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VFW NORTH END POST 144 MEMORIAL DAY TRADITIONS



VFW North End Post 144 (L-R): Front: Jack Marques, Christian Kulikoski, and Anthony Cortese; Standing: Anthony DiPrizio, Paul Spera, Leo Egan, Dave Herbert, Ralph Maschiulla, Joe Blazo, Jim Coyle, John Graffeo, Dennis DeSilva

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Majority Polled with GOP on Debt

The majority of Americans agree with Speaker Kevin McCarthy when it comes to the nation's debt ceiling and believe raising the ceiling should only happen if it is accompanied by spending cuts. The CNN poll released last week found that 60 percent of Americans only support Congress increasing the nation's borrowing limit if government spending is reduced at the same time.

Dodgers Go Anti-Catholic on Fan Base

The Dodgers have gone "against Catholic fans and Catholic employees of their team" by planning to give a Community Hero Award to Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence — "an insult and a betrayal" that is "openly celebrating and honoring anti-Catholicism," fumes National Review's editorial board .. The Sisters are "drag queens whose shtick is to dress up as Roman Catholic nuns and mock them and their faith in ways that range from the lewd to the sacrilegious," going "by various sexual and blasphemous stage names" and ridiculing Catholic traditions. The Dodgers responded to public outcry by retracting the award, then reversed course again after pressure from the Los Angeles LGBT Center. "It is one thing to tolerate bigoted satire and public lewdness as the price of a free society; to actively celebrate them is to take sides against their

Debt Watch Coverage Insufferable

No one "expects Democrats to unilaterally surrender" in debt ceiling talks, but the media cover negotiations

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On Monday, May 29, 2023 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) North End Post members conducted their annual Memorial Services at the Paul Revere Mall (Prado) to honor and remember fallen heroes of



Iraq-Afghanistan Memorial

the North End who served in World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, and recent wars.

Following the ceremonies, a Mass was held at St. Leonard Church on Hanover Street in the North End.



Anthony Cortese and Joe Blazo



North End Honor Wall

(Photos by Gerri Palladino)

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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



AURELIUS THE EMPEROR



Equestrian Statue of Marcus Aurelius in the Capitoline Museum, Rome

After he was adopted into the imperial household, Marcus' respect for his relatives, friends, and finances remained unchanged. Hadrian died about six years later, leaving Antoninus Pius as heir to the throne. This is the time when Marcus worked very closely with the new emperor, doing a tremendous amount of work for him, but still found time for his studies. Marcus soon married Faustina, the daughter of Antoninus Pius, instead of Hadrian's granddaughter. In spite of Faustina's extravagance and recklessness, he highly praised her obedience, simplicity and affection.

Pius ruled for twenty-three years and, when he saw that

his end was drawing near, called his chief magistrates and friends around him and formally named Marcus Aurelius as his successor in the empire. He ordered that the golden statue of Fortune, which he normally kept in his own chamber, be transferred to that of Marcus, uttered the famous "Aequanimitas" to the Tribune of the night watch, and then expired.

Marcus Aurelius was now forced by the Senate to assume the office of emperor. One of his first acts was to name an adopted brother as his colleague in the empire. He gave his colleague the name of Lucius Aurelius Verus Commodus, but also bestowed upon him the titles of Caesar and Augustus;

however, history records him as just plain Lucius Verus. This was the first time in history that two adopted brothers sat in joint rule of the Roman Empire.

Having taken care of all preliminary matters with the Senate, the two rulers set out for the Praetorian Camp, where they promised 20,000 sesterces apiece (about \$1,000) to the common soldiers and a proportionately larger amount to the officers. The joint rulers acted in such democratic fashion that even the lenient manner of Pius was not missed. Marcus pursued his philosophical interests while at the same time cultivating the goodwill of the people.

Mother Nature always has been able to find some way to disrupt any form of national tranquility; the time of Marcus and Verus was no exception. A flood of the Tiber River, probably the most severe of their time, ruined houses, drowned animals, and caused widespread famine. The joint emperors helped to alleviate the pain and suffering with their own personal financial aid. A volatile situation in Parthia now erupted into a full-scale war, hostilities threatened to break out in Britain, and forces of the Catti tribes invaded Germany. Agricola, an excellent general, was sent to Britain and General Victorinus repelled the Catti, but the Parthian war became the personal concern of brother Verus. Marcus kept watch over the administration of the empire while Verus was successful in the prosecution of the war. At the end of hostilities, each emperor was voted the name "Parthicus" and later "Father of His Country."

NEXT WEEK:Aurelian Yard Sale





LEGAL NOTICE

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. Ml23P2741EA

Estate of SYLVIA MICELOTTI Date of Death: March 21, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Lisa A. Monteforte of Woburn, MA.

Lisa A. Monteforte of **Woburn, 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.

Petitioner. Run date: 06/02/202

MBTA June Service Changes

Service Changes Planned for Red, Green, Orange, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, Lowell, and Fairmount Lines

The MBTA announced service changes in June on the Red, Green, Orange, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, Lowell, and Fairmount lines. The MBTA will continue working to improve service reliability across the system.

Accessible shuttle bus service will replace evening weekday **Red Line** trains between **JFK/UMass and North Quincy Stations** beginning at approximately 8:45 PM on **May 30-June 1** and **June 5-8**. This service change allows MBTA crews to perform critical rail and tie replacement work that will alleviate speed restrictions. Additional Red Line service changes will take place later in June, and the MBTA will announce more information when these changes are confirmed and scheduled.

The **Kingston**, **Middleborough**, **and Greenbush Commuter Rail Lines**, which run adjacent to the Red Line, will also experience service changes:

- Accessible shuttle bus service will replace evening weekday trains between **South Station and Braintree** after 7:30 PM on **May 30-June 2** and **June 5-9**.
- Accessible express shuttle bus service will also operate directly between South Station and Braintree Station.
- On Friday, June 2, and Friday, June 9, Commuter Rail passengers can utilize Red Line service to Quincy Center and JFK/UMass.
- Additional service changes will take place on these Commuter Rail lines later in June to accommodate work taking place on the Red Line, and the MBTA will announce more information when these changes are confirmed and scheduled.
- Passengers should note that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses, and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush and Braintree Stations. Keolis Customer Service Agents, MBTA staff, and Transit Ambassadors will be on-site at impacted stations to support riders.
- The diversion schedule will be available online soon at **mbta.com/CRschedule**.

Accessible shuttle bus service will replace Green Line trains on both GLX branches between Government Center and Union Square as well as Medford/Tufts Stations during the weekends of June 3-4 and June 10-11. During these weekends, B and C branch trolleys will terminate at Park Street, and D and E branch trolleys will terminate at Government Center. Riders at Government Center can board the same shuttle bus for service to Union Square and Medford/Tufts. Due to traffic configurations in the area, outbound shuttle buses will not stop at Haymarket (inbound shuttles will make stops at Haymarket). This service change allows the GLX team to complete final finishing work, including track and drainage work around the Red Bridge, Inner Belt Yard, and other locations. MBTA crews will also perform additional work along the East Cambridge Viaduct. Additional Green Line service changes may take place later in June, and the MBTA will announce more information when these changes are confirmed and scheduled.

Due to the continued demolition of the Government Center Garage by private developer HYM Construction, **Orange and Green Line** service changes will take place in the downtown Boston area all day for 14 days from **June 12-25**:

- **Orange Line** trains will bypass Haymarket Station. Orange Line riders should instead exit at North Station or State, which are less than a half-mile from Haymarket (or a four- to eight-minute walk) and travel to the Haymarket area.
- **Green Line** service will be suspended between North Station and Government Center Station with riders instead asked to walk above ground between these stations Government Center, Haymarket, and North Station are each less than a half mile from each other (about a five- to 10-minute walk), and the distance between Government Center to North Station is about three-quarters of a mile (about a 13-minute walk). Additional Green Line service changes may take place later in June that affect these travel alternatives, and the MBTA will announce more information when these changes are confirmed and scheduled.
- Accessibility vans will also be available for on-demand transportation Orange and Green Line riders should ask MBTA personnel for information and assistance.

Lowell Commuter Rail Line trains will be replaced with accessible shuttle bus service from **Wilmington to Lowell Stations** during the weekend of **June 3-4** for crews to perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed. Passengers should note that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses, and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between Wilmington and North Station.

Fairmount Commuter Rail Line trains will be replaced with accessible shuttle bus service from South Station to Readville Stations on Friday, June 9, through Sunday, June 11, in order for crews to perform work associated with the East Cottage Street and Norfolk Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. A diversion schedule will be in effect, and normal train service will resume on Monday, June 12. Passengers may also consider alternative travel options that are listed at mbta.com/Fairmount.

Riders are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts or to follow the MBTA on Twitter @MBTA for up-to-date service information.

The MBTA previously announced service changes taking

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

James J. Campano



James J. Campano of Somerville, passed away on Saturday, May 20, 2023. He was

Born in Boston and raised in Boston's West End. He was the son of the late Frank and Mary (Mikonis) Campano.

He was the beloved husband of the late Kathleen (Hennigan) Campano. The devoted father of Kathleen C. Kirby and her husband Michael of Redmond, Washington and James Campano Jr. of Charlotte, NC. He was the loving grandfather of lain, Noah, and Declan. The cherished brother of Irene Magliano of Arlington and the late Gerry Campano, Ann Alfonso, Frank Campano, John Campano, Bronoslav Campano, Anthony Campano and Paul Campano. He is also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

James's career was full of life. He was the founder and writer for the West Ender Newsletter, which he founded in 1985. He was not only a successful writer, but he also had a few TV shows on the Somerville Access Television Channel, worked for the democratic party for 12 years and was also the cofounder of the West End Museum. Jim was also published on the Front page of the Wall Street Journal in the year 2000 for keeping the West End history alive. He was also the president of the Old West End Housing Corp. Jim was a family man and loved his family.

