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JUSTICE DELIVERED IN HERNANDEZ TRIAL

by Sal Giarratani

Two Wednesdays in a row now, juries have returned to the courtroom with guilty verdicts on all counts. Last week, it was federal court where Dzhokhar Tsarnaev was found guilty of all charges in the Marathon bombings of April 15, 2013. Two days ago, down in Bristol County in a Fall River courtroom, ex-New England Patriots Aaron Hernandez was convicted of 1st degree murder charges.

Prosecutors presented a wealth of evidence, including video from Hernandez own home and cell phone records that the former football star was with Odin Lloyd at the time he was killed.

Hernandez's lawyer, James Sultan, did acknowledge during closing statements that Hernandez was present at the time of the killing, but pinned the murder on two friends of his, saying his client was a "23 year old kid" who helplessly witnessed the shocking crime. Prosecutors suggested that Lloyd may have met his demises because he knew too much about Hernandez's alleged involvement in a deadly 2012 drive-by shooting in Boston. However, the judge would not allow prosecutors to present that information to the jury since she deemed it speculation.

Hernandez now faces further legal action. He is awaiting trial for murder in the drive-by shooting. He is accused of gunning down two men over spilled drinks at a Boston nightclub. Security cameras inside the North Attleboro home of Hernandez showed him holding what appeared to be a gun 10 minutes after Lloyd's killing, hanging out with the two men who had been with him in his basement "man cave" holding his baby daughter.

Hernandez was an All-American out of the University of Florida and was drafted by the Patriots in the fourth round in 2010.

GYRO-COPTER DOWN ON CAPITOL LAWN

by Sal Giarratani

"As I have informed the authorities, I have no violent inclinations or intent," Doug Hughes wrote on his website, www.thedemocracyclub.org. "An ultra light aircraft poses no major physical threat — it may present a political threat to graft. I hope so. There is no need to worry I'm just delivering the mail." While federal authorities had not named the pilot, Doug Hughes a U.S. Postal employee took credit for this stunt of his.

Capitol Police identified the aircraft as a "gyro copter" with a single occupant. The House Homeland Security

panel Chairman Michael McCaul, R-Texas, said the pilot landed on his own, but that he made it much closer to the Capitol and authorities were prepared to shoot it down. McCaul added, "Had it got closer to the speaker's balcony they have long guns to take it down. It landed right in front."

Downtown Washington is blanketed by air traffic restrictions that prohibit aircraft from flying over the White House, the Capitol Building, the National Mall and key government buildings without special authorization. Streets in the area

were immediately shut-down, emergency vehicles dispatched and a robot bomb detector to sniff out the aircraft.

The real question many are asking is how this small gyro-copter made it to the lawn. Had it been a terrorist action, that copter could have just as easily landed on the building rather than the lawn. Many were scratching their heads at the sight of a small gyro-copter slowly spinning its rotors. This time everybody was lucky it was just a mailman out delivering the mail as he said.

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Michigan Thought Police

It was pathetic to see that the only campus figure to stand up for free speech after the school nixed the showing of "American Sniper" was the school's football Coach Jim Harbaugh. He went livid after the university cancelled the April 10th screening of this movie due to some students whining about how bad the move was.

The coach went on Twitter and stated, "Michigan football will watch "American Sniper." I am proud of Chris Kyle and proud to be an American and if that offends you, so be it."

The university did cancel the ban on the movie, but isn't the point of college is to be involved in a free and fair exchange of ideas no matter the reaction of some concerning the topic being presented?

Kudos to Jim Harbaugh, a proud American who understands the U.S. Constitution and refuses to be silent on it.

No Deal Better than Bad Deal

A recent Charles Krauthammer commentary on the questionable Iran Nuke deal was right on target. The quote from both Henry Kissinger and George Schultz taken from their op-ed piece in a the April 8th *Wall Street Journal* sums up this deal quite well too. As both former secretaries of state opined, "Negotiations to prevent an Iranian capability to develop a nuclear arsenal are ending with an agreement that concedes this very capability."

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ATHENA

As we continue to delve into the world of ancient mythology, we are amazed to find such striking similarities between the Greek and Roman systems. Greek mythology identifies Zeus as chief of all gods, Hera as his wife, and Athena as the most famous of their daughters. The Romans identified Jupiter as chief of their gods, Juno as his wife, and Minerva as the most famous of their daughters. Probably the most popular legend regarding this deity tells us that Zeus swallowed his first wife, Metis, because he feared that she would bring forth a son stronger than himself. Later, one of the other gods cleaved open the head of Zeus with an axe, permitting Athena, the goddess of eternal virginity, to spring forth in full armor. Zeus, being immortal, suffered no physical problems because of this activity.

From her very beginning, Athena occupied a prominent place in Greek mythology. She was usually represented as the favorite of her father, who refused her nothing. With the exception of Zeus and Apollo, no other deity was treated with such high moral regard among mortals. She was intimately connected in the region of Attica and Athens became the most important seat of her worship. As the maiden daughter of Zeus and goddess



of the sky, she shared with him the power to use thunder and lightning as weapons. Like her father, she carried the “aegis” (A shield representing storms, thunder, and lightning). The shield of Zeus was trimmed with tassels of gold. When Zeus shook his aegis, thunder, lightning, horror, and destruction fell upon those against whom it was lifted.

Some statues of Athena showed her hurling a thunderbolt but legend also implied that she sent down the light, the warmth, and the moisture which was so necessary

for a prosperous growing season. This goddess was also honored as the inventress of the yoke and the plow.

Poseidon (god of the sea) argued with Athena over which of them should offer the name for the capital of Attica. The gods decided that the honor should be reserved for whichever of the two bestowed upon mankind the most useful gift. It was at this time that Poseidon created the horse, and Athena gave the olive tree, which she caused to grow out of the rock that eventually became the Acropolis. Athena won, of course, and the city was named Athens.

During ancient times, Athena was worshipped as the goddess of War. This feeling was brought about because of her ability to send down storms, bad weather, thunder, and lightning. Additionally, she dispensed the blessings of nature, bestowed health, and warded off sickness. She represented human wit and cleverness and presided over the intellect and morals of Athenian life. Lastly, we find that Athena was also instrumental in the building of that fifty-oared ship for the Argonauts, taught mortals the art of spinning, weaving, handicrafts, music and dancing.

Next Issue:
Phidias and his Athenian Sculptures

Res Publica

by David Trumbull



Patriots’ Day 2015

Monday, April 20, 2015, is Patriots’ Day in Massachusetts and Patriot’s Day (singular possessive) Day in Maine. State and local government offices in Massachusetts and Maine will be closed, as will some businesses.



*“Listen, my children and you shall hear of the midnight ride of Paul Revere,
On the eighteenth of April, in Seventy-five.”*

New England’s original “On the Road” man looms large in these parts — life-sized, in fact, in bronze, in Boston’s North End. There, as well, you’ll find his house preserved, just as his ride is preserved in the Longfellow poem.

*“You know the rest. In the books you have read,
How the British Regulars fired and fled —”*

That morning of April 19 officially marks the beginning of the American War of Independence. In Massachusetts and Maine (part of Massachusetts until 1820, when, under the “Missouri Compromise” Maine, a free State was admitted to the Union, paired with Missouri, a slave State) we celebrate it as Patriots’/Patriot’s Day, and, like Revere, take to the road — a renowned 26.2 miles of road from Hopkinton to Boston.

At the original Marathon, 26 miles from Athens, Greece, a free, Democratic, Western civilization faced and defeated the forces of absolutism. It is a battle that has been fought many times. It will be fought many more times. Freedom must always be prepared to fight just to be free.

On September 11, 2001, after the unprovoked terrorists attacks on thousands of innocent, unsuspecting civilians, President George W. Bush spoke of why we were attacked, and why we shall prevail, “America was targeted for attack because we’re the brightest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world. And no one will keep that light from shining.”

Our patriot forefathers and every American is a Son of Liberty, (regardless of when your people came here) knew that freedom is worth fighting for. This Patriots’ Day let’s reflect on the cause of freedom, and thank the brave American men and women who, in every war from the Revolution to our current engagements in the Near and Middle East, have made it possible for us to enjoy this April 20th as a free people.

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North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council Annual Election

The North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) is holding its annual election on **Saturday, May 16, 2015**, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Nazzaro Center, 30 North Bennet Street.

All North End/Waterfront residents age 18 and older are eligible to run for one of the available seats to be filled in this year's election.

Nomination forms can be picked up at the front desk of the Nazzaro Center beginning April 20, 2015.

Complete **nomination forms are due on Monday, May 4, 2015** at 5:00 pm at the Nazzaro Center.

The nomination forms **MUST** have at least 40 signatures from North End/Waterfront residents (Ward 3, Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6), 18 years or older.

Qualified candidates will be invited to introduce themselves to the neighborhood at Candidate's Night, which will be held on Monday, May 11, 2015, during NEWNC's May monthly meeting.

ABOUT NEWNC

NEWNC was created in 1984 by the Mayor's office in an effort to increase communication between the neighborhoods and city agencies. NEWNC is comprised of 12 North End/Waterfront residents who serve as an advisory board to the City of Boston in municipal affairs. Council members are elected to a two-year term and terms are staggered, so that six seats are filled each year. The council meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Nazzaro Center.

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Perhaps you sent or spoke kind words

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Perhaps you were not there there at all,

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Whatever you did to console the heart,

I thank you so very much,

Barbara Coppola-D'Ambrosio

Annual Mass and Communion Breakfast in Honor of Saint Mark

The Annual Mass and Communion Breakfast in honor of Saint Mark by the Saint Mark Society will take place on Sunday, April 26, 2015 at Sacred Heart Italian Church, North Square, in Boston's North End. Following Mass at 9:00 am, a breakfast catered by Fasano's Catering will take place at 10:30 am in Saint John School Hall adjacent to Sacred Heart Church.

This year, the Society will be celebrating the memory and life of **Dominic Campo-chiaro**, longtime member of the Saint Mark

Society who recently passed away. As well as **Armando "Eddie" Vignolo** and all the deceased members of the Saint Mark Society.

Ticket price for the breakfast will be \$25.00. Payment must be received by Tuesday, April 21, 2015.

Looking forward to the pleasure of your company,

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Public Works Department Reminds Residents of LEAF AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION

The Boston Public Works Department (PWD) is reminding residents that leaves can be left out with recycling through December 4, 2015. Weekly collection schedule varies by neighborhood and can be found at www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks/recycle. Barrels, bags and branches should be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on recycling days. Residents with two recycling days, will have leaf collection on the first recycling day each week.

How to prepare your leaves and yard waste for collection:

- Place leaves and yard waste in large pa-

per leaf bags or open barrels labeled "yard waste" (no plastic bags). Yard Waste stickers for barrels are available by calling (617) 635-4500 or can be ordered online at <http://www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks/wastereduction/>

- Tie branches with string: 3' maximum length. 1" max. diameter. Do not put branches in barrels.

Due to the efforts of residents and PWD last year, over 7,000 tons of yard waste was saved from the trash.

For more information visit www.cityofboston.gov/publicworks/recycle.

SKIPPY WHITE Still Spinning His Records

by Sal Giarratani

When I picked up my *Metro* on Tuesday (March 31st) with that super-sized photo of Skippy White being hailed as the "Rhythm King" I thought this Boston music legend had passed away. It scared me. I felt so relieved as I started reading about him in the present tense.

I grew up in the South End and Lower Roxbury and bought most of my records from him, though I remember all the other record places around including Smiling Jack's. Skippy had the best place because he knew everything about what he was selling.

There was one minor incorrect claim in the piece. The first Skippy White's opened up inside the ground floor of the now long-since vacated Hotel Alexandria at the corner of Washington Street and Mass. Ave. That was definitely the South End not Roxbury. I started buying my records there

as a 12-year-old. He had the best soul music selection in town. He also had a great selection of blue-eyed soul as well.

