times are Eastern Standard Time (US).

Questions may be sent via email to CPBidQuestions@massport.com subject to the deadline for receipt stated in the timetable above. In the subject lines of your email, please reference the MPA Project Name and Number. Questions and their responses will be posted on Capital Bid Opportunities webpage of Massport http://www.massport.com/doing-business/_layouts/CapitalPrograms/default.aspx as an attachment to the original Legal Notice and on Comm-PASS (www.comm-pass.com) in the listings for this project

> MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY THOMAS P. GLYNN, CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P0712EA

Estate of NOEMI MIMI COTTON Also Known As **NOEMI GARZA** Date of Death March 6, 2012 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Michael A. Cotton, Sr. of Tomball, TX.

Crystal S. Cotton of Tomball, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Estate of NICOLAS PENA CRUZ Also Known As NICOLAS P. CRUZ INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

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Date of Death April 19, 2012

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Anita A. Cruz of Harlingen, TX a Will has been

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Estate of **BILLYE JEAN HAWKINS** Date of Death September 27, 2012

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Raybon M. Hawkins, Jr. of Memphis, TN.

Raybon M. Hawkins, Jr. of Memphis, TN has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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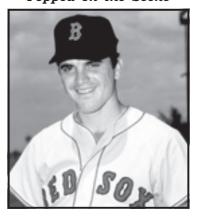
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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Fifty Years Ago Tony C Popped on the Scene



Tony Conigliaro popped on the scene in 1964 at the age of 19 and hit 166 career homers and knocked in 516 RBIs in only 8 seasons. In 1965, he hit 32 home runs to lead the American League in that stat and was the youngest player ever to reach the 100 HR plateau. Lifetime he hit .264. However, none of these numbers can describe just how good he was and how tragic that

beaming on August 18th was to Red Sox baseball fans.

My brother skipped school on Opening Day in April 1964 and witnessed Tony C's first home run in his first Major League at bat. He had the world in his hands. Women loved his good looks, guvs loved his baseball skills. After his beaming in 1967, he tried hard to come back and we hoped so much that he could. Finally, this great story gone wrong began to end with a heart attack while he traveled inside the Sumner Tunnel driven by his brother Billy in 1982. He passed away in 1990 at age 45.

Tony, after all, was one of us. He was born in Revere and the North Shore was in

Bruce Fitzpatrick, author of The Tony Conigliaro Story, wrote of him, "Tony left nothing on the field. He gave 100 percent, 100 percent of the time. He played hurt and

was committed to the game. When others would have packed it in he never gave up the dream. Tony was wired deeply into baseball. It was the love of his life."

Arroyo on the Shelf

Recently I wrote of Bronson Arroyo's new contract with Arizona. He complained about the free agency process and said he hated it. He ended up with a very good two-year deal with the Diamondbacks but reportedly really wanted three years, but his age worked against him from management's point of view.

Now, he has a back injury and will miss some spring Manager Kirk training. Gibson stated, "We feel like there's enough time for him to be ready for the beginning of the season."

Arroyo, 37, received \$23 million for the next two seasons and this recent injury is the first time in his long career he ends up on the

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Estate of ALVIN J. ECHOLES Date of Death September 20, 2010 **INFORMAL PROBATE**

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner June A. Guice of Crystal Lake, IL.

June A. Guice of Crystal Lake, IL has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI13P6169EA

Estate of **GEORGE ABRAHAM HELSHAM** Date of Death May 2, 2012 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Elizabeth P. Helsham of Winchester, CA.

Elizabeth P. Helsham of Winchester, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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CHARLES R. JOHNSON Date of Death March 16, 2006 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jemmie Johnson of Dallas, TX.

Jemmie Johnson of Dallas, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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PATRICIA ELAINE LOWE Date of Death October 25, 2012 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Glen E. Lowe of Winnsboro, LA.

Glen E. Lowe of Winnsboro, LA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Estate of RICKY R. McNAIR Date of Death MAY 27, 2006 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Raymond McNair of Charlotte, NC.

Raymond McNair of Charlotte, NC has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond

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SELATHIA ROBINSON-BEST Also Known As SELATHIA SAVAGE Date of Death April 12, 2012 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Harry Best of Pooler, GA.