A Funeral Procession was held from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home, Somerville, MA on Wednesday, May 31. Followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Clement Church, Somerville, MA.

Interment was private.

Contributions may be made in James's name to West End Museum

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

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- · Deadline for submission is 12:00 noon on the Monday prior to the Friday on which the writer wishes to have the material published. Submission by the deadline does not guarantee publication.

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Paul A. Bartlett

(1921-2023)

Paul A. Bartlett, 101, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Soldiers Home in Chelsea.

Born August 1, 1921 in Boston and was raised in Revere, the son of the late Edith (Di'Ambri) Bartlett and the late George Bartlett.

The Beloved husband of the late Mary Katherine (Ferrante) Bartlett. Father of Richard P. Bartlett and his

wife Leticia Bartlett of East Boston, the late Paul J. Bartlett, and the late Patrick Bartlett. Cherished grandfather of Victoria Hirsh, Renee Bartlett, Richard Bartlett, and Joseph Bartlett. Brother of the late Albert, George, and Edith Bartlett. Paul is also survived by three great-grandchildren.



Paul attended Revere schools, joined the C.C. Camps, and then joined the U.S. Navy in August 1942 during WWII. He also worked for the U.S. Postal Service and volunteered at the V.A. in Jamaica Plain for 15 years. He was a fan of baseball and enjoyed the sport of fishing.

Paul will be laid to rest at the National Military Cemetery in Bourne, MA. Services will be held at a later date.

In Paul's memory donations can be made to the New England Center and Home for Veterans 17 Court Street, #2601, Boston, MA 02108, www.nechv.org

• VFW North End Post 144 Memorial Day Traditions (Continued from Page 1)



Jim Coyle, Leo Egan, Joe Blazo, and Dave Hebert

Dog Tags



John Graffeo Here's To You, America



Christian Kulikoski



Christian Kulikoski and Jim Coyle



The Christian Baptist Prep School, Little Rock, Arkansas sang the National Anthem



Mass was said in honor of the deceased at St. Leonard Church (L-R): Leo Egan, Jim Coyle, Anthony DiPrizio, Ralph Maschiulla, Anthony Cortese, Dennis DiSilva, Fr. Federico, Joe Blazo, Dave Hebert, Paul Spera, and John Graffeo. Kneeling: Christian Kulikoski

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

A Joyful June

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz



Ah, June! No other month brings as much joy to the heart of this school teacher. June is inextricably linked to summer in my mind. It means eightyplus degree days when I open every window, trying to catch a pleasant ruffle of a breeze. It is days spent walking by the seashore, inhaling the salty scent of the ocean and listening to the plaintive cries of the gulls. June means days of ice cream dripping down cones and strolls in the late-evening sunshine. Finally, June means the last school bell of the year, opening up a summer full of possibility and hope. Yes, I truly love June, and so did my ancestors over in Italy. After all, June in Italy boasts a number of holidays that revel in the summery nature and outdoorsy aspects of the month. In truth, June can be an overwhelming time to visit Italy, as that is when most of the tourists descend, combining crowds with hot temperatures. However, those who go outside of the wellbeaten tourist path will greatly

enjoy this beautiful month in Italy, especially because of one of these four traditional festivities.

1. Festa della Repubblica (June 2nd): In the simplest terms, one can think of la Festa della Repubblica, or "Feast of the Republic," as Italy's independence day, a rough equivalent to our Fourth of July. This feast honors the date in 1946 when, after the turmoil of World War II, Italians voted on creating a republic rather than a monarchy. Nearly everything banks, stores, tourist sites, museums — is closed or operates on holiday hours. Instead, Italians celebrate by watching parades and attending outdoor parties or concerts. Expect to see the Italian tricolor flag, with its bright hues of red, white and green, adorning landmarks and waving from people's homes. La Festa della Repubblica appropriately occurs in the summer, when people can take advantage of the lovely weather to go outdoors and show their communal pride in being Italian.

2. Festival of San Ranieri (June 16-17th): The feast of St. Rainerius, or San Ranieri as he is known to Italians, encompasses two days of merriment in the Tuscan city of Pisa. The eve of the feast day, Pisa celebrates its patron saint by lighting up the city's buildings with over 70,000 glass-encased candles. These lumini cast a warm, romantic glow against the meandering Arno River. A fireworks display caps off the night's festivities. The next day, people gather to watch a regatta, or boat race. I find it interesting that this quaint and local holiday includes the two biggest hallmarks of solstice celebrations — fire and water — giving Italians cause to honor the sweet delights of midsummer.

3. Saint John's Day (June 24th): This is one of my favorite holidays. It commemorates St. John the Baptist, the major religious figure who baptized Jesus, though many traditions originated from the pre-Christian festivities celebrating the summer solstice. In Northern Europe, St. John's Day is known as Midsummer since it falls so close to the summer solstice. People celebrate with rites honoring the sun (the summer solstice) and water (St. John the Baptist): building maypoles, floating garlands of flowers down streams, lighting bonfires. In Italy, this is la Festa di San Giovanni Battista. In the Lake Como region, people float hundreds of delicate lanterns on the lake and later continue the theme of light by enjoying a fireworks display. Florentines

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Remembering the True Meaning of MEMORIAL DAY

"Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it."

— Unknown

This past Monday morning, I was over in Revere to be a part of the city's Memorial Day exercises. It was a beautiful yet somber moment of reflection. The sky was brightly colored blue, the color of freedom and the winds were blowing steadily too. I thought of the above quote about why our American flag waves proudly in the wind. The force pushing it is indeed the last breath of every soldier who died protecting it.

The ceremony was held at the newly re-dedicated Charles G. McMackin Veteran's Memorial Park right smack on Broadway. I grew up in the 50s and 60s when there were still plenty of WWI veterans of whom I knew many. In fact, I remember a next-door neighbor back when I was about 13 years old who was one of those proud veterans who always loved their country and cherished all the freedoms we get for just being here. Of course someone had to pay for these freedoms and that was the job I thought as a kid that my then-82 year old neighbor at 79 East Canton Street in Boston's South End helped pay that price.

What even brought his service to his country home to me was the fact that in 1962, he told me he had fought in two wars. I looked at him and said, "You're too old for WWII" He smiled back and told me, his second war was WWI. Back in 1898, he went up San Juan Hill with Colonel Teddy Roosevelt as a Rough Rider. I didn't believe him until he came out of his apartment with a large photo of him as a young soldier standing next to Roosevelt.

My family moved not that long after my encounter with a true American hero. The last time I ever saw him was when he marched down Park Street and Tremont Street by the Boston Common. He was fully dressed in his doughboy uniform, helmet on and rifle on his shoulder. I yelled out to him, saluted him as he saluted me back. I never saw him again but that brief encounter I had with him

on the stoop of an apartment building will never leave me.

As I stood in the crowd this past Memorial Day, and listened to Andrew Biggio USMC deliver his inspiring speech about the courage of all who served in the military, especially WWII veterans who seem fading faster than quicksand in an hourglass within our midst. They must never fade in our memories because they actually gave us the country we have today. Can't forget that.

I can also remember when I graduated English High School of Boston in 1966. I would soon be enlisted into the military. That year was a scary one for most young men. Safe in a classroom seat but knowing how soon that could all change. I enlisted in the US Air Force looking pretty much like a high school student which is what I was months before.

I ended up at Lackland AFB not far from San Antonio but feeling like a million miles from home. I also remember back then while doing drill in boot camp whether my old Rough Rider friend from East Canton Street could see me now at that moment in time. I felt like I was saluting him again all over.

Finally, during Andrew Biggio's speech he pointed out there were no WWII veterans in the crowd today. Their time among us dwindled to a mere few. They had their moment and we all have ours. America always moves forward by looking back and moving forward into our futures.

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Docket No. SU17P1060EA
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR ORDER OF
COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

Estate of JOSEPH B. D'ALESSANDRO Date of Death: April 04, 2017

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by John J. D'Alessandro of Wakefield, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including a determination of heirs at law and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/05/2023.

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

WITNESS, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: May 24, 2023

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ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo

Annual Pool Bag Necessities 2023



Summer is finally here! It may be hotter than Hades, however, we must be prepared. Please note that this is my Annual Pool/ Beach Bag review and all you'll need to make your summer "fun in the sun"!

Here are a few items to keep things going smooth.

- 1) Sunscreen is number one for protection from the sun. SPF 30 with limited exposure.
- 2) Hats are great sun protection. Some have sunscreen built in.
- 3) Water to stay hydrated throughout the day. A frozen water bottle will last the whole
- 4) Sunglasses are a must ... eye protection and fashionable. I must own over 35 pairs!
- 5) Towels ... I need a few to stay comfortable.
- 6) Lip Sunscreen for added protection for those kissable lips!
- 7) A Cover up for or cool breezes.
- 8) Towelettes are handy to freshen up! A New product



that's out is "busy Beauty Showerless Body Wipes" Tried and true from me to you! Great after sun bathing for a quick clean feel.

- 9) Pack of tissues to wipe away whatever!
- 10) Hair brush/ comb to touch up and refresh the do!
- 11) Insect Repellent for the beach bums. I've yet to see a mosquito by the pool.

So, hope this review helps in enjoying a great summer.

Now that Memorial Day is behind us, we look forward to June, July, and August sun and fun. So important to be prepared for lovely summer days. No stress, just lounging on your lawn chair for fun in the sun.

