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# Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



## CHURCH COLUMNS

Walk into any Roman Catholic Church that is 30 years old or older, and one is immediately aware of the beautiful columns. We are also aware that modern structural technology permits us to span much greater distances than those used in most churches. Why then, do we use so many columns, and why are they spaced so close together? We'll find the answer after being told that buildings which have been erected during any period in history or in any location in the world have been affected by certain influences. Generally speaking, these are influences of climate, available materials, and religion.

In tropical climates, the interior spaces of buildings are kept cool by using small windows, low pitched roofs, and boldly projecting eaves. In northern climates, the roofs are quite steep in order to shed snow loads. Where granite, the hardest of all natural building materials, is readily available, the buildings are severe and simple in their treatment in contrast to ornate structures in countries where the stone (marble) is soft and easily worked. In countries that are thickly wooded, such as Norway and Sweden, timber is often used. And where stone and timber are difficult to obtain, brick buildings are predominate.

Considering the religious influence, we find that the Egyptian belief in life after death caused the construction of those incredible pyramids, while mythology did the same for the Greeks and their beautiful temples. The magnificent colonnades and fountains set before many Catholic churches had their beginnings in the atrium and the wells or wash fountains of the Early Christian era, while the mosaic work done in substitution or sculptured figures is the chief characteristic of Byzantine churches.

The Egyptian temple was a rectangular-shaped structure. The entrance was centered on one end, between two huge masses of masonry that we



**Columns at the temple of Khnum at Esna, Egypt.**

call pylons. These temples were sanctuaries containing some rooms for the general public and other rooms which only kings and priests were permitted to enter. They were quite different from later Christian churches, as they were not used for common prayer or public ritual, but for mysterious rites and priestly processions which took place within their guarded interiors.

Applying our theory of influences, we find that the desire for permanence and the annual flooding of the Nile resulted in available stone being the selected building material for Egyptian temples. It was used for floors, walls and roofs. It is most important to understand that when used for roof construction the stone slab is limited to relatively short spans. Consequently, the creation of any kind of useable interior space could only be realized by employing many stone columns, closely spaced. During later eras, the Greeks took the architecture of the Egyptians and improved it almost to perfection. The Greek architecture, in turn, influenced much of the Roman construction. And because the Early Christians were essentially Romans, we find this influence of closely spaced stone columns reflected in most of the subsequent Christian church architecture.

# Res Publica

by David Trumbull



## They're Not Just "Hack Holidays"


The two Suffolk County holidays, Evacuation Day and Bunker Hill Day — often ridiculed as "hack holidays" because formerly employees of the Commonwealth got them off with pay, while the rest of us worked — deserve more respect.

March 17<sup>th</sup> is **Evacuation Day/St. Patrick's Day**, a coincidence not lost on the large Irish-American population of Boston. The entire month of March is, by statute, an observance of Irish-American heritage. Only in a place with our history of Protestant Yankee and Roman Catholic Irish rivalry would March 17<sup>th</sup> be known officially as the anniversary of a Revolutionary War event. On March 17, 1776, the British troops were evacuated from Boston, never to return. In recognition, March 17<sup>th</sup> is celebrated as Evacuation Day. We celebrate our independence from Great Britain by eating corned beef and cabbage and drinking green beer. Because everyone knows that St. Patrick's Day is the real reason for the celebration. Thus, the Irish get their day, while the Yankees get to pretend that it is really about something that took place back when they still ran the place.

Bunker Hill Day — June 17<sup>th</sup> — is a doubly dubious observance. First, as every Bostonian can tell you, the battle was on Breed's Hill, not Bunker Hill. Secondly, we lost! One does not customarily celebrate one's defeats, but in the case of Breed's/Bunker Hill, it is understandable, for it marked the first American resistance that put in question British victory in the War. Surveying the heavy Red Coat losses, British General Sir Henry Clinton said, "A few more such victories would have shortly put an end to British dominion in America." General Clinton was paraphrasing the Greek general Pyrrhus who, according to the ancient writer Plutarch, won battles but at such high cost that he nearly ruined himself.

In Boston, America's passion for Independence is seen, touched, heard, and smelt in our Old State House, the Old South Meeting House, in the steeple of Christ Church in the North End, and in scores of other sites along our Freedom Trail. Laugh and call them "hack holidays," but don't forget the individual men and women who struggled for freedom, for that is why we set aside special days of remembrance and observance.

A couple more observances this month deserve note. March 29<sup>th</sup> is **Vietnam Veterans Day** and on the 27<sup>th</sup> we observe the anniversary of the founding of the **Italian American War Veterans of the United States**. On that date the governor, in accordance with the law, will issue a proclamation in recognition of the distinguished patriotic services rendered by the Italian-American War Veterans of the United States, and recommending that the day be observed by the people in the display of the flag and by appropriate exercises in the public schools and elsewhere, commemorative of the services and sacrifices of the men of Italian ancestry who fought in defense of the United States.



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*Pamela Donatuma, Publisher*



## North End Against Drugs Upcoming Events

### FAMILY/TEEN BINGO NIGHT

NEAD FAMILY/TEEN BINGO NIGHT will be held on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 pm to 9:00 pm at the Nazzaro Center. This is open to North End/Waterfront residents, Nazzaro Center Members and children who attend St. John and St. Eliot Schools. Children ages 7 to 12 need to attend with an adult family member. Teenagers 13 and up are allowed to attend on their own. We will serve pizza, soft drinks and snacks. There will be approx 10 bingo games with great prizes as well as door prizes and a Cover All Finale Game. Cost is \$5 per person. Bingo is for the kids and teenagers only. Please see Laurie D'Elia at the Nazzaro Center to pay and sign up. Your spot is only held when you pay.

This will be a great fun-filled evening for the entire family!!!

### NEAD ANNUAL EASTER PARTY

NEAD ANNUAL EASTER PARTY Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 12 Noon. Take a photo with Peter Rabbit, color Easter Eggs, do an Easter-themed Craft, have a Balloon Character made just for you. Children of all ages are welcome. Parents must accompany their children at all times. Photos, Egg Coloring and Crafts will be from 10:00 am to 11:00 am ONLY. There will be a Puppet Show at 11:00 am. This event is sponsored by Michael Giannasoli IN MEMORY of his Mother Florence. The puppet show is sponsored by City Councilor Salvatore LaMattina. There will also be Easter Candy and goodies for all the children.

Take your own camera to take a photo with the Easter Bunny! Volunteers are always needed to help at NEAD events. Please contact JR at [jromano45@gmail.com](mailto:jromano45@gmail.com) if you want to help out or make a contribution.



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

## Viva San Guiseppe!

by Prof. Cav Phillip Di Novo

For the last five years I have been writing articles urging the Italian-American Community to celebrate a beautiful, unique celebration, St. Joseph's Day. I am very happy to report that the celebration is growing rapidly across the United States. I think I have convinced most Italian-Americans that St. Joseph's Day is not just for Sicilians. As I have stated, Thanksgiving was first celebrated in Massachusetts, yet it is celebrated by all Americans. While it is true the St. Joseph's Day table was first celebrated in Sicily, Italy, today it is celebrated in all of Italy. I hope to see, not only Italian-Americans, but all Americans celebrate St. Joseph's Day just as most Americans celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

St. Joseph was the foster father of Jesus Christ, the husband of the Blessed Mother, the patron of the Universal Church, etc. Those titles alone qualify him for great honors among Christians. St. Joseph's Day is a very special religious celebration in Catholic countries, especially in France and Quebec. For some inexplicable reason, Italians have adopted St. Joseph as one of their own. Until recently, St. Joseph's Day was a national holiday.

The unique St. Joseph's Day table is a special part of the celebration. According to legend, a severe drought in Western Sicily during the Middle Ages threatened to destroy all vegetation and caused a great number of people to starve. The people asked St. Joseph to pray with them to the Lord. They promised that each succeeding generation would honor St. Joseph perpetually on his feast day if God would send them rain. The rain fell at the stroke of midnight and miraculously the land turned green and fish became abundant. God had sent the rain — St. Joseph had interceded.

Many Italian-Americans from all regions of Italy, and Americans in general, have a St. Joseph's table or serve St. Joseph's Day food. This is due to great publicity the Feast Day has received in a number of American newspapers, magazines and other media. The custom of the St. Joseph's Table began in homes. Individuals who received favors through St. Joseph's intercession would promise altars to honor him. At first it was a private affair, a simple table with a statue of St. Joseph with the Christ Child and traditional foods. In some areas of Sicily, there was a community altar, as well as a family altar. The poor would be invited to attend the Community Altars. This part of the tradition is based on Scripture, "But when you make a feast, call the poor and you will be blessed because they don't have the means to make recompense."

There is also a beautiful religious tableau connected with the St. Joseph's Table, which is reminiscent of Biblical Times. The Holy Family and Saints parade around the exterior of the house where the St. Joseph Table is held. Mary and Joseph knock and ask for shelter but the door is slammed in their face, the third time around Jesus knocks on the door, "Who is there?" asks a voice from within the house. Jesus replies, "Jesus, Mary and Joseph." The door is then opened and all enter. The person playing the Child Jesus blesses the altar with a sprig of parsley dipped in Holy Water, making the sign of the cross. In actuality, the priest blesses the altar the night before. There are many other beautiful rituals such as washing of the feet and special prayers, including a pause for special intentions and lighting of candles. After prayers, the Holy Family proceeds to eat from the altar. There are toasts and many "Viva San Guiseppe!"

Saint Joseph was a holy man and a great man. He was, and is, very special to God. His day is a cherished celebration. The traditional St. Joseph's Day feast varies across the nation with special St. Joseph liturgies, parades, dances, altars, diners, etc. There is a bright side to the dreariness of March; it is March 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Joseph's Day. It is a day of tradition, a promise kept that binds us and helps us to keep alive our Italian Heritage. Be sure to celebrate St. Joseph's Day this year with tradition.

**Viva San Guiseppe!**

## Saint Joseph Society Presents "The Sleeping Saint Joseph"



**Saint Joseph Society members and friends attend a Mass on National Catholic Television. Front row, Joyce Ferragamo, Peter Bagarella, Janet Bagarella, Fr. Reed, Pamela Donnaruma, and Paul Donato. 2<sup>nd</sup> row: Sal Solimini, Susan Crowley, Jim Martorano, Marnie Martorano, Joe Crugnale, Keith McPhee, Jim Carroll, Richard Vita, Luciano Graffeo, and Jim McCall. Back row: John Dineen, Joe Pignatello, Pat Troy, Peter White, and Frank Mazzaglia.**

The Saint Joseph Society of Boston appeared on National Catholic Television at Mass this past Saturday and presented the station with a statue of "The Sleeping Saint Joseph."

The Evangelist Matthew three times records how an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream: first to take Mary as his wife, secondly to flee to Egypt to protect the Holy Family from Herod, and then later to return to Israel after they had been in Egypt for a safe period of time. Pope Francis himself keeps a statue of The Sleeping Saint Joseph in his apartment and has revealed that he slips special prayers under the statue from

time to time for St. Joseph's special intercession.

During the televised Mass, Fr. Robert Reed blessed the statue of The Sleeping Saint Joseph, delivered a sermon praising the work of the St. Joseph Society, and said that he would follow the example of Pope Francis by keeping the statue on his desk.

Following the Mass, some of the men and women of the St. Joseph Society who participated in the Mass returned to the North End where plans were outlined to present "The Sleeping Saint Joseph" to other Catholic diocese centers in Massachusetts.

## BOSTON RESIDENTS: CONTACT YOUR CITY COUNCILORS! To Support the "Puppy Mill Bill!"



Boston City Councilor Matt O'Malley introduced an ordinance that would prohibit pet shops in Boston from selling puppies, kittens and rabbits. Dubbed the "Puppy Mill Bill," it would also prohibit the sale of these animals on roadsides, and in places like parks and sidewalks.

We need Boston residents to contact their district councilor and four At-Large councilors NOW to ask for their support.

Please contact Councilors Essaibi-George, Flaherty, Pressley and Wu (they all represent you as at-large councilors).

And your one district councilor (see list below). If you are not sure who your district councilor is, you can look him/her up here: <http://www.cityofboston.gov/myneighborhood/> (click on "details" after putting in your address).

Simply ask them to support AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE SALE OF ANIMALS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON filed by Councilor O'Malley. For more

information, visit [advocacy@mspca.org](mailto:advocacy@mspca.org) with any response you get; it will help us strategize!

