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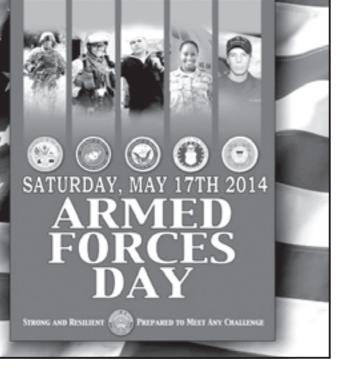
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# Grand Lodge of Massachusetts of the Order Sons of Italy in America Massachusetts Education and Law Awards by Adriana Guida



# **News Briefs**

by Sal Giarratani

#### The Core's Bitter Fruit Ain't Sweet

A Common Core-based essay assignment for school kids in Los Angeles had them debating whether or not the Holocaust was real. Is this kind of trash something we can expect more of under Obama's new educational standards?

Common Core is getting adopted by states looking desperately for more federal funding. It is designed they say to make students think "critically" about political topics and society norms.

The Rialto Unified School District had 8<sup>th</sup> graders write a paper on whether they believed the Holocaust was a "hoax" created by Jews. The 18-page assignment stated, and I quote, "When tragic events occur in history, there is often debate about their actual existence. For example, some people claim the Holocaust is not an actual event, but instead was a propaganda tool that was used for political and monetary gain." The instruction page also gave students links to "credible sources" on the Internet. One site listed told students that Anne Frank faked her autobiography. Another site stated that Zionists controlled our government.

After the Anti-Defamation League and the Simon Wiesenthal Center complained, the school district said it would "revise" this student assignment but school officials still defended the exercise in "critical thinking."

Why would a school district assign such inflammatory trash as education?

Well, the school district's superintendent is one Bangladesh-born Mohammad Z. Islam and the district's communications director is Syeda Jafri from Pakistan. Need I say more?

Perhaps, one day in the future, American students will be told that 9/11 was a hoax to frame the "Religion of Peace."

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Standing, L-R: Timothy Menton, Patrick Menton, Jeffrey J. Pugliese and James Caruso received Special Recognition Awards. Seated, L-R: Justice Award recipient Honorable Peter C. DiGangi, Public Service Award recipient Michael A. Caira, and Law Enforcement Award recipient City of Medford Police Chief Leo A. Sacco, Jr.

On Sunday, May 4, 2014, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts of the Order Sons of Italy in America held an event that honored accomplished Italian-American public servants as well as distinguished high school seniors.

The inaugural Massachusetts Education and Law Awards breakfast combined a 31-year tradition of honoring Italian Americans in the fields of the judiciary, law enforcement, and public service, and a 59-year tradition of awarding scholarships to deserving students.

The Commission for Social Justice of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was responsible for recognizing three career public servants, and four first responders who distinguished themselves in the line of duty on April 19, 2013 in Watertown during the apprehension of the Boston Marathon suspects.

The Justice Award was granted to The Honorable Peter C. DiGangi, who currently sits as a Circuit Justice on the Massachusetts Probate and Family Court. The Law Enforcement Award was given to Medford Police Chief Leo A. Sacco, Jr., the 24-year Chief of the Department and current chair of the North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council — School Threat Assessment and Response System. The Public Service Award was granted to Michael A. Caira, the former and longest-serving Town Manager of Wilmington, Massachusetts, and former National Executive Director of the Order Sons of Italy in America.

Four Special Recognition Awards were granted to first responders from the Watertown Police and Fire Departments: Sergeant Jeffrey J. Pugliese, one of the officers who apprehended a marathon bombing suspect, and Patrolman Timothy Menton and Firefighters Patrick Menton and James Caruso, who are credited with saving the life of MBTA Officer Richard Donahue.

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Scholarship recipients.
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#### **VITRUVIUS**



1684 depiction of Vitruvius (right) presenting De Architectura to Augustus.

writer, engineer, and architect is my last scholar in the Augustan Period of Latin Literati. He served as an architectural advisor to Emperor Augustus. This emperor's reign of forty-one years was called the Augustan Age, and was for Rome what the Age of Pericles was for Athens. Supposedly it was Vitruvius whose able assistance made it possible for Augustus to boast that he found Rome a city of brick and left it a city of marble.

Vitruvius was in the twilight of his career when he composed his famous work entitled "De Architectura Libri X" (The Ten Books of Architecture) in which he detailed four of the five "orders of architecture" and laid down rules for their proportions. He also set rules for column spacing,

Marcus Vitruvius Pollio, how they should be located and grouped.

> His first book describes in general, the science of architecture, and suggests the proper education for an architect. Book I also treats city planning and fortifications. Book II is completely taken up with recommendations as to the use of building materials. The third and fourth books are devoted to temples and how the orders of architecture are employed. For those who are unfamiliar with the term "orders of architecture," may I define that an order of architecture is a column with capital, setting on its base, and the entablature (horizontal construction) above.

> The Greeks developed three orders of architecture and these are called: Doric, Ionic and Corinthian. The Romans accepted (or copied) these three Greek orders,

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and then added two more of their own design. These two additional Roman orders are called the Tuscan and the Composite. The key to the correct use of the orders is based upon mathematical proportion, and any attempt to vary from the established rules would be to create optical distortion and consequently a disproportionate structure.

The fifth book of Vitruvius relates to buildings for public use, the sixth deals with houses of the "domus", while the seventh discusses interior decorations. The eighth book deals with the subject of water for community use; how it is found, the various kinds and the methods used to convey it to required destinations. Sundials and other means for measuring time are discussed in this ninth book, while machinery used in building construction, and military engines occupy the tenth book. These ten books by Vitruvius are considered to be a summary of the works of numerous Greek architects and Roman writers on architecture.

Little else is known about Vitruvius except that his probable birthplace was in Formiae and he died during the reign of Augustus. Formiae was a very ancient town in Latium, on the Via Appia.

About fifteen hundred years later, the work of Vitruviuis became a basic guide for the great architects of the Renaissance.

# Res Publica

by David Trumbull



## Sen. Cruz Releases Fourth Report on Obama Administration's Lawlessness

Last week U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, released his fourth report on the Obama Administration's executive overreaches. In this report Sen. Cruz documents 76 instances of lawlessness and other abuses of power.

Of all the troubling aspects of the Obama presidency, the report states, none is more dangerous than the President's persistent pattern of lawlessness, his willingness to disregard the written law and instead enforce his own policies via executive fiat.

The President's taste for unilateral action to circumvent Congress should concern every citizen, regardless of party or ideology. The great 18th-century political philosopher Montesquieu observed: "There can be no liberty where the legislative and executive powers are united in the same person, or body of magistrates." America's Founding Fathers took this warning to heart, and we should too.

Rule of law doesn't simply mean that society has laws; dictatorships are often characterized by an abundance of laws. Rather, rule of law means that we are a nation ruled by laws, not men. No one — and especially not the president — is above the law. For that reason, the U.S. Constitution imposes on every president the express duty to "take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed."

Rather than honor this duty, President Obama has openly defied it by repeatedly suspending, delaying, and waiving portions of the laws that he is charged to enforce. When President Obama disagreed with federal immigration laws, he instructed the Justice Department to cease enforcing the laws. He did the same thing with federal welfare law, drug laws, and the federal Defense of Marriage

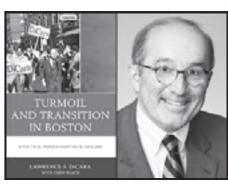
In the more than two centuries of our nation's history, there is simply no precedent for the White House wantonly ignoring federal law and asking others to do the same.

For all those who are silent now: What would they think of a Republican president who announced that he was going to ignore the law, or unilaterally change the law? Imagine a future president setting aside environmental laws, or tax laws, or labor laws, or tort laws with which he or she disagreed.

# **DICARA RECOUNTS**

## Turmoil and Transition in Boston

Anyone interested in the history of Boston during the busing era should not miss the opportunity to meet Larry DiCara, author of the new book Turmoil and Transition in Boston, on June  $9^{th}$  at the East Boston Branch Library. The work is considered a "must



read book" by an Italian-American author.

DiCara will speak about his new book and his experiences during a time when the city struggled to transform itself. The author, the youngest person ever elected to the Boston City Council, is a prominent Boston attorney and civic leader, In 1994 he was honored by the prestigious Pirandello Lyceum with the "I Migliori" prize which is given to individuals of Italian heritage who have made significant contributions to society.

Turmoil and Transition in Boston is a portrait of a city in transition from its Brahmin-Irish-Italian past in the 1950's to the diverse metropolis of today, according to Professor Barry Bluestone of Northeastern University. In his review he said that from page one to the last sentence a reader would be mesmerized by DiCara's personal story.

"Larry's vivid memory and middle-of-it-all experience offers a behind the curtain history of a public servant always mindful of the proud family that shaped him," said John King chief national correspondent of CNN. " He was a great character and player in an important era of the city and his book helps to relive its highs - and lows.

Turmoil and Transition in Boston is presented by the Pirandello Lyceum, a Boston based organization dedicated to celebrating and maintaining Italian heritage in America and recognizing the contributions of Italians and Italian Americans to the United States of America. Its membership includes authors, scholars, educators, business executives, physicians, students, architects, scientists, attorneys, military and political figures and many others from all walks of life who appreciate Italian culture.

DiCara will discuss his book on Monday, June 9, 2014, at the East Boston Branch Library, 365 Bremen Street, East Boston, MA from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

# **MassDOT Announces Public Outreach** on RMV Fee Increase Proposal

Changes to RMV Registration, Inspection and Road Test Fee Structure to Take Effect July 1st

Vehicles Division announced tation system. a series of public meetings on the proposed changes to three RMV fees. The changes lature last year required will allow MassDOT to close MassDOT to generate its own a projected \$55 million bud- additional revenue to help get gap in Fiscal Year 2015, fund future budgets. Under a

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fees for motor vehicles will There will be no change to commercial registration fees. Annual motor vehicle inspections will increase to \$35, up from \$29. The road test fee, a one-time fee for the majority of drivers, will increase to \$35, up from \$20. Portions of the road test revenue will help support

The registration fee was last changed in 2009, inspection fees in 1999 and it has been more than 10 years since road test fees were changed.

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for first time drivers.

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# **Boston Floating Intra-city Ferry Service**

by Sal Giarratani



#### South Ferry slip located at the end of Lewis Street in East Boston in 1948.

As someone who was still a preschooler when the old ferry ran between East Boston and the North End until 1953, I still remember the fare. Two cents for passengers or five cents a car. What a deal. Of course it was like Gilligan's Island, always felt like a three-hour crossing, but it was fun in those pre-Tobin Bridge Days.

Now City Hall is looking at a new ferry service between East Boston, South Boston and Charlestown. The route being pursued would run from Eastie to the Seaport District and Fan Pier. Massport is looking at an East Boston site and Pier 3 in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The East Boston Seaport like South Boston's is growing in popularity and ferry service looks like a great alternative transportation idea. Former East Boston Chamber of Commerce President Diane Modica says, "We have a lot of new professionals right now who I know would take that new ferry."

Recently, Boston City Councilor Sal LaMattina pointed over to Portside at Pier One and the ferry service as a gamechanger for the East Boston Waterfront. Says LaMattina, "There is a huge potential to really make our harbor the crown jewel of Boston." He can envision good things like restaurants, shops and other amenities tied to ferries crossing the harbor.

LaMattina chairs the City Council Economic Development Committee and knows that other cities like Baltimore. New York and San Francisco have revitalized their waterfronts and Boston can experience the same kind of robust rejuvenation.

Many think it is time to go back to the future when it comes to water transportation for Boston. It can work again as it once did. Our harbor neighborhoods can be, they say, linked again by Boston Harbor and make Boston that livable city they see it being.

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# Privitera Foundation Dedicates St. Thomas More Statue to Jean's Memory

Boston College Law - May 2, 2014



Frank Privitera with his sister Nancy Cannalonga at the dedication of the bronze heroic statue of St. Thomas More at the B.C. Law School campus in Newton at the reception given by Father Leahy after the dedicaiton.

On Friday, May 2, 2014, over 300 friends and family of the Privitera Family convened at Boston College Law School in Newton Massachusetts to celebrate the official dedication of the St. Thomas More Statue in the memory of Jennie "Jean" Privitera. The St. Thomas More Statue is a gift of the Privitera Family Charitable Foundation to Boston College Law School.

Boston College University President, Msgr. William Leahy opened the celebration at 1:00 pm with a memorial Mass in Jean's memory, which he performed personally, in the Boston College Law School Chapel. The offertory gifts were presented by Jean's children, Jeannine, Francis Jr., and Philip.

Immediately following the Mass, the crowd proceeded outside to seats surrounding the statue, which is located at the Main Entrance of the Law School and in front of the Law Library. The bronze statue is a larger than life, heroic likeness of St. Thomas More, the Patron Saint of Attorneys, turning in the wind while holding books in one hand and a palm in the other.

The Privitera Family Charitable Foundation commissioned Bolivian born sculptor, Pablo Eduardo, who also sculpted the St. Ignatius statue which adorns the Boston College undergraduate campus in Chestnut Hill.

In their opening remarks, both President Msgr. Leahy and Law School Dean Vincent Rougeau thanked the Privitera family for the gracious gift, which represents the latest symbol of Privitera Family longstanding support of Boston College Law School. Francis Sr., Francis Jr., and Philip all graduated from BC Law, where a Francis D. Privitera '56 Scholarship and a Philip J. Privitera '95 Commencement Day Prize are already established.

Dean Rougeau introduced Philip J. Privitera, President of the Privitera Family Charitable Foundation, to speak on behalf of the Privitera Family. At Boston College Law School, Philip was the



At the dedication of the bronze statue of St. Thomas More at Boston College Law School are the Privitera family with Father William Leahy, President of the University (center).



Jeannine and Philip Privitera with Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Morello at the reception following the dedication of the St. Thomas More statue at Boston College Law School.

(Photos by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)

American Bar Association President of his class in 1994, recipient of the Law and Profession Prize in 1995, then named to the Law School Board of Overseers 2007-2011, chairman of his 2005 and 2010 class reunions, and most recently, elected two-term president of the Middlesex County Bar Association 2011-2013.

Privitera expounded that it was an honor to dedicate the Statue of St. Thomas More in the memory of his mother Jennie "Jean" Privitera who embodied so many of the same qualities for which St. Thomas More was canonized. Like St. Thomas More, Jennie made a difference in the lives of so many people by staying true to her conscience and always fighting for what she believed was right in her heart. She had developed a condition early in her life, which led to an incurable lung infection that plagued her health to her final days. But, like St. Thomas More, although she suffered, she hid her pain and continued working every day of her life.