Buona Giornata and God Bless the USA!

Read prior weeks' "All That Zazz" columns at www.allthatzazz.com. Mary is a third-generation cosmetologist. She may be contacted at mary@mary4nails.com.

North End Rehab Hosts Senior Prom for Residents

with Special Guest Miss Massachusetts Teen

The North End Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center held a "Senior Prom Night" for its residents featuring a special guest appearance by Emma Gibney, Miss Massachusetts Teen 2023. The North End Rehab care team collected donated gowns and suits for residents to dress up for this nostalgic and festive life-enrichment activity at the skilled nursing center.

Gibney crowned a "king" and "queen" during the prom, which has a "Night in Paris" theme and includes residents' family and friends.

Local businesses supported the prom with delicious food donations.

> Prom King: Joseph Federico Prom Queen: Eileen Larson Pageant Queen: Emma Gibney, Miss Massachusetts Teen 2023 Host: Charlene Kernen,

The North End Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center is located at 70 Fulton Street, Boston, MA 02109

North End Rehab Administrator



(L-R): Prom King Joseph Federico, Miss Massachusetts Teen 2023 Emma Gibney, and Prom Queen Eileen Larson



Attendees enjoying music and fun with DJ Alan LaBella

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> Docket No. MI23P2599EA Estate of

ANGELINA J. OLIVER

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

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Arthur M. Oliver of Saugus, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Arthur M. Oliver of Saugus, 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 ter minating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any can be obtained from the Petitioner.

Run date: 06/02/2023

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Docket No. MI23P2298EA

Estate of **PAUL T. JACQUES** Date of Death: March 14, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above cap-

tioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Caroline Jacques of Medford, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Caroline Jacques of Medford, 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

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2023 NORTH END FESTIVAL DIRECTORY

JUNE

SANTA MARIA DIANZANO	June 4
Mass St. Leonard Church	10:30 am
ST. ANTHONY of PADUA	June 13
Procession - Hanover - Prince Sts.	6 pm
St. Anthony Vigil Mass - 5 pm	

PADRE PIO PROCESSION (Tentative) June 26 Procession Only - Hanover - Prince Sts. 1 pm

JULY

MADONNA DEL GRAZIE Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts.	July 9 2 pm
ST. ROCCO Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts.	July 16 <i>1 pm</i>
ST. JOSEPH Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts.	July 30 1 pm

AUGUST

ST. AGRIPPINA	August 3, 4, 5, 6
Hanover & Battery Sts.	Opens 7 pm on Thursday
Sunday Procession	12 noon

MADONNA DELLA CAVA August 11, 12, 13 Opens 7 pm on Friday Hanover & Battery Sts. Sunday Procession

MADONNA del SOCCORSO August 17, 18, 19, 20 North, Fleet & Lewis Sts. (Fisherman's)

Sunday Procession 1 pm - Flight of the Angel 8 pm

SANTA LUCIA August 24

Thursday, Feast & Procession Thacher & Endicott Sts.

ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST August 25, 26, 27

Endicott & Thacher, N. Margin Sts.

Sunday Procession 12 pm

SEPTEMBER

ST. ROSALIA di PALERMO September 10 Procession Only - North Square 1 pm

MORE ITALIAN FESTIVALS

Gloucester, MA

June 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 SAINT PETER'S FIESTA Sunday Mass 10 am (Outdoor) - Procession 12 pm For more details visit: http://stpetersfiesta.org/

August 11, 12, 13 SAINT ROCCO FESTIVAL Pearl Street

Sunday Procession

Lawrence, MA

FEAST OF THE THREE SAINTS September 1, 2, 3 Saints Alfio, Filadelfo and Cirino

Common & Union Streets, Lawrence Sunday Procession

Cambridge Festival

SS COSMAS AND DAMIAN September 8, 9, 10

Sunday Procession

Warren and Cambridge St., Cambridge



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Mayor Michelle Wu's

Neighborhood Coffee Hour in the North End

Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department was held at Langone Park on Wednesday, May 24. Attendess were treated to Dunkin' coffee and donuts,



North Ender Elena Clemow enjoys fresh fruit from Star Market while attending Mayor Michelle Wu's Neighborhood **Coffee Hour**



Lisa Varela and her son Santana, 2, enjoy a beautiful morning at Langone Park during the May 24 Neighborhood Coffee Hour.

5 pm

1 pm



Patricia and Michael Abelson take advantage of a beautiful spring morning on the North End waterfront.

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ket No. MI23P2893EA

Estate of HYUNG-TAE ELIOT CHOI Also Known As HYUNG-TAE E. CHOI and ELIOT CHOI

> Date of Death: April 12, 2023 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

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

Yoonji K. Choi of Newton, 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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Ellen Hume of the North End discusses zoning enforcement with Mayor Michelle Wu at the Langone Park Neighborhood Coffee Hour on May 24.

fresh fruit from Star Market, potted plants grown at the Parks Department greenhouses in Franklin Park, and a song from the students of the Eliot

School Purple Butterflies from the Green Dragon Classroom.

The series invites residents to meet directly with City officials up to and including the Mayor.



The Eliot School Purple Butterflies from the Green Dragon Classroom perform a song at the May 24 North End Neighborhood Coffee Hour hosted by Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at Langone Park.

For a list of remaining dates and locations, *go to boston.gov/coffee-hours.*

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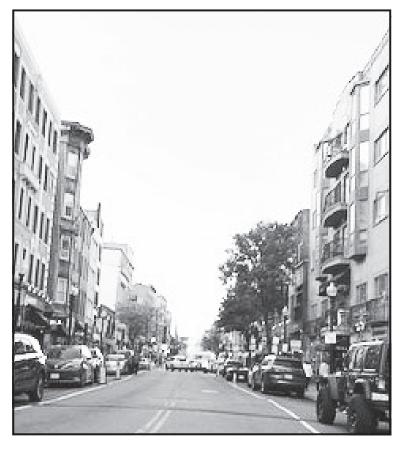
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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari



Hanover Street — It is said that if you sit long enough in an outdoor cafe on the via Veneto everyone you have ever known will eventually pass by. Not quite the Via Veneto in luxury hotels and bars, Hanover Street, the North End's bustling main drag, compares favorably in the choice of restaurants and cafes. Recently named by Axios Boston readers as Boston's best main street, Hanover Street has enabled Boston's North End to declare itself as one of the finest Italian communities in the U.S.

As life-long residents of the North End, we have always taken pleasure in sitting with a friend in one of the cafes along Hanover Street and discuss "Italian Style" the trials and tribulations of life. Whether it was the cost of living going up or some recent family event, everything was infused with that certain dramatic nuance that comes so naturally with Italians.

Recently we did a restaurant crawl in the North End starting on Salem Street and ending up in our favorite cafe on Hanover Street. It was so reminiscent of restaurant crawls we often did in Rome, antipasto at a bar in one place, ravioli in another, and cappuccino in some sidewalk cafe for dessert.

It is often said that Italians have a unique zest for life expressed in the saying La Dolce Vita, it is on full display in the many restaurants and cafes in the North End and you don't have to travel to Rome to experience it.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Probate and Family Court 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801 (781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI23D1483DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** KATHLEEN ANN MOGAN O'BRIEN vs. KEVIN MICHAEL O'BRIEN

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

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Kathleen A. O'Brien, 6 Clifton Place, #630, Cambridge, MA 02140, your answer, if any, on or before July 05, 2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: May 23, 2023

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 06/02/2023

Saint Candida Maria of Jesus

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari



Josefa Cipitria y Barriola was born in mid-1845 in Andorian, Spain, the eldest of seven children of Juan Miguel Cipitria and María Jesús Barriola. Her father was a weaver. Rather than attend school she helped look after her

siblings because she was the eldest child. She made her First Communion in 1855.

At a young age, she went to Burgos to help support the household and worked as a domestic servant in various homes. Barriola was affected to a great degree from the extreme poverty and poor living conditions that she witnessed in a place undergoing the social effects of the Industrial Revolution in her native land.

The Jesuit priest Miguel José Herranz advised her on her path ahead and at his advice she started a number of charitable and education programs; the two met in Valladolid in 1868. Barriola believed that she experienced a vision of Jesus Christ on March 26, 1869 on Good Friday. On December, 1871 - alongside five companions — she founded the Daughters of Jesus and she assumed the religious name: "Cándida María de Jesús."

The nuns founded the congregation for the education of children and the advancement of the women in Salamanca. The congregation received diocesan approval from the Bishop of Salamanca on April 3, 1873. On December 8,1873, she made her solemn profession. Barriola based her spiritual principles and practices on the Spiritual Exercises. Father Herranz collaborated with her as she wrote the constitution for the order which received the decree of praise from Pope Leo XIII on August 6, 1901; full papal approval came from Pope Pius X after her death.

Barriola died in 1912. In 2005, her order had 1,116 religious in 114 houses in countries such as the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. She was Canonized on October 17, 2010, by Pope Benedict XVI. The Feast Day of Saint Candida Maria of Jesus is August 9.

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- Reviewing our Storm Safety Checklist for tips on what to include in a storm kit and other important actions you can take before, during and after a storm.

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BEFORE THE STORM

With the first signs of an approaching storm, make sure you have what you need.

- Build an emergency kit with the essentials, including first-aid supplies.
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- ☐ Make sure you have adequate medical. supplies and prescriptions.
- Have extra cash on hand in case ATMs. don't work. Stock up on non-perishable canned
- goods and pet food. Fully charge your cell phone and a portable, phone-charging battery pack.
- Download the free Eversource mobile app to report outages or check for updates.