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# L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

## The Real March Madness

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

When I flip the page of my desk calendar to reveal the first day of March, my insides bubble with excitement. Finally, it seems, the long winter is over! Now comes spring, the month of tender flower buds, baby chicks and Easter eggs. Soon I can store my heavy winter coats in the closet, assuming the New England weather cooperates and makes way for my pastel blazers and blue polka-dotted rain boots. It is amazing how much enthusiasm the mere mention of a new month can muster inside me. I can hardly be the only person who gets excited over March, I imagine ... after all, this is a month which has symbolized rebirth and growth since time immemorial. Inspired, I created a list of my five favorite things about March to get everyone energized for this springtime month. So, without further ado, here is what I love about the third month of the year:

**1) The crazy weather:** The Italians have a saying which declares *"Marzo pazzarello, guarda il sole e prendi l'ombrello."* Translated, this means: "Crazy March, look at the sun and get the umbrella." I love March's changeable weather because it keeps things interesting. One day, I may be walking down the street under a slate gray sky, propelled by a brisk spring breeze. The next day, I may don a t-shirt and light windbreaker in sixty-degree temperatures! I am never sure what to expect from March, but that is much of the month's charm.

**2) The signs of spring:** I love the sight of delicate green shoots proudly poking out of the ground, their emerald hue striking against the black dirt. Robins now regularly hop and scamper in my backyard, their scarlet breasts boldly announcing spring. Just yesterday, I noticed a huge influx of people visiting the shops and restaurants near my home ... coming out of hibernation and thawing



out from the winter, I suppose. March prepares us all for the glorious spring to come.

**3) Girl power!** March 8<sup>th</sup> is International Women's Day. In Italy, this is the *Festa Della Donna*. The beautiful mimosa flower, which blooms in the early days of March, has become the Italian symbol of this holiday dedicated to commemorating women's rights and raising awareness. In the United States, March is Women's History Month. I love delving into the past to find female role models whose strength and courage paved the way for women today. I also admire how this holiday alerts us to the plight of women around the world.

**4) St. Patrick's Day:** No self-respecting Bostonian ignores St. Patrick's Day. This holiday brims with joy in a month where the trees have only just begun to show their buds and the ground remains a muddy brown. St. Patrick's Day means green to me, in the form of the myriad shamrock and leprechaun decorations adorning homes and businesses, a color which foreshadows the vibrant spring foliage to come. St. Patrick's Day means the Dropkick

Murphy's blaring from radios and gatherings of family and friends where storytelling and Irish soda bread rule.

**5) St. Joseph's Day:** Two days after St. Patrick's Day comes the Feast of St. Joseph, particularly revered in Italian-American communities. On this day, my father brings home *zeppole*, or a type of Italian donut made especially for this festival. St. Joseph's Day is also celebrated with picnics and outdoor excursions in Italy, placing it within the context of a spring festival. Around this time of year my father and his childhood friends would roam around the Abruzzi countryside, smelling the new peach blossoms as farmers readied their fields for spring.

So there you have it ... five absolutely amazing things to love about March. From the winds to the robins, from the mimosas to the shamrocks to the *zeppole*, March is full of wonderful surprises and hidden gems that herald the arrival of spring. If we could all pause at the beginning of every month and count at least five aspects that we love about it, every day of the year would be its own present, granting us as much joy as we are willing to give it.

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# THINKING OUT LOUD



by Sal Giarratani

## U.S. Senate Suffers from Chronic Situational Ethics

As soon as Justice Scalia passed away opening up a seat on the U.S. Supreme Court, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell didn't waste any time in announcing that President Obama should not appoint a new justice, allowing the next president to fill the vacancy on the U.S. Supreme after the November presidential election.

Personally, I question the need for McConnell to have made his statement before President Obama could even nominate someone. The president, under the Constitution, has every right to nominate someone for the seat. Under the rules, the president nominates his choice and, with the advice and consent of the U.S. Senate, moves towards getting his nominee confirmed. There is never a guarantee that the president's pick gets affirmed by the Senate. Many nominees failed that test and the president went back to the drawing board and made a second pick.

Funny thing, whichever party is in the majority in the U.S. Senate acts in a certain way, and when they are in the minority, act in a much different way. I call it a case of situational ethics. Others might call it hypocrisy. Either way, it looks the same. Call it what you want.

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid questioned McConnell on not doing his job. But when he was faced with the same thing, he pretty much acted just like McConnell. Whoever is the home team (majority) always comes to bat looking to hit a home run.

You can pick any name out of the Senate roster, and they have all pretty much been on both sides of the same argument.

When our president was still a U.S. Senator, he wanted the Republican in the White House stopped from doing what he himself wants to do right now. Recently, Vice President Joe Biden started sounding like Reid about the Senate not blocking Obama from doing his job but back in a June 1992 remark, when he chaired the Senate Judiciary Committee, he stated that should a Supreme Court seat become vacant, President George H.W. Bush should not nominate a replacement until after that fall's presidential election. Biden now denies he ever said such a thing.

However, according to a C-Span recording of his remarks, Biden stated at that time, "Once the political season is underway, and it is, action on a Supreme Court nomination must be put off until after the election campaign is over."

Harry Reid now says the Republicans are making "an unprecedented attempt to hold hostage an entire branch of government." He added to do so would "undermine our basic system of checks and balances."

Meanwhile, the current chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Chuck Grassley of Iowa, has called Biden's 1992 remarks "The Biden Rules."

And the band plays on. Our U.S. Senators play by their own rules all the time, be they Republican or Democrat. It isn't a wonder why so many angry voters are sliding up next to either Donald Trump or Bernie Sanders.

## LEGAL NOTICE

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The Trial Court  
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Docket No. MI16P0122EA

Estate of

HAROLD B. DONDIS

Date of Death December 10, 2015

CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Claire L. Dondis of Belmont, MA, Nicolas A. Kensington of Duxbury, MA and James M. Behnke of Marblehead, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Claire L. Dondis of Belmont, MA, Nicolas A. Kensington of Duxbury, MA and James M. Behnke of Marblehead, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 25, 2016.

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

### UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

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

Date: February 26, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

## LEGAL NOTICE

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Docket No. MI16P0950PM

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PURSUANT TO

G.L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405

In the matter of

ROBERT DION

of Malden, MA

RESPONDENT

(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Patricia Ciarlone of Stoneham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Robert Dion is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Lisa Judkins of Millbury, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.

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

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of March 22, 2016. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

Date: February 23, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

## LEGAL NOTICE

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Docket No. MI16D0371DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY  
PUBLICATION AND MAILING  
MENDOZA, ELDA R.

vs.

MENDOZA FLORES, JAIME B.

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a Divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B.

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Elda R. Mendoza, 272 Cedar Street, Somerville, MA 02145 your answer, if any, on or before March 23, 2016. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

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

Date: February 10, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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# Italian Carnevale

## Honoring Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito

WITH SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER  
Governor Charlie Baker



The First Annual Italian Carnevale, a celebration honoring Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito, will be held on Monday, April 25, 2016 (rescheduled from February 5<sup>th</sup>), at Filippo Ristorante, 283 Causeway Street in Boston's North End.

The event, co-chaired by legendary fashion designer Yolanda Cellucci and Jo Del Vento, will include a cocktail hour at 6:00 pm followed by a dinner reception at 6:30 pm.

For ticket information, contact, Pamela Valentine at [pamval@verizon.net](mailto:pamval@verizon.net)



## 2016 Boston Flower & Garden Show

March 16-20 at the Seaport World Trade Center in Boston



(Photos courtesy of Boston Flower & Garden Show)

The Boston Flower & Garden Show will once again celebrate the beginning of spring in New England. This year's theme, *Nurtured by Nature*, will celebrate the bountiful benefits of the garden and how floral arrangements, houseplants and well-designed landscapes can enliven and refresh our living spaces.

The extravagant 5-day event features over 15 garden displays created by professional landscape designers and nurseries that incorporate plants, materials and techniques representing this year's lively theme.

On **Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:00 pm – 9 :00 pm, The Boston Flower & Garden Show and its producer, Paragon Group, are proud to partner with The Genesis Foundation for Children and radio station Mix 104.1 — featuring Karson & Kennedy — to kick off the show with a **Preview Party fundraiser** to benefit The Genesis Foundation for Children. We invite you to join us for an evening of music and refreshment as *American Idol* alum Haley Reinhart performs a special Mix Lounge event.

Visitors to the 2016 Boston Flower & Garden Show will enjoy a wide variety of lectures and demonstrations from top garden writers, industry professionals and chefs in addition to shopping from a diverse and lively marketplace featuring thousands of new gardening products and plants.

### SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

**Reap the Bountiful Benefits:** Attendees will learn how home-grown food and popular urban agriculture activities, like bee-keeping, fill our table with nutritious delights.

**Garden Marketplace:** Hundreds of retail vendors feature thousands of plants, garden

tools and furnishings, landscape services, botanical décor and floral themed gifts.

**Floral Competitions:** The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Horticultural Society coordinate colorful competitions amongst the region's top amateur floral arrangers and horticulturists, set to whimsical variations on the show theme.

**Lectures & Demonstrations:** With more than 45 free educational programs being offered at this year's show, attendees will learn how to keep themselves and their gardens growing strong.

### SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

• **Hort In a Hurry** — Quick 20-minute demonstrations in the late afternoon on popular topics such as "Succulent Garden Success" and "Flowering Bulb Container Gardens" offer quick tips for short attention spans!

• **Hands-On Floral Arranging Workshops** — Intimate instruction on projects such as wedding bouquets and floral jewelry making will be offered throughout each day by the Cass School of Floral Design. Small additional fee required.

• **Garden Photography Workshops** — Offered in partnership with the Boston Society of Landscape Architects, several workshops will allow visitors to pick up tips about garden photography, go out on the floor to snap some photos, then have their work reviewed by an expert.

**Ask the Experts:** Master gardeners will be on hand to help with vexing garden issues from soil typing to insect treatments.

**Little Sprouts Activity Center:** Children's activities center features arts & crafts, face painting and garden fun.

The Seaport World Trade

Center is located at 200 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, MA.

For easy access to the Seaport World Trade Center, taking the silver line on the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority will bring you straight to the center.

Additional parking will also be available, along with shuttle service to bring attendees to and from the center.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.bostonflowershow.com](http://www.bostonflowershow.com) or call 800-251-1563.



East Boston High  
School Parent  
Council Presents:

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship Dinner/Dance Fundraiser



The East Boston High School Parent Council will host its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship Dinner/Dance Fundraiser on Friday, March 18, 2016 from 8:00 pm till midnight at the East Boston Yacht Club, 0 Rice Street, East Boston (next to Parazzo skating rink).

Guests will enjoy Chinese food, music, dancing, raffles, and a cash bar.

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# Joe Boncore

## Candidate for State Senate

### — Meet and Greet —

St. Leonard’s Church Hall, North End



Joe Boncore is a Democrat and a candidate for The State Senate for the First Suffolk and Middlesex District in the special election on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

“Joe has been very actively campaigning and speaking to residents of the North End and other the other cities and towns in the district about their concerns and the issues of importance that impact their daily lives,” says Attorney Richard J. Vita of the North End/Waterfront/West End Boncore Committee.

Joe is a bar advocate with the Suffolk Lawyers for Justice. He lives in Winthrop and was elected and has served as the Chairman of the Winthrop Housing Authority for the last six years. Joe is also an officer of the Justinian Law Society of Massachusetts, a professional association of more than a thousand Italian-American lawyers and judges across the state. He has also been very active in the Sons of Italy for years and currently serves as the National Chairman of the Commission for Social Justice, which is the anti-defamation arm of the National Sons of Italy.

Please join Francine Gannon, Bob Dello Russo, Sal “Bosco” Diecidue, and Richard J. Vita of the North End/Waterfront/West End Boncore Committee at the Meet and Greet on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm at St. Leonard’s Church Hall, Prince Street, North End, and personally meet Joe. You will hear his ideas, plans and vision for our district. We hope to see many residents at the event which is free. Lastly, please remember it is of critical importance for residents of the North End and other communities in the Senate District to turn out and vote on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

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Docket No. MI03P2667EP1

Estate of  
**PATRICIA R. JOACHIM**  
Also Known As  
**PATRICIA RUTH JOACHIM**

Date of Death January 18, 2003

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Monica Johnson of Sullivan, MO requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Monica Johnson of Sullivan, MO be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

##### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 22, 2016.