The remarks culminated with Philip calling his father Frank to the podium next to him. While raising his father's hand high in the air to the crowd, Philip proclaimed that the St. Thomas More statue was a gift to everyone, and that everyone should find the St. Thomas More or the Jennie Privitera inside of each of them. In the face of opposition and adversity, they must always stay true to their conscience and their hearts, and follow their dreams.

A bronze plaque bearing Jennie "Jean" Privitera's name, along with dates of her life, is affixed to the base of the statue at the consultation of University President Father Leahy. After the ceremony, President Leahy welcomed everyone to a reception of shrimp, hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and other collation in Barat Alumni House

Despite predictions of inclement weather, Jennie "Jean" Privitera and St. Thomas More blessed everyone with a gloriously sunny and memorable afternoon.

# L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Get Outside and Move!

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Around this time of year, I feel a sense of energy bubbling up inside me. All of the cabin fever and restless excitement over a new spring evaporates into the warm air, a surge of joy and release as refreshing as an afternoon rain shower. Yesterday, the temperature hit eighty degrees, and I could practically smell the summer in the air, the promise of barbecues and ocean waves and ice-cold glasses of lemonade. The students in the school where I teach were led out for a short recess period after lunch, and their unbridled happiness was contagious as they scampered across the bright green, sun-soaked grass. Indeed, the month of May as a whole calls for outdoor excursions. Traditionally the beginning of summer, May heralds warmer temperatures and an explosion of tender leaves on trees. It is definitely not a month to stay cooped up indoors, but rather one to venture outside and revel in all the delights nature has to offer. From Italian traditions to nature-based holidays, the call of the wild proves most exciting in May.

In Italy, one of the most beloved traditions is called la passeggiata, or evening stroll. After dinner, Italian families and friends meander through city streets or rural lanes, enjoying the outdoor experience and each other's company. In urban areas, the passeggiata may involve stopping for some delicious, creamy gelato, casual window shopping, or sitting and chatting along the rim of one of Italy's many beautiful fountains. People in the countryside may rest in the shade of trees, pick fruit, or pack a small picnic of sweets and wine. In an age where too many people are tempted to watch televi-

the idea of a tradition that encourages people to step outside, to partake in the universal and time-honored pleasures of fresh air, loved ones and the nourishment of food and drink. I fondly remember my evening passeggiate from when I visited Italy several years ago — the walks through bustling city centers, where the late-day sun turned ancient ruins to the color of gold, and the hikes along dirt roads in my dad's home region of Abruzzi, watching the dusky sky darken the mountains. My husband loves to go outside and walk, so often I will try to recreate a passeggiata here at home. As I walk around my neighborhood in this balmy month of May, I pay special attention to the life all around me: jubilant children kicking a soccer ball, robins hopping among blades of grass, the sun peeking through branches laden with delicate pink

May brims with a number of special holidays that encourage such outdoor excursions. The month begins with May Day, an ancient holiday celebrating the start of summer. It is also a holiday honoring flowers and trees, which are their most beautiful now. Mother's Day, which occurred this past Sunday, not only expresses gratitude for the wonderful things mothers do for us but also prompts us to enjoy their company. This Mother's Day, my family and I went out for ice cream, an activity all the more special because of its simplicity and its unencumbered focus on loved ones, food and the warm sun. In a week, it will be Memorial Day, and countless families will fire up the grill and eat summer produce outdoors. Others will flock to the beach or the mountains — any outsion right after dinner, I love door place will do, as Memorial Day weekend is considered the unofficial start of summer! The same week of Memorial Day, in fact, also hosts another summer holiday, Ascension Day, known as la Festadell'Ascensione in Italian. Falling forty days after Easter, this holiday commemorates Jesus' ascent into Heaven. Italians celebrate it with outdoor excursions and picnics, as typical for the holidays of

This month, be sure to spend an abundant amount of time enjoying nature. The warm days, the sunlight that lasts into the late hours of the evening, the succulent fruits of summer — these are all the pleasures of Mother Earth has to offer this time of the year. It is also important to remember that what makes these delights so special is the fact that they are fleeting, since the year is a cycle always in motion, so relish May while you can! Whether you choose to take a passeggiata in the golden hours of dusk, or whether you opt for a picnic on Memorial Day weekend, or whether you simply agree to meet a friend for ice cream or a quick bike ride, strive to appreciate all that nature has to offer. May will come to a close before we know it, but her beautiful experiences are available right now, ready for our fulfillment.

Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz is a Graduate Student in History at the University of Massachusetts Boston. She appreciates any comments and suggestions about Italian holidays and folklore at adicenso89@gmail.com.

# RUFF

Lines Up Dog Trainer Janet Vera for **Upcoming** Sessions

RUFF has recently lined up a great dog trainer to come and do some sessions. Janet Vera is a professional dog trainer and canine behavioral specialist. She currently works with some dogs in the North End and RUFF hopes she will become a great addition to their educational mission.

RUFF will be hosting their first session on Tuesday, May 20th - rain date Wednesday, May 21st — in the Richmond Street dog run at 6:00 pm. This session will be on reliable recall and working to be in control of your dog while at a dog park/in an off leash play environment.

For more details on Janet Vera visit: http://dogstar nanny.com/testimonials.html.

For more details on RUFF visit www.ruffboston.org/.



## Was There Deception Over Benghazi?

as Richard Cohen recently opined over the Republicans apparently speaking to its anti-Obama base over Benghazi. His expressed frustration over listening on his car radio as some conservative host called the president a "moron." Cohen told his readers, it shocked him and then added, "It is rude, it is crude, it is disrespectful and it is downright nuts."

While addressing the deaths of four Americans in Benghazi, he stated, "These deaths are a serious matter for which bureaucrats blame has already been assessed," says Cohen. Has it really been assessed? C'mon. If it was, would we be here right

Liberals are rallying around the White House saying the select committee is nothing more than grist for the GOP fantasy mill because that is what liberals need it to be.

I am no Obama hater. I don't care about where he was born, nor did I ever.

I think President Obama is one of the most failed presidents in history. He can't seem to do anything right but speak well. However, being there is far more than being able to throw sentences together in a speech.

No one has been brought to justice for what happened on the night of September 11, 2012, nor as time goes by is there any such likelihood.

I still remember the words used by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton at those Senate hearings, 'With all due respect, the fact is we have four dead Americans. Was it because of a protest or was it because of guys out for a walk one night who decided that they would go kill some Americans? What difference does it make?"

Liberals stop right there, but the rest of her statement collaborated by the facts.

Liberals in the media such is also telling, "It is our job to figure out what happened and ... prevent it from ever happening again, senator."

> We need this House Select Committee on Benghazi. What took Speaker John Boehner so long? I hope Democrats will participate on this investigative panel because Benghazi is not about party politics, it is about finding what happened and making sure it won't happen again. Also, we still want those who killed four Americans brought to iustice.

> It would be nice to know what happened in real time that night of September 11, 2012 in the Situation Room. Could we have done something differently? And what was the whole bogus story about some anti-Muslim film out in California sparking the violence? Was it a fairy tale from the get-go?

> I am starting to think that Democrats simply want this story to go away because they might not be able to handle the truth like many Republicans acted likewise back in 1974 during the height of Watergate. It is like blocking your ears and closing your eyes, hiding the truth from oneself.

> Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and former House Speaker Nancy Pelosi don't want any new information because their minds are made up - thank you very much.

> We need to connect all the dots and go forward with an open mind and letting the facts speak for itself.

> No one should be afraid of searching for the truth. This is not about throwing red flags at anyone. It is about airing all the facts and letting the truth come forward.

> I hope there wasn't any cover-up and I hope we did all we could in real time that night in 2012. That is the result I would wish to see





# Restoration of Our Lady of the Fairways

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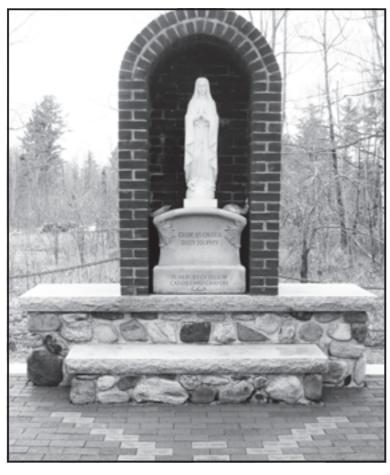
by James Pasto

On August 24, 1958, off Highway U.S. 302, in Maplewood, NH, the statue of "Our Lady of the Fairways" was dedicated by members of the Caddy Camp Alumni Association, who also financed and built it. On May 4, 2014, members of the Alumni Association rededicated the statue after restoring it last summer.

The story of the building of the shrine has been told by Mario Di Leo in an article in the Italian News in 1963. There he described how members of the Alumni Association, headed by Emilio 'Arky" Avallone and under the spiritual guidance of Father Joe Segadelli, agreed to build a monument to deceased and living members of the nearby Maplewood Caddy Camp. The head of the building project was Michael "Boots" Indrisano, assisted by Charles Ferrara. The site of the statue was property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Franziem. With a truck and material donated by Spinelli and Sons, Inc., and by volunteers too numerous to list here, the base and statue were constructed in two weekends. The statue of the Madonna is made of Italian Cararo marble and weights almost 300 pounds.

As years passed, the ownership of the property and the care of the statue fell to various hands, all of whom did their best, with limited funds, to maintain it. Most recently, it was under the loving care of Al Michaud of the local Knights of Columbus. However, the years and the weather had taken its toll on the statue's foundation and restoration was needed. That came about as follows.

About seven years ago, North Ender Fred Forte stopped by the shrine and left a note in the box about the years he spent at the camp. Four years later, Stephen Costa read Fred's note and also happed to meet Al Michaud. Stephen Costa contacted Fred. The two gathered some former caddies to discuss what could be done to, as Fred put it, "bring the shrine back for what it really stood for." They had to find out who now owned the property to get permission to restore it. They accomplished this with the help of Al Michaud and Helen Cunningham of the





K of C, and then began the restoration project.

Fred Forte led the construction team, consisting of lead Peter Walsh and a few employees. They spent two weekends last summer and completed all of the restoration. My own words cannot do justice to the result, but the photographs attest to the loving skill that went into it. It

was funded by Fred Forte and by individual donations for bricks listing the names of the donating caddies.

Fred said that he was motivated to do the work by "what I learned at camp and how I can give back. I was fortunate enough to be given the opportunity to go through the camp under an incredible director, John D. Dexter, more commonly known as 'D'. It was a life experience that I and all the other caddies will never forget" (part of Mr. D's remains are interred next to the shrine).

The day of rededication was a rainy and chilly Sunday. The ceremony was brief but emotion filled: there was a short prayer and an invocation in memory of Mr. D. In attendance were Fred Forte, Mario Di Leo, Roger Frechette, Peter Walsh, Ray Costa, Stephen Costa, Frank "Sonny" Piazza, Bill Faria, and myself. Also in attendance was the spirit of all caddies, deceased and living.

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## **NEAD Senior Luncheon**



Mary Romano with Danny and Antonio.

North End Against Drugs held a luncheon for seniors from the North End and West End at Limoncello's Restaurant on Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to a grant received from the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, which runs the Boston Convention Center in South Boston, over 85 seniors and NEAD members enjoyed a wonderful lunch. Everyone enjoyed delicious pasta and meatballs along with a nice fresh salad and dessert and coffee. It was a glorious day, with the sun shining and everyone smiling. Entertainment was provided by Danny Ventola and Antonio the great accordion player.

Special guest was State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz, who had lunch with the seniors and wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day.





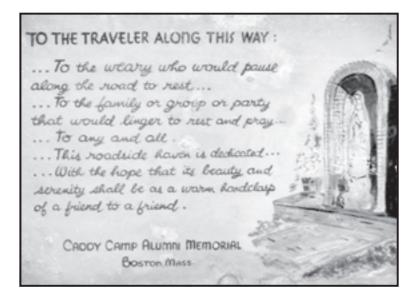
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# Saint Bernardine of Siena

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari



Saint Bernardine was born into the noble family of Albizeschi at Massa in the Republic of Siena on September 8, 1380. Left as an orphan, he was educated by a pious aunt who cared for him as if he were her own son.

In 1397, after a course of civil and canon law, he joined the Confraternity of Our Lady attached to the great hospital of Santa Maria della Scala. In 1400, when the pestilence broke

out in Siena, he came forth from a life of seclusion and prayer to minister to the plague victims, and assisted by ten companions, took upon himself for four months the entire charge of this hospital. Despite his youth Bernardine proved fully equal to this task, but the unrelenting labor it involved so far shattered his health that he never completely recovered.

At 22, he entered religious life among the Friars of the Strict Observance of the Franciscan Order and was ordained on September 8, 1402. About 1406 Saint Vincent Ferrer, while preaching in Piedmont, foretold that his mantle should descend upon one who was then listening to him, and said that he would return to France and Spain leaving to Bernardine the task of evangelizing the remaining peoples of Italy. Nearly twelve years passed before this prediction was fulfilled. During those years Bernardine lived in solitude and prayer, but his gifts of oratory ultimately caused him to be sent to preach. He always traveled on foot, sometimes speaking for hours in one place, then doing the same in another town.

Especially known for his devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, Bernardine incorporated the symbol — IHS, the first three letters of the name of Jesus in Greek, in Gothic letters on a blazing sun which he placed on a board in front of him while preaching, then exposed the sacred monogram for veneration. This was to displace the superstitious symbols of the day, as well as the insignia of warring factions.

As his reputation spread, he gradually became the Apostle of Italy in the 15<sup>th</sup> century. In 1427, he refused the Bishopric of Siena, in 1431 that of Ferrara and again, in 1435, the Diocese of Urbino. In 1435 he was appointed Vicar General of the Strict Observance, but after five years, desirous to continue the work of preaching, he obtained his release from office

In 1444, despite his increasing infirmities, Bernardine, desiring that there should be no part of Italy which had not heard his voice, set out to evangelize the Kingdom of Naples. But worn out by his labors of forty years the saint reached Aquila in a dying state. Even when it was clear he was dying, he preached fifty consecutive days. He passed away on May 20, 1444 when he was almost 64 years old. He was canonized by Pope Nicholas V on May 24, 1450.



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## ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo

## Unrivaled Beauty is in Cape Town, So. Africa!

Ciao Bella,

When my husband David was invited as a guest to The International Wool Convention to be held in Cape Town he insisted I accompany him. Since he was there a decade ago he always raved of the beauty in this majestic, coastal part of the world. I had to consider the 24-hour plane trip just to get there! How beautiful would I be and feel when we arrived? It was all worth it 10 times over!

My eyes feasted on looming, majestic mountains surrounding Cape Town. The people were friendly and sensed great pride to have us there. We were treated like royalty and I truly felt like a queen every day! The Westin Hotel was magnificent. They have the Arabella Spa with massages and facials and nail care to relieve any jet lag. Aroma-therapy filled your soul to revival.