Prepare Your Home/Vehicle/Generator:

- Test smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors for proper operation and battery life.
- Fill large containers with water for drinking and fill the bathtub with water to flush toilets.
- Have access to flashlights, extra batteries, candles and matches.
- Make sure your vehicle is fully fueled and/or charged.
- Be prepared to cook outside with a charcoal or propane grill.
- If you have a generator, test the properly installed generator-transfer switch. Have extra gasoline stored safely outside.

If You Rely on a Home Medical Device:

- major storm events are anticipated, if you are not already on the medical device notification list.
- Prepare for the potential for power outages. This includes switching to backup power or moving to an alternate location, if necessary.

DURING THE STORM

Power outages do happen. When they do, Eversource works to safely and quickly restore service.

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- Report a power outage quickly online at Eversource.com or call Eversource
- Stay as far away as possible from any downed wires outside
- Leave your home if authorities order an evacuation.

- Never install a generator inside Generator exhaust contains carbon monoxide that can kill within minutes.
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AFTER THE STORM

Even after a storm has passed, it is important to remain afert until restoration work is completed.

- Stay as far away as possible from downed wires and never drive over a power line. Assume all downed wires are "live" and dangerous.
- Call 911 immediately to report downed wires to local fire and police.
- Never touch anything that may be in contact with a downed wire, including trees, fences, guardrails or puddles of water.
- If all of your neighbors have their power back on, but yours is still out, report your outage again by contacting Eversource.
- Check your appliances for damage. Plug in and turn them on one at a time to avoid a power surge.
- ☐ After a prolonged outage, check food in your refrigerator or freezer carefully for freshness.
- Do not enter damaged buildings. In the event of a gas leak, even the tiniest spark from a phone, flashlight, electrical appliance or a match could ignite the gas.

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An action-packed adventure that's fun for the whole family, Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves is now available for fans to watch at home from Paramount Home Entertainment. Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves is a movie that tells about a charming thief and a band of unlikely adventurers undertake an epic heist to retrieve a lost relic, but things go dangerously awry when they run afoul of the wrong people in this hilarious and action-packed adventure. Fans that purchase the film on Digital will have access to over an hour of fascinating bonus content taking them deeper into the exciting world of *Dungeons* & Dragons. Go inside the making of the movie, featuring interviews with Chris Pine, Michelle Rodriguez, Regé-Jean Page and more. Explore the universe, characters, magical creatures, epic fight sequences, and stunning visual effects. Plus, laugh along with a hilarious gag reel with bloopers and outtakes, and check out deleted and extended scenes that uncover even more of the action not seen in theaters!

TRANSFORMERS: 6 MOVIE STEELBOOK COLLECTION (4K Ultra HD/Blu-ray)

Get ready to roll out with the Autobots and their human allies as they defend the world from the evil Deceptions with a Limited-Edition SteelBook™ set featuring six blockbuster Transformer movies. This collection arrives just in time for fans to catch up on all of the thrilling adventures before the newest chapter, Transformers: Rise of the Beasts, arrives in theatres on June 9th. The Transformers 6-Movie SteelBook Collection includes: Transformers (Feature Film and commentary by Director Michael Bay; Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (Feature Film and commentary by Bay, Roberto Orci and Alex Kurtzman); Transformers: Dark of the Moon (Feature Film); Transformers: *Age of Extinction* (Feature Film); Transformers: The Last Knight (Feature Film); and Bumblebee (Feature Film); Each film is presented in a separate SteelBook with the feature on 4K Ultra HD Disc plus a Blu-ray Disc™ with legacy bonus content. All six SteelBooks are housed in a striking magnetic slipcase that also includes a collectible decal and access to Digital copies of each film.

NOON WINE (DVD) Liberation Hall

Royal Earle Thompson owns a dairy farm in southern Texas during the late 1890s. His farm is fairly unproductive, due in part to Thompson's laziness and distaste for most of the required labor on a farm. Thompson lives with his wife, Ellie, and two small sons, and while Ellie is continually ill, she does her best to perform her domestic duties around the farm. One day, Olaf Helton presents himself at the farm and the taciturn Swede asks Farmer Thompson for a job and is hired on the

spot. Helton proves to be an invaluable asset and after nine years pass, the dairy farm is thriving, thanks to Helton's incomparable work ethic One day, an offensive and irritating stranger named Homer T. Hatch shows up at the farm. saying he is there to "locate" Helton. Thompson takes an immediate dislike to Helton due to his grating banter and subtle insults. Hatch eventually reveals he is a bounty hunter, and Helton is an escaped mental patient. Thompson has a vision of Hatch driving a knife blade into Helton's stomach, and rushes to Helton's defense, striking Hatch with an axe blade and killing him. Meanwhile, Helton flees. After a perfunctory trial, Thompson is acquitted on the ground of selfdefense/defense of another but Thompson continues to relive the killing, endlessly reviewing possible options, other paths he could have taken. Worse, though he is legally "not guilty," the community regards him as not innocent, and fears that he has become an outcast. In a climactic scene at home, Thompson realizes that even his wife is afraid of him and that their now nearly grown sons no longer trust him. Thompson writes a note of explanation, how he never meant to kill Hatch. Thompson puts no blame on Helton, observing that had Hatch come hunting him instead of Helton, his friend would have done the same for

REDLINE (Blu-ray) MVD Marquee Classics

On the streets of Los Angeles and Las Vegas, daredevil drivers race the world's most exotic cars for million dollar bets. But as the stakes rise, so does the danger — from deadly crashes to kidnapping and murder — and only the fast and furious survive. With adrenalinepumping action and some of the rarest, most expensive high performance vehicles ever raced and obliterated on film, Redline roars into high gear and doesn't let off the gas until the final explosive rush. Directed by legendary stuntman and fight choreographer Andy Cheng and featuring an all-star cast that includes Nadia Bjorlin, and Nathan Phillips.

L.A. WARS – COLLECTOR'S EDITION (Blu-ray) MVD **Rewind Collection**

When power crazed drug lord Raul Guzman moves in on the mafia, L.A. cocaine trade and steals the mob boss Carlo Giovani's money and drugs, the streets explode in violence. Vince Murdoco, is an undercover copy, Jake Quinn, he infiltrates the mafia as the bodyguard for Giovani's beautiful daughter, Carla. Jake must use his martial arts and all the weaponry he can carry to defend Carla from Guzman's hit men. Giovani's ruthless right hand man Vinny betrays him and tries to assault Carl, but he is stopped by Quinn. Vinny is humiliated and booted from the family. He then teams up with Guzman to seek revenge on Giovani. In a final showdown, Quinn must stop Vinny in his rampage for revenge and power. 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

CHECK OUT THE SARATOGA JAZZ FESTIVAL THIS JUNE

If you're looking for something fun and new to do this summer, you might want to check out the FREIHOFER'S SARATOGA JAZZ FESTIVAL at Saratoga Springs, NY.

The festival will be held on Saturday. June 24 and Sunday, June.25.

Remember, two days, two stages, and 21 electrifying artists on stage. Go to spac.org for more information.

FLAG DAY PARADE JUNE 10

Quincy holds the oldest Flag Day Parade in the nation started in 1952 by Richard Koch Sr. This year marks the 51st parade anniversary. The parade steps off on Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. There is also a fireworks show beginning around 9:00 p.m., over Black's Creek. As Quincy Mayor Tom Koch says, "There is no greater tradition in our city than the Flag Day Parade." See you there hopefully waving a flag.

WINTHROP P.D. HONORING MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS IN MAY AND NOVEMBER

Winthrop Police Chief Terence Delehanty has announced that the Winthrop Police Department will be showing support for veterans and current military members by wearing camouflaged badges during the months of May and November, in recognition of Memorial Day and Veterans Day, respectively. As the chief started, "This new badge serves as a reminder for all of us of the service and sacrifice of so many to uphold our liberties in conflict throughout the world." Three cheers to Winthrop P.D. for remembering all who have served their nation in peace and war times. We should all remember those who have put their lives on the line for all of us.

TO MY VETERAN FRIENDS SOUTH OF HERE

VFW Post 1645 and American Legion Post 89 in Stoughton will be hosting a Roast Beef Dinner, Friday night, June 30 at 6:00 p.m., at 837 Washington Street in Stoughton. Purchase at Post Bar. Cheap tickets, great dinner, and entertainment. Live music at 7:00 p.m., with Colleen Marshall and John Kelly performing dance hits from yesterday to today. Classic rock, pop, and soul.

NAACP PUT TRAVEL ADVISORY ON FLORIDA

The NAACP has issued a travel advisory on the State of Florida in response to Governor DeSantis' attempts "to erase black history and to restrict diversity, equity, and inclusion." NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson stated "Under the leadership of Governor DeSantis the state of Florida has become hostile to black Americans and in direct conflict with those democratic ideals that our union was founded upon."

Basically, he is saying look out if you come visit Florida, you may not go back home alive. What fearmongering, huh? Derrick Johnson calls Tampa Bay home and the NAACP Chairman of the Board Leon Russell also lives there. When will these two begin calling a moving company and getting the heck out of Florida. What hypocrisy, eh?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

Singer Bob Dylan turned 82 years old on Wednesday, May 24. Happy birthday and keep on singing. Henry Kissinger turned 100 years old Saturday, May 27, and Lisa Cappuccio had her birthday last week, too. Next year will be a big birthday for her. Maybe I should start now planning a big birthday party for her maybe at Kelley's Square Pub. Where would East Boston be without her?