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

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 23, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
Run date: 3/4/16

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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Docket No. MI16P1031EA

Estate of  
**ISMAIL MEHMET YEYINMEN**  
Also Known As  
**ISMAIL M. YEYINMEN**

Date of Death October 19, 2015

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
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To all interested persons:

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

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

##### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 24, 2016.

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Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR.,  
First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 25, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate  
Run date: 3/4/16

## Saint John Maron

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari



homeless. He was given the gift of healing, curing many by praying over them.

In 685, John was chosen as Patriarch of Antioch and the entire East. John received the approval of Pope Sergius I.

The Maradites, upon which the Byzantine Empire depended for protection from the incursions of the Arabs, emerged as a strong military power. The Maronites made up the bulk of the Maradites army and became so powerful that they were called “The Brass Wall” because they shielded Constantinople and the Byzantine Empire from the constant attacks.

The Byzantine emperor Justinian II feared the growing power of the Maradite Army, and was angered that John’s

approval as Patriarch had not been sought by him. In 694, Justinian sent his army to defeat the Maradites and capture John. They managed to win battles against the Maradites, overrun Antioch, and destroy the monastery there, killing 500 monks in the process. John led his people to the remote Qadisha Valley in Lebanon. When Justinian’s army followed, the Maradites, under the leadership of John’s nephew Ibrahim, defeated them decisively in a fierce battle, recorded as one of the greatest victories for the Maronites. He crushed the Byzantine army on both fronts. Maurice and Mouricianos, the commanders in chief of the Byzantine Army, were killed, and the Army of Justinian II was defeated, losing thousands of men and returning to the emperor empty-handed. John then founded the monastery of Reesh Moran (head of Our Lord) in Kefer Hay, Lebanon.

John moved his See to Mount Lebanon. The Maradites sealed themselves off from the outside, and founded their own national and religious identity, though still part of the Catholic Church, with John as one of their great founders.

He died in Kefar-Hay in 707 A.D. and was buried at the monastery of Reesh Moran. His feast is celebrated on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

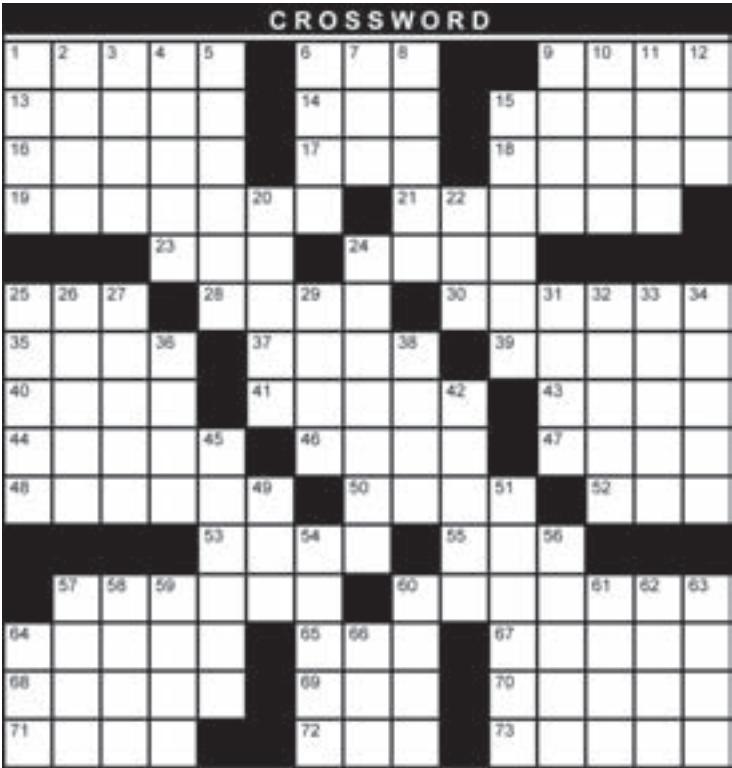
## Pop Icons

#### ACROSS

- Peyton Manning signal
- \*Lindsey Vonn’s tool
- Pressed on the gas
- Synthetic fabric
- Manhole cover, e.g.
- “Peanut Butter \_\_\_\_ Time”
- Emergency pedal
- Beehive State native
- Use blunt end of pencil?
- \*Raunchy Amy
- Conjoined
- \*Sir \_\_\_\_-a-Lot
- Distinctive flair
- Symbol of strength
- Top of Kilimanjaro, e.g.
- \*Oscar Madison’s employer, “New York \_\_\_\_”
- Major-leaguers
- Part of McDonald’s logo
- 2 halves of a diameter
- “\_\_\_\_ what you sow”
- Scrabble pieces
- The Destroyer in Hinduism
- \*Ayn Rand novel, “\_\_\_\_ Shrugged”
- “\_\_\_\_ of Eden”
- Rubber bulb on an old bike
- Card game
- Osiris’ wife
- Shining one in “America the Beautiful”
- Attention-getting interjection
- Fleur-de-\_\_\_\_
- \*Playboy octogenarian
- \*Homemaker extraordinaire
- Like ricin
- Legal org.
- \*Annie Oakley starred in it
- \*“Independence Day” star
- High craggy hill
- Alex Haley’s “saga of an American family”
- \*Lassie and Rin Tin Tin
- Kimono tie
- Church recesses

#### DOWN

- Globes and balls, e.g.
- Painter \_\_\_\_ Chagall
- Indian nursemaid
- Nonsense
- Low hemoglobin
- Talk like a drunk
- American Girl \_\_\_\_ Kittredge
- Utopian
- Evening in Italy
- Surveyor’s map
- “Do it, or \_\_\_\_!”
- Food coloring, e.g.
- \*Caitlyn née Bruce
- An American in Paris, e.g.
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- “...I heard him \_\_\_\_, ere he drove out of sight ...”
- \*Media mogul, actress and trendsetter
- Mountain ridge
- Aussie “bear”
- Famous canal
- Poison ivy symptom
- “Bye” to Banderas
- Book in Paris
- \*Honoree of “Candle in the Wind 1997”
- Practice in the ring
- Deputy Führer Rudolf \_\_\_\_
- Circus prop
- Stop the flow
- Female pronoun
- \*Bogart, star of “The Treasure of the \_\_\_\_ Madre”
- Muse of love poetry
- One clean one?
- Main Web page
- Off-ramp
- If the shoe does this?
- Delhi wrap
- Commotions
- Network of nerves
- Coin throw
- Medicinal amt.
- \*Jamaican Ras Tafari follower

(Solution on Page 10)



## Burlington Native Returns Home with U.S. Navy Band

Musician 1<sup>st</sup> Class Chris DeChiara is coming home to Massachusetts March 7<sup>th</sup>, on tour with the United States Navy Band. The state was chosen to host 4 of the 23 concerts in 5 states by the U.S. Navy Band during its 2016 tour — one of the Navy's signature outreach programs.

The U.S. Navy Concert Band is scheduled to perform March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Wellesley High School in Wellesley, Massachusetts.

DeChiara joined the Navy Band in 2001. A native of Burlington, he graduated from Burlington High School in 1990, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Music from the University of Massachusetts at Lowell and a Master of Music from the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston.

He has written for *Modern Drummer* magazine, and has performed with the Boston Ballet, Boston Lyric Opera, Kennedy Center Ballet, Rhode Island Philharmonic, Lake George Opera, Alexandria Symphony, Arlington Symphony, McLean Symphony, and the United World Philharmonic in Bonn, Germany. He has also appeared with the Rome Festival Orchestra, and performed at the Aspen, Schleswig-Holstein, and Spoleto Music Festivals with conductors James Conlon, Christoph Eschenbach, Mstislav Rostropovich, Sergiu Commissiona, Julius Rudell, Stanislav Skrowaczewski, and Keith Lockhart. He has been featured on WGBH radio, Boston, ZDF and ARTE French and German Television, and appears on the premiere recordings of Shirish Korde's "Drowned Woman of the Sky" and Kurt Weill's opera, "Die Burgshaft."

The Navy Concert Band, the premier wind ensemble of the U.S. Navy, presents a wide array of marches, patriotic selections, orchestral transcriptions and modern wind ensemble repertoire. As the original ensemble of the Navy Band, the Concert Band has been performing public concerts and participating in high-profile events for nearly 90 years.

One of the U.S. Navy Band's primary responsibilities involves touring the country. All of the band's primary performing units embark each year on concert tours throughout specified regions of the country, allowing the band to reach out to audiences in areas of the country that do not have opportunities to see the Navy's premier musical ensembles on a regular basis. The concerts are family-friendly events, meant to be entertaining to veterans, families, individuals and those interested in joining the Navy.

All Navy Band performances are free and open to the public.

### "Why Being There Matters"

On our planet, more than 70 percent of which is covered by water, being there means having the ability to act from the sea. The Navy is uniquely positioned to be there; the world's oceans give the Navy the power to protect America's interests anywhere, and at any time. Your Navy protects and defends America on the world's oceans. Navy ships, submarines, aircraft and, most importantly, tens of thousands of America's finest young men and women are deployed around the world doing just that. They are there now. They will be there when we are sleeping tonight. They will be there every Saturday, Sunday and holiday this year. They are there around the clock, far from our shores, defending America at all times.

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## Freeway Says ...

You can email your questions to [postgazette@aol.com](mailto:postgazette@aol.com) to the attention of Freeway. Don't forget folks, Freeway is not a vet, so please keep the questions light-hearted! Thanks.

### 17 Ways Owning a Pooch Will Make Your Life Even Better

There is no doubt in my mind that having a dog brings many upsides to a person's life. I have been with my human companion for 16 years. I mean, how can I NOT live happily waking up to a smiley face every day? For those of you who do not yet have a furry friend, or who are planning on adding one to your family, you'll be glad to hear that there are scientifically proven benefits that pooches bring to each of our lives!

**1.** Dogs increase your mood dramatically! Spending just 15-30 minutes with your pooch can help you feel more calm and relaxed, reducing stress and increasing happiness. Playing with your pup increases your brain's levels of dopamine and serotonin, both of which are neurotransmitters associated with pleasure and tranquility. So the next time you're feeling down, grab the newest toy from your bark box and spend some time with your pup!

That wagging tail will be sure to put a smile on your face.

**2.** Having a dog may help reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease. Studies show that talking to and petting your pooches are often accompanied by lower blood pressure, and that means a lowered risk for a myriad of different illnesses.

**3.** Step aside, kitties! Dogs protect children from skin conditions and allergies. Children who grow up with dogs have a lower risk of developing eczema than those who have cats or no dogs at all. Yes, it's true! In addition, children also develop few pet allergies if they grow up with a dog.

**4.** Having a dog improves your physical wellbeing and encourages a healthy fitness routine. Of course! Your dog requires daily exercise, and so do you! Dog owners carry the responsibility of playing with and working their dogs, so it

only makes sense that dog people tend to be more active.

**5.** Humans with dogs recover more quickly from illnesses. Dog owners have a much higher rate of recovery from being sick than non-dog owners. In fact, humans with pooches were twice as likely to fully recover from heart attacks as those without!

**6.** Dogs make excellent service and alert animals. Canines make excellent service companions when trained properly for people with disabilities. They can be trained to bring medication, alleviate a stressful situation for their human, and even detect an approaching epileptic seizure.

**7.** Children with dogs in their household miss less school. Yes, it's true. We all know that children absolutely adore pups, but research has shown that children from dog-owning families have better school attendance due to better overall health and less sickness from having a pup at home.

**8.** But wait, there's more (for the kids)! Having dogs has actually been shown to improve a child's self-esteem, and makes issues that cause stress easier to handle.

**9.** Simply put, they are a human's best friend. Because of their heightened sense of smell, sight, and hearing, dogs are extremely intelligent creatures with a loyalty to their humans that is unexpectedly strong. Those with dogs will know your pups can sense human body language, emotions, and feelings, and this paves the way for an unbreakable bond.

**10.** They will go to great lengths — 2,800 miles to be exact — to find their humans. Have you guys heard the story of Bobbie the Wonder dog? Well, he traveled a whopping 2,800 miles to return to his family after accidentally being abandoned across the country.

**11.** They make excellent watchdogs. From puppyhood, dogs innately learn to watch and be aware of anything rotten coming your way. Potential burglars are put off by a barking or watching dog in the window. Rottweiler's, German Shepherds, and Scottish Terriers are among the top watchdog breeds.

**12.** Dogs help increase social

interactions. Yes, not only do dogs need care and playtime with their humans, but they need time to socialize with other pooches, too! This means that their humans will have a chance to socialize while they oversee the puppy playdates. Those of you with pups know that even going on a walk in the neighborhood can bring many friends and start many conversations!