The Travel Desk there with Nuraan and Galiema was most delightful and informative engaging in interesting and fun conversation!

I had three different private drivers during my stay. Everyday each one drove me to one more spectacular, breathtaking view than the other. My favorite was Table Mountain. One of the Seven Wonders of the World. I had read about it and definitely wanted to find it. It didn't take long. It reigns over all of its glorious City of Cape Town! When there is fog, sometimes it drapes over Table Mountain, calling it The Table Cloth!

The Victoria and Alfred Waterfront and Mall is a place where you could spend days.



"Table Mountain"

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The African palm trees, the fauna from all over the world with the King Protea as its national flower line the setting of this daunting city.

The stunning vineyards and its wineries kept all hyped on vino! We made it to The South-Western tip of Africa. Way up to The Cape of Good Hope! The wow factor was there!

The fiery sunsets over the Atlantic sent me over the top as nothing I have ever seen before. This is God's country and the most beautiful sights to behold will stay forever in my heart.

Buona Giornata, Mary

Read prior weeks' "All That Zazz" columns at **www.allthatzazz.com**. Mary is a third-generation cosmetologist and a Massachusetts distributor of Kosmea brand rose hip oil products. She may be contacted at (978) 470-8183 or **mary@mary4nails.com**.

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

#### VA Health Scandal Previews Future of Obamacare

Government VA health clinics have now been caught falsifying records to hide long and sometimes deadly delays in treating our veterans. After recently investigating one of its Colorado outpatient clinics, they were shocked, but not surprised by the findings.

While many of the 6,300 veterans treated at the clinic were waiting far too long for appointments, clerks were told to falsify dates to make things look good.

Lawmakers were outraged when learning of this and demanded answers, but the VA is just operating like a government-run health-care system with shortages, delays and rationing."

None of this bodes well for Obamacare or those counting on it.

#### Employer Healthcare Vanishing?

Pushing Obamacare, the Democrats say it is time for healthcare to be an individual right as opposed to the way most Americans get their health insurance at work.

You can bet business will

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. St. Anthony, most loving protector and wonder worker, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day and by the 8th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. My prayers have been answered. Favor received.

start moving their workers from employer plans into the Obamacare state pools. Companies won't be scraping plans, but simply transferring them to Obamacare to save big bucks by simply paying small fines.

Once again, most Americans will end up with less care and paying more for it.

Republican Establishment
Shouldn't Gloat

The Republican Establishment is gloating over last week's primary fights where the GOP Tea Party candidate lost a primary fight and House Speaker John Boehner turned back a primary foe winning 70 percent of the vote.

The GOP is in big trouble and the Tea Party wing isn't the establishment trying to hold onto power for power's sake. Former NH Governor John Sununu and Andrew Card (George W. Bush's chief of staff), is singing the praises of former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush. They remind me of Bob Dole, George HW Bush and Howard Baker from stopping Ronald Reagan when he took on President Jerry Ford in 1976 and again in 1980 when the Reagan Revolution won the day.

I am a constitutional conservative and have called myself a Reagan Democrat since 1980. Today's Demo-

crats would not be recognized by the likes of Jack Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson or Hubert Humphrey. It has become a creeping socialist party with McCarthyite tendencies for those who aren't with them.

#### Only Forty-one Percent

President Barack Obama's approval rating of 41 percent is the lowest recorded during his presidency. The same recent *ABC/Washington Post* poll also found that 53 percent polled wanted the GOP to take control of the Senate too.

#### Democrats March Further Left

Boehner turned back a primary foe winning 70 percent of the vote.

The GOP is in big trouble and the Tea Party wing isn't the problem, the problem is the establishment trying to hold onto power for power's sake. Former NH Governor John Sununu and Andrew

Liberals are loving this French economist named Thomas Piketty, whose new book on income inequality Capital in the 21st Century has become a must read for the elites. This guy, who loves larger taxing of the struggling masses to make our society work in his image.

His book and the support for it among liberal elites tell me that Hillary is being viewed by her own party as perhaps too conservative for 2016. She has moved to her left not far enough for them.

This tells me Elizabeth Warren might actually have a shot in 2016, especially if the Benghazi hearings work against Democrats and Obama's handing of September 11, 2012 and those four Americans left for dead.

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A special thank you to our local volunteers, to the staff of the Suffolk County DA's office, to the members of the Massachusetts Association of Hispanic Attorneys, to the Latinas Shine Group, as well as to Sal LaMattina's office, the Mayor's staff, and to Public Works.

Let's keep East Boston's streets and sidewalks clean, the tree pits mulched, and the flowers watered!

For more details or questions, call Max Gruner, Executive Director of East Boston Main Streets at 617-561-1044.

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# 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.

My human companion does a lot of reading and sometimes she finds articles on pooches. She feels by reading, I can give my readers and pooch friend companions some information that may be interesting to them.

"Building a Strong Relationship with your Dog" Your dog is a social animal, that's what makes him such a fabulous, one-of-a-kind companion. He willingly incorporates you and your family into his social circle. Being a leader in your dog's social circle is a great way to build your relationship and to live a happy, healthy life together. Your dog will look to you to provide him with effective leadership. Being a good leader means providing your dog with structure and guidance. You may think that routine is boring, but it helps your dog understand his world, be calm and stay out of trouble! Here are some simple ways to help put you and your family in the "leader" position:

When interacting with your dog be kind and consistent. Have him "sit" or "lay down" before you give him anything he wants, from pet-

ting to tossing a toy. When he responds to you before you respond to him, he will start to look to you to set the rules, while at the same time getting in a daily training practice.

Gently handle your dog's ears, mouth and paws, so he learns to accept this. Start when he is very young and for brief periods of time. Remain playful during these exercises making a game out of them. Praise him and reward him with treats. These exercises are easy with most puppies, but if your puppy really struggles or gets upset, consult your veterinarian or seek assistance from a qualified dog trainer as soon as possible.

Use different tones of voice to communicate different messages. A higher than normal pitch is exciting, playful and perfect for praise. A normal tone, direct and confident, is your command tone. A lowered voice, your dog hears as a warning, like a growl. With practice, your puppy can learn to understand your mood through your tone of voice.

Exercise him daily. Remember that dogs learn through practice and repetition. Be patient!

If you do these things consistently, your dog will become friendly, well-balanced and well-mannered.

Remember, never hit or yell at your dog. Focus on preventing or distracting your dog from problem behaviors, not on correcting them. Replace unwanted behaviors with something appropriate if your dog chews, give him a good dispensing toy to work on or a good chew toy. That way you both win: he gets to chew and you get peace in your house. Dogs willingly and lovingly let us into their social circle. With a little practice and lots of love, you and your dog can be on your way to a long, happy, healthy life together.

I hope this article helped my friends, so everyone can be as happy as I am. Time, patience and love will go a long way with your pet. Loving them is so important because they become a great part of your life. On that note remember to PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET. That is your responsibility as a PET OWNER.

That's all for now.

# Dr. John Christoforo Marks 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary with "Nanna & Babbononno"

by Dr. Dean Saluti



John 23 years ago.

The years are moving too quickly! Who can believe that Dr. John has now completed his 23<sup>rd</sup> year with the Post-Gazette? It seems like just yesterday that he called me excited beyond control because he was to be honored to write a column that would feature his grandpar-

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ents, Nanna and Babbononno. Well, as we all know, Dr. John has done a wonderful job with this column for all these years. We now know all about his grandparents and we have, over time, all assimilated into his family, making his grandparents our own.

What is remarkable is that all of his stories about the days of the WWII Greatest Generation reflect the experiences of all our own grandparents and all of our own families parents "Nanna and Babbodidn't live in East Boston, but it all seems to hit home. The food, the clothes, the attitudes, all strictly Italian, were familiar. Thanks to Dr. John Christoforo, when we read his column, we own grandparents' table, Christoforo.



John today.

- not just Dr. John's. Maybe drinking red wine and eatwe didn't call our grand- ing pasta, sausages, and meatballs. I bet you all nonno," and maybe they remember rum cake for dessert!

We thank Dr. John for not only restoring our memories, but also for documenting Boston's ethnic families from two generations ago. Yes, God Bless America go back home to our and God Bless Dr. John



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# THOUGHTS BY DAN **ABOUT THIS & THAT**

with Daniel A. DiCenso

### Sulmona: My Journey Home

main village of Sulmona at the foot of the mountain is the little stone house where my father was born. I was well into my twenties when I first visited it, but it stands peacefully in a little road that has been the true home of the DiCenso's for over a hundred years. Before the now empty house, though, I noticed something much smaller. A small, almost obscure sign at the mouth of the cul de sac read "Casse DiCenso." It was welcoming me to the place that, as a DiCenso, I had a right to call home.

I say this because much of my family's story is also the story of Sulmona itself, my family having seen it through one of its darkest hours when the clouds of WWII set in. The war took its toll on my family, some of which stayed home and ended up sheltering fallen British airmen. My grandfather, however, was in the army and was shipped away by Mussolini to the Italian Somaliland, where he would become a POW when the British reclaimed that territory.

Visiting Sulmona today, the effects of the war are apparent, especially so away from the town. Much of the infrastructure in the farming communities has been crumbling for decades, but what has been preserved remarkably is the pristine natural beauty (which is largely untouched) and the tight-knit way of life that has kept the people of the Abruzzi close for generations.

The first thing I noticed when I arrived at the house in la campania is how peaceful it all was. The houses have been standing there in silent majesty for hundreds of years, seeing the same families grow and change. Just beyond the little stone best pasta plate I ever her children.

Tucked away from the fence surrounding Casse DiCenso is an open field where the only sounds heard are the wind from the mountain and the children of the village playing soccer on warm days. On summer nights you may be able to hear the crickets. Beyond that, lies the mountain, a stoic gateway to the Abruzzi National Park, the stronghold for Italy's last few brown bears.

> The term 'family neighborhood' is tossed around a bit and has lost some of its value, but Sulmona redefines it. In the villages your surname doesn't matter. If you're there, you're family and to Italians few things mean more than family. Largely because of this, the most important times in Sulmona are meal times and holidays. When I was there in the summer of 2005, I was lucky to attend a village festival. complete with music. a carnival, and food. The best part, of course, watching a community come together in celebration. Oh, how the Abruzzi people love to celebrate! I've yet to spend a Christmas or Easter in Sulmona, but I've promised myself I will someday. Lord knows, I've been raised on the holiday food from the colomba cake to panettone to giant chocolate Easter eggs and I've seen the "running Madonna" procession enough times on YouTube to want to see the real thing.

> But daily life is generally quiet in my father's village, so much so that at night I could hear the reminders that my bedroom was just above the sheep pen. These sheep are the village's livelihood, and every morning the farmers take the flock out to graze. Like the sheep, the villagers live off the land and I never had a more natural cuisine than during my stay in Sulmona. The



had, in fact, was served during the 30th anniversary reunion dinner thrown by my father's high school class. It was a plate of spaghetti like I have not been able to find anywhere else, with a yellow cream sauce made of egg yolk and milk.

The best thing about my father's childhood village is that the homes of everyone you know are within walking distance. More than anything, this is what makes the outskirts of Sulmona a family community.

Outside of the village into the main town of Sulmona, things are more widespread but nonetheless quaint. Sulmona is known as the "city of confetti" throughout Italy, but what I loved best was the world-class gelato shops that lined the streets. In the hot weather, the big attraction is the medieval parade and the beautiful displays before every florist and toy shop.

Sulmona is a small but lively city, in love with art, colors, and tradition. It's the place where my roots took shape hundreds of years ago and has been the true home of the DiCenso's for generations gone by and will be for generations to

Many have long made Boston our adopted home, having come here for opportunity when times were tough and built a life in the North End, Medford, and Malden, among other cities where new generations were born. Yes, Boston is the city that raised me and made me who I am. For that, I will love it for the rest of my life and will always consider it my true home. But, as a DiCenso, I know that I have a home away from home where my family name has grown for generations. Sulmona will always be there to welcome

# **The Stars Come Out** at Foxwoods



Noted Boston singer Jimmy Geany (left) meeting international singing sensation Julio Iglesias backstage at Foxwoods Casino last week. Julio was performing at The Grand Theater, while Jimmy was singing our National Anthem at a boxing show next door at the Fox Theater. The two singers spoke about their love for Italian music and the great Italian and Italian/ American singers throughout the years.

#### NOTICE TO TRADE CONTRACTORS REQUEST FOR TRADE CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

The MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY is soliciting Statements of Qualifications from TRADE CONTRACTORS interested in performing work for MPA PROJECT NO. L1319-C1, FRAMINGHAM PARKING GARAGE, FRAMINGHAM, MASSSACHUSETTS. The Authority is seeking Qualification Statements from Trade Contractors who have a demonstrated experience in the construction and implementation of similar work in terms of scale and complexity as required for the FRAMINGHAM PARKING GARAGE project in Framingham. In accordance with Massachusetts construction manager at-risk requirements, MGL Chapter 149a, Section 44F, Qualification Statements are being requested from trade contractors capable of performing the following classes of work: (a) Miscellaneous Metals, (b) Acoustical Tile, (c) Glass and Glazing, (d) Tile, (e) Painting, (f) Elevators, (g) Roofing and Flashing, (h) Plumbing, (i) Fire Protection Sprinkler System, (j) Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning, (k) Electrical.

The contract includes the following scope of work:

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Within the footprint of the garage, a new 7,000 square foot terminal building shall be constructed. The terminal building shall include office space for staff, Men's and Women's Rooms, passenger waiting area and space for a future concession. The terminal building shall be integrated into the

The estimated cost of the trade contractors' portion of this phase of the Project is approximately \$7,650,000 and the construction duration for this phase is approximately ten (10) months. The estimated value of work to be performed by trade contractors is as follows:

Miscellaneous Metals	\$383,000
Acoustical Tile	\$175,000
Glass and Glazing	\$1,445,000
Tile	\$120,000
Painting	\$52,000
Elevators	\$414,000
Roofing and Flashing	\$34,000
Plumbing	\$ 1,190,000
Fire Protection Sprinkler System	
Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning	\$300,000
Electrical	\$3,385,000

The Authority is implementing this project in accordance with MGL Chapter 149A, Sections 1 thru 13. This selection of trade contractors conforms to MGL Chapter 149A, Section 8, subsections (b) to (k) inclusive. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) will be utilized to prequalify trade contractors capable and experienced in the construction of parking garages and terminal buildings. The Authority shall lize a two-step process including the prequalification of trade contractors based on an evaluation of the Statement of Qualifications received in response to this solicitation, followed by an Invitation to Bidders that will only be issued to the prequalified trade contractors. A Prequalification Committee consisting of four representatives, one each from the Designer and the CM at Risk and two Massport staff. This Prequalification Committee will be conducting a qualifications-based evaluation of submittals received from interested trade contractors in order to identify prequalified trade contractors who will be invited to respond to a written Invitation to Bidders. Please note that the Authority is not utilizing this process to prequalify subcontractors who are not trade contractors which shall be done separately in accordance with MGL C149A, Section 8, subsection (j).