TARGET GONE WOKE FOR **SUMMER BEACH TIME**

Target is just the latest big box company to have fallen for all this DEI madness. They are now advertising new summer wear as they are now marketing a new line of female swimsuits for men. I kid vou not. We all know that men carry some extra baggage down below and the new swimsuits come with extra-large briefs for comfort. You can't make this stuff up even if you wanted to.

I see Bud Light in their future, how about you?

GOOD COUNTRY MUSIC WITH "LITTLE TEXAS" CD

A good friend handed me a 'Little Texas' country music CD album titled Kick a Little, but I was kicking a lot while driving over to Roberto's Pastry in Revere. I had never heard of this band, but their music is out of this world. It's a 10-track CD, but track 4 "Southern Grace" is the best country I've heard in years. Check it out.

REDEDICATING "HERO SQUARE" FOR NORTH END WWI SOLDIER

On Saturday, May 20, a North End soldier killed in action during WWI was remembered by family members and local officials gathered for a rededication of a "Hero Square" next to the Saunders Castle at Park Plaza.

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kat No. MI23P036

Estate of JUDITH LYNN MERRILL Also Known As **JUDY MERRILL** JUDITH L. MERRILL

Date of Death: September 09, 2022 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Cynthia A. Corkhum of Winthrop, MA.

Cynthia A. Corkhum of Winthrop, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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The tribute honored Corporal Eugene Thomas Zanni, a 20-year-old U.S. Army member who died on July 23, 1918 during a battle in France between allies and the German army.

According to Robert Santiago, Boston's commissioner of Boston Veterans Services, Zanni was awarded a Purple Star for his heroism and while he died long ago, the commissioner added that it is critical that people remember the service of our city's military veterans.

STATE EDUCATION OFFICIALS CHIMING IN ON CLASSROOM CELLPHONES

According to news reports, Jeff Riley, the state Education Commissioner, public education officials, the Commonwealth is weighing in on restrictions to students using their own cell phones while in the classroom.

As a full-time substitute teacher, I think the idea is worth considering but feel there would be major pushback not just from students but parents as well. As long as many parents believe their children should have their cellphones in class and see it as a public safety issue, pressure will be on state and local school officials who attempt implementing any cell phone restrictions in public school systems across the state.

I side with considering the idea of restrictions on student cell phones use. Too often too many students are so addicted to their phones and clearly, it is often disruptive to classroom learning. However, educators should be ready for the tsunami of parental opposition to such a move.

Any comments from the readers out there? Let me know at sal.giarratani@gmail.com.

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Docket No. MI23P0101EA Estate of

CHARLOTTE H. LINDGREN Also Known As
CHARLOTTE LINDGREN WINSLOW CHARLOTTE HOLT WINSLOW **CHARLOTTE HOLT LINDGREN**

Date of Death: November 26, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Philip W. Stevens of South Hamilton, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Philip W. Stevens of South Hamilton, MA has been informally appointed as the Persona 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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by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



I was just about to graduate from English High School in June of 1956. I had worked one day in construction and knew that hard physical labor wasn't for me. At the same time, Dad was playing with the Paul Adams Trio at a pub on Revere Beach. I drove him to work one night and was told to pick him up just after midnight, a point in time when the band would end their night's performance. I didn't have my own car as of yet and would borrow Dad's car but had to drive him to work and pick him up.

That particular night, I arrived at the Revere Beach club before the band had finished and headed inside. Someone approached me and asked me for my ID. I told him who I was and why I was there and was given the OK to stay. I was only 17, but looked older and didn't drink anyway. The trio finished at midnight and as Dad was packing up, he introduced me to the leader, guitarist/singer Paul Adams. Paul asked what I was doing for the summer, and I didn't have a definitive answer to give him. He then asked if I would like to be a lifeguard at one of Boston's beaches, and I said, "Sure."

Mr. Adams then mentioned that my father told him I was an usher at the Seville Theater. I told him that I worked there part-time and had been an usher since the summer of 52. He then asked if I knew any of the policemen from Station 7, the East Boston division.

I replied that I knew quite a few, especially the ones who stopped in at the Seville. He then asked if I knew his brother, Tony DeFranco. I said that I knew him and everyone called him spaghetti legs, because he could run so fast. Adams then told me that his last name was a stage name. His real name was Paul DeFranco. He then asked again if I was interested in being a lifeguard for the summer, and I answered again in the affirmative. He then told me he would call by mid-morning with more information.

On the way home, Dad told me that Paul Adams was a retired FBI operative and had a lot of connections. The next morning, Mr. Adams called and told me to report to the MDC station on Revere Beach for more

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Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 06/02, 06/09, 06/16/2023 instructions, and that was it. An hour later, wearing a suit and tie, I found a parking space and headed inside the MDC/ bath house location. I gave the desk sergeant my name and was told to see the captain. After introducing myself, I was asked, "Can you swim?" When I said yes, I was told to report to Constitution Beach the next morning, and that was it ... I was now an MDC lifeguard for the summer. I had only one problem ... I had never heard of Constitution Beach.

After returning home, I asked Mom, Dad, Nanna and Babbononno if they knew where Constitution Beach was, and no one knew. Babbononno said, "May-bee eetza da beecha ah Wood Island Parka. Dad and Mom thought it might be one of the beaches in South Boston or Dorchester, but they weren't sure either. Nanna had no idea. I then made about a dozen phone calls but no one I spoke with had ever heard of Constitution Beach. In desperation, I called information and asked for the office number at the bathhouse of Constitution Beach. Fortunately, there was a phone number and I called it. The voice on the other end said, "Good morning, Constitution Beach." I explained my dilemma and was asked where I was calling from. I answered, "I live in East Boston."

The person on the other end said, "Where in East Boston?" When I said, "Eutaw Street," the person I was speaking to began laughing and said, "You're ten minutes away." I said, "What?" The response I got was, "Did you ever swim at Shays Beach in Orient Heights?" My answer was, "Of course." The response was, "Well now, that's where you are heading for tomorrow. It's now called Constitution Beach."

The next morning I headed for Shays Beach, as we East Bostonians called our swimming hole, and reported for work. I was given an orange bathing

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Suffolk Division

Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

Docket No. SU23P0828EA
Estate of
SYLVIA GARDNER
Date of Death: May 21, 2022
INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Collie S. Gardner of Boston, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Collie S. Gardner of Boston, 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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suit, an orange pith helmet and a whistle to wear around my neck. I was told that my appointment was for 90 days and I was given instructions on what my responsibilities were. There were a few others that were dressed in the same fashion and collectively, we were the summer of 1956 lifeguards and bathhouse attendants at Shays Beach ... oops, Constitution Beach.

For the next couple of months, I walked the beach according to my schedule and I would say that I knew about 75% of the people who frequented the location. Many I knew from the East Boston neighborhoods and the rest from my job as an usher at the Seville Theater. On a given day, Dad, Mom, Nanna and Babbononno came to the beach and brought a picnic basket filled with Italian goodies and made a day of it. Both Nanna and my mother had to totally covered as they were very light skinned and burned easily. On other occasions, friends who came to the beach to just hang out or play hand ball made the experience one of the best I had ever had.

The job came to an end around the middle of September and coincided with when I had to report to Boston State as an incoming freshman. The hard part was now saying goodbye to all of the new friends I had made that summer, other Bostonians from diverse neighborhoods, and like me, assigned to East Boston's beach. The person in charge called Santoro's Sub Shop in Central Square had two dozen Italian subs and a case of soda sent to the bathhouse on the last day and threw us all a going away party.

On that last day, it was cloudy and no one showed up at the beach and all of the 90-day employees were able to congregate at the same time, for the last time.

During that first week at Boston State, we incoming freshmen had to take physicals from the school doctor. I had to strip down to my underwear and was asked if I was colored or white. (colored was a term used years ago to identify black people.) I told the man that I was Italian and he said, "Well, that explains it." When I asked what he meant, he laughed and said, look in the mirror, look at your color. I was dark brown. Being in the sun every day for almost 3 months had given me a Caribbean tan that was to die for.

The doctor then gave me a lecture on too much sun, the possibilities of skin cancer and the effect the sun might have on my eves, as I never wore sunglasses.

When I got home that afternoon, I had a conversation with Dad who was a sun worshiper. He had dark skin to start with and loved the beach and a good game of golf. When playing golf, he often stripped to the waist and sunned himself while he played.

Spending a lot of time in Florida gives me the opportunity of maintaining a great tan. I guess I took after Dad regarding a tropical tan, but I really don't like golf. As a result, I just hang out at the pool, tan myself and think about the old days.

GOD BLESS AMERICA



National "Strawberry Month" may be in May, however, In Italy, as well as in the states, the month of June is when the strawberry appears most recognized! Americans celebrate "National Strawberry Shortcake Day" on June 14th, and Italians celebrate the entire month with various Strawberry Festivals or Sagra delle Fragola throughout the country. The well-known Sagra delle Fragola traditionally takes place the first Sunday of June in Nemi, a small town in the province of Rome. Towards the end of the month, in the town of Maletto in Catania, Sicily, there's the renowned Sagra delle Fragola di Maletto. Both of these sagra's feature an array of festivities and of course, a vast selection of strawberry infused indulgences. There are baked confections, jams, liqueurs, gelatos, and even risotto and pizza! The Fragola di Maletto culminates with its notorious thousand-pound strawberry cake, and every person attending this event is gifted with a piece of their own!

My Nonna taught me to make many desserts using fresh strawberries. Some of my favorites include a *millefoglie torta*, a tart filled with *crema pasticcera* that's topped with strawberries, and her "Strawberry Mascarpone Cake." This strawberry filled cake is easy to prepare, bakes in a *ciambella* pan, and the results are amazing! This *Torta di Fragole al Mascarpone* is perfect to serve for breakfast, as a dessert or enjoyed as a midday snack!