He eventually moved across and down Washington Street near Basin Street South, which is in Lower Roxbury. It offered him much more space.

A few years back they held a great party for Skippy White in Dorchester in honor of his 50 years in the music business. The place was jammed with folks who grew up with music they got at his store. He had the best records at the best prices.

His customers were from the neighborhood. He had plenty of African American customers and plenty of white kids like me who loved soul music too.

Growing up in the day, I was a member of a rock group known as The SilenSirs, we did British pop.

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

10 Reasons to Love Boston

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

On April 20th, Boston will once again show its pride when it gathers for the yearly Marathon. As runners from all over the world compete in a challenge of endurance and determination, our city will be united to support this event which epitomizes Boston's own strength and fortitude. In this vein, I decided to make a list of ten things I love or admire about my hometown, things which have filled me with memory and gratification through my life. I encourage you to make your own list of Boston memories, as this city is far too special to fit into a concise inventory.

- WHAT I LOVE ABOUT BOSTON:
- 1) *The North End.* Where else can you find traditional Italian pastries, gelato in a bevy of colorful flavors, and quaint cobblestone alleys all in one place?

2) *The History.* It is really powerful to say that the stirrings of rebellion and independence that led to our nation's founding all started in Boston.

3) *The Food.* Boston is a foodie town, no question about it. From the incredible ethnic eateries in local communities to top-notch ice cream to *real* seafood. The cuisine manages to be both elevated and unpretentious in this city.

4) *The Seasons.* Jokes about this last winter aside, nature in Boston sure knows how to put on a display. Spring brings delicate buds blooming on the Greenway. Summer makes the Harbor waters sparkle and salty breezes blow. Fall bursts with brilliant colors



- on the Common. And winter ... yes, winters in Boston carry their own delights of snowflakes and twinkling holiday lights.
- 5) *The Red Sox.* To celebrate the home opener last Monday, staff members in my school dressed up in team colors or gear. No other sports team unites its fans in such passion and loyalty as the Red Sox.
- 6) *The John Hancock Tower.* There is something so beautiful about the way the glass lights up in subtle hues of pink and shiny gold during a spectacular sunset.
- 7) *The Music.* Bands from Boston: Aerosmith, Boston, The Cars, The Pixies, New Kids on the Block, The Dropkick Murphys. Impressive!
- 8) *The Culture.* A hugely international city with world-class museums (I can still get lost — happily — in the MFA) AND some of the best universities around? Yes, please!
- 9) *The Community.* Boston is a truly caring place, from the doctors working tirelessly to find life-saving cures in the acclaimed hos-

- pitals, to the bravery of the city's police, fire departments, and first responders ... and its ordinary citizens. No other place makes you feel so at home, or such a part of a compassionate and integral community.
- 10) *The People.* Bostonians are a tough, resilient bunch. Full of an indomitable spirit. We do not let ourselves be shuttered into fear by acts of cowardice and evil. Instead, we look after each other and take pride in the resplendent city that we call our home. We are Boston Strong, indeed.
- I am thankful to live in such a wonderful city as Boston! Let us be grateful for everything our city offers — starting with the people who give Boston its character and drive — not just this week, but always.

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THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani

Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered

by Tufts' Action

Whenever I am out driving, I put on my radio. Recently I tuned in to WRKO and Jeff Kuhner for all the news I need to know. I couldn't believe my ears when I heard about Tufts University trying to be politically correct with its idea to recruit and provide aid to students living in the United States illegally. According to a Tufts statement, "Tufts will meet 100 percent of the demonstrated need of every undocumented student offered admission."

Of course, immigration advocates for the illegal hailed it as a major victory. Remember, Tuesday, April 8th as the day that Tufts announced it will "proactively and openly" recruit undocumented students and offer financial aid to eligible undergraduate students.

Under this new university policy, Tufts will consider all students who are in this country illegally as regular domestic applicants and eligible for the same university aid as U.S. citizens.

Also, since illegal students are not eligible for federal assistance, Tufts will make up the difference out of its funds for undergraduates who cannot afford to pay their own way.

Let me get this straight. Tufts will meet 100 percent of the demonstrated need of every undocumented admission to the university. I am sympathetic to the circumstances and difficulties that all students face. My con-

cern is with U.S. citizens and legal immigrants living in America and not with illegals, period. The fact that Tufts even says it would encourage more illegals to apply leaves me "bewitched, bothered and bewildered" as Rod Stewart sings an old great tune.

If Tufts or any other university decides to accept students ineligible for federal aid, then it must find this aid from within the university. Does this mean the U.S. citizens and legal immigrants living in this country must subsidize illegal student costs? It will cost more for all students to aid the plight of the illegal. Does this sound right to you?

Liberals have no logic because this idea doesn't compute. Why should illegals access programs that are scarce and should be used to benefit legally present students? It is indeed a strange message to be sending out.

No wonder that recently, there has been another large surge of illegal minors crossing over the Mexican border down in Texas. Everyone is expecting that the Obama White House will eventually get executive amnesty. So, first they send the children who will be apprehended, detained and then sent out to new homes across America. After settling, the parents will surely follow and reunite with their kids here.

America used to be a good country, but not so much today.

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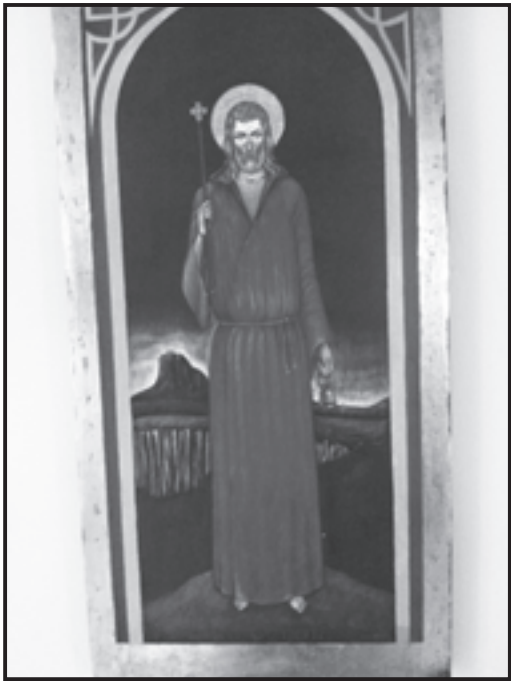
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Saint Donan

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

The date of Saint Donan's birth is not known but he was contemporary with, or a little younger, than St. Columba who lived in the sixth century. The mediaeval life of Saint Donan is lost, and what little we know of him is limited to the brief comments in ancient martyrologies. It is presumed that he was an Irish priest and early in adult life he made his way to what is today Scotland where the monks were attempting to introduce Christianity to the Picts, the native inhabitants. He is believed to have followed a route taking him east of the Great Glen at Aberdeenshire, and it has been suggested that Donan had a special connection with this parish where we know his 'bachail' or staff was kept until the Reformation.

Donan eventually formed his community on the small island of Eigg, with the monastic buildings on the side facing Arisaig that had grown into a large commu-



nity. Saint Donan and his monks were to become victims of a massacre that was not unprecedented but still unusual among these northern people. It was a sudden attack, the reason for which is still unknown. But much has been made by scholars of an obscure statement in the martyrologies that the monks' keeping sheep on the island angered a local woman of

importance.

When the local folk refused to take action, she deliberately bribed a group of pirates to make the attack. Details of the raid differ. Donan, it is said, was celebrating the Sacrament when the intruders broke in to his church. When he begged for a pause in the attack until Mass was completed, they agreed and he led the monks across to the dining hall in order that the church where God had been worshipped in spiritual joy might not be stained with their blood'. The Martyrology of Donegal then states that he was beheaded along with 52 of the monks.

Another historical account, that of Saint Oenus, suggests that the building was set on fire and they all perished in the flames. The traditional year of the massacre was April 17, 618. Saint Donnán is the patron saint of Eigg, an island in the Inner Hebrides. His feast day is celebrated on April 17th.

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 - 9. Disagreeing votes
 - 13. ____ in the sand
 - 14. International workers' group
 - 15. *One of Violent Femmes?
 - 16. Consumed
 - 17. Common Russian given name
 - 18. Dead-on
 - 19. *He took a "Walk on the Wild Side"
 - 21. *First woman in Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
 - 23. Cauliflower ____ on a boxer
 - 24. Garden intruder
 - 25. Attorneys' org.
 - 28. Italy's obsolete money
 - 30. Mexican liquor distilled from desert plants
 - 35. Bolsheviks
 - 37. *____ Kirkwood, founder of the Meat Puppets
 - 39. Indian side dish
 - 40. Pelvic bones
 - 41. Pale with fear
 - 43. Fill to excess
 - 44. 1st letter of Hebrew alphabet
 - 46. Wife of Zeus
 - 47. *Video didn't do it to the radio star
 - 48. Motion sickness
 - 50. Casino chip
 - 52. Book org.
 - 53. Ardent
 - 55. Online pop-ups
 - 57. Hot dish stand
 - 60. *"It's Only Rock 'n' Roll (But ____)"
 - 64. "All joking ____"
 - 65. Vatican vestment
 - 67. *Odyssey" enchantress
 - 68. *Van ____
 - 69. Floral necklace
 - 70. Social group
 - 71. Greek god of war
 - 72. *"Roundabout" band
 - 73. Flower holders

- DOWN**
- 1. Worshipped by ancient Semitic peoples
 - 2. Choir member
 - 3. French "place"
 - 4. Accustom
 - 5. Sometimes done to a ban or law
 - 6. *Born to be this?
 - 7. A in IPA
 - 8. Star bursts
 - 9. *"Who's ____" 1971 album by The Who
 - 10. Wet nurse
 - 11. Village People hit
 - 12. Workout segment

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 - 20. Author ____ Jong
 - 22. *"Losing My Religion" band
 - 24. Cold War deterrent
 - 25. Born under the sign of Aries
 - 26. Isabella Swan of "Twilight"
 - 27. Farewell in France
 - 29. *"Tom Sawyer" band
 - 31. Quarterback's downfall
 - 32. Locomotive hair
 - 33. Bikini ____ in the Marshall Islands
 - 34. *Clapton hit
 - 36. Depletes
 - 38. Seaside bird
 - 42. Birth-related
 - 45. *Famous stairway destination
 - 49. "____ Maria"
 - 51. Authoritative proclamations
 - 54. Europe's "boot"
 - 56. It's often mini
 - 57. Boris Godunov, e.g.
 - 58. Agitate
 - 59. Middle of March
 - 60. Wading bird
 - 61. U.S. lake
 - 62. Ballistic missile acronym
 - 63. *Shirts sold at rock concerts
 - 64. Eureka!
 - 66. *Founding member of Mötley Crüe
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Simple *TIMES*...

by Girard A. Plante



Lately, I find myself thinking too much about the enthusiastic push by a group of former civil servants and powerbrokers who created Boston 2024. That's the moniker given for the high-expectation of bringing the 2024 Summer Olympiad to Boston. I have watched every Olympics — Summer and Winter — with as much enthusiasm as any sports fan since the 1972 Summer Olympiad in Munich, Germany.

To make myself understood, I love sports. It is that simple. And the Olympics carry a great deal of merit as athletes from dozens of nations around the world meet and enjoy the spirit of competition. Where else do we see a collective gathering of strangers from Iraq, Israel, Iran, Russia, Chelyabinsk, China, Taiwan, Africa, America, Afghanistan, Germany, Austria, Britain, Ireland, and other nations peaceably co-existing for 17 days in a small geographic region in the world?

So why would peace-loving people throughout the world object to hosting the Olympics? Well, numerous factors come into focus as the build-up to winning the high honor to be chosen by the International Olympic Committee to host the Olympics. Money is the primary driver of all Olympics competition. Billions of dollars must be raised by any nation pining to host the Olympics.