**13.** There's never a dull or boring moment. Have you ever found yourself sitting at home, wondering what to do today? There are so many things you can do with your dog, whether that is taking a trip to the park, training, playing, running, or just watching them chew a toy. It's all fun, for both of you.

**14.** Dogs may save your life. Our lovely canine friends seem to be able to detect the smell of cancer in human bodies. There have been stories of pups who continued to lick and sniff at moles or lumps on their human's bodies, who eventually found out that those skin conditions were cancerous. In fact, since humans made this discovery, dogs have even been trained in just 3 hours to detect cancer!

**15.** Stressed at work? Let me prescribe you one adorable puppy. Notice the increasing trend in workplaces allowing dogs to come to work with their humans? There's reason for that! Studies have shown that people who take their dogs to work have lower stress levels during the workday. If you ever walk into the *Post-Gazette* office, have you noticed there isn't any stress in that office because I am there? The perfect pooch to be sitting near you all day and every day.

**16.** Having a dog makes YOU more awesome! The responsibility, patience, selflessness, and commitment that come with having a dog make us stronger, and all-around better people. The dog-human relationship is a two-way street. We've heard the phrase, "Who rescued who?" and it's certainly something to consider. Dogs have proven that they improve our physical and mental health, as well as the health of those around us.

Need I say more?

*That's all for now!*

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This free event, hosted by the North End, Waterfront and West End friends of Joe Boncore is a great way for you to meet and learn about Joe.

March 12<sup>th</sup>  
6 pm - 8 pm

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[www.BoncoreforSenate.com](http://www.BoncoreforSenate.com) Facebook.com/boncoreforsenate



# Boston Event Planner Pays It Forward



Elizabeth Quill and her family participated in the MSPCA Super Bowl Polar Bear Plunge at Mayflower Beach in Dennis to raise awareness and funds for MSPCA Cape Cod on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

Elizabeth Quill, owner of Elegant Aura Events, donated over \$1,100 to the MSPCA Boston and MSPCA Cape Cod. Quill chose the MSPCA as the recipient of the International Special Event Society Boston initiative “ISES Boston Pays It Forward” December challenge.

Quill said she chose the MSPCA as her challenge recipient because “this organization is important to me because I care about the well-being, shelter and care for homeless animals. I support their belief that every animal deserves a chance and not one should be turned away.” Quill’s team participated in the Super Bowl Polar Bear Plunge on February 7<sup>th</sup>. “Our goal for the plunge was to raise \$500 and we surpassed that with a total of \$595 in funds raised. We came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Team Honor Roll for most money raised and we were in the top 10 of overall fundraisers,” Quill tells us. Along with the assistance of a friend’s classroom to help collect towels, blankets, food and toys, over \$1,100 was donated to the MSPCA Boston and Cape Cod.

The International Special Events Society Boston Chapter started a monthly initiative called “ISES Boston Pays It Forward.” It was created to encourage their members to give back within the Boston community and beyond. Every month, one member is challenged to select an organization they value most. This member must then organize an effort to support that organization and meet his/her goal before the next chapter meeting.

At the end of the year all Pay It Forward projects will be reviewed and the best one will be recognized and rewarded at their End of Year June Gala.

Since the program began in September 2015, ISES Boston members have raised and donated over \$4,275 in monetary donations and over \$500 in kind donations to the following organizations: Voices of Hope, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, MSPCA, Pink Angels, WGBH and Housing Families.

The International Special Events Society Boston is the local chapter of an international community made up of event planners, suppliers and vendors. ISES is the principal association representing creative events professionals globally.

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by Jeanette Cataldo

Let’s Talk

Luminette and Silhouette for the Window ...

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Can you remember in the '80s and '90s when just about every sliding door had a vertical blind (the vinyl off white from Home Depot). In just about every office, renovation or modern home verticals would dress every window.

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# Order Sons of Italy Grand Lodge Culture Commission 2016 Event Kickoff with Ron Della Chiesa Book Signing



**Ron Della Chiesa (center) with (l-r) Brian Saluti, Linda Stern, Marjorie Cahn, and Dr. Dean Saluti, all from the Boston Renaissance Lodge of the Sons of Italy. Dean and Margie are on the State Sons of Italy Culture Commission and are members of the Quincy Neighborhood Club.**

Order Sons of Italy Grand Lodge Culture Commission kicked off its 2016 calendar of events with a packed house for Boston broadcasting icon Ron Della Chiesa. This great event, held at the prestigious Neighborhood Club in Quincy, Della Chiesa's hometown, was the result of the hard work of this new commission. The ballroom was filled with members of the Sons of Italy from throughout the state. The Norwood, Braintree Ladies, Quincy Ladies, Waltham Mixed, Newton, Roslindale, Worcester, Weymouth, Salem, Burlington, and Ron's own Boston Renaissance Lodge were all represented. There was an entire table of State Grand Lodge officers, and the Massachusetts Sons of Italy Benefit Insurance President, Anthony Panaggio, also attended.

The evening began with a sumptuous Italian buffet prepared and served by Quincy's Neighborhood Club chefs and wait staff, who did an outstand-

ing job. Jim Egan, past president of the Club, then welcomed the Sons of Italy. There were approximately 60 Neighborhood Club members in attendance, and many expressed interest in joining the Sons of Italy.

In the main event, Della Chiesa gave an outstanding presentation on Frank Sinatra's life, as a celebration of Sinatra's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, with a life-size Sinatra cardboard cutout beside him. Della Chiesa covered Sinatra's youth in Hoboken, NJ; his big band era; and his major recording studio work. He accompanied his talk with recordings from each of Sinatra's eras. The popularity of his subject was clear from the number of people who clearly knew all the words as they sang along! Della Chiesa then introduced his book, *Radio My Way*, and reflected on his life in broadcasting. He autographed copies of the book at the end of the evening, the line snaking around the ballroom.

After the presentation, Jim

Egan presented Della Chiesa with a citation from the Neighborhood Club while State Sons of Italy Vice President Denise Furnari presented him with a certificate of appreciation from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Finally, Dr. Dean Saluti, Chairman of the State Sons of Italy Culture Commission, read a citation from the Mayor of Quincy, declaring February 25, 2016, as "Ron Della Chiesa Day in the City of Quincy."

This was just the first of numerous 2016 events planned by the State Sons of Italy Culture Commission. The next event will be held on March 13, 2016, at La Summa Restaurant in Boston's North End, in a Sicilian celebration of St. Joseph's Day. This will be a multi-course extravaganza that will bring back the history and culture of the Old Country.

For more information and reservations, contact Dr. Dean Saluti at [djsaluti@aol.com](mailto:djsaluti@aol.com) or 617-285-6565.



**Ron and Joyce Della Chiesa are greeting guests, and Ron is autographing his book, *Radio My Way*.**



**Ron Della Chiesa with Michelle Dickson and Gus Niewenhous, two of his biggest fans.**



**Ron Della Chiesa with Angelo and Carol Rossi from the Sons of Italy Waltham Mixed Lodge. They are both State Sons of Italy Grand Lodge Officers.**



**Ron Della Chiesa with Vinny and Paula Santosuosso from the Boston Renaissance Lodge of the Sons of Italy. The Santosuossos are members of the Quincy Neighborhood Club and Vinny is on the Board of Directors.**



**Ron Della Chiesa with Patt and Charles Centore from the Boston Renaissance Lodge of the Sons of Italy.**



**Waiting in line to purchase Ron Della Chiesa's book and have it autographed are (l-r) Louie Contrino from Quincy, John Lombardo from Burlington, Professor Janice Salvucci and Dr. Lori Azzara, both from the Boston Renaissance Lodge of the Sons of Italy.**

## OLD NORTH CHURCH

### Accepting Donations for the Homeless

The Old North Church on Hanover Street in the North End, donation pew box is open again! The recipients of your generous donation will be the homeless guests of the Boston Warm Day Center at Emmanuel Church on Newbury Street.

The Day Center is open Mondays and Fridays from 8:00 am-1:00 pm and offers a safe and secure area for the homeless to rest and get warm, a caring staff, and nourishment for all.

Items can be dropped off in the designated pew box in the back right of the church between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Adult sized gently-used or new coats, hats, mittens, scarves, and gloves - New socks - New under garments - Personal health products like hand wipes, toothpaste and toothbrushes, shaving cream and razors, mini bottles of shampoo and soap - Board games, card games, puzzles.





**PERSON OF INTEREST –  
SEASON 3 & 4:  
TV SOUNDTRACK  
Varèse Sarabande**

Varèse Sarabande has released the original soundtrack for Seasons 3 & 4 of the television crime thriller *Person of Interest*. Two-dozen tracks composed by Ramin Djawadi, who explains, “The soundtrack is a natural development of Seasons 1 & 2, and showcases the evolution of the show.” The album contains variations on existing themes, as well as new themes such as the dark “Brotherhood,” “Martine,” and “Vigilance.” With 3 & 4 the music mirrors the darker, more evolved story. Djawadi used a 20-piece string orchestra to enhance the score and make it an integral part of the show’s sound. Cuts of note include “Analogue Interface,” “Pursuit of Liberty,” “Control,” “International Man of Mystery,” “Nothing to Hide,” and “The Devils Share.” The soundtrack is performed by The Hollywood Studio Symphony, and continues via “Jury Summons,” “Til Death Do Us Part,” “The Gangs of New York,” “Veni Vidi Vici,” “Iris,” and “Core Code. A very interesting soundtrack that fits exactly the tone and the basis of the show!

**THE FOREST –  
ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE  
SOUNDTRACK  
Sparks and Shadows**

What horror movie doesn’t need a horrifyingly awesome track to take it over the top? The answer is none. For that reason, director Jason Zada gave the task of music creation to Bear McCreary. The reward for Zada is 10 tracks by McCreary that are both surprising and frightening. After the haunting “The Forest Main Title,” the listener is taken away with “Journey to Aokighara” with a cacophony of rising and falling strings. Next is the suspenseful “Into the Forest,” followed by “The Tent,” and the twists and turns of “Follow the Rope.” Second-half happenings have the uneven flow of “The Reversing River,” plus the hallucination effects of “Alone In the Cave,” the emptiness of “The Cabin,” winding down with the energetic “Curse of the Yurei,” and the hysteria ends with “Theme From the Forest.” Interesting, to say the least!

**DAUGHTRY –  
IT’S NOT OVER ...  
THE HITS SO FAR  
RCA Records**

It’s been a satisfying journey for Daughtry and his music ... proof is on the 13-song collection *It’s Not Over*. The chronological output begins with 2006 tracks “It’s Not Over,” “Home,” “Over You,” “What About Now,” and “Feels Like Tonight.” The self-titled debut album came about from Daughtry front man Chris Daughtry, who was a finalist on the fifth season (2006) of *American Idol*. The rock band’s album climbed to number one on the Billboard 200, while earning quadruple platinum, selling four million copies in the U.S. alone. 2009’s *Leave This Town* spawned cuts such as “No Surprise,” “September,” and “Life After You,” while selling over a million cop-

ies. *Break the Spell* arrived in 2011, delivering “Crawling Back to You,” and earning Gold status. Album number four, *Baptized*, made its mark with 2013 efforts like “Waiting for Superman” and “Long Live Rock & Roll.” As a bonus Daughtry added two new songs, “Torches” which is the lead single from this album, and “Go Down.” What a wonderful musical journey!

**LORRIE MORGAN –  
LETTING GO ... SLOW  
Shanachie Entertainment**

Lorrie Morgan takes a handful of new songs and a handful of country classics which she Morgan-izes with her trademark vocals. Lorrie lets the covers flow with the Patsy Cline favorite “Strange,” slows the pace for Bobbie Gentry’s tale “Ode to Billie Jo,” add a little bit of tenderness to Vern Gosdin’s “Is it Raining at Your House,” puts a bit of the clickety-clack back into “Something About Trains,” before delivering Larry Gatlin’s emotional “I’ve Done Enough Dying Today.” She takes a page from Bob Dylan’s songbook with an impressive version of the classic “Lay Lady Lay.” The power ballad “Slow” starts the second half-dozen of Lorrie’s offerings, followed by the mellow mood maker, “Spilt Milk.” Morgan shows her humorous side with “Jesus & Hairspray,” and creates tears with “Lonely Whiskey.” Earl Thomas Conley’s “What’d I Say” asks a multitude of questions, finishing up with “How Does It Feel,” her powerful response to her divorce from Sammy Kershaw several years ago.