STRAWBERRY MASCARPONE CAKE Torta di Fragole al Mascarpone



2 ¼ cups all-purpose flour 1 bustina paneangeli di lievito

per dolce (can substitute 2 ¼ teaspoons baking powder and 2 teaspoons vanilla)

4 eggs

1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 lemon zest

8-ounce container mascarpone, softened

2 cups fresh strawberries, sliced (must be fresh) 1 ½ tablespoons all-purpose

flour

½ cup confectioners' sugar

Preheat the oven to 350°. Grease and flour a 24 cm. ring shaped *ciambella* pan, set aside.

In a medium bowl, sift the flour and *lievito per dolci* or baking powder, set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, add the eggs and sugar and beat until creamy. Add the lemon zest and softened mascarpone and mix well. Add the flour mixture, about ¼ cup at a time, beating well after each addition. In a small bowl, toss together the strawberries with the 1½ tablespoons flour (prevents them from sinking to the bottom). Gently fold the strawberries into the batter (will be thick) and spread evenly in the prepared ciambella pan. Bake for about 45 to 55 minutes, or until the cake is golden crusted on top, and skewer inserted comes out clean. Cool completely and sift confectioners' sugar over top.

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

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Notice is hereby given by Gaeta's Enterprises,
Inc. of 14 Newbury Street, West Peabody,
MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass
G.L c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the
following vehicle on or after June 10, 2023
beginning at 10:00 AM by private or public
sale to satisfy their garage keepers' lien for
towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2005 DODGE RAM 1500 VIN # 1D7HU18D95S357117 Vehicle is being stored at Gaeta's Enterprises, Inc.

Signed, Carmen Gaeta Gaeta's Enterprises, Inc. Run dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09/2023

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Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 03, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2021 HONDA CIVIC Vin # SHHFK7H46MU418380

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Signed
Todisco Services, Inc.

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THOUGHTS BY DAN ABOUT THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso

The Whole Family:

William Dean Howells and a Literary Experiment

Anthology films have long been a rare though not unheardof presence in the industry dating as far back to at least the early 30s. There have been stylistic variations but generally the plot is held together by a common thread. The novelty was often though not always seeing different directors adding their own style to their own portion of the narrative. Unsurprisingly, results varied from film to film but from segment to segment. Perhaps D.W. Griffith succeeded best of all in what is likely the first of its kind, Intolerance from 1916. If I Had a Million, from 1932, attracted such contemporary masters as Ernst Lubitsch, William A. Seiter and Norman Z. McLeod, each to direct the tale of a different hopeful awaiting their share of an inheritance. The process was altered in 1942 with Tales of Manhattan in which one director, Julien Duvivier, traced the story of a tailcoat as it changed hands from patron to patron. The mood changes here were derived from a cast as diverse as Henry Fonda, Edward G. Robinson and W.C. Fields. A decade later, Henry Hathaway, Henry King and Howard Hawks all took stab at directing an adaptation of one of O. Henry's short stories inn O. Henry's Full House. The process lasted well into the 80s (Twilight Zone: The Movie and New York Stories), the 90s (Four Rooms) and the 2000s with Paris je t'aime.

In the medium of literature, however, the concept is scarcely heard of. Perhaps because authoring a literary work is far more personal and more purely the product of a writer's vision the exercise, when attempted, seldom works. Film, even works of auteurs, has to contend with a committee before, during and after production.

There have been a few notable instances, however. Charles Dickens and Wilkie Collins collaborated quite a bit on short story anthologies as well as the play and novel, *No Thoroughfare*. Perhaps, however, the most enduring example was concocted by William Dean Howells in 1906. Mark Twain had floated a similar idea

some years earlier which never came to fruition, but Howells contacted *Harper's Bazar* editor Elizabeth Jordan suggesting a work consisting of the magazine's most prolific authors.

This was the genesis of the novel that would come to be titled *The Whole Family*. The premise is superficially simple. Peggy Talbert, a young New England girl, returns home from college engaged to a young man she met in the co-ed campus. Different family members and family friends have different reactions, family scandals are spilled, and key details are revealed by passing through the same event through the eyes of different characters.

Jordan was immediately sold on the idea and set about gathering some of her best writers, with Howells leading off with the first chapter and Jordan herself taking over the fifth chapter. Mark Twain was approached (given his prior interest in an unrealized similar project) and offered the comical chapter told from the eyes of Peggy's child brother. Twain declined, apparently having lost faith in the concept's success, and that chapter ultimately went to Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews who seems throughout the chapter to be trying (with some success it must be said) to emulate Twain's spirit.

Edith Wharton, Hamlin Garland and Kate Douglas Wiggin, whose Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm was then amongst the most popular books for children, also declined. Despite Jordan's pessimism about his willingness, Henry James was enthusiastic about the project and became, beside Howells, the only one of the twelve authors involved who is widely remembered today. This, however, may have been what made James's chapter the most inert. After developing his literary voice so distinctly after half a century of writing he had some trouble adapting it to a shared work. Consequently, his plodding chapter feels out of place compared to the brisk whimsies of the chapters that surround it.

A work of this nature is subject to artistic disputes and



the principle one of The Whole Family reflected the societal prejudices of the time. In the first chapter, Howells introduced Peggy's "old maid" aunt, Elizabeth. Howells, then 70, perhaps could not have conceived of Aunt Elizabeth as anything but a harmless old spinster. However, when Mary E. Wilkins Freeman took control and focus of the character in the second chapter, Aunt Elizabeth turns from a tragic figure into a desirable mature woman, free of spirit and sexually alive (even, unfortunately, to the attentions of Peggy's fiancé Harry Goward). Freeman, herself unmarried until the age of 49, and to a man seven years her junior, was clearly writing from the heart about a changing world she embraced. Jordan, herself an unmarried woman in a powerful position that would have been nearly impossible less than fifty years earlier, personally embraced Freeman's contribution, though Howells and Henry Van Dyke, author of the final chapter, expressed

Freeman, however, was undeterred, writing to Jordan, "Their single state is a deliberate choice on their part, and men are at their feet. Single women have caught up with, and passed, old bachelors in the last half of the century. I don't think Mr. Howells recognizes this. He is thinking of the time when women of thirty put on caps, and renounced the world. That was because they married at fifteen and sixteen, and at thirty had about a dozen children. Now they simply do not do it."

Despite the rocky origins of The Whole Family, however, the work plays out surprisingly well. Together the chapters flow well (with the exception of James's which may have worked better in the context of a solo venture) and the story unfolds in turns delightful, revealing and charming. As an experiment it produced no masterpiece but an overall success. The greatest credit that can be given the many cooks in the kitchen here is to the cohesiveness and smoothness of a collaborative work.

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

as if the only "reasonable place" isn't between "two competing political parties" but "wherever Democrats happen to reside, "grumbles *The Federalist*'s David Harsanyi. In this framing, "one side is trying to save the nation from economic ruin; the other is a reckless 'hostage taker' intent on rolling back progress."

In truth, "those who demand reforms are no more taking hostages than those who demand unfettered spending." The left wants tax hikes; the right suggests rolling back spending to last year's levels. "Reasonable people can disagree about who's right." Yet the Washington press corps thinks anything other than a "clean" bill is some kind of attack on democracy." It's all so lazy and

insufferable.

Almost half of Democrats, or 45 percent, backed tying spending cuts to raising the debt limit, along with 79 percent of Republicans, and 58 percent of independents. Twenty four percent surveyed said the debt ceiling should be raised no matter what, 15 percent said Congress should not raise the debt ceiling under any circumstances.

Black Lives Matter but Apparently Their Funds Don't

According to a May 25 NY Post report, Black Lives Matter ended last year with a \$9 million deficit — while still paying out millions to organizers as well as relatives of BLM co-founder Patrisse Cullors.

Tax docs posted online show that Black Lives Matter Global

Network Foundation ended the financial year in the red to the tune of \$8,559,748. The filings show that the nonprofit took in \$8.5 million but spent \$17 million

A sister organization, Black Lives Matter Grassroots, previously accused Cullors' replacement running the non-profit Shalomyah Bowers of "blazing a path of irreparable harm to BLM" and "siphoning millions to his firm."

End Quotes

"(Republicans are) fighting to put fentanyl on the street."

— WH Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre "Stop explaining feminism to feminists."

> — Tennis legend Martina Navratilova

• L'Anno Bello (Continued from Page 4)

celebrate with a medieval tournament, while also holding a procession of rowboats carrying candles drifting serenely along the Arno River. These festivals perfectly capture the magic of the longest night of the year, harnessing the power of the sun and honoring the life-giving qualities of water.

4. Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (June 29th): Rome celebrates the feast day of two of the most important figures of early Christianity with great fanfare. The commemoration of St. Peter and St. Paul, or San Pietro e San Paolo, includes a special Mass from St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican (St. Peter was the first Pope). Many businesses in Rome are closed for the day as people admire elaborate flower carpets — a summer symbol outside St. Peter's Square. Like many summer holidays, the day ends with a fireworks display.

Of course, there are plenty of other ways to enjoy June in Italy. Lots of little festivals, known as sagre, dot the Italian landscape. These small holidays frequently devote their attention to a specific crop, and during the summer that can mean anything from peaches to strawberries to herbs. One of the best aspects of Italian holidays is that they connect to the rhythms of the Earth and encourage reflection in the present moment. So, no matter how you celebrate, make sure to give thanks for the wonderful month of June and all of the

delights it offers! *Happy June!*

Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz is a high school history teacher. She appreciates any comments and suggestions about Italian holidays and folklore at adicenso89@gmail.com.