Currently, criticism by citizens across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is growing. They're rightly concerned about logistics, safety, traffic, construction and a host of other issues. And, of course, they ask who will pick up the otherworldly inevitable billion-dollar plus tab to make it all work? Whisperings of another Big Dig debacle across every neighborhood from Pittsfield to the North End signals an angst that may bring an eventual halt to Boston 2024.

Such criticism has pushed House Speaker Robert DeLeo and Gov. Charlie Baker to join forces in hiring a "consultant" to be paid \$250,000 to examine whether money to support the 2024 Summer Olympiad could be realistically raised without asking citizens to fund the massive

debt left over after the flame is extinguished.

After all, residents of Massachusetts are paying \$424 million every year on "debt service" from the Big Dig. Obviously, it is only fair that the public's need to know must outweigh Boston 2024's slap-happy harangue into uncharted territory. There's lots of planning to do to secure Boston as the site of the Summer Olympiad nine years away.

The Commonwealth is bogged down with a host of problems that require swift attention: rotting bridges, decaying roads, archaic infrastructures in some of the oldest municipalities in America, blighted neighborhoods that have wasted away — after the loss of thousands of manufacturing jobs — since the 1970s.

Yet the beat goes on of International political posturing to place Boston 2024 on the map with the unrealistic clam that "we ran a good race."

Mayor Marty Walsh harbors ambitious, innovative, and much-needed ideas to build 55,000 units of affordable housing in Boston over the next several years. Not attainable, some business leaders and politicians say. Absurd to think such a comprehensive building project could be complete in eight short years, murmur the naysayers. I disagree.

Let us all look reality square in the eye to glimpse what the next decade will bring if affordable housing, to the attainable degree Mayor Walsh proposes, gets short shrift over a costly, logistical nightmare to bring the 2024 Summer Olympics to Boston.

Protests over re-gentrification in Chinatown have begun in full force. The residents in that neighborhood rightly condemn being squeezed out by soaring rents from billionaire developers eager to demolish the affordable apartments where Boston's Asians have lived and raised families and owned businesses for decades. "Of the neighborhood's 4,400 residents, 77 percent are Asians," says Andrew Leong, associate professor at the University of Massachusetts Boston.

Place your energy and enthusiasm, well-intentioned

members of Boston 2024, to sweep through blighted neighborhoods across Boston. Create a true master plan that will not end the livelihood for middle class and poverty-stricken people in Boston.

Wisely and responsibly utilize your vast monetary resources and numerous business sources to begin a private-public partnership to ensure the massive demolition of decades-old blighted buildings, tearing up of centuries-old infrastructure, and constructing sparkling new affordable housing.

Boston is indeed an international city. But it lacks a gleaming mass-transit system that operates efficiently and safely for all people.

The late great Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino showed what civic-mindedness means by daily working diligently during his 20-year tenure to rebuild the once-moribund Seaport District. Borrow his enthusiasm for finding solutions to the city's problems and tap his keen foresight and never-say-die attitude towards rebuilding Boston to meet 21st century demands staring us in the face. His cause endures, but is not yet complete.

It is up to civic leaders, business movers and shakers, and elected public servants to rebuild Boston so all its citizens can claim victory over a costly venture replete with unattainable goals. Don't heed my message. Simply recall Mayor Menino's mantra to help wherever the need arises for the betterment of the beautiful city of Boston.

In Loving Memory of



Mario F.
Alfano

2011 - April 18 - 2015
Four Year Remembrance

Mario's spirit lives on and always will.
Times he laughed,
Gave advice, or just listened.
Echo in the memories,
Of those lives he touched.
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ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo



What is Beauty?
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Ciao Bella,

As I sit, here on Brattle Street in Harvard Square, I almost thought it would be forever before I would enjoy a spring breeze! The birds are playfully pecking at each other and singing their welcoming songs of spring. The crocuses are busting up out of their mulched ground. Peeking through their green sprouts are shades of white, purple and yellow. They will smell so delightful.

People dining upstairs and outside at The Algiers Restaurant next door, casually discussing the problems of the world and their upcoming courses. Next door, where I'm enjoying a lovely bench in front of The Cambridge Center for Adult Education, I see my classmates and Cabanaland friends strolling in from lunch. It



seems as if I hadn't seen them for months, and I haven't! All had negative descriptions of the past season we just survived — enough about that! This lovely spring day is all that matters now — the beauty of it all.

Looking forward to baseball season, lazy sunshine days in Cabana-land, and outdoor dining there!

The sand and sea touch our feet and we will come alive. We shall never again take for granted these beautiful days! Or at least not for a very long time!

So step out and actually feel the spring breezes caress your body and soul! It's a beautiful thing!

Buona giornata and God bless the United States of America!

— Mary DiZazzo-Trumbull

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East Boston Adult Ed. Center Celebrates Its 43rd Spring Graduations

On April 2nd and April 4th, over 100 students received their diplomas in English Classes, U.S. Citizenship, and High School Equivalency Preparation, also known as the GED/HiSET. Guests of honor included Ms. Janis Woodman, Vice President of East Boston Savings Bank, Mr. Joe Rodio, Vice Chair of

the Lenny Fund and Mr. Josh Zakim, Board Secretary of the Lenny Fund. Mr. Josh Zakim is also a Boston City Councilor. It was an honor to have all 3 guests attend our 43rd Graduations. These graduations also mark the first since the center's founder, Mr. Dominic Avellani, passed away at the

end of September. The Center's work continues as we honor the memory of my father. New classes begin in April and last until the end of August. If you know anyone who needs the above services, please call 617-567-7873 or stop by the center weeknights on all day on Saturdays.



Renato Avellani, Executive Director (bottom left), next to Antonia Alen, Program Director (bottom right) with GED/HiSET students.

RUFF News Update ...

April 25th - PARK PREP

RUFF will receive a shipment of mulch and need the community help to fill in the tree beds. The park will have been power washed and cleaned prior to mulching. RUFF will also be painting the park benches (paint/supplies will be provided). There will be a limited number of shovels for mulching, so bring one if you have one! Time TBD by the end of this week.

May 1st - PARK OPENING

RUFF will host the park opening and provide pizza (via a local donation) on May 1st between 5:00-7:00 pm and

City of Boston

North End Dog Recreation Space (NE DRS)

Hours of Operation 6:00 am to 9:00 pm

Users of the NE DRS do so at their own risk. The City of Boston, Boston Parks and Recreation Department and Responsible Urbanites for Fido (RUFF) are not liable for any injury or damage caused by any dog in the DRS location.

Rules and Regulations

Before you enter:

- The NE DRS is for dogs, their handlers and those accompanying them. No other use is allowed.
- All dogs must be licensed, vaccinated and healthy (no contagious diseases or parasites).
- Dogs showing aggression towards people or other dogs are not allowed in the NE DRS.
- Dogs in heat are not allowed in the NE DRS.
- Puppies younger than four (4) months are prohibited.
- Prong, choke and spike collars must be removed upon entering the NE DRS.

- Dogs must be leashed entering and exiting the NE DRS.
- No more than 3 dogs per handler may enter the NE DRS.
- Handlers must be 18 years of age or older.
- Handlers are responsible for any injury or damage caused by the dog(s) under their control.

While in the NE DRS:

- Dogs must be in view and under the control of their handlers at all times.
- Dogs must be removed from the NE DRS at the first sign of aggression.
- Handlers must pick up and properly dispose of their dog's waste immediately and should encourage others to do the same. The "pick up after your dog" law applies within the NE DRS — fines will be imposed.
- Digging is not permitted. Handlers must fill any holes dug by dogs under their control.
- Excessive barking is not allowed.
- Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Handlers must have possession of the dog(s) leash at all times.
- No smoking, drinking or drugs are allowed in the NE DRS.

All incidents, injuries or inappropriate conduct by dogs or people should be reported to Responsible Urbanites for Fido — INFO@RuffBoston.org or by contacting Boston Animal Control at 617-635-5348. The City of Boston and RUFF may ban individual dogs or people from the NE DRS facility at any time for any reason. All users must comply with rules in City of Boston Ordinance 11-1 0.2(f).

Please remember to use good off-leash recreation area etiquette when using the NE DRS. This park is a privilege, so please be respectful of the park and other park users!



Freeway Says ...

Due to his increasing popularity and several suggestions from readers (and after much negotiating on our part with his huge salary demands), our friend Freeway has consented to try to answer readers' questions concerning him or any of our little four-legged friends. You can email your questions to postgazette@aol.com to the attention of Freeway. Don't forget folks, Freeway is not a vet, so please keep the questions light-hearted! Thanks.

POOCHES BRING HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

They are known to reduce stress and make us generally happier. Pet owners live long, healthy, happy lives. Whether our pooches are big and sloppy, tiny and skittish, noble or ornery, shy or zealous, they carve out a huge place in our lives. Studies suggest that pet owners' blood pressure, cholesterol and even triglyceride levels are generally lower than those of people who do not own pets. Pet owners in general are less likely to need to visit a doctor or take medications. What is it about pets that make our lives so much better? Perhaps it's in their ability to bring us balance and a level of intimacy we may not otherwise have. Balance, yes. If you are a terribly driven person, who would otherwise be a confirmed couch potato, your dog or cat is probably getting you off the couch and on your feet. Your

pet invitation to play is hard to resist. Your dog may enthusiastically request a walk, or at least to go outside. If you are over-scheduled and too busy to breathe, when your dog asks to be petted and loved, it will cause you to take a moment to slow down and enjoy life as often as possible. If you are extremely neat and tidy, your pet will teach you that having an immaculate house may not be as important (or obtainable) as you once thought. If you are shy, your pet will help you to meet people and talk to them. If you are used to caring only for yourself, your pet will show you how fulfilling it is to care for someone else. If you tend to feel useless or worthless, your pet will show you how important you are. If you tend to believe you are king or queen of the universe, your pet will bring you

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When comedian Lewis Black appears in Boston, his multitude of fans come out to shower him with applause. His two packed houses at the Shubert Theater (4/10-11) are proof that he hasn't missed a step. In peak performance, Black was full of angry rants, showering his audience with his usual amount of expletives, and taking his usual shots at politics, history, trends and religion. His facial expressions alone were enough to cause tsunamis of laughter. He reminisced about his Boston roots, having started his comedy career at the Cambridge comedy club 'Catch a Rising Star.' His 90-minute, non-stop attack on everything from cultures, accents, and more, resulted in a well-deserved standing ovation. Once you've heard Black, you'll want to go back. No surprise that he has culled top awards, as the 2007 Grammy for 'Best Comedy Album.'

CHAPPIE - MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK
Varèse Sarabande

Hans Zimmer has created a unique soundtrack of original music for the motion picture 'Chappie.' Utilizing decades old analog synthesizers, working with patch-cables, along with blowing up valves and transistors, Zimmer proudly presents his newly created The Chappie Elektrik Synthphonia and his first all-electronic score in a quarter century. Get ready to feel the pulse of 16 tracks as, "It's a Dangerous City" that lays down plenty of bass, along with the super synth sounds of "Welcome to the Real World," lowering the decibels and energy for "The Black Sheep," the power surge of "Rudest Bad Boy in Joburg," and the droning, artificial voice-sound of "You Lied to Me." All the emotions and actions are brought to life with cuts that include, "Use Your Mind," "A Machine that Thinks and Feels," "Mayhem Downtown," "We Own this Sky," "Illest Gangsta on the Block," as Zimmer's music breathes life into Chappie the robot, easily making his believable.