Tonya Gaskin of Pooler, GA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the

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Estate of MARK VINSON THOMPSON Date of Death December 3, 2012 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Docket No. MI14P0785EA

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner

Chantell Thompson of Baton Rouge, LA.
Chantell Thompson of Baton Rouge, LA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond

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Estate of BENNIE JEWEL WILLIAMS Date of Death November 22, 2012 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Glenn Williams of Castor, LA.

Glenn Williams of Castor, LA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Estate of MANUEL ZUNIGA Date of Death November 23, 2013 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Maria Zuniga of Mcallen. TX

Maria Zuniga of Mcallen, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the

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The Fight of the Century: **ALI FRAZIER I**Why is it Being Forgotten? Part 2

"You know you're in here with God tonight." — Ali during the fight "If you are God, you're in the wrong place tonight." — Frazier's response

As fight night approached Ali continued to ramp up the racist rhetoric. Now he was telling the public that any black person who rooted for Joe Frazier was an Uncle Tom. His racist slurs were no longer aimed at just Joe but to any who dared come out in

support of him, dividing not only black and white America but also driving a fissure within the black community. This helped to fuel the hatred from Black Muslim to the Ku Klux Klan. Sad that a great sporting event would now become a source for promoting racial hatred at a time when great strides had been made to start bringing people together.

The evening of Monday, March 8th, saw a New York City full of electricity with traffic jams all around Madison Square Garden. Tickets were priced at \$20.00 to \$150.00, unbelievable prices by today's standards, but were being scalped for much more as the fight sold out within hours.

Frank Sinatra was in the press row working as a photo journalist for Life Magazine. Burt Lancaster was sitting alongside Don Dunphy doing color commentary between rounds. Famous people from the boxing, entertainment, and political worlds were a large part of the crowd of 20,455 awaiting the bell for the first round. Closedcircuit television locations the world over were sold out. This had to be the most watched live sporting event in history. The tension was unbelievable. Police presence had been beefed up on the streets of New York, and there were reports of people having their tickets stolen from them.

Ali was first in the ring followed a short while later by Frazier. The referee, who was chosen earlier that day, was veteran official Arthur Mercante. I asked Arthur a few years ago how much he was paid for working the fight. He told me, "I got \$500.00 but would have done it for nothing." The fighters were given instructions by the referee and the



Frazier lands a left hook.

bell for round one at rang at 10:40 pm.

From the beginning the bout lived up to expectations. Joe started out faster then he usually did but still lost the first couple of rounds while Ali used his jab to score repeatedly. In the third round Frazier started to penetrate Muhammad's defense and began landing on him. The death threats and derogatory remarks had not intimidated Frazier at all; they had actually only fueled his anger and determination to win the fight. Ali would have had to kill Joe to stop him on this night.

From the third through the ninth Joe had been giving a bit better then he was getting and edged Ali out in many of these rounds. Things began to get even more interesting in the tenth round when Ali seemed to be getting a second wind while Joe was slowing down a bit. Also, while breaking a clinch, Mercante accidentally stuck his finger in Frazier's eye. Joe stepped back blinking and complaining, and for a few seconds it appeared that the fight might end not from a blow thrown by either fighter, but by a finger poke from the referee. Fortunately, the damage wasn't serious.

The tide appeared to be changing in Ali's favor as the bell rang for the eleventh round. Both men seemed to be taking a bit of a breather and not a lot happened until the final minute of the round. Ali, with his back to the ropes, landed a terrific combination that drove Frazier back for moment. Joe responded by boring back in and connected with a tremendous left hook that staggered Ali. As Ali moved to his right along the ropes in an effort to escape the onslaught he was caught again. Here is where something happened that is overlooked, and I urge you to look at the tape of this round. With about forty-five seconds left in the round Joe landed another vicious left hook. Ali started to go down, his arms spread wide, while Joe turned to walk to a neutral corner.

The only thing is, Ali, while going down, bounced of the ropes and remained on his feet. Frazier saw this and immediately ran back towards Muhammad but was a second too late to take advantage of the opening. If Joe had stayed on Ali as he staggered back, I am convinced he would have scored a knock out, because Ali was hurt and wide open. For the remainder of the round Joe battered Ali and won it big.

As the fight continued into the championship rounds both fighters were exhausted and battered. Ali's jaw was extremely swollen and Joe's eyes were puffing up. Despite all of this, neither man showed any signs of quitting. This was a battle of wills.