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Essex Probate and Family Court 36 Federal Street Salem, MA 01970 (978) 744-1020

Docket No. ES23P1377EA

Estate of ALLAN LAWRENCE DESROSIERS Date of Death: March 05, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned, including creditors, estate, by Petition of Petitioner George M. Locarno, Esq. of Boston, MA, a will has been admitted to informal probate.

George M. Locarno, of Boston, MA has 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 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 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 Petitioner.

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

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

Docket No. MI23P2423EA
Estate of

BRIDGET A. JOYCE
Date of Death: November 23, 2022
INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Ann Marie Joyce of Lexington, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Ann Marie Joyce of Lexington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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

(701) 000-4000 Docket No. MI23P2663FA

> Estate of OTAKAR DVORAK Also Known As OTTO DVORAK

Date of Death: August 16, 2022 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Daniel N. Dvorak** of **Watertown**, **MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Daniel N. Dvorak of Watertown, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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Docket No. MI23P2671EA

Estate of

JEROLD STUART HARMATZ

Also Known As
JEROLD S. HARMATZ
Date of Death: April 14, 2023
INFORMAL PROBATE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Jean G. MacFadyen** of **Newtonville**, **MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

PUBLICATION NOTICE

Jean G. MacFadyen of Newtonville, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
Middlesex Division
Docket No. MI23W0111WD
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

KENDALL ALLEN, Plaintiff(s)
v.
AHMAD ABDUL-RAHIM, Defendant(s)

To the above named Defendant(s): Ahmad Abdul-Rahim. A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff(s) Kendall Allen seeking a Complaint for

You are required to serve upon Kendall Allen or attorney for plaintiff(s) - whose address is impounded, Care of 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor your answer on or before 28th day of June, 2023. If You fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of this Court at 370 Jackson St., 5th Floor, Lowell, MA 01852.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, Esq., First Justice of said Court at Lowell, this day of May 17th, 2023.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court Run date: 06/02/2023

• MBTA June Service Changes

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place in May on the Blue, Red, Orange, Green, Silver, Greenbush, Kingston/Plymouth, Middleborough/Lakeville, Rockport, and Haverhill lines. Riders are encouraged to visit mbta.com for a complete list.

The MBTA apologizes for the inconvenience of these scheduled service changes, and appreciates the understanding and patience of riders as this critical and necessary work to maintain, upgrade, and modernize the system takes place.

For further information, please visit *mbta.com/alerts*, or connect with the T on Twitter *@MBTA* and *@MBTA_CR*, Facebook /TheMBTA, Instagram *@theMBTA*, or TikTok *@thembta*.



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



From My In-Box

Happy belated birthday hopefully you have many more in the future! I really enjoy your Extra Innings column in the Post-Gazette. I have one update for you. On May 12th you wrote that Willie Mays never played a game in Fenway Park- you are correct he never played a regular season game but he did play a Jimmy Fund game on May 23, 1955 with the NY Giants vs the Red Sox and played in the All-Star game played at Fenway 7-31-1961. Keep up the great work. All of your columns are great.

> Harry Johnston Woburn, MA

Satchel Paige Never Looked Back, They Never Gained on Him which ruled the day until Jackie Robinson's entrance into the MLB in 1947 as a member of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Had it not been for segregation, Paige might have begun his MLB career in the mid-20s rather than the late 40s. Recently, the NY Yankees on May 11 celebrated Satchel Paige who died in 1982 by handing out bobble heads in his honor. The Yankees were honoring Paige who 82 years earlier pitched at Yankees Stadium at age 34. He was a member of the NY Black Yankees and won the game against the Harlem Stars. In the nightcap, the Red Sox played the Yankees. Over 34,000 fans showed up for the double hitter.

Satchel Paige came into MLB



Pumpsie Green

in 1948 and won the Rookie of the Year Award at age 42. I still remember his last trip to the mound in 1965 when as a member of the old Kansas City Athletics, he pitched two innings in relief against the Red Sox at 59 years old. He pitched two scoreless innings against Boston that night.

Satchel, like Yogi Berra, was known for his quotes. Saige had one famous one of his own that probably carried him through his whole life.

Boston Globe sports writer Kevin Paul Dupont had a good idea recently. The first Black baseball player signed by the Red Sox was an infielder by the name of Pumpsie Green. He

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Docket No. MI23P2465EA

Estate of BEVERLY A. THIBEAULT Date of Death: February 23, 2023 INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Fred E. Thibeault Jr. of Woburn, MA.

Fred E. Thibeault Jr. of Woburn, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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made his debut with the Sox on July 21, 1959 and played his first game at Fenway Park on August 4. 1959. This year on August 4, the Sox are home for a game against the Blue Jays and the writer thought about a bobble head night for Pumpsie too at this game. However, I also remembered Earl Wilson a great starting pitcher for us who was signed by the Sox 7 days later on July 28, 1959. He was the first Black pitcher to be signed by Tom Yawkey's Red Sox.

If Red Sox Nation wants to honor both Pumpsie Green and Earl Wilson, it should be a twin bobblehead night for both Green and Wilson, don't you think?

Let me know what you think about my idea? Send comments to me at sal.giarratani@gmail. com

"The Captain & The Kid"

Lately, when the NY Yankees are on the verge of losing against their opponents, they turn to the Captain and the Kid. Tuesday last week, Arron Judge hit a game-tying homer, and a sacrifice fly from Anthony Volpe handed the Yankees another come from behind victory.

Neither Judge nor Volpe are surprising their fans lately as both are helping lift up the Yankees in the standards. The only real surprise earlier in the game was a squirrel running around the outfield apparently trying out for an outfield position. Things were looking nuts then but when Rocky the Squirrel left the outfield, the Yankees went back to work on the Orioles lineup.

Analyst This, Shaq

After months of playing dodgeball, former NBA star and "Inside the NBA" TNT sports show host Shaquille O'Neal has finally been served legally notifying him that he has been sued in a class-action suit filed by folks who invested in the failed cryptocurrency company FTX. Shaq served during the May 23 Heat-Celtics game while he was reportedly doing his TNT show. The sports analyst now has something new to analyze besides basketball.

Trans Gal Winner in Virginia

A trans female disc golfer banned from participating in a California event won a women's tournament in Virginia. Natalie Ryan, a biological male won first place after defeating five women in the Lake Marshall Open in Montross two weeks ago. Ryan's winning score of 197 over three rounds.

Disc golf players use a flying disc, not balls and clubs aiming to complete each whole in the fewest throws. Ryan had been barred from competing in the OTB Open in Stockton, Calf. earlier this month.

After her win, she wrote on Instagram, "I will not be threatened, I will not be intimidated, I will not be erased. It is a breath of fresh air to be competing where I belong."

I wonder how those five competitors of hers feel about getting erased in a women's sport matchup.

Alright, now it's your turn. How do you feel about this issue? Go to sal.giarratani@gmail.com. Any feedback out there?

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LOCATION: 322 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02474

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2009 a certain Mortgage was executed by Richard F. Brennan and Cleeda O. Brennan as mortgagors in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as mortgagee and was recorded on November 30, 2009, in Book 53917 at Page 36, in the Office of the Registry of Deeds of Middlesex County. Massachusetts: and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary Of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing: and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated January 21, 2016 and recorded on January 28, 2016 in Book 66732 at Page 146 in the office of the Registry of Deeds, Middlesex County, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that the Borrower is deceased and the property is not the principal residence of at least one other surviving borrower as set forth in Paragraph 9(a)(i) of the Mortgage; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness

secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on March 30, 2023 in Book 81373, Page 366, notice is hereby given that on **June 16, 2023 at 12:00 PM local time**, all real and personal property at or used in connec-

tion with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder:
THE LAND WITH THE BUILDINGS THEREON, SITUATED IN ALINGTON, MIDDLESEX COUNTY,
MASSACHUSETTES, BEING LOT E ON A PLAN ENTITLED "PLAN OF LAND ARLINGTON, MASS."
DATED JANUARY 8, 1955, MADE BY ROBERT H. DUNNING, SURV., RECORDED WITH MIDDLESEX

SOUTH DISTRICT DEEDS, BOOK 8406, PAGE 508, BOUNDED:

EASTERLY: BY MYSTIC STREET, ONE HUNDRED NINE (109) FEET;

SOUTHERLY: BY LOT B AS INDICATED ON SAID PLAN, ONE HUNDRED TEN (110) FEET;

WESTERLY: BY LAND OF JOHN P. O'REILLY, AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAN, NINETY-EIGHT

AND 97/100 (98.97) FEET; NORTHERLY: BY LOT F ON SAID PLAN, ONE HUNDRED NINE AND 77/100 (109.77) FEET.

FOR TITLE REFERENCE SEE DEED RECORDED AT BOOK 11991, PAGE 449.

Commonly known as: 322 MYSTIC STREET, ARLINGTON, MA 02474

The sale will be held at 322 Mystic Street, Arlington, MA 02474

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid approximately \$851,735.92.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his pro-rata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the

Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling approximately \$85,173.59 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of at least \$85,173.59 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment

unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.

The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, Offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

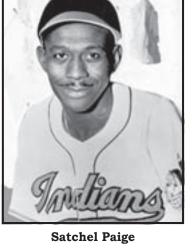
The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be paid off prior to the scheduled sale is approximately \$851,735.92 as of June 16, 2023 plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below.