**PAULINHO  
GARCIA & FRIENDS  
- AQUARELA  
GLPMusic**

Brazilian guitarist/singer, Paulino Garcia offers up a CD collection of beautiful and traditional children’s songs as well as a fun and effective way for your family to learn and practice Brazilian/Portuguese. 16-tracks of fun are used to create an album for families with traditional song-games and folk ditties. Female vocalist Silvia Manriques joins Garcia on these fun-filled harmonies. Garcia says, “Children like to hear about things that attract them, the frogs and the fishes. They want to hear about tenderness and love, the experience of love from parents, teachers, and friends. That’s the love we dream about.” Among the translated titles are, “Joe’s Workers,” “The Duck,” “Countryside Moonlight,” “Bluebird,” “The Little Country Man’s Train,” and “Bullfights of Madrid.” GLP Music is a label dedicated to creating music that encourages language learning, and this album is a great example. Garcia continues with “If That Street Were Mine,” the title track “Aquarela (Watercolor)” with lyrics from a Brazilian poet, along with “Frog Jururu,” “Spin Spinning Top,” “My Lemon My Lemon Tree,” “John and Mary,” “The Carnation Fought with the Rose,” “Little Teresa of Jesus,” and he ends with the lullaby “Acalanto — Boi da Cara Preta (Black Faced Bull).”

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

**JOHNNY SHOES  
WILL BE MISSED**



Johnny Shoes will be missed by everyone in the North End. He was so much a part of this community. He had the institutional knowledge of everything North End. He was a friend to all and was quite beloved in return by all.

A few years back, he retired from barbering down at Johnny and Gino’s on Hanover Street where, for years, he was Mayor Menino’s personal barber. Once I was in there and Tommy was getting his haircut from Gino and I asked him why he switched over to Gino. The mayor laughed and said, “Do you see the way Johnny’s hands are shaking?” Johnny heard that, too, and just laughed.

Up until the end, Johnny held office hours at My Cousins Place just as he had previously done at Contrada’s. Same table, same chair. The more things change, the more they stay the same in the North End.

Back in the day, Johnny used to write for the old *Regional Review* with his North End

column, which was well read. Years ago, I asked him why he was called Johnny Shoes and he told me, he was named after his father who was a cobbler. The moniker wasn’t about his profession, but his dad’s.

He will definitely be missed because he was a part of the North End that seems to be passing us by quickly. He didn’t just live in the North End, he lived for the North End.

**MUSIC FOR ALL  
AT THE REAGLE**

Shows coming up at the Reagle Theatre in Waltham include *A Little Bit of Ireland* on March 12<sup>th</sup> and March 13<sup>th</sup>, and *Country Jamboree* on April 17<sup>th</sup>. For further information, go to *ReagleMusicTheatre.com*.

**STILL REMEMBERING  
FATHER UBALDUS**



Recently, I found an old prayer card for Fr. Ubaldo Di Prizio, OFM, that I received shortly after his death on March 3, 1987. It is hard to believe that he has been deceased 29 years. Seems like only yesterday.

Every time I pass by the St. Leonard’s Peace Garden at the corner of Prince and Hanover Streets, I remember he created this garden and tended to it all the time. It was supposed to be a place to stop and reflect during your busy days.

My father was a member of the Third Order of St. Francis, also known as the Secular Franciscans, at St. Leonard’s and

so, too, were my brother and I. Father Ubaldo had some great sermons that made you think about your life, your connections to each other and your connection to God.

He grew up in the North End on Prince Street and he and my father were boyhood friends who often talked about the old days.

Like Johnny Shoes, he was real North End.

**DELLA CHIESA  
BIG HIT IN QUINCY**

Broadcast legend Ron Della Chiesa has been bringing music to life for over 35 years. He recently spoke about his new book, *Radio My Way*, and the Frank Sinatra Centennial at the Quincy Neighborhood Club. Ron grew up in Quincy, his uncle Amelio served as mayor, his dad was on the city council and there is an early childhood education center in Quincy named for Amelio Della Chiesa.

I love listening to his longtime Sunday evening radio programs, *Strictly Sinatra* and *The Great American Songbook* on WPLM fm 99.1 starting at 7:00 pm.

By the way, the crowd was huge as expected. Quincy hasn’t forgotten Ron Della Chiesa.

**LOOKING FOR SOME  
TALK IN THE AM  
ON THE AM DIAL?**

Since Boston’s Bulldozer, Jeff Kuhner, moved his morning show to noon time, I have been looking for a radio show for my morning drive. I tried *Boston.com* which replaced *Kuhner* on AM 680 WRKO, but it’s not for me.

However, recently I found two stations that do political talk in the morning. One is on WCRN AM 830 in Worcester and the other is *Morning in America* hosted by Bill Bennett mornings on the new AM 1260. Bennett served on the U.S. Department of Education during the Reagan Era and the name of his show is so Reaganesque. Right now, it seems like Late at Night for America under the Obama administration. We can only hope for real change come November.

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Date of Death 06/07/2013

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To all interested persons:

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

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

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court: before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/24/2016.

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

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## NOW PLAYING UPTOWN & DOWNTOWN



**Veteran actors Howard Platt & Jarlath Conroy are Malachy & Frank McCourt in *A COUPLE OF BLAGUARDS* playing March 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> at the Larcom Theatre in Beverly. See COMEDY SECTION for more details.**

## MUSIC

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**THE WHO** — March 7, 2016. The Who announced the rescheduled dates for their *The Who Hits 50!* North American tour, which was postponed in September 2015 to allow lead singer Roger Daltrey time to recover from his recent bout with viral meningitis.

**JUSTIN BIEBER** — May 10, 2016. Global superstar Justin Bieber has announced his 50+ city PURPOSE WORLD TOUR beginning March 9, 2016, in Seattle, WA. The tour, promoted by AEG Live, will travel through arenas across North America; fans will be able to see Bieber's dynamic live show in U.S. cities including Denver, Las Vegas, Dallas, Atlanta, Minneapolis, Chicago, Boston and Miami as well as all throughout Eastern and Western Canada. The hype around Bieber's new music continues with the smash successes of "Sorry" and "What Do You Mean?" which was crowned Justin's first #1 on Billboard's all-format airplay/sales/streaming-based Hot 100 the week of its release, selling over 335,000 units digitally in the U.S. that week. "What Do You Mean?" also went to #1 in Justin's native Canada, and became his first #1 UK national chart hit. The song, which hit #1 at iTunes within five minutes of its release, and reached #1 at iTunes in more than 90 countries, went on to easily break the Weekly Global Spotify streaming record with over 41 million streams, reaching 100 million Global streams in less than one month out.

**ADELE** — September 14-15, 2016. Adele will return to North America for her first tour in five years. It's been awhile since Adele said "Hello" to Boston, but the Grammy-winning singer is heading back to town next year! The English megastar released the North American dates for her "Adele Live 2016" tour last week, which will be her first extensive concert series on the continent in five years. The tour is set to kick off in St. Paul, Minnesota, on July 5th and will wrap up November 15th in Mexico

City. Tickets went fast, so find a friend who got some and be very nice to them!

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**JOHNNY MATHIS** — April 8, 2016. With his ever-youthful voice, it's hard to believe that legendary singer Johnny Mathis has been wowing audiences for over half a century — and he's still going strong. That unmistakable voice — both fragile and powerful — singing timeless classics like "Chances Are," "Misty," "Brazil," "It's Not For Me to Say" "A Certain Smile" "My Funny Valentine" and "Twelfth of Never" never ceases to mesmerize listeners into a wistful trance. Anyone who has been lucky enough to get tickets to witness Johnny Mathis perform LIVE knows that he was born to be on stage with a microphone in hand, an orchestra at his back, and a rapt crowd before him. Be it a love ballad, swing tune, or a Latin-flavored number, Johnny executes each phrase with that characteristic panache possessed by crooners of a by-gone era when singers didn't have (or need!) the help of viral YouTube videos to capture the hearts of fans worldwide. Needless to say, serious fans of nostalgic music (also sung by the likes of Michael Bublé, Harry Connick, Jr. and Tony Bennett) who score Johnny Mathis tickets are always in for a "Wonderful! Wonderful!" time.

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**METRIC** — March 17, 2016. The Toronto-based Metric, who've won a large audience playing the club circuit in both Canada and the U.S., released their first album, *Old World Underground*, *Where Are You Now?*, to much acclaim from fans and critics in 2003. Backed by guitar, chirping synths and other pop-friendly instruments, singer Emily Haines provides vocals that range from soft and breathy to bold and fierce. The album's subject matter is also diverse, featuring songs about social standing *The List*, difficult political issues *Succexy* and other wide-ranging topics. 2005's

*Live It Out*, the group's second album, offers further proof of Metric's impressive versatility and knack for crafting catchy pop-rock gems.

**BONNIE RAITT** — March 29, 2016. Bonnie Lynn Raitt is an American blues singer, songwriter and slide guitar player. During the 1970s, Raitt released a series of roots-influenced albums which incorporated elements of blues, rock, folk and country. In 1989, after several years of critical acclaim but little commercial success, she had a major return to form with the release of her album *Nick of Time*. The following two albums *Luck of the Draw* (1991) and *Longing in Their Hearts* (1994) were also multi-million sellers generating several hit singles, including "Something to Talk About," "Love Sneakin' Up on You," and the ballad "I Can't Make You Love Me" (with Bruce Hornsby on piano). Raitt has received 10 Grammy Awards. She is listed as number 50 in *Rolling Stone* magazine's list of the 100 Greatest Singers of All Time and number 89 on their list of the 100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time.

**THE SMASHING PUMPKINS - IN PLAINSONG** — April 9, 2016. The Smashing Pumpkins have created one of the most acclaimed bodies of work in musical history having sold more than 30 million albums, and won multiple Grammy Awards in the process. The pivotal group's many hits defined the alternative music era and continue to resonate on modern rock radio, influencing a whole new generation. In June 2012, the band released the critically acclaimed album *Oceanicaveia* Martha's Music/EMI Label Services/Caroline Distribution. It entered the Billboard Top 200 Albums Chart at #4; earned the #1 spot on the Independent Albums Chart; and *Rolling Stone* hailed it as one of the best albums of the year. Formed in Chicago in 1988, they released *Gish*, their influential and platinum debut in 1991, which was followed by albums including the nine-time platinum *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* and the four-time platinum *Siamese Dream*, as well as the platinum certified 1998 album *Adore* which saw a 107-track re-issue in 2014.

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**NICK CARTER** — March 13, 2016. Sparking his career at the tender age of 12, Nick Carter became an international pop superstar as the youngest member of iconic boy band, Backstreet Boys. Known for his boyish good looks and heartthrob status, Carter was named one of People Magazine's "50 Most Beautiful People in the World," dubbed the "most gorgeous celebrity on the planet" by El Online, and named "The Biggest Teen Idol" by *Teen People Magazine*. To date, the Backstreet Boys are the best-selling boy band in history and are one of the world's best-selling music artists of all time. In 2002, Nick released his debut solo album through Jive Records, *Now or Never*, which debuted at #17 on the Billboard 200 chart and was certified Gold in the U.S., Japan and Canada. In 2014, Carter paired up with Jordan Knight, fellow boy band member from 90's sensation New Kids on the Block, for a new collaborative album project, *Nick & Knight*, which debuted at #24 on the U.S. Billboard 200 and #14 on the Canadian Albums Chart. From there the guys hit the road, playing over 30 soldout shows to screaming fans across the United States.

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**THE SOUND OF MUSIC** — March 29-April 10, 2016. The hills are alive! A brand new production of *The Sound of Music*, directed by Jack O'Brien, is coming to you. The spirited, romantic and beloved musical story of Maria and the Von Trapp Family will once again thrill audiences with its Tony, Grammy and Academy Award-winning Best Score, including "My Favorite Things," "Do-Re-Mi," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," "Edelweiss" and the title song. "We plan to look more closely at this remarkable work — to tear off the varnish of the past and reveal one of the great, fresh glories of musical theater," says three-time Tony Award-winning Director Jack O'Brien. *The Sound of Music* features music by Richard Rodgers, lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, book by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse, suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by Maria Augusta Trapp. *The Sound of Music* enjoyed extraordinary success as the first live television production of a musical in over 50 years when it aired live on NBC in December, 2013.