As the bell rang for the fifteenth round, a round nobody expected to see, both men came out hoping to finish strong. Ali came out and landed a good combination, but just a few seconds later Joe landed the punch that shook the world, a left hook that dropped Ali flat on his back. Amazingly, Muhammad got to his feet at the count of four, but the fight was gone out of him now. He clinched and held for the remainder of the round as Joe desperately tried to finish him off. At the final bell both men were exhausted from the grueling battle they had just waged, but Joe waved his glove and taunted Ali, getting in the last word.

When the score cards were announced, Joe had won a unanimous decision — on the rounds scoring system — 11-4 and 9-6 on the scorecards of judges Bill Recht and Artie Aidele, respectively, and 8-6 on referee Mercante's card.

Next week: Part 3: The conclusion of Ali Frazier.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

When it came it arrived quietly, without hardly anyone taking notice. In a sea of statistics, it was simply another one in a long list of numbers.

But this one did have some significance — especially for fans of the Celtics who have been accustomed to success in recent seasons.

For you see, when the C's lost to the Eastern Conference leading Indiana Pacers by a 94-83 count on the road on March 11^{th} , it was their 42^{nd} loss of the year.

And why did that have any more meaning than the other 41 setbacks? It was because it guaranteed that the Celtics will finish the season with an under .500 record, the first time that this has occurred since back in 2006-2007 when the Green and White logged a 24-58 regular season mark — the year before Kevin Garnett and Ray Allen came to town.

But all is not lost — at least not yet. For despite the ominous outcome that one might associate with such a development, the Celtics are still alive in the race for a possible playoff berth in the weak bottom half of the Eastern Conference of the NBA.

Some might laugh, but on the day after they had lost that $42^{\rm nd}$ contest, the C's were 22-42, just three games out of the ninth spot and six away from the coveted eighth and final playoff berth in the conference.

In fact, things are so bunched up just below the eighth spot that any one of four teams — the Pistons, the Knicks, the Cavaliers and the Celtics — could easily switch positions within a week's time. From there (the ninth slot) it's a short hop up to eighth where Atlanta now resides.

Could it happen? In the closing month of the regular season, the Celtics, like all other teams are still pursuing a playoff quest, control (to a degree) their own destiny. First of all, they obviously must win. While every win will keeps their possibilities alive, every additional loss will bring the team that much closer to having the lights snuffed out.

But, of course, it isn't quite that simple. For, in addition to winning, they must hope that teams just above them lose and that Atlanta takes a tumble down the stretch. Evidence that could indeed take place is the fact that

through March 11th the Hawks were sputtering, having gone 2-8 in their last 10 games. If they continue to play like that one of the other teams mentioned above could take over the eighth spot and claim the playoff berth.

However, all of the teams in the hunt will have to modify somewhat their losing ways. Just like Atlanta, none of the other teams that have a chance of rising to eighth had a winning record over a comparable 10-game span.

That means that the scramble for the final playoff spot is wide open as the teams head down the stretch toward the end of the regular season in mid-April. Since there are at least five teams (counting Atlanta) in the hunt, the spot is definitely up for grabs. With so many teams bunched relatively close together, one could say that the chances are against the Celtics. But stranger things have happened. We'll just have to wait and see.

NOT ABANDONING SHIP — While we're at it, we'd like to put in a good word for the paying fans that continue to attend Celtics home games. Since your faithful correspondent is fortunate enough to be able to attend those Garden games, he has witnessed firsthand the impressive attendance for nearly every home game.

And we do mean actual attendance. The official attendance listed in the box score reflects the number of tickets sold, not the number of people who actually attend a game. Every night the actual attendance will differ somewhat, even on those dates where a sellout crowd (18,624) is listed.

But not by much. Night in and night out the vast majority of the seats are occupied — a tribute to the organization, its legacy and its journey into the future.

MAY I HELP? — Through early March, Rajon Rondo had amassed 4,101 assists, placing him fifth on the Celtics all-time list in that category. Rondo moved ahead of Bill Russell on March 7th when he dished off for 18 assists against Detroit, giving him one more than the retired Celtic standout (Russell had 4,100).

Just ahead of Rondo on the list is Paul Pierce, who recorded 4,305 assists in his

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