REBA - LOVE SOMEBODY — Nash Icon Records

Reba has earned the coveted title of "Queen of Country," and she doesn't shirk her royal duties, delivering a dozen country gems that put her right back at the top of the music charts. The success of the initial, first single, "Going Out Like That," was enough to hit the #1 spot on iTunes' Country Top Songs chart, followed by a duet with Jennifer Nettles on "Enough," the sobering "She Got Drunk Last Night," living life to the fullest via "Livin' Ain't Killed Me Yet," the painful realization of "That's When I Knew," and marks the midpoint with her narrative to the 'other woman' on "I'll Go On." Reba raises the volume with "Until They Don't Love You," the pleading "Promise Me Love," feeling the need to make a decision whether to stay or run, on "Just Like Them Horses," a lesson in love with "Love Somebody," and the emotional explanation of "Love Land," joining with Kelly Clarkson to put the finishing touches on her album with "Pray for Peace," an original Reba penned. Excellent collection!

EMPIRE CAST: ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK
FROM SEASON 1 — Columbia Records

'Empire' is a television success in the short time it has premiered (January 7th). Its success based on the soulful music and taking the opportunity to introduce uninformed viewers — about the culture. The critically acclaimed drama showcases cast members Jussie Smollett (Jamal) and Bryshere Gray a.k.a. Yazz (Hakeem), alongside Terrence Howard (Lucious Lyon). Jussie sets the pace with the ballad, "Good Enough," plus the inquiring "What is Love" featuring V. Bozeman, Yazz and Jussie join forces on "No Apologies," trailed by the fast-paced "Keep it Movin'" featuring Serayah McNeil (Tiana Brown), and Estelle and Jussie reign supreme on "Conqueror." Second half has Jennifer Hudson's stirring "Remember the Music," with Blige and Lucious vocalizing on "Shake Down," followed by the highly-charged "Power of the Empire" featuring Yazz, with Jussie pouring out his heart on "Nothing to Lose." Soulful!

BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS - EASY SKANKING IN BOSTON '78 — Island Records/Tuff Gong/UME

One of the 20th century's important and influential entertainment icons Bob Marley's 70th birthday year has provided his followers with a variety of releases and events. One of the most important pieces is his first release, 'Bob Marley & The Wailers — Easy Skanking in Boston '78,' recorded locally at Boston's Music Hall (June 8, 1978). Lose yourself in performances as "Jammin'" and "The Heathen." Marley, a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee (1994), is considered responsible for putting reggae music on the global map, and was a statesman in his native Jamaica where he helped bring together the country's warring factions. This CD/Blu-ray combo provides a multitude of memories and pleasure, with CD tracks as, "Slave Driver," "Burnin' + Lootin'," "Them Belly Full," "I Shot the Sheriff," "Easy Skanking," "No Woman, No Cry," "Lively Up Yourself," "War/No More Trouble," "Get Up Stand Up," and "Exodus." The Blu-ray portion of the package shines with a classic, unreleased live video featuring newly created animated material, and seven videos that include, "Rebel Music," "I Shot the Sheriff," "No Woman No Cry," "Lively Up Yourself," "Jammin'," "War/No More Trouble," and "Exodus." Video footage was shot with a hand-held camera from right in front of the stage. Superb!

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

by Sal Giaratani

CHINATOWN MARCHES
TO CITY HALL

Displaced residents of Hudson Street, Chinatown marched to Boston City Hall Plaza recently to join up with residents from across the city at a Right to Remain Conference. Following this event, they attended a public hearing discussing displacement sponsored by City Councilor Tito Jackson.

AIR SUPPLY PLAYING IN LYNN THIS SUMMER

Air Supply will be performing at the Lynn Auditorium this summer on June 12th. For more information, go to www.lynnauditorium.com.

TASTE OF DORCHESTER
LATER THIS MONTH

The Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance will be hosting the 7th Annual Taste

of Dorchester event at the IBEW Hall on Freeport Street on April 30th starting at 6:00 pm. For more information, go to www.maha.org.

GUY & RALNA AT THE REAGLE

Guy & Ralna from the old *Lawrence Welk Show* will be appearing at the Reagle Music Theatre in Waltham on Sunday April 26th singing songs from the *Great American Songbook*. For more information, go to www.ReagleMusicTheatre.com.

MORE PLASTIC GETS CANNED

Cambridge shoppers will no longer hear the question, "Paper or plastic"? The Cambridge City Council has banned plastic bags at supermarkets and retailers making it the largest city in

the state to do so. If you shop with no bag, you can still get a paper bag, but it will cost you a dime.

The moonbats never stop trying to protect us from ourselves.

SHERIFF ROSCO, R.I.P.

Actor James Best, 88, who played Sheriff Rosco on "The Dukes of Hazzard" recently passed away. I loved that show which ran from 1979 to 1985 and played his sheriff role so well. The sheriff character thought he was dumb as a fox when he only was a stooge for Boss Hog. He had a great villainous laugh. I am sure he will be showing up a lot on MeTV and other oldies TV networks. A great show to see again for the great laughs it provided us all.

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

I was shocked to hear our President when being interviewed by a NPR show host that upon expiration of this deal, Iran's breakdown time to a nuclear bomb will be "almost down to zero." After the current negotiations lead to a signed agreement, Iran will be able to produce nukes at will and without delay.

Worse still, if Iran breaks any of the terms of this agreement, the matter would go before the United Nations Security Council for adjudication where surely Russia, China and other anti-West nations would be acting as Iran's defenders.

As Krauthammer says. "What is the alternative, asks the president?" He's repeatedly answered the question himself: "No deal is better than a bad deal."

This Law Has Gotta Go

House Republicans up on Beacon Hill want a recently passed law repealed, which requires motorists to use their headlights in the rain when windshield wipers are also in use.

It's the latest from our Nanny Staters, who think we are all too stupid to use good commonsense. The new law allows police to issue citations for breaking this law, which also would carry a moving violation surcharge. It is time for all our Big Brothers and Big Sisters up on Beacon Hill to stop trying to protect us from ourselves.

Henry K. is Right

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, one of the best and brightest in the history of the State Department, recently co-authored an op-ed in the *Wall Street Journal* with former Secretary of State George Schultz on the deal being negotiated between Secretary of State John F. Kerry and the Iranian Republic that is moving into its final stages. Neither former secretary had much hope in this pact being pushed by President Obama.

In an interview on the Fox News Network, Kissinger was very concerned that this

deal would lead to Middle Eastern countries going nuke along with Iran. Such a prospect could lead to an explosion in that region that could advance to other parts of the globe.

I actually met Henry Kissinger back in 1982 down in Washington, DC. I found him absolutely fantastic to listen to speaking about the geopolitics of those days.

Too bad that people of his standing seem to be no longer interested in government service, leaving important government positions to minor league players.

Kudos to Mark Lee from AP

Most of the mainstream media is so in the tank with the Democrats and the Obama White House, they might as well be on the government payroll. Most, but not all. Recently, Mark Lee, a great reporter from the *Associated Press* hounded the government "spokes-flak" with question after question. Most reporters never challenge anyone at these press conferences. Thank you Mark Lee for being a good reporter.

Teaching Tolerance

I recently found a great old saying to share with you, the readers, "The lion's story will never be known as long as the hunter is the one telling the story."

A college professor long ago told me that history was written by the winners and not their victims.

Recently, I read a quarterly magazine called *Teaching Tolerance*, which was published by the Southern

Poverty Law Center down in Alabama. This publication is being put together by an organization that is pretty much a Democratic Left wing-nut special interest groups. This outfit spends most of its time editorializing against conservative groups, painting an image that the political right is extremist.

Rarely do they talk about Radical Islam as political extremist, but they love sermonizing on right-wing nut jobs as if they were the greatest threat facing America. Which they are not.

The reason I brought this subject up is that this group sends out material to public schools across the nation and offers videos to help bring the subject of intolerance into the country's classrooms.

I think subjects like tolerance are appropriate for classrooms, but the material should be objective rather than seemingly drivel from groups with social agendas.

The Southern Poverty Law Center also publishes magazines on law enforcement with the same liberal slant. I used to read them all the time at work as their quarterlies were always sent out unasked for. I read them to see what liberals were thinking about law enforcement and national security.

Great Note to Quote

"Every doctor I see says they'll kill you, but they die and I don't. So there must be a mistake somewhere."

-104-year-old Elizabeth Sullivan on her 40 year habit of drinking 3 Dr. Peppers a day.

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ERIC CHURCH — April 30, 2015. EMI Nashville recording artist Eric Church will bring "The Outsiders World Tour" to TD Garden. Special guest on this show will be Chris Stapleton. After closing out 2014 with country music's top-selling album, the Platinum-certified and genre-busting *The Outsiders*, Eric Church storms in to 2015 with four Grammy nominations (Best Country Album for *The Outsiders*, Best Country Song and Best Country Solo Performance for "Give Me Back My Hometown" and Best Country Group/Duo Performance for "Raise 'Em Up" with Keith Urban) and a new addition to his widely successful Outsiders World Tour 2015.

BETTE MIDLER — June 12, 2015. More than 40 years after her debut album, Bette Midler continues to own the stage no matter where she performs, thanks to her charismatic presence and divine voice. With several classics in her catalog including "The Rose," "Do You Want to Dance," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," and "Wind Beneath My Wings." Seize the opportunity to see the legendary Bette Midler sing live.

BARRY MANILOW — June 16, 2015. From No. 1 hits to multi-Platinum-selling albums and numerous awards, this Brooklyn-born singer-songwriter's skills have captivated fans around the world for decades with such hits as "Mandy," "I Write the Songs," "Looks Like We Made It,"

"Could It Be Magic," "Can't Smile Without You" and "Copacabana (At the Copa)." Get your Barry Manilow tickets to experience the legendary artist live in concert.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK, TLC & NELLY — June 24, 2015. One of the world's best selling groups with a record 80 million albums sold worldwide, Jordan, Jonathan, Joey, Donnie and Danny disbanded in 1994 much to the dismay of their fans. Their catchy Hip Hop and R&B-tinged pop was seemingly no more ... Now they're back and ready to take on the U.S. as they embark on *The Main Event* tour, featuring their greatest hits and a host of special guests. Late 80's heartthrobs New Kids on the Block were the first of the era's boybands to make a name for themselves, breaking hearts and sending teens into a frenzy whilst hitting mutli-platinum. Joining them will be the hugely successful Urban Soul outfit TLC, one of the top-selling female R&B groups of all time, and Grammy Award-winning rapper Nelly, a force to be reckoned with on the Hip Hop and R&B scene.

U2 — July 10 & 11, 14 & 15, 2015. Join U2 on their *INNOCEENCE + eXPERIENCE* Tour 2015. The band are heading out on the road again, playing indoor arenas for the first time in a decade. The *INNOCEENCE + eXPERIENCE* Tour will see U2 play 19 cities worldwide with pairs of shows in each city. Special shows are being planned for Dublin for the end of next year to benefit the U2-initiated Music Generation project and details will follow once they are finalized. "We are going to try to have a completely different feeling from night one to night two," said Bono, "and have some fun playing with the idea of innocence and experience. More to be revealed!"

ITALIAN RADIO PROGRAMS

"The Sicilian Corner" — 10:00 am to Noon every Friday with hosts Tom Zappala and Mike Lomazzo and **"The Italian Show"** with Nunzio DiMarca every Sunday from 9:00 am to Noon. Go to www.1110wccmam.com.

"Italia Oggi" — Sundays 11:00 am to Noon with host Andrea Urdi 1460 AM. Go to www.1460WXBR.com.

"Dolce Vita Radio" — DJ Rocco Mesiti 11:00 am-1:00 pm; Sundays 90.7 FM or online www.djrocco.com.

"The Nick Franciosa Show" — Sundays from Noon to 3:00 pm on WLYN 1360 AM and WAZN 1470 AM.

"Guido Oliva Italian Hour" — 8:00 am-9:00 am Sundays on WSRO 650 AM and online at www.wsro.com.