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**REALISH HOUSEWIVES OF BOSTON: A PARODY** — March 29-April 3, 2016. Brawls! Booze! Botox! *The Realish Housewives* are coming to the Shubert Theatre. Get ready for oodles of hometown reality in this totally original — and outlandish — parody performance, where you'll meet Rovanka, the baroness of an uncertain ethnicity; Claudia Louise, glamorous and conniving in equal measure; Desiree, neck supermodel; Brooke, self-made business tycoon; and Gwen, the only one in the bunch with half a brain. Laugh along as these loony ladies who lurch, along with your host, Randy, take on the current events and people making headlines in Boston ... that is, if they don't strangle each other first. Even the audience gets in on the act in this can't-take-your-eyes-off-it train wreck that's guaranteed to leave you and your best frenemies laughing 'til you cry your false eyelashes off! *The Realish Housewives of Boston* is an original play created and written by veteran Chicago-based comics Kate James and Tim Sniffen.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

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# Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

On this date in 1791, Vermont became the 14<sup>th</sup> state. Also on this date in 1861, Abraham Lincoln was sworn in as the 16<sup>th</sup> president of the United States.

A group of prostitutes called Hookers for Hillary endorsed Hillary Clinton in the Nevada caucuses. "Women should help out other women, right?" said Enrice Love, a 26-year-old sex worker.

Huh? Texas officials and Antonin Scalia's family declined to have an autopsy performed on the 79-year-old Supreme Court justice. Bloggers and talk radio show hosts immediately speculated that President Obama orchestrated Scalia's killing. Morons!

Wow! Montana police surrounded a home with weapons drawn following neighbors' reports of screaming, gun shots, and "flashing lights." It turned out that the family was watching a T.V. zombie drama called *The Walking Dead*.

Sir Paul McCartney was turned away twice from a Grammy after-party because the bouncer didn't recognize the former Beatle. "How VIP do we gotta get?" the ex-Beatle said to his entourage, which included singer Paul Beck and actor Woody Harrelson.

News from Rome! John Paul II secrets letters! Pope John Paul II had an intense friendship with a married, Polish-born American philosopher who is believed to have once declared her love for him, according to letters seen by the BBC. Before the former Karol Wojtyla became Pope, and for many years after, he wrote Anna Teresa Tymieniecka personal and tender letters, now held by the National Library of Poland. The BBC believes Tymieniecka may have confronted the then Cardinal Wojtyla about her feeling when he visited the U.S. in 1978, because he later wrote a letter confessing he was struggling with their relationship. "You write about being torn apart," he said, "I could find no answers to these words." There is no evidence of any sexual connection between the two. "It's not, illicit," said journalist Carl Bernstein, who wrote a biography of the Pope. "Nonetheless, it's fascinating."

Women in Siberia are donating gold and silver jewelry to be melted down and made into an Oscar statuette for Leonardo DiCaprio. The actor is a macho sex symbol in Russia, and though he's up for an Oscar this year, many Russians feel it's a great injustice he hasn't won in the past. So far, about 100 women have donated jewelry to the "Oscar for Leo" campaign. Organizer Tatiana Yegorova said some women donated only part of a jewelry set, one earring, for example, so they could keep the other part and "be somehow connected with the actor."

A Spanish civil servant didn't show up at work for six years, and his absence was only noticed when he was nominated for a Dedicated Service Award. Joaquin Garcia, 69, was tasked with overseeing the construction of a water plant in Cadiz in 2014, but decided the job was beneath him and stayed home to read philosophy. He kept collecting his \$41,500 annual salary until city officials tried to give him an award for 20 years of loyal service, prompting co-workers to say they hadn't seen him in years. Garcia was fined \$30,300 for his six year absence, but he's appealing, saying he's the victim of a media "lynching."

According to Gal Beckerman, after his landslide victory in the New Hampshire primary, Bernie Saunders told cheering supporters, "I am the son of a Polish immigrant." Polish? Sanders that night became "the first Jew ever to win a presidential nomination contest in American history."

Justice Antonin Scalia is only the third Supreme Court justice to die on the bench in the past 63 years. Chief Justice William Rehnquist died in 2005, and Chief Justice Fred Vinson died in 1953. The other justices who left the bench during this period are all retired.

29% of Americans held a favorable view of the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia in a poll taken last summer. 27% viewed him unfavorably. 32% of Americans had never heard of Scalia, so revealed a Gallup survey.

This just in! Running that extra mile on the treadmill may not make you any thinner, a new study suggests, because exercise alone can burn only a limited number of calories. Instead, the body actually adapts to greater levels of activity, which may help explain why people who are trying to lose weight often hit a frustrating "plateau." People who were moderately active, walking a couple of miles daily or working out for a half an hour two to three times a week, burned about 200

more calories than the ones who remained sedentary. Herman Pontzer of Hunter College in New York tells CNN.com, exercise can provide many health benefits, including weight loss, Pontzer says, but to shed a lot of pounds, "you probably ought to focus on changing your diet and watching how much you eat."

Proprio Stronzo says to lose weight, eat all you want, but just don't swallow!

I believe it was the brilliant Barbara D'Amico who once said eating raw onions is good for unblocking a stuffed nose. We tried it and it worked!

Christina "Chris" Quinlan says onions are low in calories and a good source of vitamin C, calcium, potassium, and fiber. They also help circulation.

For the record, D'Amico and Quinlan are executives of Russo's Imports, Inc.

Gee, we read where too much wine can make you face lined and ruddy, producing spots between the eyebrows, drooping eyelids, and feather-lined skin across the cheekbones.

Ready for this? Police and paramedics in Lakeland, Florida, rescued a 33-year old man trapped in a motel swimming pool. They reported that "his pants were down to his knees and his penis was stuck in the suction hole." Paramedics inserted a lubricant around the suction fitting, and after about forty minutes were able to free him.

Be aware: men spend an average of \$85 per month on clothing and accessories compared with the average woman's \$75, according to a survey by fashion PR firm Boutique Ogilvy. Men also dedicated 20 percent more time to shopping per week, three hours to women's two and half.

You're getting along in years when the only urge you feel in the spring is to climb out of your long underwear.

A dear old lady in Montana says she's worn the same dress so many years it's been in style five times!

Wee bit of Italian-American history! It was in 1920 that Francesco Pezzola playrd center field for the New York Yankees, with Babe Ruth in right field. The handsome Pezzola was known to fans as "Ping Bodie." Ironically, Pezzola was forced to change his Italian name while thousands of fans called Ruth, "Bambino."

For nearly 30 years, experts in England agreed that two busts uncovered in a garden in Fence, Lancashire, and displayed at the Pendle Heritage Center, were examples of ancient Celtic stone craft. In 1994, the heads were identified as caricatures of Hitler and Mussolini, carved in 1939 by Leslie Ridings, who died in 1944. So where are they today?

The Princeton Dental Resource in Albany, New York, agreed to pay a \$25,000 settlement for misleading consumers by claiming that a piece of chocolate a day might inhibit tooth decay. The center is funded by the candy maker Mars, Incorporated.

One more time! In Ivera, Italy, thousands of citizens celebrate the beginning of Lent by throwing oranges at one another. Orange juice helps the body absorb iron easily when consumed with a meal. Reminder! The most widely eaten fruit in America is the banana. Yes, we enjoy having a banana. How about a banana split? Top the banana with some scoops of ice cream. A yummy for the tummy!

Along with the noted musicologist Al Natale, we searched for the permanent address of noted musicians. Composer Victor Herbert (1859-May 26, 1924) is at Woodlawn Cemetery, Bronx, New York. Also in the Bronx in St. Raymond's Cemetery is singer "Lady Day" Billie Holiday. Tommy Dorsey (1905-November 26, 1956) is at Kensico Cemetery, Valhalla, New York. Brother Jimmy Dorsey (1904-June 12, 1957) is at Annunciation Cemetery, Shenandoah, Pennsylvania. Nelson Eddy (1901-March 1967) is at Hollywood Memorial Cemetery, Los Angeles, California. Reminders! Mario Lanza is at Holy Cross Cemetery, Los Angeles, California. Guy Lombardo is leading them all at the Pinelawn Memorial Park and Cemetery, Farmingdale, Long Island, New York. And Boston's great leader, Arthur Fiedler who passed away on July 10, 1979, is at St. Joseph Cemetery in Boston; Fiedler was the conductor of the Boston Pops for 50 years.

AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME



## Parla Come Mangi! (Speak as You Eat!)

by Alessandra Sambiase



Benvenuti! The longest river in Italy, the Po, originates in the Alps and runs across the northern part of the peninsula from west to east, terminating in the Adriatic Sea. The Po Valley (Val Padana) formed by the great river is a very fertile plain and produces many different vegetables and varieties of rice. The areas around the city of Treviso, Castelfranco and Chioggia, are known for their excellent varieties of radicchio (a type of endive) specific to the region. The radicchio di Treviso is a beautiful vegetable that presents a strong contrast between its thick white ribs and the purplish-red leaves. The radicchio di Castelfranco has very distinctive pale, purple-red variegated leaves. These two varieties of radicchio get their particular pigmentation from a special type of cultivation that is both costly and labor-intensive as it requires a lengthy and elaborate process where light is prevented from reaching the leaves so that the plant cannot make enough chlorophyll which would otherwise make the leaves green. The area around the city of Bassano del Grappa is known for its special white asparagus which is of such excellent quality to have been awarded the DOC certification label (Controlled Designation of Origin). Many varieties of legumes are also produced in Veneto, but the most popular are fagioli borlotti, a type of red bean used to make the traditional pasta e fagioli (pasta with beans) and piselli, green peas, called "bisi" in the regional dialect. The sweetest variety of peas comes from the city of Borso del Grappa, near Treviso, and the dish made with this delicious legume and rice is called "risi e bisi" (rice and peas). At the time of the Serenissima Repubblica di Venezia, the Doge would be served a dish of "risi e bisi" every year, following the solemn procession on the Grand Canal on the occasion of Saint Mark's Day on April 25<sup>th</sup>. This beloved dish is traditionally prepared with the regional Vialone Nano, a variety of rice particularly high in starch content. Let's say arrivederci to Veneto with a dish of "risi e bisi" and by raising a glass of their excellent Prosecco di Conegliano-Valdobbiadene!

### Rice and Peas (serves four)

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| 2 pounds frozen baby peas                    | ½ cup grated Grana Padano (or Parmigiano) |
| 1 ¾ cups Vialone Nano (or Arborio rice)      | 1 glass of dry white wine                 |
| ½ cup vegetable broth                        | 1 medium onion (finely chopped)           |
| 2 thick slices (¼ inch) of pancetta (minced) | 1 bunch of parsley (chopped)              |
| ½ stick unsalted butter                      | Salt                                      |
|  | Extra Virgin Olive Oil                    |

**Preparation:** Heat up the broth and keep warm. In a skillet, cook together butter, one half of the onion (finely chopped) and the minced pancetta. When the onion turns golden, add the peas and the chopped parsley, deglaze with a ladle of broth and cook for 10 more minutes. In a large pot, cook the other half of the onion (finely chopped) with the oil until it turns golden then add two tablespoons of broth and let evaporate. Add the rice and simmer it until the grains appear glassy. Stir continuously to avoid sticking. Add white wine and let evaporate. Add the cooked peas, one ladleful at a time, stirring the broth until it's absorbed. Continue until the rice is completely cooked and your risotto is smooth and creamy. Serve it with a good dusting of grated Parmigiano.

### Risi e Bisi (serve quattro)

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| 1 kg di piselli surgelati                       | 1 bicchiere di vino bianco secco    |
| 300 g di riso Vialone Nano (o Arborio)          | 1 cipolla (tritatura)               |
| 100 ml di brodo vegetale                        | 1 ciuffetto di prezzemolo (tritato) |
| 50 g di pancetta (tritato)                      | Sale q.b.                           |
| 50 g di burro non salato                        | Olio Extra vergine d'Oliva          |
| 50 g di Grana Padano grattugiato (o Parmigiano) |                                     |

**Preparazione:** Riscalda il brodo e tieni in caldo. Trita mezza cipolla e falla soffriggere in una padella con il burro e la pancetta. Quando la pancetta sara' dorata aggiungi i piselli ed il prezzemolo tritato e fai cuocere per circa 10 minuti bagnando con un mestolo di brodo. In una casseruola da risotto fai appassire l'altra meta' della cipolla (tritata) con dell'olio. Appena dorata, aggiungi due cucchiaini di brodo bollente e fai evaporare. Aggiungi il riso e fallo tostare fino a che tutti i chicchi non siano lucidi e trasparenti mescolando bene e facendo attenzione che non si attacchino al fondo. Aggiungi un bicchiere di vino bianco e fai evaporare. Aggiungi i piselli e continua la cottura del riso bagnando con un mestolo di brodo alla volta fino a completa cottura del risotto. La consistenza dovra' essere cremosa. Servi con un'abbondante grattugiata di Grana Padano.