Qualification Statements shall be evaluated in accordance with the following criteria; (1) Management Experience; (2) Project References including a Public Project Record and (3) Capacity to Complete including a demonstration that the contractor has the financial stability and long-term viability to successfully implement the Project. A Supplemental Information Package that discusses these Evaluation Criteria and the Prequalification Process in more detail as well as any other requirements for the Qualification Statements will be available to interested parties beginning Wednesday, May 21, 2014, by contacting Susan Brace at 617-568-5961 or via email at sbrace@massport.com

A Project Briefing will be held on Thursday, May 29, 2013, at 1:00 PM in the Capital Programs Department, Logan Office Center, 2nd floor, 1 Harborside Drive, East Boston, MA. Attendance at the briefing is not mandatory, however, it is strongly encouraged in order to best familiarize your firm with the project details and the prequalification process.

Seven (7) copies of a bound document each limited to 20 sheets (40 pages), exclusive of covers and dividers and resumes which shall be limited to one page, shall be printed on both sides of the sheet (81/2" x 11") and shall be addressed to Mr. Houssam H. Sleiman, P.E., CCM, Director of Capital Programs and Environmental Affairs, and received no later than 12:00 Noon on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Suite 209S, Logan International Airport, East Boston, MA 02128-2909. Any submittal that exceeds the page limit set here or that is not received in the Capital Programs Department by the above deadline shall be rejected as non-responsive.

Questions regarding this RFQ shall be submitted in writing and directed to *cpbidquestions@* massport.com with the Project name and number included in the subject line of the email

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY THOMAS P. GLYNN CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## When East Boston was a Streetcar Suburb

by Sal Giarratani

Recently, someone I know showed me his grandfather's collection of old streetcar photos from East Boston and I thought the collection of photos was pretty cool and should be seen by more people to understand better where we are today thanks to all that happened in our past.

I actually grew up riding some of these streetcars myself. They were solid as rock, made of wood and colored of course in MTA orange. They were made to last decades and they did. If you travel through Boylston Street Station on the Green Line, you can see one of these parked there next to a not as old 1954 orange streetcar.

I appreciate Gary Tirrell for sharing his grandpa Felix Picariello's streetcar scrap-



Streetcar passing the old Gem movie theatre.



View from Meridian Street Bridge taken in 1949 showing a vintage streetcar headed towards Maverick Station.

book with me. I found these photos a valuable part of East Boston life back around the time I was born.



Streetcar passing Albano's Flower Shop on Meridian Street in 1950.

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# Socially Scene

by Angela Cornacchio



Shiva as Sadashiva or Mahesha is pictured above and remains a timeless mystery at the Musuem of Fine Arts Boston. Several features of this monumental sculpture identify it as the image of Shiva — one of the primary gods of Hinduism. Though there is much debate about what form of god it represents.

(Photo By Angela Cornacchio)

Socially Scene Reviewed ... Our city is not only one of champions, but host to some of the most magnificent historical artifacts at the Museum of Fine Arts.

The Boston Loves Impressionism exhibit is a collection of pieces put together by public votes and all have a little history tied in with our city. Choosing from a different themed group each week, fans voted for their favorite paintings from a selection of 50 works from the MFA's *Impressionist* collection, with the top 30 picks earning a spot in the exhibition.

woman and American to exhibit with the Impressionists, was an important ambassador for their work across the Atlantic. She encouraged collectors in both Boston and New York to buy progressive French Art and contributed to its development through her own work, which often represents modern women in everyday scenes. The painting was the first object in the current exhibition to appear before the Boston public; it exhibited at Massachusetts Charitable Me-Association chanics

Throughout the hallways are priceless ceramic bowls, tea sets and plates, all from 17<sup>th</sup> century Iran. It concludes as you enter into the Art of Asia which displays

sculptures you may ever see. The exhibit focuses on the religion and beliefs of Buddhism and Hinduism. There are many pieces with rich tradition and some with mystery from being such a unique secret of existence. Next you will find yourself taken in by a full wall of Return of the Dragon in the Japanese Art exhibit. There are amazingly stitched works of fashion and a large staircase full of iron art.

Exhibits that are coming to a conclusion include: Boston Loves Impressionism through May 26th, Visiting Master-Mary Cassatt, the only peices: Caravaggio and Connoisseurship exhibited until June 15th and Think Pink is only through May 26th.

> You can find out more about what's going on at the Museum of Fine Arts at www.mfa.org.

Boston Calling is Back ... That large-scale music festival we've all been talking about is back! Newly-minted Crash Line Productions is teaming up with Bowery to present the second year of Boston Calling, a three-day, multi-band music festival to take place on City Hall Plaza this Memorial Day weekend.

Boston Calling will hold two festivals at City Hall Plaza in Boston. The spring edition will be May 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, promises Death Cab for Cutie, The Decemberists, Modest Mouse, Jack John-son, Warpaint, Walking off the some of the most detailed Earth, built to spill and more.

Festival organizers have revealed the lineup for their fall festival, which will take place September 5th-7th and will include: The National. Lorde, Neutral Milk Hotel, The Replacements, Nas with The Roots, Spoon, Childish Gambino, Girl Talk, The War on Drugs, The Hold Steady, Future Islands, Volcano Choir, Sky Ferreira, White Denim, The 1975, and San Fermin.

The event is fun-filled and has more than just music. Delicious food from Chipotle Mexican Grill, Tasty Burger, Roxy's, Bon Me, The Chicken and Rice Guys, Flatbread Pizza and more. Sam Adams will be featured in all beer vending areas as well as in the VIP section. All VIP catering will be handled by the Hard Rock Cafe in Boston. Beer and wine will be available to those who are

In addition to the festival, CrashLine Productions announced that they will be hosting "block parties" at Dewey Square throughout the summer.

Directly across from South Station, the "Boston Calling Block Party" series will offer passerby's a chance to catch local bands that are handselected by the Boston Calling staff. Performances will be held on the lawn every Thursday, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The last shows will be in late September. Boston Calling has a list of bands that will be filtering through this summer, which will be updated regularly on their website.

This three-day festival only in its second year has become quite the hit!

Grab your tickets at www.spring.bostoncalling.com or ticketmaster.com and make your Memorial Day weekend a good one!

OBERON Events ... The American Repertory Theater second stage and club theater venue, announces their May lineup of exciting and original programming on the fringe of Harvard Square.

The coming months include limited engagements as well as the return of OBERON favorites such as The Moth, You're the Expert, and Mortified; as well as OBERON Artists in Residence The Boston Circus Guild's Speakeasy Circus, Touch Performance Art's Acoustica Electronica, and Liars and Believers's Icarus.

The Moth is presented by The Moth StorySlam on Tuesday, May 20th at 8:00 pm. The Moth StorySLAMs are steadily spreading all over the map, gathering people and stories from all over the country. New York, Los



Longtime great Jack Johnson will bring his serenade to City Hall on Friday, May 23rd for the Boston Calling (Photo Yy sodahead.com) Concert.

Angeles, Chicago, and Detroit/Ann Arbor have multiple shows each month. Louisville and Pittsburgh, added last year, are thriving. And this fall have added Boston, Milwaukee, Portland and Seattle! The shows are open to anyone with a fiveminute story to share on the night's posted theme. The brave of heart, or those with stories they're aching to tell, prepare personal, true tales. When the doors open, storyteller hopeful's put their names in The Moth hat. A half hour later, names are picked, and one by one, storytellers take the stage.

Each person has just five minutes! The ten featured stories are scored by teams of judges selected from the audience. Each StorySLAM generates a StorySLAM winner. After ten SLAMs, the winners face off in a Grand-SLAM Championships. Go sign up to tell a story, or just enjoy the show!

Speakeasy Circus is presented by The Boston Circus Guild and OBERON on Friday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm and 10:00 pm. Get dolled-up in your finest threads and put on your dancing shoes!

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# **Estefan's Dine at Gennaro's 5 North Square**



Friday night May 9th at Gennaro's 5 North Square, in Boston's North End, Gloria and Emilio Estefan and family enjoyed a beautiful Italian dinner prepared by Executive Chef Marisa Iocco. With a chefs tasting to include her seafood stew, signature bolognese and her classic signature bread puddings.

## ............ by Bob Morello ... more than meets the eye

#### NOAH AND THE GREAT ARK (DVD) Lionsgate Home Ent.

'Noah and the Great Ark' explores one of the most well known stories of the Bible in three specials. 'Voyage to a New Beginning' looks at the legend of Noah the man. Sailor, vintner, farmer, healer, prophet, and is said to have lived for 950 years. 'Mega Disasters: Noah's Great Flood' uses technology to re-create a devastating tsunami that spread across the Mediterranean Sea 8,000 years ago, slamming into the shores of three continents in only a few hours. 'Mysteries of the Bible: Noah and the Flood,' compares the Old Testament account to flood myths from other cultures, including the Assyrians, American Indians, and Mayans. The truth revealed?

#### THE WRATH OF VAJRA (Blu-ray) Well Go USA Ent.

Former Shaolin monk and martial arts action star Xing Yu as Vajra, a child kidnapped and trained as an assassin during WWII. He kills his own brother accidentally, and vows to take revenge. He escapes and begins a quest to protect the innocent, destroying those responsible for making him a living weapon. When a death cult starts buying local children, he sets out to save them and avenge his brother. First he must defeat their three greatest warriors in battle.

#### LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE: SEASON ONE & PILOT DELUXE REMASTERED EDITION (Blu-ray)

Lionsgate Home Ent. All 24 season one episodes have been restored and remastered for optimal picture and sound quality. Beginning with the original pilot movie that introduced the Ingalls family to millions of viewers around the world. Relive all the heartwarming adventures from season one from the arrival of Charles Ingalls and his family in Walnut Grove, through the building of a new home and friendships, to battling for their lives against a vicious blizzard. A 'must have!'

#### TICKETY TOC: SPRING CHICKS TIME (DVD) Anchor Bay Ent.

The adorable duo Tommy

and Tallulah celebrate Spring with the help of their Tickety Town friends, including Pufferty McCoggins, Madame Au Lait, Battersby, and Hopparoo! In these six fair-weather and fun episodes, there's an outdoor adventure around every corner including a town picnic, a nature hike, a search for watermelon on a hot day and a kite-flying contest! There are races against the clock,

life lessons that matter, high-flying kites, coloring pages and more!

#### SCOOBY-DOO! **WRESTLEMANIA** MYSTERY (Blu-ray) WWE Studios and

Warner Bros. Home Ent. This all-new original movie delivers endless action with Scooby-Doo, Shaggy and the rest of the gang! The mystery begins when Shaggy and Scooby win tickets to WrestleMania and convince the crew to go with them to WWE city. But this city harbors a spooky secret — a ghastly Ghost Bear holds the town in his terrifying grip! To protect the coveted WWE Championship Title, the gang gets help from WWE Superstars John Cena, Triple H, Sin Cara, Brodus Clay, AJ Lee, The Miz and Kane. Scooby and the gang grapple with solving this case before it's too late. An adventure for the whole

#### **EXTREME BEARS** (2-DVD) BBC Home Ent.

family!

They may look cute and cuddly, but bears can also be absolutely brutal killers. This epic, natural-history triple-bill reveals the many sides of this often-misunderstood creature. 'Great Bear Stakeout' provides an intimate perspective of a whole cast of bear character as the face sometimes shocking life or death scenarios. 'Polar Bear Battlefield' uses hidden miniature cameras combined with satellite views and more to infiltrate the hidden worlds of the polar beat and its prey. Finally, 'Bears — Spy in the Woods' brings the viewer within a paw's swipe of the giant panda, the brown bear, the polar bear and the less wellknown spectacled bear by using roving cameras, offering an intimate portraval of these engaging creatures.

#### THE GABBY DOUGLAS STORY (DVD) Sony Pictures Home Ent.

A prodigy from a very young age, Gabby Douglas won numerous state gymnastics championship titles in her age group throughout her early competitive career. Although Gabby and her family faced economic challenges at home, she made the difficult decision to move to Iowa to train with renowned coach Liang Chow to pursue her dream of Olympic glory. Buoyed by her early success, dedication, faith and unvielding love from her family, Gabby made it to the 2012 Olympics in London. Her sacrifice and perseverance were triumphantly rewarded with Team Competition and Individual All-Around gold medals, placing Gabby and her teammates known as "The Fierce Five" among the world's alltime gymnastics greats.

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The time has come, the walrus said.

#### TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

#### LUAU AT DON ORIONE

Once again, it was Luau time up at the Don Orione earlier this week. Andrea Cali puts on some great events for the folks up there. This one was loved by all. Of course, Smokin' Joe was there as usual getting the crowd up on their feet dancing to the music.

#### HAITIAN DAY **UNITY PARADE**

The 14th Annual Haitian-American Unity Parade takes place this Sunday, May 18th starting at 1:00 pm in Mattapan Square and moving down Blue Hill Avenue. Each year more and more politicians join in to celebrate this unity parade. The weather was great for this one last year, and with it starts Boston's Parade Season. Sunday, June 1st will be Dorchester Day Parade and Sunday, June 15th will be my favorite, the Bunker Hill Day Parade in Charlestown.

#### **BULGER BIG HIT** LAST SATURDAY

Former Senate President Bill Bulger was the featured speaker at the South Boston Arts Association May meeting at the Curley Center. Besides politics, Bulger is known for his charm, Irish wit and not a bad Irish tenor either. Being smart and funny can take you a long ways and he is both, and more.

#### DORCHESTER DAY PARADE COMMITTEE **FUNDRAISER**

Join in a night of fun and help support the efforts of the Dorchester Day Parade

Committee. There will be another candidate's night at music, entertainment, delicious appetizers, and great raffle prizes! This year they will be honoring The Dorchester Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee. For more details or to purchase tickets, contact: The 10K Committee at 617-909-6451 or dotdayparade10k @gmail.com. All proceeds benefit the Dorchester Day Parade.

#### IS THERE A DENTIST IN THE HOUSE?

I recently met a former dentist of mine over at F1 Boston in Braintree at a political time. I hadn't seen him in years but when I looked at him and saw his campaign literature, it all came back to me.

Dr. Tim Hempton practices his dentistry skills over in Dedham and is running as a Republican for state representative in Norwood and parts of Walpole.