"Tony's Place" on MusicAmerica WPLM FM 99.1 — Sundays 9:00 pm-10:00 pm on MusicAmerica. Host Ron Della Chiesa presents Tony's Place. Visit www.MusicNotNoise.com.

"L'Italia Chiamo Italian Radio Show" hosted by Stefano Marchese and Elisa Meazzini — Thursdays 3:00 pm-4:15 pm. Visit litaliachiamo.com; email: litaliachiamoshow@gmail.com. Tel. 857-334-0868.

"Intervallo Musicale" — Sundays 10:00-10:30 am; Host Carmine Guarino on WUNR 1600 AM and online at www.wunr.com.

FENWAY PARK
4 Yawkey Way, Boston, MA
www.FenwayPark.TicketOfficeSales.com

BILLY JOEL — July 16, 2015. Billy Joel defines consummate pop professionalism to a T. From start to finish, Joel is known for providing a reliably buoyant, bounding performance at his gigs and is eager to thrill his adoring audience with upbeat renditions of his old favorites, such as *A Matter of Trust*, *Big Shot*, *It's Still Rock and Roll to Me*, *Keeping the Faith*, *Movin' Out (Anthony's Song)*, *My Life*, *New York State of Mind*, *Only the Good Die Young* and *Piano Man*, just to name a few. Joel is one of the highest grossing touring artists in the world and has a long-running franchise performance deal with Madison Square Garden. Having sold more than 150 million records over the past quarter century, he's ranked as one of the world's most popular recording artists and respected entertainers in modern history.

SYMPHONY HALL
301 Massachusetts Avenue
Boston, MA
617-266-1492
www.SymphonyHall.com

DEFIANT REQUIEM: VERDI AT TEREZIN — April 27, 2015. The extraordinarily beautiful and moving concert/drama commemorates the courageous Jewish prisoners in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp during World War II who performed Verdi's *Requiem* 16 times, as an act of defiance and resistance to their Nazi captors. *Defiant Requiem* features a complete live performance of Verdi's *Requiem* interspersed with historic film, testimony from survivors and narration that tells this tale of audacious bravery.

BANK OF AMERICA PAVILION
290 Northern Ave, Boston, MA
www.LiveNation.com

ROB THOMAS — August 5, 2015. The Grammy winning Matchbox Twenty front-man is back with a brand new solo record and Summer tour! Get ready for an evening in the company of this charismatic crooner, with his soaring, infectious rock-infused pop catalogue! With the release in 1999 of *Smooth* his collaboration with Santana, his solo career took off, leading to work with many artists, including Mick Jagger and Willy Nelson. His first solo album *Something To Be* hit the billboard top spot, with hooky tunes and hard-edged anthems. Now the nicest guy in music is on course to release his third album *The Great Unknown* some time this year.

MUSEUMS

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS,
465 Huntington Avenue, Boston
617-267-9300
www.MFA.org

LEONARDO DA VINCI AND THE IDEA OF BEAUTY — Now through June 14, 2015. In an intimate exhibition featuring master drawings by Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo, the star is a study of an angel that the art historian Sir Kenneth Clark called "the most beautiful ... in the world." Leonardo da Vinci's accomplishments in art and science find their common ground in his drawings, into which he poured the full fervor of his intelligence and creative powers. Throughout his career, Leonardo experimented with various types of drawings: scientific studies, grotesque caricatures of craggy faces, and the most beautiful faces of men and women that he could imagine. Many of Leonardo's most admired drawings are featured in this rich and varied selection of 29 sheets and a manuscript, opening on April 15, fittingly Leonardo's birthday. One revelation for visitors will be the rarely displayed *Codex on Flight*, one of Leonardo's most perceptive scientific explorations, with its nearly hidden self-portrait of Leonardo as a young man, a recent discovery. The exhibition features rare loans from a number of Italian public collections, including the Uffizi Museum in Florence, the Biblioteca Reale in Turin, and the Casa Buonarroti, the ancestral property of Michelangelo in Florence, which has lent eight drawings by that master.

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE
1 Science Park, Boston, MA
617-723-2500
www.MOS.org

AIRPLANES: A WORLD IN FLIGHT — Opens today, April 17, 2015. *Airplanes: A World in Flight* is a story about how the airplane has changed the world. Not long ago, traveling be-

tween continents was a migration. Now, on any given day, 100,000 flights transport people and things between any two points on Earth in a matter of hours. Filmed in 18 countries across all 7 continents, it explores the countless ways aviation affects our lives (even when we don't fly). With stunning visuals, the film renews our appreciation for one of the most extraordinary and awe-inspiring aspects of the modern world. The documentary is produced and directed by Brian J. Terwilliger (*One Six Right*), narrated by Harrison Ford, and features an original score by Academy Award® winning composer James Horner (*Avatar*, *Titanic*).

THEATER

HUNTINGTON THEATRE COMPANY
Calderwood Pavilion at the BCA
527 Tremont Street, Boston, MA
617-266-0800
www.HuntingtonTheatre.org

COME BACK, LITTLE SHEBA — Now through April 26, 2015. When Doc and Lola Delaney rent a room in their cluttered Midwestern home to Marie, a vivacious college student, her youthful energy stirs up forgotten dreams and missed opportunities. Visionary Director David Cromer, the creative force behind the Huntington's acclaimed production of *Our Town*, returns to the Roberts Studio Theatre for this intimate and heart-rending portrait of a marriage.

COLONIAL THEATRE
106 Boylston Street Boston, MA
617-482-9393
www.Boston-Theater.com

DIRTY DANCING — April 28 to May 10, 2015. The 1987 movie is an untouchable musical classic, and has sealed the sadly departed Patrick Swayze's place in the cult movie canon. A massive box office success at the time, it has spawned numerous imitators, a belated sequel and "nobody puts Baby in the corner" branded merchandise for toddlers. The stage version made its debut in 2004 in Australia. Adapted by the movie's original scribe Eleanor Bergstein, this North American touring production hews closely to the plot of the movie, packing in all its anthems (I Had the Time of My Life, Hungry Eyes) and cheesy one-liners with aplomb. It delivers everything the audiences can hope for — lots of sexy dancing and rock 'n' roll. Taking on the unenviable task of replicating Swayze's charm (and hunky good looks) in this tour is Samuel Pergande (Cirque Du Soleil: La Nouba), while Jillian Mueller (American Idiot) is the Baby to his Johnny.

SPECIAL EVENTS

BOSTON CITY HALL PLAZA
One City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA
www.BigAppleCircus.org

BIG APPLE CIRCUS — Now through May 10, 2015. For it's 35th season, the Big Apple Circus dares you to experience *Metamorphosis* — an all-new show from one of the world's greatest circuses. Let your imagination soar and summon the most amazing acts — A juggler with a suit to fit his sweet feats of fancy handiwork! A mechanical doll who comes alive in a sinuous balancing act! Spirited horses, frolicsome dogs, a capybara and a porcupine to perk up the sawdust party! Audacious acrobats who astound with athletic grace! Comical conjurors with magical moments of grand illusion! The aerial ringing of the trapeze flyers! A singing Ringmistress and the Big Apple Circus Band creating the ringing melodies of memories to last! And Grandma!! Yes, Grandma, apogee of comical aspiration and mirthful joy! A celebration of the imagination — an astonishing circus world of wonder!

GILLETTE STADIUM
1 Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA
800-543-1776
www.GilletteStadium.com

WIPEOUT — August 1, 2015. Just when you thought "extreme races" couldn't get any more crazy, everyone's favorite summertime TV game show is coming to Foxboro in the form of a 5K race. Despite taglines like "the bigger the balls, the harder the falls" and "expect crashes, splashes, and hilarious smashes," the Wipeout Run's 12-obstacles do look like a lot of fun. That is, of course, if you can get past some of obstacle's names like "Big Balls" and "Happy

Endings." Included on the 3.1-mile course, the infamous wrecking balls.

COMEDY

REGENT THEATRE
7 Medford Street, Arlington, MA
781-646-4849
www.RegentTheatre.com

JOE AVATA: Back to Basics — June 6, 2015. Joe Avati's comedy is unique in that he performs both English and Italian. He has that unique ability to be able to say the things that everyone thinks but no one articulates in their everyday speak. At the end of his concerts you will hear his audiences in the lobby belt out "everything he says is so true" and on the way home they will recount and hence relive their own childhood stories so in essence the Joe Avati experience continues long after the curtain has come down.

WILBUR THEATRE
246 Tremont St., Boston, MA
617-248-9700
www.TheWilburTheatre.com

BILL BURR — May 9-18, 2105. Bill Burr leaves no stone unturned when it comes to his stand-up, imbuing his routines with a political incorrectness so blatant, many have been lead to ask the question, "how can he get it so wrong, but so right at the same time?" Relationships, dating, sexuality, sports, race — you name it, Burr's straight-shooting, wise-cracking antics cover it all. He's an unabapologetic and animated performer whose diatribes quickly descend from simmering frivolity to manic hilarity, yet there's an impressive finesse in the way he handles his shocking observations. Amidst his expletive-sprinkled, raging commentaries, Burr shines as one of modern stand-up's most accomplished and polished performers.

DANCE

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE
539 Washington St., Boston, MA
617-259-3400
www.BostonOperaHouseOnline.com

NEWSIES — June 23 through July 5, 2015. They delivered the papers, until they made the headlines ... Direct from Broadway comes *Newsies*, the smash-hit, crowd-pleasing new musical from Disney. Winner of the 2012 Tony Awards for Best Score and Best Choreography, *Newsies* has audiences and critics alike calling it "A musical worth singing about!" (*The New York Times*). Filled with one heart-pounding number after another, it's a high-energy explosion of song and dance you just don't want to miss. Based on true events, *Newsies* tells the captivating story of a band of underdogs who become unlikely heroes when they stand up to the most powerful men in New York. It's a rousing tale about fighting for what's right ... and staying true to who you are.

CITI PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, WANG THEATRE
270 Tremont Street, Boston, MA
617-482-9393
www.CitiCenter.org

MOVE LIVE ON TOUR: JULIANNE HOUGH & DEREK HOUGH — July 7, 2015. You've seen them on *Dancing with the Stars* and now Julianne and Derek Hough take their incredible dance talent across the USA on their first ever U.S. tour! There is guaranteed to be something for every kind of dance enthusiast as the Hough's dance repertoire includes salsa, ballroom, hip-hop, tap and everything in-between. These live shows will showcase the hottest live dance styles and routines, as well as chances for you to learn some moves and join in. They'll also feature an array of dazzling sets and costumes plus a host of support dancers. Get ready to dance!

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Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Good judging! California's Commission on Judicial Performance revealed that it disciplined 43 judges last year, including two judges who had sex with women in their chambers, and a traffic judge who had his clerk hear cases and impose sentences.

Wow! A Tennessee woman bit into a fried oyster at a restaurant, felt her teeth hit something hard, and spit out 51 baby pearls. "It was her oyster," said restaurant Manager Greg Hargest, "so they're her pearls."

The Easter Bunny? An Easter egg hunt in Sacramento descended into chaos when parents began pushing and cursing other children as they helped their own kids grab the eggs hidden on the Capitol Mall, "It was horrible," said one mom.

Ready for this? Trickle-down security, with the news that travelers left behind \$674,841.06 in small change while going through security checks at U.S. airports last year. The unclaimed money ends up helping to fund the Transportation Security Administration.

News from London: Thieves using rappelling gear and high-tech saws cracked into a safety-deposit vault in London's diamond district and stole up to \$300 million in cash and gems. The robbers broke into the Hatton Garden Safety Deposit company over Easter weekend and may have had as long as four days to cut into and rummage through some 70 safety-deposit boxes. An alarm went off on Good Friday, but no action was taken, as the doors appeared to be locked and the theft was not discovered until Tuesday. The Hatton Garden area has been London's jewelry trading district for hundreds of years. "You can expect some cheap diamonds will be coming on the market soon," said gem dealer Neil Duttson.