If you would like to cook with me go to [www.speakasyoueat.com](http://www.speakasyoueat.com).

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# Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



When I was young, Dad played mostly Jewish functions during Lent. Catholics weren't allowed to marry during the Lenten season unless the man was in the military and on the verge of being deployed. As a matter of fact, most Christian social functions came to a halt during the 40 days before Easter. Dad quite often worked for Jewish bandleaders during the year. Before I go on, let me explain his position in the music business. At this point in his life, he was what might be called a free-lance musician, an instrumentalist who worked for any bandleader who might call. He was well versed in all types of ethnic music, as well as knowing the bass parts to thousands of American songs, past and present. His knowledge combined with his talent allowed him to be one of Boston's best and busiest bass players, constantly in demand.

There was a point in time (I think I was about 10, so it had to be in the late '40s) that Dad and a trumpet player named Barney Mould, put a band together. If Dad booked in an event, it was Johnny Christie and his Orchestra. If Barney booked in an affair, it was Barney Mould and his Orchestra ... same men ... same music stands with removable fronts and same two leaders. If it was a Jewish affair, Barney would lead. If it was a Christian or Italian event, Dad would lead. If it was neither, it was the flip of a coin.

It was during Lent, and Pass-over was falling about the same time, therefore, there wasn't much work. Dad and Barney planned to meet to go over things — how they anticipated them picking up after the holidays, and to organize the men for the post-holiday jobs they already had booked. On one of these meetings between Barney and Dad, Babbononno and I went along with him. Babbononno was long retired by this point in time, but he liked to be around musicians and the music scene for old time's sake.

Barney had informed Dad that they were meeting at his mother's house due to the fact he had to pick up his kids who were with their grandmother. Barney had two kids, Mirna and Marty. Marty was about my age, Mirna was older. As a result, when we arrived at Barney's mother's place, Marty and I went off on our own to play while our fathers talked business. At one point, Marty and I headed to the room where the two men were going over the books. When we walked in, they switched to another language

so we couldn't understand. As a kid, I had learned Italian just listening to my parents speak to Nanna and Babbononno. Babbononno usually spoke to me in Italian when we were in the house. Nanna spoke to me in English most of the time. Babbononno was literate in both Italian and English, but spoke fractured English. Nanna who was illiterate in both Italian and English, spoke English with only a slight accent and had a better command of the spoken language than Babbononno. She could think in English. My grandfather couldn't, and had to mentally translate everything from Italian to English before he spoke. I've discovered over the years that many people born outside the U.S. from the non-English-speaking world are in the same boat.

When Dad and Barney switched to another language to prevent the kids from understanding, I thought it was a dialect of Italian I didn't understand. So I whispered to Babbononno and asked him if he understood. He said, "Quella lingua non e Italiana, penso che e Iuda." (That language is not Italian, I think it is Jewish.) Later, after we arrived home, I asked my mother if Dad spoke Jewish, and she said that he did, and if I wanted to know more, I would have to call Dad's sister, Aunt Mary. Well, I called Aunt Mary and she explained how both she and Dad had learned Yiddish as kids. It seems that the part of East Boston's Chelsea Street that they came from when she and my father were kids was a mix of Italian and Jewish. Grandma Christoforo was sick a lot. To ease things, once school was out for the day, the lady next door would take Aunt Mary and my father into her house along with her own kids and give them milk and cookies. She was from Russia and spoke only Russian and Yiddish. Yiddish is a form of German which was the common language between European Jews whose primary languages might have been Russian, German, Polish, etc. ... When they arrived in the U.S. from the various European countries they lived in (about the same time as the Italians, beginning in the 1880s), they used Yiddish to communicate with one another. Once I found this out from Aunt Mary, I told Babbononno, and he was satisfied.

Getting back to when we were at Barney's mother's house, I discovered something about Jewish people. Like Italians, if you're in their house, you're going to eat. Barney's mother, who was sitting with us kids and

Babbononno while her son and my father talked business, said something about essen. I didn't know what the word meant and Barney's son, Marty, whispered to me, "Bubbie said that we're going to eat." Barney's mother had made about a dozen hamburgers and we, being ravenous young kids, dug in. After the first bite or two, the grandmother asked us what we would like to drink. Each of the kids said, "tonic," as did Babbononno. (Tonic is soda to people not from Boston.) I smiled and said, "Bobby, I would like a glass of milk." Everyone except Babbononno looked at me with shock on their faces and they all gasped. This was a Kosher house, and according to their dietary laws, you can't mix meat with dairy products. The Mould kids tried to explain this to me, and at the same time, their grandmother tried to explain that her name wasn't "Bobby." The word Bubbie in Jewish means grandma.

Well, I ate my burger without cheese (a dairy product) and with a glass of what the kids called Dr. Pepper, something I had never heard of up to that point. After lunch, we kids were back at what we had been doing before lunch. Babbononno and Barney's mother seemed to hit off and talked about their families and what things were like before coming to America. I don't know if they understood each other because Barney's mother had a thick Jewish accent and Babbononno spoke fractured English.

When it was time to leave, Babbononno thanked Barney's mother by saying, "Signora Bobbie, tanka you so mucha forra niza day." No one had the heart to tell him her name wasn't Bobbie, and that Bubbie meant grandma in Yiddish.

On the way home, Dad tried to explain more about the cultural differences between Jewish people and Christians, but with my stomach filled with burgers, I fell asleep. I think Babbononno did, too.

Dad and Barney would remain active partners until one day when Barney had a stroke and became incapacitated. He would drop out of the music business as a result, but he and Dad would remain friends for the rest of their lives.

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Sealed General Bids for **MPA CONTRACT NO. L811-C1, TAXIWAY B REHABILITATION AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, 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, MARCH 30, 2016**, immediately after which, in a designated room, the proposal will be opened and read publicly.

**NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT (ABOVE ADDRESS) AT 9:00 AM LOCAL TIME ON THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016.**

The work includes **BITUMINOUS CONCRETE MILLING AND WARM MIX ASPHALT PAVING INCLUDING LIGHT ADJUSTMENTS, LIGHT CONVERSIONS AND PAVEMENT MARKINGS; REMOVAL OF EXISTING PAVEMENTS, CONCRETE ENCASED LIGHT BASES AND CONDUIT; CONSTRUCTION OF NEW FULL DEPTH AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS INCLUDING DRAINAGE, EDGE LIGHTING, SIGNAGE, GRANULAR BASE, TOPSOIL AND SEED.**

Bid documents will be made available beginning **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2016.**

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 **ELEVEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$11,700,000.00).**

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

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

Bidders must submit a Buy American Certificate with all bids or offers on AIP funded projects. Bids that are not accompanied by a completed Buy American Certificate must be rejected as nonresponsive.

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 **\$10,000,000.00**. 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.

No filed sub-bids will be required for this contract.

This contract is subject to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation provision requiring that not less than **TEN PERCENT (10%)** of the Contract be performed by disadvantaged business enterprise contractors. With respect to this provision, bidders are urged to familiarize themselves thoroughly with the Bidding Documents. Strict compliance with the pertinent procedures will be required for a bidder to be deemed responsive and eligible.

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

The General Contractor is required to submit a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities prior to award of the Contract, and to notify prospective sub-contractors of the requirement for such certification where the sub-contract exceeds \$10,000.

A Contractor having fifty (50) or more employees and his sub-contractors 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 100]) 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 sub-contracts, 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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the other Super Tuesday states? Did Cruz get a big win out of his home state, Texas? Is Ben Carson still in the hunt or is it back home to Florida for him?

**More Stupid Politically Correct Garbage**

Is it Tuesday YET? That’s my day to take out the garbage with the trash. Thought of that weekly routine when I found out in the news that Harvard University dorms will no longer have House Masters supervising student residents. Too un-P.C., sounds too racist. Wonder if Harvard will throw out all their master keys, too. Racism is everywhere, right?

**My Three Favorite Supreme Court Justices**

As an Originalist when it comes to the U.S. Constitution, my three favorite U.S. Supreme Court Justices are Antonin Scalia who recently passed away, the late Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Clarence Thomas, who has been on the Court since 1992.

**Still Trying to Sully Scalia’s Legacy**

Right after Justice Antonin Scalia passed away on a hunting trip in Texas, the Boston Globe ran an op-ed piece

questioning the ethics of the deceased jurist even before his body turned cold. Did he pay for his room? Did it violate ethical rules? Was there a tit-for-tat going on?

Did it even register that the guy wasn’t even buried yet before throwing more dirt on him?

Also, the latest news just in. Was Scalia part of some secretive group of hunters who have more than rabbits on their mind?

Liberals and progressives have no shame. None! Nada!

**Quote to Note**

“What an insult to all Italian-Americans. And then Obama accuses Republicans of causing the division that exists on Washington, DC?”

— Billy Mussari of Archibald, PA, in his letter to the editor in the *NY Post* on President Obama choosing not to go to Scalia’s funeral.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by **TODISCO TOWING OF 94 CONDOR STREET, EAST BOSTON, MA** pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c 255, Section 39A that they will sell the following vehicles. Vehicles are being sold to satisfy their garage keeper's lien for towing, storage and notices of sale:

**2015 BMW X6**

VIN #5UXKU6C5XF0R33533

**2005 CHEVY TRAILBLAZER**

VIN #1GNDT13S452300378

**2003 HONDA PILOT**

VIN #2HKYF18483H557258

**2004 MERCURY MOUNTAINEER**

VIN #4M2ZU86K04UJ10641

**2008 HONDA CIVIC**

VIN #2HGFA16548H319183

*The above vehicles will be sold at auction online only at*

**TOWLOT.COM**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016**

**at 9:00AM at towlot.com**

Run dates: 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 2016

LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

**Docket No. MI16P0740EA**

**Estate of  
HAROLD R. DONAHUE**

**Date of Death October 26, 2015**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Nancy Ann Arsenault of Burlington, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Nancy Ann Arsenault of Burlington, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 18, 2016.

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

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION  
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM  
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

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

Date: March 1, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**Docket No. MI16P0949EA**

**Estate of  
BETTY ANN ZISK**

**Date of Death October 19, 2014**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Stephen Zisk of Newton, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Stephen Zisk of Newton, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 22, 2016.

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

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PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

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

Date: February 23, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**Docket No. MI15P6949EA**

**Estate of  
GIZELLE N. PROUDFOOT**

**Date of Death April 8, 2015**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Sandra Le Gendre of Woburn, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Sandra Le Gendre of Woburn, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 18, 2016.

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

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION  
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM  
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

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

Date: February 19, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**Docket No. MI16P1025EA**

**Estate of  
MARGARET P. CASEY**

**Date of Death February 11, 2016**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Brien E. Casey of Arlington, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Brien E. Casey of Arlington, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 24, 2016.

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

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION  
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM  
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

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

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

Date: February 25, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16



on Display at Herman Melville’s Arrowhead



**Twilight Diamond (Wahconah Park at dusk).**  
*(Photo by Richard Lasner)*

of Communications and Community Relations at the Historical Society. “It sparks a true sense of how a large community [Berkshire County is the largest in the Commonwealth] has been reinforced through a single interest. Jeff Reardon, Mark Belanger, Tom Grieve, Turk Wendell were all born in Pittsfield and the rest of the county has produced more than a hundred others in all areas of the game including Dan Duquette, Dwight Chesbro, Jonah Bayliss and Gene Hermanski.”

Kevin Larkin and Jim Overmyer have collaborated on a new book, *Baseball in The Berkshires*, which is being published by Micro Publishing Media and Melville Press to accompany this exhibit. It will be available at Arrowhead and in bookstores, as well as through the publisher as a print-on-demand publication. The book will be officially celebrated with an event at Arrowhead during the first week in April (date to be announced). The exhibit and book have been supported by the Pittsfield Cultural Council, a local arm of the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

For more information, contact the Berkshire Historical Society at Herman Melville’s Arrowhead, 780 Holmes Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201, 413-442-1793, ext. 12, or go to our website at [www.mobydick.org](http://www.mobydick.org).