Hey, there's lots of decay up on Beacon Hill, a dentist might be just the guy for the

#### ALREADY MISSING MICHAEL GRAHAM

I loved listening to Michael Graham mid-day on WCRN am 830 on the radio dial and was shocked as he reported that he was leaving for a new radio gig in Atlanta. His is a voice that will be missed. He was both informative and entertaining to boot.

Our loss is Atlanta's gain. ANOTHER WARD 3 **CANDIDATES NITE COMING UP** 

Candidates for statewide office will be returning to the Nazzaro Community Center. The event is being sponsored by the North End Ward 3 Democratic committee. The date is Wednesday, May 21st at 6:30 pm.

#### **DUKAKIS NOT GIVING UP** ON NORTH SOUTH RAIL LINK

Legislative negotiators are trying to decide on an investment in an underground rail line beneath Boston's waterfront and North End. Former Governor Mike Dukakis is doing his best to sell the idea and get the votes to pass it. Mayor Marty Walsh is for the project. Dukakis believes the cost is somewhere around \$2 billion and not the larger number being thrown around to scare off project supporters. The rail link would tie North Station to South Station. Actually back up to the Fifties, Boston did have a street level rail link between North and South Station. Keep on keeping on, Governor Dukakis.

#### CITY OF CHELSEA IN ALL-AMERICA CITY RUNNING

In 1998, out of the ashes of state receivership, the City of Chelsea was named an All-America City by the National Civic League. Next month, Chelsea will be returning to Mobile, Alabama to once again to try a win the All-America City.

Chelsea is a city moving again. It is a healthy and prosperous community of people working together for each other. I am rooting for Chelsea.

#### • Massachusetts Education and Law Awards (Continued from Page 1)

The Scholarship Commission of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts awarded a total of 29 scholarships to high school seniors pursudegrees in majors such as engineering, education, finance, business, and science. The students

come from the tops of their classes and are involved in numerous national honor societies, extracurricular activities, and volunteer organizations.

The combined event provided an opportunity for the professionals to give

great advice to the collegebound students about the importance of working hard to achieve their goals.

The new event proved to be a great success for the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, which is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### • MassDOT (Continued from Page 1)

Tuesday, May 20, 2014 **from 6:pm-8pm** — Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission, 2 Washington Square, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Worcester, MA

Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 10am-1pm (Public hearing) — State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor - MBTA Board Room, Boston, MA

Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 6pm-8pm — State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Rooms, Boston,

Tuesday, May 27, 2014 **from 6pm-8pm** — Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 60 Congress Street, Springfield, MA

MassDOT also encourages the public to provide written comments by mail or email during the comment period. Written comments may be mailed to: MassDOT Legal Department, Regulations, RMV, 10 Park Plaza, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02116. Emailed comments may be sent

to: wmcvey@state.ma.us. The comment period will close on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

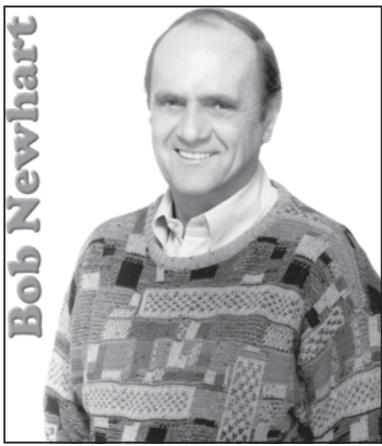
MassDOT anticipates the new fee structure will generate approximately \$55 million to \$63 million in Fiscal Year 2015. The new fees are scheduled to go into effect July 1, 2014.

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In 2009, the Massachu-

setts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) was created to unify the state's various transportation agencies. MassDOT now includes the Highway Division, the MBTA and Rail Transit Division, the Aeronautics Division, and the Registry of Motor Vehicles. MassDOT is committed to providing a safe and reliable transportation system to all those who travel in the Commonwealth and works to deliver excellent customer service. MassDOT has been nationally recognized for its innovative approach to transportation, including the Accelerated Bridge Program, the "Where's My Bus and Train?" apps and "Fast 14" work. For more information, visit MassDOT at our website: www.mass.gov/massdot blog: http://blog.mass.gov/ transportation/, or follow MassDOT on twitter at https://twitter.com/ MassDOT and Facebook at www.facebook.com/ massdotinfo.





Don't miss Bob Newhart on May 30th at the Wilbur Theatre. Check out the COMEDY SECTION for more details.

## **MUSIC**

HOUSE OF BLUES 15 Lansdowne Street, Boston 888-693-2583 www.HouseOfBlues.com

**DANITY KANE** — May 30. Danity Kane is an American girl group comprising of founding members Aubrey O'Day, Aundrea Fimbres, Shannon Bex and Dawn Richard. Formed on the third iteration of MTV's Making the Band reality TV series in 2005, they were soon signed to Bad Boy Records by Diddy. Danity Kane's selftitled debut studio album was released in 2006 and achieved success in the U.S., shipping a million copies domestically, while spawning two singles with top 10 single "Show Stopper" and the ballad "Ride for You." Their second studio album, Welcome to the Dollhouse, was released in 2008, following the release of their second top 10 single "Damaged." The band became the first female group in Billboard history to debut their first two albums at the top of the charts.

TD GARDEN 100 Legends Way, Boston 617-624-1050 www.TDGarden.com

**LADY GAGA** — June 30. One of the top global touring acts of our time, having sold nearly 4 million tickets during her first 3 tours, Lady Gaga is hitting the road in support of her new album ARTPOP. Live Nation Global www.GilletteStadium.com Touring announced that Lady Gaga's

artRave: The ARTPOP Ball will begin May 4th in Ft. Lauderdale. The tour will include several cities that have not hosted Lady Gaga before as well as cities that missed her tour in 2013 following a hip injury, which forced her to cancel.

WILBUR THEATER 246 Tremont Street, Boston 617-248-9700 www.TheWilbur.com

BOYZ II MEN — May 18. During the 1990s, Boyz II Men gained international success. This began with the release of the Number One single "End of the Road" in 1992, which reached the top of charts across the globe. "End of the Road" would set a new record for longevity, staying at Number One on the Billboard Hot 100 for thirteen weeks, breaking the decades-old record held by Elvis Presley. Boyz II Men proceeded to break this record with the subsequent releases of "I'll Make Love to You" and "One Sweet Day" (with Mariah Carey), which, at fourteen and sixteen weeks respectively, each set new records for the total number of weeks at Number One. Both songs topped the charts in Australia, for four weeks, and garnered international success. As of 2013, "One Sweet Day" still holds the alltime record with sixteen weeks at the top of the Hot 100.

GILLETTE STADIUM 1 Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA (800) 543-1776

JAY-Z & BEYONCE — July 1. On

the Run Tour: Beyoncé and Jay Z in partnership with #BeyGood benefitting the Shawn Carter Foundation. Jay-Z and Beyonce are heading out On the Run this Summer, bringing their superstar talent to stadiums across the nation. Easily this generation's most iconic power couple, Mr. and Mrs. Carter have teased us since 2008 by making guest appearances on each other's solo albums, but this is the first time you can see the two together in one flawless show, which will include smash collaborations such as Crazy in Love, Deja Vu and the epic Drunk in Love. A dream come true for fans of the married couple, this is the closest to perfection we can imagine!

**GREAT SCOTT** 1222 Commonwealth Avenue, Allston

www.GreatScottBoston.com

TALES OF OLDE — May 28. Indie folk-rock band Tales of Olde mix earnest songwriting, tight musicianship and beautiful harmonies creating sonic atmospheres that toe the line between folk and pop. With a viral YouTube cover of Justin Timberlake's "Pusher Love Girl" and countless sold out Boston hometown shows under their belt, Tales of Olde are offering the first taste of their forthcoming fanfunded EP with the new single, "Why." This album release party promises to be a blowout.

## **THEATER**

THE HANOVER THEATRE 2 Southbridge St., Worcester 877-571-SHOW (7469) www.TheHanoverTheatre.org

GHOST THE MUSICAL

June 5-8. Relive the iconic and magical moments from the Oscar-winning movie "Ghost" in a brand-new Broadway musical. Ghost the Musical breathes glorious new life into a timeless love story. The musical features an original pop score from multiple Grammy Award-winners Dave Stewart, one half of the 80s pop duo the Eurythmics, and Glen Ballard, co-writer with Alanis Morissette on the multi-platinum album Jagged Little Pill. The musical's tale of everlasting love is thrilling entertainment for audiences of all ages. Adapted from the hit film by its Academy Awardwinning screenwriter Bruce Joel Rubin, Ghost the Musical follows Sam and Molly, a young couple whose connection takes a shocking turn after Sam's death.

STONEHAM THEATRE 395 Main Street, Stoneham 781-279-2200

http://StonehamTheatre.org

THE SECRET GARDEN — Nowthrough June 8. Mary Lennox, a young orphan, is sent to England to live with her reclusive uncle and sickly cousin. When this neglected child discovers an equally neglected garden, she begins to bring life (and a bit of magic) back to both the garden and her uncle's manor. This lush Broadway musical won 3 Tony Awards, including "Best Score of a Musical." Directed by Caitlin Lowans and Weylin Symes.

**BOSTON OPERA HOUSE** 539 Washington St., Boston, MA 617-259-3400

www.BostonOperaHouseOnline.com

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA -June 26 through July 20. A mysterious deformed musical genius stalks the Paris Opera, passing his time terrorizing the members of the company and its owners. But when he hears the beautiful and innocent chorus girl Christine Daae sing he falls in love, teaching this young soprano to sing the Music of the Night. Believing him to be her guardian angel, Christine blossoms under his tutelage. But when she becomes engaged to another man, he hatches a terrifying plot to kidnap her, and he will murder anybody who gets in his way. Andrew Lloyd Webber's smash musicalization of the Gaston Leroux novel won the 1988 Tony Award for Best Musical. Now a new era beckons for Broadway megahit Phantom — beginning with the launch of a national tour of a newly reimagined production.

## **COMEDY**

REGENT THEATRE 7 Medford Street, Arlington 781-646-4849

www.RegentTheatre.com JOE AVATI "BACK TO BASICS" **WORLD TOUR** — June 14. Joe Avati is one of Australia's top comedy exports sitting just behind Kath and Kim, Chris Lilley and Barry Humphries. He is also the world's number one selling bilingual comedian. His massive cult following sees him crisscross the globe performing his unique brand of comedy (performing in both English and Italian) on both sides of the Atlantic where he sells out in the United Kingdom, The United States of America and Canada. This puts him into an elite group of comedians alongside the likes of Jerry Seinfeld, Russell Brand, Robin Williams, Bill Cosby, Billy Connolly and Barry Humphries. Joe Avati has been  $dubbed \ {\it ``the biggest comedian you've'}$ never heard of," cleverly staying under the radar and sidestepping the limelight avoiding the media

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

LEGENDS OF BOSTON COMEDY June 14. This amazing lineup stars Boston comedy superstar Lenny Clarke, "The Godfather of Boston Comedy," Don Gavin, "The Funniest Man You've Never Heard Of," Kenny Rogerson and hometown favorite  $\boldsymbol{Tony}\ \boldsymbol{V}.$  See the comedians that ushered in the golden age of Boston comedy! Never once giving up on their love for comedy has put these four performers in the icon category for comedy fans of all ages. They are ready with hilarious material, impeccable stage presence, and some of the best Boston accents you've ever heard.

CASINO BALLROOM 169 Ocean Boulevard Hampton Beach, NH 603-929-4100 www.CasinoBallroom.com

BILL COSBY — August 16. Over the past century, few entertainers have achieved the legendary status of William H. Cosby Jr. His successes span five decades and virtually all media, remarkable accomplishments for a kid who emerged from humble beginnings in a Philly project. In the 1960s, his stand-up act was a coastto-coast sensation, spawning a string of hilarious, best-selling comedy albums, which went on to win eight Gold Records, five Platinum records and five Grammy Awards. His role on TV's I Spy made him the first African-American to co-star in a dramatic series, breaking television's racial barrier and winning three Emmy Awards. In the 1980s, he again rocked the television world with the The Cosby Show, a gentle, whimsical and hugely successful series that single-handedly revived the family sitcom (and rescued NBC). With hit movies like Uptown Saturday Night and best-selling books like Fatherhood, Bill Cosby is quite simply a national treasure with the unique ability to touch people's hearts.

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

BOB NEWHART — May 30. Noted for his deadpan and slightly stammering delivery, Newhart came to prominence in the 1960s when his album The Button-Down Mind of Bob Newhart was a worldwide bestseller and reached number one on the Billboard pop album chart. The follow-up album, The Button-Down Mind Strikes Back! was also a massive success, and the two albums held the Billboard number one and number two spots simultaneously. Newhart later went into acting, starring in two prizewinning situation comedies, first as psychologist Dr. Robert "Bob" Hartley on the sitcom The Bob Newhart Show and then as innkeeper Dick Loudon on the sitcom Newhart. Newhart also appeared in film roles such as Major Major in Catch-22 and Papa Elf in Elf. He provided the voice of Bernard in the Walt Disney animated films The Rescuers and The Rescuers Down Under. In 2013 he guest starred in three episodes of The Big Bang Theory, for one of which he won his first Primetime Emmy Award on September 15, 2013.

## **MUSEUMS**

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

PANDAS: THE JOURNEY HOME - Pandas are a lovable, iconic, and unfortunately — highly endangered species. In Pandas: The Journey Home, meet the dedicated team working tirelessly to save these captivating creatures from extinction. Filmmakers were granted unprecedented

access to the China Conservation and Research Center for the Giant Panda to tell the story of our furry friends. The pandas' fascinating habits and unique personalities will leave you with a huge appreciation for the animals and the individuals working to protect them. Witness an incredible story of survival and fall in love with these black and white gentle giants on the IMAX Dome

2THEXTREME: MATHALIVE! — Opens May 25th. 2theXtreme: MathAlive! is a highly entertaining, interactive exhibit that lets visitors experience math in action. It brings to life all the different types of mathematics at work behind video games, sports, design, music, entertainment, space, robotics, and more. Innovative technologies create fun experiences that help you understand how math is used in countless ways. Six themed sections with hands-on examples show the relevancy of math to real life: "Outdoor Action," "Build Your World," "Future Style," "Kickin' It," "Game Plan," and "Robotics and Space." Throughout the exhibit, you'll be accompanied by the BotZ, three math-loving virtual guides. With quirky personalities and kid-friendly language, the BotZ make mathematical concepts more accessible to younger visitors.