News from Athens: The Greek government said that Germany owes the country more than \$300 billion in reparations for the four-year Nazi occupation during World War II. It's the first time that Greece has put a number on the amount allegedly owed by Germany, and the total would nearly cover the amount Greece owes its creditors.

Hands off! New York City police are investigating claims that movie producer Harvey Weinstein groped an Italian model during a meeting at his Manhattan office, says the *New York Daily News*. Former Miss Italy finalist Ambra Battilana, 22, told police that she and Weinstein were discussing possible film roles when the Hollywood mogul asked if her breasts were real, before touching them and putting his hand up her skirt. She notified police, who reportedly listened in on a conversation in which Weinstein allegedly told Battilana, "It won't happen again," sources told the newspaper. Weinstein, 63, denies the allegations and says he's being shaken down for money.

A Chinese man was exposed as a serial philanderer after he was rushed to the hospital following a car crash and doctors contacted his loved ones — and 17 of his girlfriends showed up at his bedside at the same time. The man, identified as Mr. Yuan, had been stringing some of the women along for years and fathered a child with one. "I was really worried when I heard he was in the hospital," said one girlfriend. "But when I started seeing more and more beautiful girls show up, I couldn't cry anymore."

A valet parking attendant destroyed a \$450,000 Ferrari when he mistook the accelerator for the brake and rammed the speeding supercar into a building. Robert Cinti was delivering the 2012 599 GTO to its waiting owners near Rome when he stomped his foot down on the wrong pedal. The car — whose 670-horsepower engine can accelerate to 60 mph in less than 3.5 seconds — roared forward and crashed. "I got confused," Cinti told police about the pedal mix-up.

Be aware, the average American's income declined almost 1 percent in 2014, to \$64,432. The income of the poorest fifth of the population fell by 3.5 percent, to \$9,818, while the income of the wealthiest fifth rose by nearly 1 percent, to \$166,048.

Huh? Baseball's fan base is aging. A new

survey found that 50 percent of baseball's TV audience is made up of people age 55 or older, up from 41 percent a decade ago. ESPN's annual survey of young Americans' 30 favorite sports personalities included no baseball players for the first time.

U.S. families adopted just 6,441 children from abroad in 2014, the lowest number in more than three decades and a drop from 23,000 in 2004. The decline was caused by growing nationalist sentiment against overseas adoption in Russia, China, South Korea, and Ethiopia. And tougher scrutiny by U.S. officials to prevent the selling of babies who aren't orphans.

Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill, says, "One of life's mysteries is how a girl who has done babysitting ever gets married."

Off your rear end! The FBI is bringing back fitness tests for its agents for the first time in 16 years, after noticing that its workforce had grown softer from too much time spent on computer work. To make sure they can "run, fight, and shoot" in emergencies, agents will be expected to perform a certain number of sit-ups and push-ups, to complete a 300-meter sprint, and to run a mile and a half.

Some new revelations. Trying to beef up the population of Rome, Julius Caesar offered rewards to Romans who had many children. Childless women were forbidden to ride in litters or to wear jewelry. Because of the rapidly increasing population, the ancient Romans built tenement houses. They were made of cheap concrete and usually had three stories.

The Romans were the supreme heating engineers of the ancient world, and their heating system was employed everywhere that Roman culture flourished. Hot gases from furnaces were piped under floors (raised on pedestals for that purpose) and guided through tubes in the walls. Modern civilization has rediscovered this method.

How smart! Julius Caesar was compelled by increasing traffic congestion to ban all wheeled vehicles in Rome during the hours of daylight.

Read carefully! From the beginning, the Puritan colonists engaged in the slave trade. First selling captive Indians to the West Indies and then bringing in Africans. Cotton Mather, pastor of Boston's North Church, owned both Indian and African slaves. In 1641, pious Samuel Maverick proposed the breeding of slaves on Noddle's Island, now East Boston.

Gee, brilliant Boston College student, Kyle Waters, reminds us that it was Benjamin Franklin who invented the rocking chair.

Time to hear from the noted musicologist Albert Natale. In the winter of 1956-57, Benny Goodman toured the Far East on a trip that was highlighted by a jam session in the Royal Palace in Bangkok, during which the King of Thailand played alongside of the King of Swing. A reminder: Although Tony Bennett's "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" is the song most requested of Tony, it barely made the top 20 in the national music popularity charts. Before the Glenn Miller band established its own memorable style, he would get second billing in such New York night spots as the Paradise Restaurant, where the headline band was Freddy Fisher and his Schnickelfritzers.. And remember, comedian Morey Amsterdam was also a song writer. He wrote such songs as "Why Oh Why Did I Ever Leave Wyoming," and "Rum and Coca Cola." Before forming the Les Paul Trio in 1936, Les played country music using the names "Red Hot Red" and "Rhubard Red" in the 1930s.

The brainy gals, Barbara D'Amico and Christina Quinlan suggests go Mediterranean! Your brain will thrive under a diet that's rich in fruits, vegetables, fish, beans, nuts, seeds, whole grains and olive oil — and low in meat and saturated fats.

AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME



Parla Come Mangi! (Speak as You Eat!)

by Alessandra Sambiase



Benvenuti! This week's dish, Vitel Tonnè, often mistaken for French due to its name, is actually one of the staples of Piemontese cuisine. Vitello tonnato as we would say in Italian is sliced veal in tuna fish sauce, very versatile dish eaten cold or hot and is a beloved recipe throughout the peninsula. It is often served cold, arranged on a platter and beautifully decorated for Capodanno (New Year's) or other festive events. Its origin traces back to the 1700's: the original recipe did not include tuna fish and mayonnaise at all, the reason for such a name as "tonnato" stems from the fact that the veal was boiled in water just like tuna. In the 1800's tuna became part of the recipe. Vitello tonnato was traditionally served cold on the occasion of Ferragosto (mid-August) and served warm in the Winter. Nowadays vitello tonnato is always served thinly sliced and topped with a velvety rich sauce made out of mayonnaise, tuna fish, capers and anchovies. An absolute triumph of flavors, guaranteed to be the king of the table at your next buffet.

Vitello Tonnato

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| 1 ½ pound of veal (fillet or leg) | 1 scant cup of olive oil |
| Extra virgin olive oil | 2 egg yolks |
| 2 cups dry white wine | Juice of 1 lemon |
| Salt and pepper | 6 oz tuna in oil |
| 2 bay leaves | 2 anchovy fillets finely chopped |
| 2 sticks celery | 2 tablespoon capers (in vinegar) |
| 1 clove garlic | Paprika |

Preparation: brown the meat well in a casserole with some oil. Pour over the white wine and add salt and pepper. Add the bay leaves, celery, and garlic, and braise for about 50 minutes over medium-low heat. Allow to cool completely. Prepare a mayonnaise from the egg yolks, olive oil and lemon juice. Run the mayonnaise with the tuna, anchovies and capers through a sieve. Cut the cold meat into thin slices and arrange onto a serving platter, cover with the sauce and refrigerate for 2 to 3 hours before serving. Garnish with capers and paprika and serve with red wine. Buon appetito!

Vitello Tonnato

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| 700 g di vitello (filetto o girello) | 200 ml di olio extravergine di oliva |
| Olio extravergine di oliva | 2 tuorli |
| 500 ml di vino bianco secco | Il succo di un limone |
| Sale e pepe | 200 g di tonno sott'olio |
| 2 foglie di alloro | Filetti d'acciughe in olio (2) |
| 2 coste di sedano | 2 cucchiaini di capperi sott'aceto |
| 1 spicchio d'aglio | Paprika |

Preparazione: in una casseruola, rosola bene la carne con dell'olio. Aggiungi il vino bianco e aggiusta di sale e pepe. Aggiungi le foglie di alloro, il sedano e l'aglio e cuoci a fiamma medio-bassa per 50 minuti. Fai raffreddare completamente. Prepara la maionese con i tuorli, l'olio e il succo di limone. Passa la maionese con il tonno, acciughe e capperi attraverso un colino. Affetta sottilmente la carne fredda e disponila su un piatto da portata, ricopri con la salsa e refrigera per 2 o 3 ore prima di servire. Guarnisci con capperi e paprika e servi con del vino rosso. Buon appetito!

If you would like to cook with me go to www.speakasyoueat.com.



Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



The end of Lent and the Easter holidays signaled the return to work for freelance musicians. During this period of the year, there were no weddings, few parties and even less dances. As a young musician, this didn't matter to me, but to the guys who made a living playing an instrument, it could be dramatic. Back in Babbononno's day and the generation my folks came from, a musician could make a living playing music. Before WWII, my grandfather, father and uncles did in fact, make a living playing music. By the time I was in my late teens and joined the family business, very few musicians could survive financially. The studio musicians, well known rock and roll bands, symphony musicians and a hand full of jazz musicians made their livings playing music, but for everyone else, money made from music supplemented the income earned from day jobs.

Babbononno had taught me how to read music when I was in short pants. Between my father and uncles, I tried every practical instrument, but was interested in none of them. I guess I was too close to their music scene. When I reached junior high school, I decided to join the drum and bugle corps and learned how to play the bugle. For the three years I attended the Joseph H. Barnes Junior High School in East Boston, a Mr. Ralph Fucillo taught bugle. He was a professional trumpet player and a friend of my father and uncles. When I reached the 9th grade, Dad borrowed a trumpet and Mr. Fucillo gave me trumpet lessons. I was more interested in playing baseball, hanging on the corner and beginning at age 13, working at the Seville Theater (which is now a hole in the ground) as an usher. After awhile, Dad gave up and assumed that I wasn't going to become a musician. And so it was.

One day, I was sitting on the front steps of our house at 74 Eutaw Street when a friend walked by. His name was John Magnasco and he was carrying a bass violin. He stopped to talk and told me that he was selling his bass to someone as he had just joined the service. He also mentioned that he had been playing with some of the other teens in the neighborhood and maybe I could take his place as the bass player. Most everyone in the neighborhood knew that my father played bass and some assumed that I did too. Dad had given me lessons, but like every other instrument I tried, I gave it up.

After my friend left, I thought about the band he mentioned, asked Dad to give me more instruction on the bass and asked the leader of the band, a neigh-

borhood guitar player named Bob Avola, if I could sit in. I didn't know much, but I held my own and loved the idea of playing with a band. Consequently, I stuck to the bass. Babbononno was happy. He figured that I would be the 3rd generation in his family to play music. Dad was happy that I was following in his footsteps and Uncle Nick was happy that his Godson was going to be a musician. I, therefore, had as much support as could be possible.

As I became aware of the music business and how things operated in that profession, I also discovered that most of the musicians played part time to supplement their incomes. Uncle Nick played full time, and for 25 years, was the vice president of the Boston Musicians' Union. Dad played all the time and was in the Boston Schools during the day. They were in the minority, working full-time at music, and to me, they were special, the tops of their field.

By the time I was a sophomore in college, I had grown out of the local band. Organizing my own group, I began to play with new musicians and bands. I put a trio and quartet together and began playing for bi-weekly dances at the Sons of Italy in East Boston. At the suggestion of my father, I auditioned for the Ken Reeves Orchestras. Reeves specialized in society music for the Yankee crowd living north of Boston and on the south shore. Combined with this, I began organizing college mixers with a couple of other enterprising students and handled the music as my part of the operation. All of it combined allowed me to pay my own way through college and beyond.

When Uncle Nick and Dad thought I could play at their level, they convinced me to join the musician's union, which I did. The proudest member of the family was, of course, Babbononno. As I perfected my skills as a bass player, I joined several other bands and worked almost every night of the week: Wednesday and Friday evenings at the Lithuanian Club in Cambridge, The Boston Club on Thursday and Sunday evenings, Friday nights with my own group at one of the college mixers or the Sons of Italy, and on Saturday afternoons and evenings, for Ken Reeves with his society bands.