LEGAL NOTICE

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**Docket No. MI15P6212EA**

**Estate of  
GERALD ANTHONY CAPUTO**

**Date of Death September 3, 2015**

**INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Christopher M. Caputo of Nashville, TN** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

**Christopher M. Caputo of Nashville, TN** 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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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800**

**Docket No. MI16P0736EA**

**Estate of  
NORMAN PHILIP LEIBRAND**

**Date of Death July 24, 2011**

**INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Elsie Leibrand of Poolesville, MD**.

**Elsie Leibrand of Poolesville, MD** 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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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI16P-0968EA  
  
Estate of  
MARY J. MANCINELLI  
  
Date of Death December 31, 2015  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Jean T. Kelleher of Brunswick, ME** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

**Jean T. Kelleher of Brunswick, ME** 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 Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI16P0753EA  
  
Estate of  
CURTIS LEE GIBSON, JR.  
  
Date of Death February 13, 2013  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Sandra Gibson of Houston, TX**

**Sandra Gibson of Houston, 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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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Suffolk Division  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 788-8300  
  
Docket No. SU15P2974EA  
  
Estate of  
JONATHAN MICHAEL WENTWORTH  
Also Known As  
JONATHAN M. WENTWORTH  
Date of Death September 1, 2015  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Katharine H. Wentworth of Greenland, NH**

**Katharine H. Wentworth of Greenland, NH** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

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The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI15P7002EA  
  
Estate of  
NASSER HUSSAIN  
Date of Death November 9, 2015  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Omar Hussain of Lexington, MA** a will has been admitted to informal probate.

**Omar Hussain of Lexington, MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

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The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI16P0746EA  
  
Estate of  
EDNA LOVELLA JOHNSON  
Date of Death February 19, 2013  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Melody Wells of Philadelphia, PA**

**Melody Wells of Philadelphia, PA** 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 Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
East Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI16P0734EA  
  
Estate of  
ELLEN MARIE CARROLL  
Date of Death November 29, 2013  
  
INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Frank E. Carroll of Tulsa, OK**

**Frank E. Carroll of Tulsa, OK** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

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# EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani





Jim Davenport

Quote to Note

“Hopefully, I do not know when my last at-bat will be. I want it to go to the postseason.”

— David Ortiz

Speaking of Ortiz, He Wants a Bronx Cheer

David Ortiz will play his last regular season game at Yankee Stadium in September and is looking forward to a parting gift. All he wants is a standing ovation from the Bronx Bomber faithful just like the one Derek Jeter got from Boston fans at Fenway Park.

Even the pro-NY teams and the *NY Post* think Ortiz deserves this star treatment. Coming from that paper, it's a great compliment to Big Papi, who deserves it before his big curtain comes down.

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The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
Docket No. MI16P0931EA  
  
Estate of  
RUSSELL EDWARD WALSH  
Also Known As  
RUSSELL E. WALSH  
Date of Death January 29, 2015  
  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Candice E. Walsh of Waltham, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Candice E. Walsh of Waltham, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 23, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
(617) 768-5800  
  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION  
Docket No. MI16P0992EA  
  
Estate of  
DAVID SHOOLMAN  
Date of Death 01/24/2016

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Matthew A. Berlin of Boston, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Matthew A. Berlin of Boston, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/22/2016.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.  
Date: February 23, 2016

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 3/4/16

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141  
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Docket No. MI15P6674EA  
  
Estate of  
VINCENT M. POLLICELLI  
Date of Death September 10, 2015  
  
CITATION ON PETITION FOR  
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by **Dennis M. Palmerini of Burlington, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that **Dennis M. Palmerini of Burlington, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of March 22, 2016.

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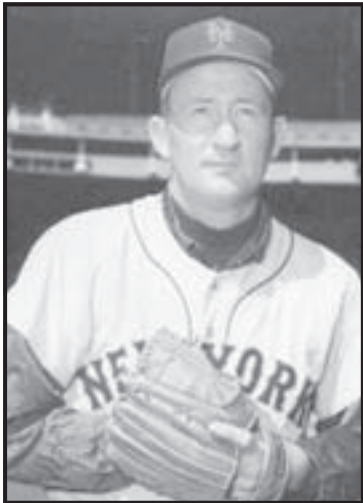
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Roger Craig

before coming home to that city by the bay, as Tony Bennett called San Francisco in the '90s.

Good, solid player, the kind you don't find often today in the age of huge salaries and \*%\$ players.

Rangers' Hamilton Out Again

Texas Rangers slugger Josh Hamilton is back on the D.L. again after injuring his left knee. The five-time All-Star, bothered by swelling in his knee, received a stem cell and platelet rich plasma injection last week. He will be on crutches for up to 10 days and will need about eight weeks to recover. This will be Hamilton's 11<sup>th</sup> trip to the disabled list. OUCH!

These Should be Famous Last Words

“God knows

I'm a Hall-of- Famer.”

— Barry Bonds



## Boxing



## Ringside

WITH BOBBY FRANKLIN

## Does Character Still Matter?



For years parents looked for ways to build character in their children. Quite often sports was seen as one of the best ways for young men to learn the lessons of what it meant to truly be a man in the best sense of the word. Organizations such as the Boy and Girl Scouts were other institutions that helped build character in young people in order to prepare them to enter adulthood equipped with the tools to live a decent and productive life where they would contribute to the betterment of society.

There were many other ways that these lessons could be learned as well. Like having an after school job such as working for a local business or having a paper route. These were all ways for young people to learn responsibility and to gain the skills needed to be able to interact with other people.

There were many ways to inculcate these values in our young people and they were used for years with much success. Unfortunately, many of these things are no longer in fashion. The Boy Scouts have been under assault for years and I can't remember the last time I saw a young person delivering newspapers. After a snowstorm we no longer get a knock at the door from some eager young person ready to negotiate a price for shoveling the walk. Things have really changed.

I want to mention the connection my thoughts on this have to do with boxing, but first, one other observation.

As I write these words, the leading candidates for both parties appear to be on their way to their respective nominations for president. According to polls, they both seem almost unstoppable. What also consistently shows up in polls is something very disturbing. The vast majority of voters, including those supporting both candidates, when asked about the character of each of these people, consistently respond that they find them both untrustworthy and dishonest. In spite of this, they still say they will vote for them. In other words, character, that trait that was so important to Americans for so many years, no longer matters. It could be argued it is a detriment to success in today's world. This is not only sad, but dangerous for the future of our republic.

Now on to boxing and character. For most of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century it was almost impossible to find a man who hadn't at some point while growing up had a pair of boxing gloves on and had been given a few pointers in the *Manly Art of Self Defense*. These lessons were usually given by the young man's father, but could also have been taught by an older brother, uncle, friend, or even a member of the clergy.

These lessons included, but were not limited to, being taught how to hold one's hands in a defensive position, the proper use of the left jab, how to throw a one-two combination, and also

some pointers on how to keep physically fit as taking care of one's body was essential to being a good boxer.

Something else even more important was instilled during these lessons. That something else was how a real man carries himself. That with the knowledge of how to overpower someone and protect yourself also came the responsibility not to abuse that power. "Never hit a man when he is down" was a common refrain that would carry over from boxing into a valuable adage in life to remind us to offer a hand, not a fist, to someone who was having hard times.

Always fight fair even if the other guy doesn't, was a constant reminder in life about not allowing yourself to be dragged down into the gutter by another's bad behavior.

It was amazing how much could be learned from a few hours with the gloves on while listening to a mentor who would guide his student from the use of the right cross to never

crossing his fellow man. It is sad that that world seems so far away now.

I am not saying there weren't always rogues, cutthroats, and dishonest people around able and willing to take advantage of any situation. It just seems to me the public better understood the difference between good and bad and frowned upon those who would act outside of society's code of decency.

Boxing has often been called a reflection of society. I believe this is true. In the past, it was populated by the poorest members of society, usually immigrants or those recently descended from those new to our shores. They often came from struggling and desperate circumstances. I think of Jack Dempsey who grew up almost in the wilderness and lived the life of a hobo having to literally fight just to feed himself and stay alive. Or of Joe Louis, the son of a sharecropper, who would make all Americans proud to have him as the Heavyweight Champion. In both these men, we see examples of people who struggled and rose from nothing to gain great notoriety by using their fists. And in both these men we see how they handled the power they were given with dignity. They were both the type of men who inspired good things in others.

I am sure there are people like them around today, but those people are not being recognized in the way they should be. Mike Tyson, a totally base human being is lauded with a Broadway show and an HBO special. Floyd Mayweather beats his wife and still makes countless millions of dollars. And the two potential nominees for the highest office in the world are deemed to be dishonest rogues by the very people supporting them.

Maybe our society could use a few old fashioned lessons in boxing and what it truly means to be an adult.



## HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



HOME ON THE RANGE — We don't know whether Kevin McHale is planning to retire, but when and if he does, he'll sure do it in style.

You see, the former Celtics player, who is between jobs after being fired from his position as head coach of the Houston Rockets in November, has just bought a \$1.47 million home in Scottsdale, Arizona.

According to the Los Angeles Times, McHale, who teamed up with Larry Bird and Robert Parish to form the storied Big Three of the Celtics in the 1980s and early 1990s, bought the recently remodeled residence that occupies an impressive lot within a golf course community.

It has four bedrooms, three and half baths, and nearly 3,800 square feet of living space.

Well, what did you expect for someone who stands 6-10 and was dominant under the boards on the court? That he would go small?

McHale is only 58, so we suspect that this may wind up being his off-season residence once he finds a position with another team. After retiring as a player with the C's, he served as the head coach and as a front office executive with the Minnesota Timberwolves before moving on to Houston.

Look for the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame member (class of 1999) to find another position in the hoop game. He's got a great resume — a seven-time NBA All-Star who was a member of three NBA Championship squads during his playing days.

But in the meantime, there's the golf nearby and a swimming pool on the property. Life is good for one of the former mainstays of the Green and White.

O WHAT A RELIEF IT IS — The trade deadline passed on Leap Year Day without anyone leaving the Bruins, meaning the team will essentially be intact for the playoff run — should it occur.

"You could see the guys a little bit tense," noted Head Coach Claude Julien of the atmosphere in the locker room in the days leading up to the trade deadline. "It's always a tense moment the day of the trade deadline and then the next day it's the complete opposite — guys are happy they're here."

So as the clock struck 3:00 pm on 2016's Extra Day, everyone exhaled, took a deep breath and looked around. They were all still there — including Loui Eriksson.

There had been significant speculation that if the B's were going to make a move, it would be Eriksson that would be walking down Causeway Street for the last time. But the B's chose to pass on pushing him out the door, meaning the team you've seen most of the winter (with a couple of players added in exchange for draft picks plus potential callups from

Providence) is the one that will attempt to contend for the Cup this coming spring.

"Given Loui's situation, knowing he's still here makes a big difference for him," stated Julien. "You could see the last couple of games [before the trade deadline], he wasn't as comfortable as I'd seen him, which is totally natural. So it was nice to see him relaxed knowing that he would be here for the rest of the year. And we're hoping for maybe longer. We'll see where that goes."

Eriksson is a free agent come July 1, meaning that if the B's don't sign him up again by then, he'll go out on the open market.

But at least for the meantime, GM Don Sweeney decided not to go the rent-a-player route, so Eriksson's aboard for the potential playoff run.

Right away Eriksson responded to gaining an extended stay on Causeway Street.

"Loui made a big play there in the battle to get the puck on Bergy's stick [for the winning goal]," said Julien in a postgame press conference following a 2-1 victory over the Calgary Flames at the Garden. "It was nice to see them get that goal. That was an important game for us to win. It's not going to get any easier for us going forward, so we had to win that game. The two points were really important for us. It was something we talked about before the game. We know how hard the schedule is coming up and how tight the standings are."

Indeed, it's a very fluid situation in the Eastern Conference as the stretch drive for playoff positioning gets under way in earnest. As of early March, the B's were in the fifth playoff position in the conference — only four points behind the second-place New York Rangers. But they were also only four points away from the eighth-place Pittsburgh Penguins and the final playoff spot.

So obviously there's a lot of hockey to be played in the closing weeks of the season, including that massive road trip that starts at the end of March and crosses over into the first few days of April. During that time the Bruins will play eight games away from the Garden in a nine-game span.

Of course, given the fact that the Black and Gold have a better record away from the Hub than at home, that road trip might not seem so bad this year. Still, it's enough to make one jittery.

Should the trip not go well, there will be little chance for recovery, since only three home games follow to close out the regular season. It's nail biting time up in the executive offices of the Boston Professional Hockey Association, Inc.

Whoever said that March Madness pertained only to basketball?

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