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

HYNES CONVENTION CENTER 900 Boylston Street, Boston 617-954-2000

www.MassConvention.com STAR TREK CONVENTION -

June 21-22. The 2014 Star Trek Convention will include a great list of celebrities and offer attendees an off-the-hook, sensational weekend to remember. They are thrilled to add one of their favorites to the guest celebrity list, which already includes three captains, nine total guests and some fantastic events and attractions — priced at an amazing deal for full days of live

CAFE FLEURI, LANGHAM HOTEL 250 Franklin Street, Boston 617-451-1900

www.Boston.LanghamHotels.com DECADES OF DECADENCE -

Every Saturday through June 28. The Chocolate Bar at The Langham, The acclaimed dessert paradise brings more than 200 pounds of chocolate to diners, and to celebrate the landmark anniversary, Excutive Chef Mark Sapienza and Pastry Chef Ryan Pike present "Decades of Decadence," featuring the most popular desserts from the past 25 years. With a DJ sppining fun upbeat tunes, the all-you-canenjoy Chocolate Bar feature stations with varying levels of chocolate intensity and flavors. There is also an adult chocolate cocktail menu featuring cocoa-infused martinis.

MARINE INDUSTRAIL PARK South Boston 877-613-0134

www.Boston-Theater.com CIRQUE DU SOLEIL - AMALUNA

- May 29-June 15. Amaluna invites you to a mysterious island ruled by goddesses and guided by the cycles of the moon. Their queen, Prospera, directs her daughter's coming-of-age ceremony in a rite that honours femininity, renewal, rebirth and balance marking the passing of these insights and values from one generation to the next. In the wake of a storm caused by Prospera, a group of young men seek refuge on the island, triggering an emotional story of love between Prospera's daughter and a brave young suitor. But their love will be put to the test. The couple must face numerous demanding trials and overcome daunting setbacks before they can achieve mutual trust, faith and harmony.

## DANCE

THE HANOVER THEATRE 2 Southbridge St., Worcester 877-571-SHOW (7469)

www.TheHanoverTheatre.org DANCE INTERPRETATION OF CATS BY BURNCOAT DANCE -

May 21. In keeping with tradition, once again, the Burncoat Dance Department will mesmerize audiences with this year's production: A Dance Interpretation of CATS. The theme tells the story of a group of cats called the Jellicles and the night they make what is known as "The Jellicle Choice."

# **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 RocGardarco Mesiti 11:00 am-1:00 pm; Sundays 90.7 FM or online www.djrocco.com.

"The Nick Franciosa Show" — Sundays from Noon to  $3:00~\mathrm{pm}$  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 Emanuele Capoano — Thursdays 2:00 pm-4:00 pm. Visit www.zumix.org/radio or litaliachiamo.wordpress.com; email:  $litalia chia moshow@gmail.com.\ Tel.\ 857-334-0868.$ 

# Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

Want more than one wife? Then move to Kenya. Men in Kenya may now take as many wives as they want. President Uhuru Kenyata signed a bill into law that legalizes the long standing practice of polygamy while outlawing the paying of a dowry to a bride's family. The bill, which allows men to marry a second or third wife without their first wife's consent, was passed by Parliament in March following heated, late-night debates that saw female lawmakers storm out of the chamber in protest. Women are not allowed to marry more than one man. Speaking of marriages, actress Jodie Foster has married girlfriend Alexandra Hedison, just over a year after publicly coming out in an emotional Golden Globes speech. The actress, 51, had been seeing Hedison, 44, an actress who used to date Ellen DeGeneres, for less than a year. Foster was with former partner Cydney Barnard for two decades until their split in 2008, and they have two sons together.

Wow! Eternal bachelor George Clooney, a notorious commitment-phobic who refused to wed a string of beautiful models and actresses he's dated, has proposed to his girlfriend of just seven months, British human rights attorney Amal Alamuddin. Clooney swore off marriage after his 1989 nuptials ended in divorce, and just last year said he had no "aspirations in that way, ever." That all changed when Clooney, 52, met Alamuddin, 36, a glamorous lawyer who graduated from Oxford University and New York University School of Law. The Lebanese-born lawyer initially rebuffed Clooney's invitation to go on a date, but when they went to dinner, the two bonded over their mutual interest in human rights issues. Clooney's mother Nica raved about her. "She's a lawyer, she is brilliant, she is a very bright woman and at the very top of her career.'

Huh? Americans pay far more for pharmaceuticals and medical tests than people do in countries where a single agency negotiates prices. A prescription for Nexium, a heartburn drug, for example, costs \$215 on average in the U.S., but only \$58 in Spain, \$42 in England, and \$23 in the Netherlands. An MRI costs \$1,145 on average in the U.S., \$350 in Australia, and \$138 in Switzerland.

Gee, more than 541,000 people finished marathons in the U.S. last year, an all-time high.

Good news! The 2,023 students Harvard University accepted for the class of 2018 are the most diverse in the school's history. African-American students make up 11.9 percent of the admitted students: Hispanics, 13 percent; and Asians, 19.7 percent. So reported The Harvard Crimson.

This just in. Thirty-two percent of Americans say they prefer Democrats' healthcare plan, while just 18 percent think Republicans have a better plan, down from 24 percent in March.

Duck! Duck! An Oregon woman is being sued for \$275,000 after her pet duck allegedly attacked a woman on the street. The victim's attorney said the pet bird, Squirt, was known as the "crazy duck" for its previous predations on humans, and had knocked his client over, breaking her wrist. But a woman who knows Squirt well insisted that the duck was just overly friendly. "He liked to bite legs and try to hump people," she said.

Huh? President Obama's approval rating has dropped to a new low of 41% down from 45% just a few months ago. Just 37% approve of how he is handling the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, and 34% approve of how he's handing the situation in Ukraine.

Really dirty money! A cash-stuffed wallet may as well be a petri dish. A new generic analysis reveals that a U.S. \$1 bill can be home to more than 3,000 types of bacteria. "We actually found that microbes grew on money", Jane Carlton, director of genome sequencing at New York University tells The Wall Street Journal. The bacteria — including some found in fecal matter — are picked up from the dirty hands of people, with microbes feeding on the waxy residue of skin

and oils that collects on bills in circulation.

Be aware, about one-

fifth of U.S. households fall into what researchers call the "wealthy hand-tomouth," meaning that while they have significant wealth in the form of houses and retirement accounts, they lack liquid assets and are therefore living paycheck to paycheck.

Restaurant chains are considering charging for extra condiments, a recent market research survey found that 80 percent of consumers would be willing to pay for extra ketchup, mayonnaise, or relish. Half said that even being asked to pay would prompt them to take their business elsewhere.

Giuseppina, cosce storte, says "Most of us can't afford to eat out any more, but sometimes we park near a restaurant and inhale."

Carlo Scostumato, claims in San Francisco there's a Chinese restaurant that serves all you can eat for one dollar — but they give you only one chopstick.

Bela Culo of Chestnut Hill, says a restaurant in Little Rock, Arkansas, is so unsanitary the waitresses usually ask, "Coffee, tea, or Lysol?'

Sign in a South Carolina restaurant: "Don't make fun of our coffee. You may be old and weak vourself someday."

Customers forked over a total of \$2.5 billion in cancellation fees to U.S. Airlines in 2012, up from \$915.2 million in 2007 — an increase of 172 percent.

Bang! Bang! Sales of gun silencers to U.S. civilians jumped 37 percent last year to nearly half a million, up from 360,000 in 2012 and 285,000 in 2011. According to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the devices are now so popular that there's currently a nine month waiting period for registration approval.

We have been asked where most Italian Americans live. In brief, according to the United States Census, New York State leads them all with 2,737,146. Second is New Jersey with 1,503,637. California is the home of 1450,884 Italian Americans, and Florida is the home of 1,003,977 tanned Italian Americans. There are but 5,3289 Italian Americans in North Dakota. There are but 17,944 warm-hearted Italian Americans in Alaska. The small populated state of Montana is the home of 28,031 Italian Americans. Some decades ago, we were a guest speaker in Billings, Montana and we did get to meet an Italian American. He mentioned how his great-grandmother had left a recipe on how to make bracioli.

Remember, during World War II, an estimated 1.5 million Americans of Italian descent served in the U.S. military, constituting one of the largest segments of the U.S. combat forces of about 12 million. Last count, Massachusetts has 36,835 living World War II veterans. Count me in.

Show business reminiscing with the stately musicologist Albert Natale. Singer Peggy Lee joined the Benny Goodman band in 1941. Her first recording success with the band came in 1942 with the song "I Got It Bad And That Ain't Good." Al Martino was a bricklayer in South Philadelphia when, in 1950, a fellow Philadelphian Mario Lanza, encouraged him to pursue a recording career. In 1943, after Georgia Gibbs won an audition for the Jimmy Durante radio show, Garry Moore gave her the nickname of "Her Nibs." Brenda Lee started singing at age four. She landed a regular TV show in Atlanta, after winning top honors in a local TC children's talent contest. And Steve Lawrence met Edyie Gorme while both were regulars on the Steve Allen Tonight Show and married in 1957. One more time! Julius LaRosa joined the Navy in 1947 and sang in the Navy clubs. He was hired by Arthur Godfrey for his radio show late in 1951 and began his climb in popularity. His biggest hits were "Anywhere I wander" and "Eh Cumpari," both hitting the top ten in 1952. AMERICA IS A BEAUTIFUL ITALIAN NAME

# Recipes from the Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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Vita Sinopoli has been contributing her recipes to the Post-Gazette for 15 years. Vita passed away on March 18, 2014 and she will be greatly missed by everyone. We will continue to publish her countless recipes, a gift she left behind and a token to remember her by.

#### POLLO SPEZZATO ALLA SICILIANA

Cut-up Chicken-Sicilian Style

- A three-pound cut-up chicken
- 1/4 cup olive oil 1 large onion cut in quarters
- 5 cloves garlic 3 carrots—cut into two-inch
- pieces 2 medium potatoes-cut in
- quarters
- two-inch wedges\*

vinegar\*

(optional)

- 1 large green pepper-cut into
- 1 cup green peas (canned or frozen)

1 fresh tomato chopped

2 tablespoons wine or cider

1 tablespoon dried oregano

- 1 cup mushrooms (optional)
- 1 cup water Salt

\*Two or three slices of prepared vinegar peppers can be used in place of fresh green pepper slices, wine and/or cider vinegar.

Heat oil in a saucepan and slightly brown chicken portions in the pan. Add onion and chopped garlic cloves to saucepan and simmer for a short time before adding chopped tomato (optional) and half a cup of water. Cover and continue simmering slowly until broth boils. Add carrots, potatoes, oregano and additional water. Cover and cook slowly for about fifteen minutes. Add prepared vinegar peppers or wine or cider vinegar. Stir and add mushrooms and peas. Stir and cook until chicken and vegetables are fork tender (about thirty to forty-five minutes, depending on size of chicken pieces). Salt to taste.

This recipe does not require a lot of broth but enough to serve some with the chicken and vegetables. Add additional water if needed.

NOTE: This recipe can also be prepared in a baking dish in the oven, or on a grill. Each method of preparation allows for a different flavor. When I prepare this, I remember when my maternal grandmother cooked this dish on our outdoor fireplace in Wilmington. I walked with her around the area, picking up small broken limbs and adding them to the fire. She told me that this made her feel like she was back in Salemi, Italy. During the harvesting days she accompanied her husband to "la mucarta" (a lot of land a distance from their home where they planted and harvested their vegetables for the year). At "la mucarta," she prepared their meals on the outdoor fireplace.

#### MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY **NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Sealed General Bids for MPA Contract No. AP1413-C1, FY 2015-2017 TERM CONTRACT FOR ABATEMENT AND REMEDIATION, ALL MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY FACILITIES IN MASSACHUSETTS, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, Suite 209S, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909, until 11:00 A.M. local time on JUNE 18, 2014 immediately after which in a designated room, the bids will be opened and read publicly.

NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT (ABOVE ADDRESS) AT 10:00 a.m. LOCAL TIME ON MAY 30, 2014

The work includes ABATEMENT/REMEDIATION OF ASBESTOS AND ASBESTOS CONTAMINATED MATERIALS, PCB BULK PRODUCT/ EXCLUDED PRODUCT, MICROBIALLY-IMPACTED/WATER-DAMAGED MATERIALS, LEAD-BASED PAINT COATED/CONTAMINATED SURFACES AND GUANO-COVERED/CONTAMINATED SURFACES; REINSULATION, REPLACEMENT, REPAIR AND REFINISHING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS WORK.

Bid documents will be made available beginning MAY 22, 2014

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

In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this contract General Bidders must submit with their bid a current Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance and an Update Statement. The General Bidder must be certified in the category of ASBESTOS REMOVAL. The estimated contract cost is \$500,000.

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

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

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

The successful Bidder will be required to purchase and maintain Bodily Injury Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance for a combined single limit of \$1,000,000. Said policy shall be on an occurrence basis and the Authority shall be included as an Additional Insured. See the insurance sections of Division I, General Requirements and Division II, Special Provisions for complete details. No filed sub-bids will be required for this contract.

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

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

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

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

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# Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance





John, sister-in-law Lin DeVito, son John, daughter-in-law Beth, son Michael, brother-in-law Mike DeVito, wife Loretta.



John and Beth exchanging vows.

Most of my columns for the past few weeks have been written from my computer in Florida. Recuperation from major surgery has been a lot easier for me in the semi tropics. I came home a week-and-a-half ago because of a major event in my family. Son, John, the older of the two became a husband.

A little over five years ago, John's college roommate asked John to be a groomsman in his wedding party. His future wife asked a New Yorker, Beth Gaffen, to be one of her maids of honor. Son John and Beth hit it off right away and began dating. It was difficult as Beth lived on Long Island and John in Zurich, Switzerland. Their long distance romance was difficult, but after a few years of being a European, John decided it was time to be an American again.

Once home, John bought a new car and he and Beth traveled from coast to coast enjoying the beauty each state had to offer. For a while, they tried San Francisco, but both longed to be near the ocean, (Atlantic, that is) and returned to Boston. John had worked for several companies in Zurich handling investments and had no difficulty re-establishing himself locally. Beth became involved in retail operations and manages a paper goods store. With security established, it was time to make wedding plans.

Now, I have been a professional musician since 1958, and much of my early income was derived from playing with dance bands that catered to weddings. Most of them were traditional with the ceremonies taking place at churches or synagogues and the receptions held at hotel ballrooms or function facilities from K of C and Sons of Italy halls, to restaurants with function rooms. Grooms and groomsmen wore tuxedos and brides and their attendants, gowns. Regardless of the ethnic group(s), things were predictable for many years and I have to admit, the money was good. Well, things have changed.

Today's young folks have a new fad that seems to be expanding throughout the country, theme weddings at rural farms that have become geared for this phenomenon. John and Beth found the perfect farm location in New Hampshire and handled all of the arrangements to their liking. My wife, a school teacher and professor, who is use to taking charge, became annoyed when I said to her, "Wear a beige dress for the wedding, and keep your mouth shut." It was the safest way.