I continued to study bass with Dad and a couple of others, honing my skills even more. Experimenting, I electrified my bass and bought an amplifier. Volume problems ended as a result. Curiosity about bass guitars got the best of me and I bought a bass guitar and began to practice. Soon, I was playing both instruments. There was something just

as important to me as music had become ... baseball. My college coach thought I was good enough to play pro ball, and was instrumental enough to get me a try out for the Cincinnati Reds minor leagues. I made it to their double A team that spring as a 2nd baseman, but discovered that there were three guys in front of me. I was good — they were great ... Joe Gordon, Dave Concepcion and Pete Rose ... right place, wrong time. These three baseball hall of famers combined with double A ball in the Midwest paying about \$50.00 a game, made me realize that I could make more money playing bass than baseball, and my career as a professional ball player came to an end.

Back home, I delved into music even more than before. I didn't become obsessed with it as some young musicians did. I had seen others put all of their eggs in one basket, as it were, but I had too many interests and didn't want to leave myself vulnerable and out on a limb. As time went on, I joined the New York Local of the musicians union. After obtaining a cabaret card, a necessity for working in New York City, I began to play there on weekends. I had wanted to try my hand at jazz. Some of the jazz musicians I worked with were some of the most talented people in the business, but there was really no money in that phase of entertainment. My father and Uncle Nick told me to be careful because the reputation many of the jazz musicians had, wasn't good and drugs were rampant among that crowd. There was another problem as the 1960s progressed, rock and roll was overtaking jazz and many of the clubs were either going out of business or converting to homes for rock bands and their followers. As times changed and I got older, I thanked my lucky stars that I had teaching to fall back on. I continued to play music part time after I got married and we had kids. I occasionally play today, but the glory days are gone. In my reflections, I thank Babbononno, Dad and Uncle Nick for their support all those years. It was fun and I made money at something I loved. From this point of view, all I can say is, GOD BLESS AMERICA

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Estate of
CHARLES ROBERT WILSON
Also Known As
CHARLES R. WILSON
Date of Death December 9, 2006

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **LaRae Wilson of South Jordan, UT**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

LaRae Wilson of South Jordan, UT has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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

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Estate of
MICHAEL JERMAN JOHNSON
Date of Death January 17, 2015

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **John B. Nay, Jr. of Arlington, MA**.

John B. Nay, Jr. of Arlington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

TELMA A. PEREZ
AKA **TELMA ANGELICA RAMIREZ**
vs.
ORLANDO A. PEREZ

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown 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 **Telma A. Perez, AKA Telma Angelica Ramirez, 47 Franklin Street, #3, Somerville, MA 02145** your answer, if any, on or before **May 27, 2015**. 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.
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Estate of
ALAN J. PARKER
Date of Death December 3, 2014
Late of Somerville,
IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION WITH SURETIES NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that **Bernard Goldberg of Newton in the County of Middlesex** be appointed public administrator of said estate with sureties on his/her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on **May 12, 2015**.

WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge the 17th day of **March**, in the year of our Lord **Two thousand and Fifteen**.

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of the Probate Court
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DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

NORA LEDESMA GOMEZ
vs.
LUCIANO GOMEZ

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for cruel & abusive treatment.

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 **Ellen Gabriel, Esquire, Greater Boston Legal Services, 197 Friend Street, Boston, MA 02114** your answer, if any, on or before **May 18, 2015**. 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: April 6, 2015

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Estate of
THELMA LEE MORRIS
Date of Death February 22, 2011

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Renee Richardson of Youngstown, OH**. **Renee Richardson of Youngstown, OH** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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News Briefs

(FROM ITALIAN
NEWSPAPERS AND
OTHER PUBLICATIONS)

Compiled by Orazio Z. Buttafuoco

THE SALE OF THE SACRAMENTS IN ITALY! Villa di Baggio is a small town in the Province of Pistoia, in the region of Tuscany (Toscana). The pastor of the local church, Father Valerio Mazzola, 72, felt often embarrassed when people asked him how much it would cost for a wedding, confirmation or other ceremonies. One day people noticed, on the bulletin board, a list of charges for some of the main sacraments. For instance, a ceremony for a wedding would cost 190 euro, for a christening or a funeral 90 euro. etc. Father Valerio explained to the faithful that the tariffs were only a suggestion, for the people would go by the local, old traditions they knew. However, some of the parishioners took the unprecedented step to lodge a complaint, not to the area's bishop, but directly all the way to Pope Bergoglio (Francis). The parishioners, taken by surprise, speculated about the Pope's response. One individual said, "What happens if the Pope calls, as he does at times? But Father Valerio, undauntedly answered, "No problem, I will be happy to talk to him! I will explain that in this area, most churches have tariffs for serving the sacraments, as other priests do in their respective churches." As of now, everybody is waiting for a reply from the Vatican. I wonder if Father Valerio would be able to answer a simple question by a parishioner, "Is there a discount for a senior citizen?"

THE MADE-IN-ITALY: ENDING IN THE POCKETS OF FOREIGN BILLIONAIRES! It used to be customary to talk of Italian products as some of the best in the world, selling well to foreign visitors. The economic crisis of 2008 is still hampering the business world, often forcing the owners to sell their companies. Over the past five years, foreign billionaires have come with their fat wallets, buying even some major businesses. The following are a few examples: Poltrona Frau (big chairs), Bertolli Oil, and Carapelli Oil are some companies taken over by Americans. The French have acquired, Bulgari, Emilio Pucci, Loro Piana, Acqua di Parma, Gucci, Bottega Veneta, Brioni, Sergio Rossi, Invernizzi, Galbani, Locatelli, Parmalat, (Italian) Edison, and A.S. ROMA (Soccer Club). The Swedish have bought Rex, and Zanussi. The Germans have acquired Plasmon. Billionaires from Switzerland have full control of the following: Gelati Motta, Motta Pastry, Buitoni (pasta), Perugina, San Pellegrino (mineral drink), Nestle, Yoox, and Richmond. The Spanish now have: Fiorucci, Star, Garofolo, and Ebro Foods. Billionaires from the Middle East and from the Far East now own: Gancia (Russia), Valentino (Qatar), Alitalia (49%, from EAU's Ethiad), Chianti (Hong Kong), Pirelli (Chem from China), and Berio (Japan). What a shame Italy has lost quite a few treasures, but there is still one thing Italians have and are now famous for, "Corruption, the worse kind of social cancer."

• **Hoops** (Continued from Page 16)

period. The team scoring first has won 52 of the 68 National Championship games. So, things are grand down in Providence. The Friars are first in the land, making the most of their opportunity when they got to the national stage. The rivalry between Providence and BU should be extra intense next season.

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Estate of
JACQUELINE BARON
Date of Death April 18, 2012

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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Deborah Stevenson of Sparta, NJ**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Deborah Stevenson of Sparta, NJ has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
MIKE ADAME MUNOZ
Date of Death April 23, 2012

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Pauline D. Munoz of Corona, CA**.

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Gridiron Audibles

with Christian A. Guarino



HISTORY OF FOOTBALL IN BOSTON PART IV
Boston 1939-1941



The 1940 Boston College Eagles



1941 Sugar Bowl Program



The starting backfield of Mike Holovak, Henry Toczykowski, Frank Maznicki & Quarterback Charlie O'Rourke. Noticeably absent is Lou Montgomery.

Devoid of a National Football League team, by the late 1930s, Boston football fans turned their attention towards the Heights in Chestnut Hill. There the Boston College Eagles were making fans forget all about professional football. Led by Head Coach Frank Leahy, a man who had played for the great Knute Rockne at Notre Dame, the Eagles made it to the 1939 Cotton Bowl. That season, his first at the Heights, Leahy transformed what had been a promising squad during the mid-1930s into a serious National Championship contender, going 9-2 before losing to the Clemson Tigers 6-3 in the Bowl game.

The following season, Leahy would lead the Eagles to a perfect season, and a Sugar Bowl Championship that still harkens bitter-sweet memories for BC fans.

Following in the success that Rockne had at Notre Dame with the "Four Horsemen," Leahy built his 1940 roster with a backfield that was also four deep. First year player Mike Holovak joined veterans of the 1939 season, Captain Henry Toczykowski, Frank Maznicki and Lou Montgomery.

Quarterback Charlie O'Rourke kept defenses honest throwing the ball downfield to wideouts Henry Woronicz, Gene Goodreault, Ed Zabilski and Don Currivan. Not exactly household names in the annals of football, but the above mentioned group scored an average of 31 points per game. Many among that group, including O'Rourke, were two-way players that contributed to a defense that allowed six points per game.

Alumni Field was the Eagles official home venue, however, due to capacity issues, the majority of their home games in 1940 were played at Fenway Park.

Following a dominant regular season, the Eagles were invited to play in the Sugar Bowl at Tulane Stadium in New Orleans, Louisiana.

There on New Year's Day 1941, the Fifth ranked Boston College Eagles met the Sixth ranked, undefeated Tennessee Volunteers for the Sugar Bowl title.

With the game being played in the Deep South, running back Lou Montgomery, Boston College's only African-American player, was kept out of action due to the "Gentlemen's Agreement." This was a sad time in the history of our country in which it was apparently considered gentlemanly to tell a talented player to stay off the field due to the color of his skin.

Despite having an important cog of its offense on the bench, O'Rourke and company took the game 19-13 following Maznicki's 24-yard run with 2:15 to play.

Upon their return to Boston, 100,000 fans packed South Station to welcome "their" National Champions.

Although they finished first out of the other 121 eligible Collegiate teams with an 11-0 record, the Eagles ranked only 5th in AP polls prior to the Sugar Bowl, and would not be recognized as National Champions, an honor that in 1940 went to the Minnesota Gopher's. The lack of respect nationally for Boston College is partially due to the fact that the Eagles played only two road games that season, both at Tulane Stadium. They were also hurt in the National Rankings when they struggled to defeat Holy Cross in their last regular season game which was won by a slim 7-0 score.

Following the success of 1940, Leahy would depart for Boston College rival Notre Dame in 1941. There he led the Fighting Irish to four National titles during the 1940s.

Star running back Mike Holovak would go on to play professional football with the Los Angeles Rams and Chicago Bears before returning to Boston College as Head Coach from 1951-1959. In 1961, Holovak was named the second head coach in Boston Patriots history. Holovak would lead the Patriots to the 1963 American Football League's Championship game.

In Boston and throughout the New England region, those old enough to remember when the Eagles soared identify Boston College as the National Champions of 1940.

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PEARLIE BEATRICE McWRIGHT
Date of Death April 12, 2014

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Bridgett L. Marshall of Humble, TX**. **Bridgett L. Marshall of Humble, TX** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
NATHAN WASHINGTON TATE
Date of Death December 18, 2007

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Nathan W. Tate, Jr., of Decatur, AL**. **Nathan W. Tate, Jr., of Decatur, AL** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
VITEZSLAV DORAZIL
Also Known As
VICTOR DORAZIL
Date of Death October 15, 2014

INFORMAL PROBATE
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To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Edith Dorazil of Waltham, MA**. **Edith Dorazil of Waltham, MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
GERALD H. QUA
Also Known As
GERALD HENRY QUA
Date of Death February 23, 2015

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Gary E. Qua of Bellingham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Gary E. Qua of Bellingham, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
DORETHA G. JOHNSON
Date of Death September 17, 2011

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Anesefia Hodge of Palm Bay, FL**. **Anesefia Hodge of Palm Bay, FL** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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Estate of
RENA B. ROGERS
Date of Death August 16, 2006

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Thomas Rogers of Hannibal, NY**. **Thomas Rogers of Hannibal, NY** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani



NEAA Baseball Begins April 25th

The North End Athletic Association baseball program holds opening day ceremonies on Saturday, April 25th with a 5-game schedule at Langone Park. The games begin with three Minor League games in the morning and the Majors begin the season starting at 1:00 pm.