Well, the festivities were last weekend and I came home from Florida to prepare myself for my oldest son's wedding. Traditionally, the groom's parents host a dinner for the wedding party on the night before the nuptials. John and Beth decided on a barbecue instead. That day before, the caterer set up the barn for the reception dinner and the tractor barn as a bar. Beth's parents and her siblings and their families stayed at the farm house. On the outside it looked like a giant log cabin. On the inside, every amenity necessary for creature comforts was in evidence.

Most of our side arrived the night before the wedding and checked into two local hotels

Thinking of our side ... the family is rather small. I don't have any brothers or sisters and Loretta, my wife, has only one brother. He and his wife, Lin, joined us at our hotel along with my cousin Ralph Pepe and his wife, Angela. Rosa Amara, the Godmother to both of my sons, was there every step of the way. Beyond these relatives, the guests from our side were people John has known all his life. Neighbors and friends who are like uncles and aunts to him and whose children are like cousins. Among the first of our side was Dean Saluti and Margie Cahn. We didn't think they would make it as Dean had been in ill health as of late. In spite of Dean's problems (triple bypass surgery a couple of weeks ago), they were there. John Silva and Stephanie DeRosa came up together, as did Jack and Judy Bichajian with their son and daughter John and JoAnn. Ron and Maryann Dugas and their daughter, Ruth, (neighbors past and present) were next to arrive. Ed and Barbara Ligon along with their son, Teddy, arrived on that day before as did Bill and Janet Erickson whose sons John went to school with. My adopted Godson, Mike Finer, picked up the Saluti's as Dean really couldn't drive that distance in his condition. John's former boss, Dave O'Connor, came in from Zurich, Switzerland, to join us and the rest of the folks were from Beth's side, relatives and family friends from New York and the west coast.

John and Beth asked Allen, John's former college roommate who had introduced them to officiate at the wedding. He was ordained by the state of New Hampshire for one day

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

Join them as they transform A.R.T.'s OBERON into the Oberon Social Club, a hot, new speakeasy guaranteed to liven up the scene. The coolcats and dapper dames from the Boston Circus Guild will amaze you with phenomenal acts, including acrobatic feats of strength, astounding juggling, highenergy hooping, titillating burlesque, and glamorous aerial performances, all set to the sounds of the hippest electroswing and jazz in Boston.

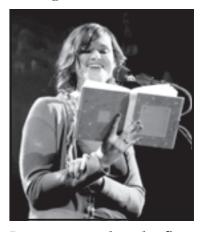
Enter their underground cabaret and get front row seats to a spectacular show both on and offstage. Seedy thugs mingle with drunken socialites, flappers dance their cares away, and the band keeps the joint jumpin'. Through it all, the club's proprietor will have to make deals with bootlegging gangsters, keep away from the fuzz, and manage one sassy diva. Will he be able to balance his unstable partnership with an unsavory crime boss and his dream of having the coolest club around? Will the business of the underworld be too much for him? Wild times are sure to

The Oberon is a destination for theater and nightlife on the fringe of Harvard Square and is the home of the A.R.T.'s hit productions. Oberon is located at 2 Arrow Street at the corner of Mass Ave., in Harvard Square, Cambridge. For details on these productions and other events, as well as tickets visit www.cluboberon.com.

Celebrity Series of Boston ... Gary Dunning, president and executive director presents Dmitri Hvorostovsky, baritone on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm in NEC's Jordan Hall.

Siberian baritone Dmitri Hvorostovsky has established an extraordinary international career, performing regularly on the prestigious concert stages and opera houses of North America, Europe, and Asia. His distinctive voice, incomparable legato, and breath control place him at the forefront of leading baritones in the world today. His opera repertoire, apart from Verdi, ranges from Mozart to Prokofiev, and he appears regularly at the major opera houses of the world, including the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden; the Paris Opera; Teatro Alla Scala, Milan; and the Metropolitan Opera. Roles for which he is most noted include: Conte di Luna in Verdi's Il Trovatore, Posa in Verdi's Don Carlo, the title role in Verdi's Rigoletto, Prince Yeletsky in Tchaikovsky's Pique Dame. and the title role in Tchaikovsky's Eugene Onegin. Recent additions to his repertoire include Renato in Verdi's Un Ballo in Maschera and the title role of Verdi's Simon Boccanegra.

Ivari Ilja is an Estonian pianist trained at the Moscow Conservatory under Vera



Do you remember the first day of 8th grade? Well, the cast of *Mortified* does. Catch the stories we'd like to forget on stage at the Oberon June 13th.

# (Photo by popcornnights.wordpress.com)

Gornostayeva and Sergei Dorensky best known for his work as an accompanist. His collaboration with renowned singers Dmitri Hvorostovsky, Irina Arkhipova, Maria Guleghina, and Elena Zaremba has been particularly successful. Ilja has also held solo recitals in France, the United Kingdom, Germany, Estonia, Russia, Sweden, and Finland, and performed as a soloist with several orchestras such as Estonian National Symphony Orchestra, Moscow Symphony Orchestra, St. Petersburg Symphony Orchestra, and others. His repertoire focuses on works by Chopin, Brahms, Robert Schumann, Mozart, Prokofiev, Britten and others. He is the Head of the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre's piano department.

NEC's Jordan Hall is located at 30 Gainsborough Street, Boston. Tickets are online at www.celebrity series.org or by calling 617-482-6661.

A Tasty Treat to Compliment Your Time in the City ... The MET Restaurant Group announces the ninth annual Soft Shell Crab Festival!

Greater Boston Restaurant is offering diners  $30\ Ways$  and  $30\ Days$  of the delicious crustacean till June  $11^{th}$ .

Hailing from Maryland's Chesapeake Bay, soft shell crabs have tantalized the taste buds of seafood lovers across the globe. The MET has explored a variety of flavors and techniques that reveal the best of this culinary creature and will offer a special soft shell crab dish each night.

Guests will enjoy some very crustacean creations including Soft Shell Monte Cristo, Cornmeal Crusted Crab with corn silk, favas and pea tendrils, Tempura Fried Crab with soy peanut sauce and cucumber noodles, and Chili Crab Pizza topped with fried crab, sweet chili and arugula. For the purist, soft shell crabs will also be available meuniére style.

For more information on MET Back Bay located at 279 Dartmouth Street, visit www.metbackbay.com, or call 617-267-0451.



# News Briefs

(FROM ITALIAN **NEWSPAPERS AND** OTHER PUBLICATIONS)

Compiled by Orazio Z. Buttafuoco

THE BREWING WAR BETWEEN ITALY AND USA! It has been growing over the last 30 or so years between the two traditionally good friends. Lately, however, the tension has risen to a level that Italy considers intolerable, but only ridiculous by the Americans. Yes, my friendly readers, the reason is plain and simple, but serious enough to the Italians who feel they have suffered a great deal of financial losses. Perhaps the major issue is the cheese Italians call PARMIGIANO, but the Americans call it instead PARMESANO. The problem is that the PARMESAN is a misspelled Italian word, and sold, with this in mind, even though it is produced in the U.S.A., but marketed as an Italian product, but sneakily implying that it is 'imported.'

It is an undisputed fact that many imported products in the U.S. are in fact the genuine ones and marketed as such, and sold at a higher price. The outcome is that the European produced goods are introduced into the American markets as 'imported', too often sold at a reduced price because they are actually produced in the U.S.A., but with European names, e.g., inter alias, the Greek 'feta cheese,' along with the Italian 'Parmigiano,' but in the English version, 'parmesan'! The big problem is that the 'cheese business' has become a \$4.billion a year affair, and many cheese producers in Wisconsin are doing their best to grab a sizeable slice of the cheese market, no matter how. Recently the European Union has stepped into the fracas demanding that the names of the European originally-named products must be used outside the 'Union' because they are 'genuine'! Will the Americans agree to follow the examples of Canada and of most Central American countries that prohibit to use alien names of cheeses if actually produced in Europe. Capiyo???

THE LUCRATIVE SMUGGLING DRUG BUSINESS RIGHT IN THE CAPITAL OF ITALY, ROME! The city of Rome's section of 'San Basilio' is known as an active place where to find any kind of illegal drugs. A few weeks ago (2014) the Italian authorities launched a massive assault on this Roman area, San Basilio, arresting dozens of individuals. The two major gangs that run the 'business', the 'Lupa' and the 'Civico 29' were decimated by the police's surprise blitz. The two groups had divided the section of Rome into their dominion creating a weekly business profit in excess of 400,000 euro. The two gangs had also developed a sophisticated system whereby they had informers and pushers assigned to certain strategic locations, and whose job simply was to detect any police presence and inform the gangs' bosses.

A customer who showed up looking to buy the drug was rerouted to hidden places where they could purchase the desired type of drug from the smugglers who kept the drug hidden behind bushes, gas and electric meters, etc. Can you imagine a business of nearly half a million euro a week?

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1722EA

Estate of CARLA RENA DAVIS Date of Death April 17, 2011 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Jesse Davis of Torrance, CA.

Jesse Davis of Torrance, CA has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1440EA

Estate of JOSE L. URIBE Also Known As JOSE LUIS URIBE Date of Death October 28, 2010 INFORMAL PROBATE

**PUBLICATION NOTICE** To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Elvira G. Uribe of Harlingen, TX.

Elvira G. Uribe of Harlingen, TX has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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The 2014 Draft is officially in the books and the Patriots top picks were anything but conventional. In a time in Boston sports that has the Red Sox beginning to heat up and make a push for the upper standings of the AL East, and with the Bruins in the midst of New York City last weekend.

a Stanley Cup run, facing a second round matchup with their historical rival Montreal Canadiens, most of the Boston sports world, fans and media alike, are debating what the team did down at Radio City Music Hall in

#### EASLEY OFFERS BIG BANG BUT HIGH RISK

With their first round pick, the Patriots selected Florida defensive tackle Dominique Easley. Easley suffered two torn ACL injuries in the past three years and there are questions surrounding his ability to stay on the field and contribute. Bill Belichick and the Patriots took a risk in selecting Easley, however when a team as talented as New England is picking at the bottom of the first round, this is exactly the kind of player they should be targeting. If not for the injury history, the dominating lineman was projected by some as a top ten draft pick. Finding a potentially dominant talent at that point in the draft is not a guarantee. Easley's upside and what he brings to a defense when healthy is comparable to Jadeveon Clowney who went to the Houston Texans number one overall. "He's a versatile guy who has played different positions along the defensive line. He's a very disruptive player and he showed up against good competition; a very explosive player." said Belichick, "He's smart, very instinctive; an 'all-in' guy."

Easley may be the Patriots solution to creating an interior pass rush. During last year's AFC Championship game versus Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos,



Dominique Easley

the Patriots failed to apply pressure on Manning in large part to a lack of depth on the defensive front and their lack of an interior rush. Easley is not a prototypical defensive tackle, his 6'1", 288 lb. frame is more typical of an end, so expect Easley to play at both the tackle and end position. The Patriots front was already looking like a talented unit, and will only benefit from Easley's presence.

## LIFE AFTER BRADY, IS GAROPPOLO THE FUTURE?



With their next pick, at the end of the second round, the Patriots made perhaps their most questionable selection in taking Eastern Illinois Quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo. Garoppolo passed for 5,050 yards with 53 touchdowns and 9 Interceptions in the 2013 college season. Garoppolo is known for his quick release of the football, decision making and game management, very similar to at that position."

what was thought of Tom Brady prior to his selection in the 2000 NFL Draft. Following the pick, Bill Belichick had high praise for Garoppolo, "He's got a lot of qualities that we admire in a quarterback." The fact that Garoppolo played in a Division I-AA FCS program at Eastern Illinois, he didn't face top college talent. "Little different level of competition, but hopefully he can make that adjustment. The general qualities a quarterback needs to have are being able to manage the game, being able to do what the team needs to win, be accurate, be smart and be productive. He's done those things." continued Belichick.

Citing Tom Brady's age as a factor, Belichick addressed the need to select a QB that high in the draft, "We know what Tom's age and contract situation is. We felt as an organization that we needed to address that to some degree in the future," said the Patriots coach. "I think you're better being early rather than late

## PATRIOTS FOCUS ON OFFENSE ADDING DEPTH ALONG OFFENSIVE LINE IN LATER ROUNDS

In the fourth round, with three selections, the Patriots focused on the offense taking National Champion Florida State Seminoles Center Bryan Stork, considered one of if not the top prospect at the position in the draft. They followed the Stork pick with Wisconsin running back James White who flashed in the running game and as a pass catcher with the Badgers.

Their final pick of the round was another offensive lineman. Tackle Cameron Fleming

The teams' final picks were Florida Guard

out of Stanford.

Jon Halapio, Concordia-Saint Paul defensive end Zach Moore, versatile Georgia Tech defensive back Jemea Thomas who contributed at each secondary position while at GT. The teams' final pick was used on Michigan Wideout Jeremy Gallon who figures to compete for a spot on the special teams unit and add depth at the slot position on offense.

## • **Hoops & Hockey** (Continued from Page 16)

hoisting the Cup in triumph high over his head — as he celebrates winning the Kontinental Hockey League Championship.

The Cup, of course, is not the Stanley Cup but the Gagarin Cup, emblematic of the KHL championship. Keenan led Metallurg Magnitogorsk to the title in a memorable fashion, his team winning the crown with a 7-4

victory over Lev Prague in Game 7 of the Cup Final.

Keenan said that he no longer thinks about coming back to the NHL. He indicated that Metallurg wanted him back for the 2014-2015 season.

During a two-decade career in the NHL, Keenan coached eight different teams, the last one being the 2008-2009 Calgary Flames. He is sixth in all-time career coaching wins in the NHL with 672 victories, during stints with Calgary, Philadelphia, Chicago, the New York Rangers, St. Louis, Vancouver, Boston and Florida.

This was Keenan's first season in the KHL. It was the first time since the KHL began in 2008 that the Gagarin Cup was won by a non-Russian coach.

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

My son, Michael, was the best man and Beth's sister was her maid of honor. The rest of the wedding party was composed of John and Beth's closest friends, people they had known since they were children. The ceremony actually took place outside and while they were exchanging vows, a wild turkey ran by. The weather held up for them and the ceremony, which they designed themselves, went off without a hitch.

Beth wore a wedding gown, but John and his best man, son Michael, wore outfits that made them look like college preppies, saddle shoes, tan chinos, blue sleeveless Polo sweaters, button down shirts and knit ties. Both Beth's mother, Ellen, and my wife, Loretta, wore beige dresses. Beth's father, Vic, and I wore suits and ties. The rest of the guests, young and old, were dressed in their traditional finest for the occasion, and the ceremony took place, as I said, without a hitch.