Opening Day begins at 12 noon. This year's games will be dedicated to the late **Ralphie Martignetti**, who coached Little League players for several years.

NEAA Sports Director **John "J.R." Romano** said, "We're looking forward to another year of exciting baseball." For more details, go to www.neabaseball.org.

Twins Make Historic Season Start

The Minnesota Twins didn't score in their opening two games, a first since the franchise moved to Minnesota in 1960. The original Washington Senators were blanked for 19 innings to start 1940.

Tanaka Slows Fastball

NY Yankees Masahiro Tanaka, who started his first Opening Day game against the Blue Jays, has said his fastball won't be as fast this season as he makes adjustments in the way he throws." Said Tanaka, "I'm trying to establish a certain pitching style for me this year, so

maybe it isn't the wisest to ask for velocity from me."

He'll be using more two-seam fastballs than four-seamers. Tanaka said that would obviously slow down his velocity.

Tanaka went 13-5 with a 2.77 ERA in his first season, finishing fifth in the AL Rookie of the Year award despite missing most of the second half due to injuries.

Baseball Trivia

1) Name the player who compiled at least 400 total bases in 5 different seasons?

2) Name the rookie pitcher who threw five shutouts in his first seven Major League starts and then went on to win the Cy Young in that rookie season, the only rookie ever to win a Cy?

Royals Lock Up Ventura

Yordano Ventura and the Royals reached a \$23 million, 5-year deal and started on Opening Day for the 2014 Pennant winning team. His 100mph fastball is now committed to the Royals through the 2019 season.

Zito to Start Season in Minors

Barry Zito's comeback with Oakland will continue. The 2002 Cy Young winner has accepted a Triple A assignment. The 35-year-old had some great years with the Athletics before leaving for the Giants as a free agent where he got big bucks, but floundered at the mound.

At 35 years old, he is trying to stay in the game and willing to go back to the Minors in the hopes of getting back to Oakland before the season ends.

Santana Gets the Big Boot

Minnesota Twins pitcher Ervin Santana has been sus-

pended for 80 games by Major League Baseball after testing positive for Stanozolol, a performance enhancement drug.

"It is disappointing. It's difficult," said Twins General Manager Terry Ryan. Now it looks like the Twins will have to regroup and this event hopefully will not get in the way of the team moving forward into the season.

Santana had signed a 4-year deal worth \$55 million with the Twins after pitching for the Braves last season. The suspension will cost the 32-year-old righty nearly \$6 million this 2015 season. An expensive lesson to be learned.

No Discipline for Hamilton

The LA Angels were surprised and disappointed by an arbitrator's decision not to discipline Josh Hamilton for his latest cocaine and alcohol issues. Angels' General Manager Jerry Dipolo said he can't believe the decision by the arbitrator appointed under the MLB Joint Drug Program with the players' association. MLB also disagreed with the decision.

Hamilton hasn't been Hamilton during the first 2 years of his 5-year, \$125 million deal; with the Angels still on the hook for about \$90 million over the next 3 seasons.

Hamilton, a 5-time All-Star and 2010 AL MVP has been subjected to a treatment program for prior violations involving cocaine going back 10 years.

Baseball Trivia Answers

1) Lou Gehrig. 2) Fernando Valenzuela.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI15P1484GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the Matter of
REBECCA J. GELFAND
of Framingham, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Alaric M. Gelfand of Framingham, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **Rebecca J. Gelfand** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Alaric M. Gelfand of Framingham, MA** and **Shari Gelfand of Framingham, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

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 **April 28, 2015**. 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: March 31, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 4/17/15

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI15P1795EA

Estate of
MARY M. QUINN
Date of Death February 16, 2015

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by **James F. Quinn of Wakefield, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. And also requesting that **James F. Quinn of Wakefield, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

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 May 8, 2015.

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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal 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 recipients 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.

WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 10, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 4/17/15

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI15P0998EA

Estate of
FRANCES J. STAHLER
Also Known As
FRANCES STAHLER
Date of Death December 19, 2014

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by **Rosemarie A. Woods of Medford, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. And also requesting that **Rosemarie A. Woods of Medford, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

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 May 5, 2015.

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 date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal 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 recipients 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.

WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 7, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 4/17/15



Ring 4 Banquet

*Honors Tony DeMarco on 60th Anniversary of Winning Title
Inducts Three into Hall of Fame - Special Award to Paul Doyle*



Tony DeMarco with Mickey Finn.

This year's Ring 4 Banquet was held on April 12th at Florian Hall in Dorchester and was a huge success. Before a sold out crowd, Tony DeMarco was honored on the 60th anniversary of his winning the World Welterweight Championship from Johnny Saxton in the Boston Garden. Ring 4 President Mickey Finn presented Tony the award recognizing him for his successes in and out of the ring. It was 60 years ago on April 1, 1955 when Tony stepped into the ring against the champion Saxton and decisively won the title with a 14th round stoppage. There was no doubt as to who was the better man that night as DeMarco rained punches on Saxton until the referee stepped in to stop the carnage.



Tony DeMarco floors Johnny Saxton.

I asked Tony what it was like to be fighting for the title and he told me "I would tell people I am going to knock him (Saxton) out. I did this not to brag but to psyche myself up and build my own confidence that I could do it. During the fight, when I knocked him down, I knew I had him. I was hitting him with so many punches, when I had him up against the ropes, I felt the referee should have stopped it earlier."

When I asked what it felt like to win the championship and what he did after he told me, "I was thrilled. It had been my dream since I was a young boy to become world champion, now it had happened. The first thing I did was go home to see my parents on Fleet Street and let them know I was okay. Then a bunch of us got together at Rip Valenti's place, The Ye Garden Club on Friend Street and celebrated."



Tony DeMarco with Sammy Fuller upon winning the title.

The former champ, who recently broke his hip in a fall, looked like he was back in fighting trim. He made his way up to the dais to make an acceptance speech, and was in great form. Tony has written a wonderful book about his life called "Nardo." If you haven't yet read it I strongly urge you to get a copy of it. You can get a signed copy of it by going to TKOTONY.com

Three people were inducted into the Ring 4 Hall of Fame this year. Former outstanding pro Brian Powers, former amateur star Ken Flora, and the Clones Colossus Kevin McBride who holds a knock out win over Mike Tyson. All three of these men are very well deserving of being in the Hall and they all gave terrific acceptance speeches while their friends and families cheered them on.

Paul Doyle, former Diamond Belt Champion and bestselling author, was given the Ring 4 Brother in Boxing Award. Paul, a former amateur heavyweight champion and Drug Enforcement Agent, is the author of the best selling book "Hot shots and Heavy

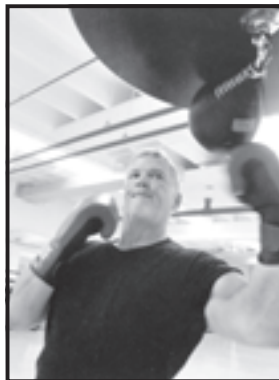


Hall of Fame Inductees Brian Powers, Kevin McBride, and Ken Flora.

Hits", which chronicles his time as an undercover cop with the DEA. It is an exciting read and a lot of it takes place in Boston.

Vinny Marino, Bill Spadafora, and Bobby Bower all gave great introductory speeches when introducing the various honorees. Ring 4 Chaplain Edd Bernard gave the blessing before the meal. There was a terrific crowd of people at this event, who all came out to support the people involved, as well as the sport of boxing.

Ring 4 President Mickey Finn deserves special recognition for all of the hard work he puts into this event. People have no idea how much work is involved in setting up something like this. Mickey is truly dedicated to Ring 4 and to making sure that the boxers of the past, those who have given so much to the sport of boxing, are not forgotten. Mickey certainly has given his all and more to the sport he loves.



Brother in Boxing Honoree Paul Doyle.



Sean Mullen with former opponents and Ring 4 Hall of Famers Ken Flora and Mike Mullen.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



They came from across the street and from around the country. They came from big cities and small towns. Most of all they came from hotbeds of college hockey to see the annual coronation of a champion at the Frozen Four. And this year, they came to Boston and the TD Garden.

The featured semifinal matchup between No. 1 North Dakota and No. 2 Boston University came as advertised. The fans of North Dakota came, oh did they come, arriving by the thousands and proving to be more than equal to their BU counterparts in bringing the Garden alive with the sounds of college hockey.

BU, the winner of the Beanpot and the Hockey East Tournaments, would have all it could handle from UND. For about 10 minutes in the second period, it appeared that UND had essentially camped out in the BU end of the rink. But even then, the Terriers found a way to get it done and came away with the victory.

In the postgame press conference, the UND players appeared almost shell-shocked that their storybook season had come to an end. It was obvious that they didn't want to be there. This, after all, was a team that has had 25 wins or more in eight out of the last 11 seasons and one that featured 14 NHL draft picks on its current roster. It is a grand powerhouse of college hockey from Grand Forks.

It's also a team that can draw fans, packing in 253,344 followers for its home games during the 2014-2015 season, the only college team in the nation to draw over 200,000 fans to its 22 home games this year. UND's 16 triumphs on home ice led the nation in home victories.

And although BU was well represented, it appeared that those folks from Grand Forks that made the trip in droves were clearly the equal of the Terrier backers, many of whom had come from just across town.

But in the end, it was BU advancing, fulfilling a private prophesy of coach David Quinn who had stated at the Hockey East Tournament that he thought as far back as September that this squad had the potential to contend for the national title.

The national championship game between BU and Providence had loads of regional interest, but was something of an anticlimax.

Providence, which defeated Nebraska-Omaha in the semis, didn't bring a top notch resume into the final, having lost 13 games during the season and having been bounced out of the quarterfinals of the Hockey East Tournament. But its ride through the NCAA tournament and its 4-3 victory over BU in the national championship game en-

abled the Friars to finish the season at 26-13-2. BU closed the books at 28-8-5.

Hockey East Commissioner Joe Bertagna left the Garden one happy man. It was his conference's ninth NCAA championship and fifth in the last eight years, evidence that Hockey East continues in its role as the powerhouse conference in college hockey.

But, of course, there was both elation and sadness at the end. The championship was heaven on earth for the team from the Ocean State, which claimed the first national hockey title in its history. It also continued a trend of late. Recent national champions, including Union (2014), Yale (2013) and Minnesota-Duluth (2011), were also first-time champions.

For BU, there was some consolation. "It's been an incredible year," noted BU head coach David Quinn in his postgame press conference. "The things we accomplished are an incredible testament to everybody associated with our team—every player, every student manager, every equipment manager. We were a true team. That doesn't happen very often in sports. We got to this point because we won as a team. It's a tough one to swallow but we'll be back."

The BU players, while not happy, appeared much better than the vanquished North Dakota players that were on the podium some 48 hours earlier. They answered questions in a straightforward manner. Whatever their emotions had been a few moments earlier, it was obvious the defeat, while painful, was something they could absorb and move forward. In short, it didn't seem to be the end, while for the North Dakota players it did.

Perhaps Providence coach Nate Leaman said it best of all when he remarked of BU: "They won just about everything this year."

By contrast, PC was awarded a berth in the NCAA Tournament by a whisker. "Remember, we were one hundredth of a point from not making the tournament," explained Leaman. He went on to add that PC's win proves "there's parity in college hockey."

The Big Prize went to PC, principally because it focused on the future and not the recent past. "I thought the championship game was like our season," noted Leaman. "There were a lot of times we could have gotten frustrated this year. We started out in the championship game a bit slow but we got better. We played a pretty good third period. In the third, we won most of the faceoffs and we held on."

However, perhaps there was a foretelling. Providence scored the first goal of the game at 9:25 of the first

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