The dinner consisted of barbecued chicken, steak and pulled pork along with the fixings that accompany barbecued food. My cousin Ralph whispered to me in Italian, "Dove sono i ravioli e polpeti." (Where are the ravioli and meatballs?) I

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 Docket No. 14W0774 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION MARTA ROJAS AGUIRRE, Plaintiff

HUGO A. RUANO PAZ, Defendant To the above named Defendant Hugo A Ruano Paz.

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Marta Rojas Aguirre, seeking sole legal and physical custody of the minor child Hugo E. Ruano Rojas.

You are required to serve upon Francisco Rosa - attorney for plaintiff - whose address is 1550 Middlesex Street, Lowell, MA 01851 your answer on or before June 16, 2014. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Cambridge

WITNESS, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR. Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this 30 day of April, 2014.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 5/16/14

### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1724EA

Estate of ANGELA KEARNEY Date of Death January 10, 2013 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Katrina N. Kearney of Cincinnati. OH.

Katrina N. Kearney of Cincinnati, OH 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 Represen tative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inven tory 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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and performed the ceremony. answered, "Espete a domani sera." (Wait until tomorrow night) We both laughed quietly.

> Following dinner, things became a bit traditional with the cutting of the cake. After the cake cutting, Beth danced with John and then her father. John then danced with his mother, who had tears in her eyes. Beyond this, the music was for the young folks and they enjoyed themselves for the next few

> We all left the next morning, most heading home. Loretta, Godmother Rosa and I headed to John and Beth's new home for a late brunch. Most of the guests were from Beth's side of the family, but after I ate, I fell asleep on the living room couch. We were all tired considering and being the oldest, I was entitled to a nap. All in all, I love my new daughter-inlaw. I know she and John will make each other happy, and it's on with the next generation. GOD BLESS AMERICA

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1718EA Estate of

ROBERT LEE JACKSON Date of Death December 7, 2012 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ruthie Buford of Memphis, TN.

Ruthie Buford of Memphis, TN has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1534EA Estate of CLAIRE MARIE VIKLUND

Also Known As **CLAIRE MARIE BANDLOW** CLAIRE MARIE VICKLUND Date of Death March 1, 2014 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Christopher A. Viklund of Watertown, MA. Petitioner Jennifer A. Smith of Acton. MA.

Christopher A. Viklund of Watertown, MA, Jennifer A. Smith of Acton, MA have been informally appointed as the Personal Representatives of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representatives 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 Representatives 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 Petitioners.

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# **EXTRA** Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Albert Pujols

#### Is Pujols Too Good?

Thanks to all those cheaters out there over the past 15 years or so, anytime a baseball player is real good, fans start wondering if they might still be juicing on the stuff to improve those stats of theirs.

Albert Pujols, 34, recently became the third youngest player to reach 500 homers lifetime.

Pujols has seven years left on his ten-year deal with the Los Angeles Angels. When asked how high he can go in lifetime home runs, he stated, "C'mon, what kind of question is that?" Adding, "You can't read the future. Before you get to 700, you need to get to 501 and 600. So, you can't go all the way to 700 in one at-bat. I don't play the numbers.'

The first two years for the Angels weren't his best. He did hit 30 homers with 105 RBIs in 2012, but last year with injuries he hit only 17 homers in 99 games. In his first 11 seasons in St. Louis, he was compared to Stan Musial, hitting some 440 home runs in that span.

I think he's been clean, but nowadays it seems everyone is guilty until proven innocent. Sad statement on Major League Baseball, isn't it?



#### Dates in Baseball History

On May 3, 1936, Joe DiMaggio made his Major League debut for the NY Yankees and had 3 hits in a 14-5 win over the St. Louis Browns ... On May 2, 1939, Lou Gehrig of the NY Yankees did not play against the Detroit Tigers ending his amazing streak of consecutive games played at 2,130.



Lou Gehrig

#### Red Sox Neally Got No-hitter Last Week

Texas looked real good last week as Yu Kadish was looking like Nolan Ryan and handled the Sox quite well. Thank God, the Sox are in the AL East because their win-loss record isn't that great, but in this division anyone can win even the lowly Blue Jays. At the moment the Orioles and Yankees are leading the

way, but tomorrow it could be someone else, even us.

Jake Peavy has been pretty good, but has many no decisions to date. Clay Buchholz hasn't had much good stuff so far. It is either John Lackey or Jon Lester and after that Peavy. The Sox haven't come close to jelling yet. The Yankees and O's have some good starters this year, and both teams appear to be headed to post-season.

I know it is still early, but time is awaiting. Every loss is one loss too many. Baseball hasn't changed that much when it comes to winning or losing. I would rather win an ugly game than lose a masterpiece.

#### Bartolo Colon Looking Old this Year

The NY Mets picked up Bartolo Colon for a 2-year, \$20 million deal in the offseason. Colon, 41, won 18 games last season in Oakland, posting a 2.65 ERA.

Many fans still suspect Colon might be still juicing it up. He denies such. Last season he was super and says it was all about "keeping healthy and working hard."

This season, he has been pitching like an old man again and now no one talks of him juicing or winning games again.

#### Oldest Living MLB Player No Longer Among the Living

Several weeks ago, I read the obit on Conrado Marrero, a Cuban right hander who pitched for the Washington Senators in the 1950s and in 2011 became the oldest living MLB player. He passed away two days shy of his  $103^{rd}$ birthday.

He made his debut in 1950 at age 39. In five seasons with the Senators, he went 39-40 with a 3.96 ERA and was named an All-Star in 1951. He was cut by the Senators in 1955 and returned to Cuba to play with the Havana Sugar Kings.

The new oldest living MLB player is now Mike Sandlock, 98, who played with the Braves, Dodgers and Pirates.

## LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1576EA

Estate of ARTHUR EDWARD CHERKERZIAN Date of Death February 23, 2014 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Cathy Cherkerzian of Belmont, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Cathy Cherkerzian of Belmont, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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## **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI14P1187EA Estate of

JOSEPH J. MARLETTA
Date of Death August 14, 2013 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE** 

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ida Accardi of Somerville, MA.

Ida Accardi of Somerville, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety

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

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 Docket No. MI13D4341DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY** 

**PUBLICATION AND MAILING** MARIE A. GEORGES

vs. JEAN M. DESIRE

To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of Marriage 1B. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Marie A. Georges, 70 Boylston Street, Malden, MA 02148 your answer, if any, on or before **June 5, 2014**. 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 22, 2014

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 5/16/14



## **REST IN PEACE JIMMY ELLIS** Former WBA Heavyweight Champ Passes

Another Loss from the Era of Competitive Boxing



The boxing world was saddened by the recent death of former WBA Heavyweight Champion Jimmy Ellis. Ellis passed after a long battle with dementia pugilistica. For years Jimmy was best known for being Muhammad Ali's sparring part-

ner, but it is unfair to remember him for that. Jimmy Ellis was a superb boxer puncher who rose through the ranks beginning his professional career as a middleweight.

Ellis and Ali were both from Louisville, Kentucky and began boxing as amateurs under the tutelage of Officer Joe Martin. They fought twice before turning pro with the young Clay winning their first encounter, and Jimmy taking the decision in the rematch.

Ellis turned pro under the management of Bud Bruner with whom he compiled a record of 15-5 with 6 knockouts. Jimmy's losses were to Ruben "Hurricane" Carter, George Benton, Henry Hank, Don Fullmer, and Holly Mims, whom he defeated in a rematch. All of these opponents were top rated contenders, and many of the losses were by very close decision.

Jimmy left Bruner and began training with his old friend Ali under the tutelage of Angelo Dundee. He also put on weight moving up to light-heavyweight and then heavyweight. Ellis scored a spectacular one round knockout of Jimmy Persol in 1967. This win catapulted him onto the world stage and earned him a berth in the WBA Heavyweight Tournament to find a successor to Ali who had been wrongfully stripped of his title for refusing to be inducted into the Army.

Ellis was considered a long shot to win the title, but he surprised everyone by stopping Leotis Martin, winning a decision over Oscar Bonavena in a fight where he dropped the tough Argentinean twice, and then defeating Jerry Quarry over 15 rounds to win the title in 1968. Later that year he would successfully defend his crown against Floyd Patterson.

In the meantime, Joe Frazier, who had chosen not to enter the WBA tournament, defeated Buster Mathis in a fight recognized by the New York State Athletic Commission as being for the World Championship. It was just a matter of time before the two would meet to unify the title.

On February 2, 1970, Frazier and Ellis stepped into the ring at Madison Square Garden to decide who the better fighter was. Ellis was coming off a layoff of a year and a half, while Frazier had remained active and was at the peak of his ability. Jimmy put on a valiant effort landing a number of strong Rest in Peace Champ

right hands on Joe, but Frazier was unstoppable that night. After decking Ellis twice in the fourth round, Angelo Dundee stopped the fight before the bell rang for round five.

Ellis would never again challenge for the title, but he did fight his old friend Muhammad Ali in a 12 round bout in 1971, with Ali stopping him in the final round.

Jimmy Ellis fought in what was probably the most competitive era in heavyweight boxing. There were many exciting bouts at that time with so many of the contestants being evenly matched. Also, the top fighters did not duck each other. When the public clamored for a unification bout between Ellis and Frazier, both men agreed to fight. Many, if not most of the matches then were highly competitive as the fighters were evenly matched. Before these fights, fans would argue for hours over who would win, and no one could be sure. It was a very exciting time for boxing.

Jimmy Ellis was not a big heavyweight, but his years working his way up from middleweight to heavyweight were a time when he learned his craft. Even though he had a number of losses, he was learning his trade, and he learned it well. He had a tremendous right hand, which he combined with great footwork and speed. This combination allowed him to defeat much stronger fighters such as George Chuvalo and Oscar Bonavena while also out speeding Floyd Patterson, and outsmarting slick counter punching Jerry Quarry.

Jimmy's career came to an end in 1975 after he was poked in the eye during a sparring session. The accident caused him to lose sight in that eye. His career was now over, but unfortunately, it was too late. The years in the ring both in matches and the thousands of rounds of sparring in the gym had already taken their toll. For a number of years before his death, he suffered the effects of dementia pugilistica, an Alzheimer's type of disease that is the result of repeated blows to the head. Jimmy's former rivals Jerry Quarry and Floyd Patterson suffered the same fate.

For years Jimmy Ellis lived under the shadow of having been Ali's sparring partner, but make no mistake about it; Jimmy was a world-class boxer puncher who fought and beat many of the top contenders of his day, and that was quite a day. Ellis was also a deeply religious man who sang Gospel along with his wife Mary Etta, who passed away in 2006.

Jimmy Ellis was a gentleman who never spoke a bad word about anyone. He never gave less than one hundred percent when he stepped into the ring. He always carried himself with dignity, and was a true Champion in the ring and out. He will be missed.

#### TINKER PINCOT — Rest in Peace



Former light-heavyweight contender and long time Ring 4 member Jordan "Tinker" Picot passed away recently.

Tinker was one of the hardest punching fighters to come out of the New England area with a pro record of 17-3-1 with all of his wins coming via knockout. At Ring 4 events Tinker was always one to elicit laughter and he will be missed by all of us.

Rest in Peace Brother.

# HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

HOCKEY'S IRON MAN SIGNS ON AGAIN — Of all the players we've seen come through the doors of the locker room in recent years, the one we thought the Bruins should have kept on is Jaromir Jagr.

J-J arrived in a trading deadline deal in early April of 2013 and proceeded to be a presence with the B's during their run to the Stanley Cup Final last spring. Yes, he was old for an NHL player, but his attitude was infectious, his smile wide and his presence in the locker room second to none with the veteran's experience that he brought to the table.

That's why we had misgivings when Bruins GM Peter Chiarelli did not choose to sign the big man to a fullyear contract after the Cup run was over, cutting him loose and enabling him to swing his own deal on the free agent market.

All Jagr did was sign on with the New Jersey Devils for the 2013-2014 season and proceed to lead the team in scoring, notching 24 goals and adding 43 assists for 67 points from his wing position. Oh, and did we mention that it was his 20<sup>th</sup> season in the National Hockey League and that he accomplished the feat the same season that he celebrated his 42<sup>nd</sup> birthday?

Who noticed? Well, those in the know did. He's just been named one of three finalists for the Bill Masterton Award, presented annually to the player "who best exemplifies the qualities of perseverance, sportsmanship and dedication to hockey.

And he isn't done — yet. No sir. It's only May, but J-J has signed on once again for another season in the Garden State. You see, Jagr is not greedy. He feels that one-year deals are the perfect fit for someone his age. There's no long-term commitment on either side. Plus it keeps him on his toes.

And his feet have enabled him to glide across the ice in 1,473 regular season NHL games, en route to amassplus two Stanley Cup titles.

In addition to the Pittsburgh Pens, the Bruins and the Devils, Jagr has also played for the Washington Capitals, the New York Rangers, the Philadelphia Flyers and the Dallas Stars.

Even though the Devils are not involved in postseason action, Jagr is. After

all, when you're doing something you love, why not continue to do just that? So, as North America is focused on the Stanley Cup Playoffs, Jagr is presently in Belarus, skating for the Czech Republic in the World Hockey Championships. And yes, he's the oldest player in the tournament.

Jagr admits that he gets by on his wits more now. And he knows his way around a hockey rink. When he was with the B's he often was able to get into position in front of the goal. And when he established his presence, no one was going to remove him. During those months we often felt that he was the Shaquille O'Neal of the NHL a bit slow but once in position a definite presence to be dealt with.

And Jagr says he is looking forward to playing beyond next spring, going forward into the 2015-2016 season, Even if things don't work out with the Devils as time goes on, there's probably someone in a 30-team league that will sign him up for a single season.

And when the time for that eventually runs its course, there's always the Kontinental Hockey League — the pro circuit operating in eight countries overseas.

KEENAN CAPTURES KHL CUP — The headline is a well-remembered one in the Boston area. "Keenan Not a Keeper" was the banner head that ran across all six columns of the Boston Globe front sports page back in late April of 2001.

And thus it was that the controversial coach brought on in late October of 2000 after coach Pat Burns had been dismissed — ended his stint in the Hub a short six months after it had begun.

Keenan came with a Cup already in hand — he had guided the New York Rangers to that ultimate goal back in 1994. It was their first Stanley Cup since

The B's went 33-26-7-8 in 74 games under Keenan. They finished the total ing 1,755 points via 705 season with 88 points, givgoals and 1,050 assists - ing them a tie for the final playoff spot with Carolina. But the Hurricanes were awarded the berth because they had more victories.

Keen had coached before and he would coach again several times again. In the capstone to his latest placement, Keenan can be seen

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