Date: 05/11/2023

/s/ Jessica Clarke
Foreclosure Commissioner
Jessica Clarke, Esq.
The Law Offices of Jessica Clarke, PC
200 Main Street
Wareham, MA 0257
Phone: 781-915-4129
Fax: 515-517-8791

Run dates: 05/19, 05/26, 06/02/2023



When any real baseball fan recalls the great Satchel Paige, you have to wonder what might have been had Black baseball players been allowed to play in Major League Baseball rather than being forced into the Negro Leagues due to segregation

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Stanley Service, Inc., 3430 Washington Street, Jamaica Plain, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 10, 2023 beginning at 10:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2003 HONDA CR-V VIN # SHSRD78863U138624 2016 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BF1FK7GU572624

2015 TOYOTA CAMRY VIN # 4T1BF1FK3FU040107

Vehicles are being stored at Stanley Service, Inc. and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Stanley Service, Inc., Owner Run dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09/2023

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Todisco Services, Inc., of 171 Boston Street, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after June 10, 2023 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2004 VOLVO S60
VIN # YV1RS61T842367665
2005 FORD F-150
VIN # 1FTPX14565FB14157
2001 CHEVROLET TAHOE
VIN # 1GNEK13T01R171430
2002 FORD E350
VIN # 1FBSS31L22HA12348
Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco

Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed

by appointment only.

Signed
Todisco Services, Inc.
Run dates: 05/26, 06/02, 6/09/2023

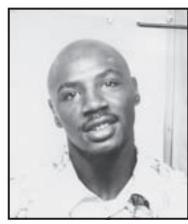


Marvelous Marvin Hagler

Gone but Never Forgotten

May $23^{\rm rd}$ marked the anniversary of Marvelous Marvin Hagler's $69^{\rm th}$ birthday. It is still hard to believe he is no longer with us. The man who was indestructible in the ring died suddenly on March 13, 2021 at the age of 66.

Marvin had a professional career record of 67 bouts with 62 wins, 52 by knockout, 2 draws, and just 3 losses. As great as that record is, it also has to be remembered that of the three losses and two draws, only one, his first loss to Willie Monroe,



Young Marvin

John "The Beast" Mugabi was a brutal battle of attrition and a spectacular fight. I actually rank it higher than the Hearns fight for drama. However, Hagler's fight against the Hitman was one of the most explosive in history, and is still exciting watch.

Marvin never let the fans down and never fought out of shape. He was dedicated and determined. A man with an incredible will and a work ethic beyond belief.

Marvin Hagler's last fight would be against Sugar Ray



Hagler in his Second Fight with Willie Monroe

was not a hotly disputed decision. He also fought Monroe two more times knocking him out in the $12^{\rm th}$ round and $2^{\rm nd}$ round respectively.

The first draw of his career was in a bout with Sugar Ray Seales. Marvin had beaten Seales by decision in Boston before giving him a rematch in his hometown of Seattle. That fight was called a draw, but by all accounts, Hagler was the clear winner. In a third fight Marvin removed all doubt who the better fighter was when he destroyed Seales in 1:26 seconds of the first round. That fight took place in Boston.



Hagler kayos Sugar Ray Seales in the first round

The other draw was when Hagler got his first shot at the Middleweight Title against the reigning Champ Vito Antuofermo. The fight took place in Las Vegas, and Marvin was once again the victim of some odd scoring when the judges ruled the fight a draw allowing Vito to keep the title.

Marvin would go on to win the title the following year by defeating Alan Minter. He then gave Antuofermo a rematch taking care of business by stopping the former champ who was unable to continue after the 4th round.

Two other boxers beside Willie Monroe could claim victories over Marvin, but both were highly questionable decisions. Bobby Watts won a ten round bout in Philadelphia in 1976. The promoter of the card, J. Russell Peltz commented, "It might not have been the worst decision of all time, but it was a pretty bad one".

It took until 1980 for Marvin to avenge the defeat against Watts, but he did so convincingly as was his style by stopping Watts in the second round in Portland, Maine.

Marvin would go on to successfully defend the title 12 times over six years, taking on all comers. His savage battle with Thomas Hearns was a fight for the ages, while his 11 rounds with



Marvelous and The Hitman Bombs Away!

Leonard in 1987. In so many ways Ray was the antithesis of Marvin. While Hagler had to do it the hard way, working a job at construction for years while training at night, Leonard's first pro fight was a televised event with a good payday.

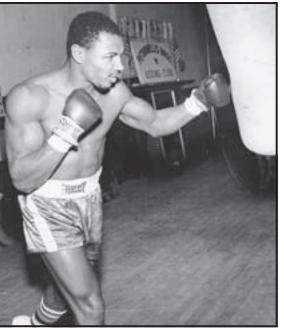
I'm not taking anything away from Leonard as I consider him to be an all-time great as well, be he was as much a beneficiary of good breaks as Marvin was of bad ones. Ray was a bit like boxing's privileged kid while Marvin was the working class hero, old school.

Everyone has an opinion about who won their fight that night in Las Vegas on April 6, 1987, but no matter what you think, this loss was definitely one that falls into highly disputed column in the Marvin Hagler story.

Marvin left behind a catalog of tremendous fights. I can't think of a single one that would be called dull or boring. It is also important to remember what I wrote above about his only losing a single undisputed decision in that career of 67 fights against the iron of the middleweight division

Should he have fought Leonard again? He wanted to but Ray decided to play games about the rematch. By the time Leonard agreed he would take on Hagler again, Marvin had settled into retirement and was satisfied with being there. I believe it was a wise decision of him to call it day.

Marvin Hagler will go down in boxing history as one of the best of the best. It's sad to think he passed so young. Thank you Marvelous Marvin for the great ride you gave all us boxing fans in Boston and around the world.



When Marvin had hair



HOOPS and HOCKEY IN THE HUB by Richard Preiss



It was about a year ago that Bruins General Manager Don Sweeney paid a visit to the home head coach Bruce Cassidy in Winchester.

The date — June 6 — has a special significance for the members of Bruins nation It is the birthday of former Bruins player and current team president Cam Neely — who will blowing out 58 candles on his cake in a few days.

It is also the day that the Bruins acquired Neely from the Vancouver Canucks on his 21st birthday in 1986. He had played for Vancouver, his home area team (he was born in British Columbia), for three seasons. The player going west from the B's to the Canucks was Barry Pederson.

Boston also got Vancouver's first pick in the 1987 NHL Draft. The B's chose wisely in selecting Glen Wesley.

But this latest June 6 was fated not to be a celebratory day — but one that would come to engender debate, be somewhat contentious and yes divisive.

For Sweeney had recommended that Cassidy — a member of the B's organization for 14 years — be severed from the franchise, the organization with which the long-time employee was most familiar.

However, it was not his call alone. Later, in a press conference, Sweeney revealed that he had forwarded his "recommendations" to Bruins Chief Executive officer Charlie Jacobs, to Neely in his capacity as president of the B's and to team owner Jeremy Jacobs.

The three had agreed with Sweeney's assessment. All that was left was to deliver the decision to Cassidy.

To his credit, Sweeney chose to impart the message in person. For two men who had spent so much time together in countless meetings this was up close and personal. This was not a message ordered by the offices of some conglomerate at a distance. It was much more personal.

For Sweeney had also served the Bruins in various capacities for a long time. He was a defenseman for the B's for 14 years. He later joined the front office in 2006 and worked his way up, overseeing for a time all aspects of the hockey operations in Providence, the B's affiliate in the American Hockey League. The head coach in the Ocean State during that span: Bruce Cassidy.

In that press conference conducted after the decision had been delivered, Sweeney said that Cassidy did not take it well. But Sweeney also admitted that he probably could have done a better job as the messenger. He also said that the man that had just been dismissed would have no trouble finding another job. That would turn out to be a very true statement.

Way out west anther team was looking for a leader. The Vegas Golden Knights had fired coach Pete DeBoer on May 16. Hired in January, 2020 he had led the Knights to the Western Conference Finals in both 2020 and 2021. The Knights missed qualifying for the 2022 Playoffs, amassing 94 points, three points shy of the Dallas Stars for the second wild card spot.

In a way, Cassidy could relate. Promoted in February, 2017 following the dismissal of Claude Julien, he had led the B's to six consecutive playoff berths, including the 2019 Stanley Cup Final. He was also named the Coach of the Year in 2020. And now, he had been shown the exit door.

It didn't take long for Vegas GM Kelly McCrimmon to make his move. Just over a week after that fateful meeting with Sweeney, there was Cassidy in Las Vegas being introduced as the next head coach of the Golden Knights.

And the Bruins seemed to have chosen the man they wanted as well. Jim Montgomery, who played his college hockey at the University of Maine and had formerly coached the Dallas Stars, was named the head coach of the B's on July 8.

For a good part of the year it seemed a something of a long distance duel, it really did. The departed coach was leading his new team to the top of the Western Conference. Here in the Hub, the Bruins proceeded to break a number of records, including most regular season wins (65) and most points amassed in the regular season (135).

And everyone hoped for the ultimate showdown. The fired versus the hired in the 2023 Stanley Cup Final. Cassidy himself said as much during his lone visit to the Garden back on December 5, some six months following the fateful meeting with Sweeney.

That night the Knights beat the Bruins in an overtime shootout at the Garden, one of the rare losses on home ice for the B's during the regular season.

Cassidy stated said that he would like to return in the spring — meaning to play the Bruins in the Stanley Cup Final.

As we all know, that will not happen since the Bruins faltered in the first round against Florida.

But Cassidy's Knights have advanced to the Stanley Cup Final and will face the Panthers, meaning it will be the fired coach of the Bruins going against the team that upset the B's in the first round of the 2023 playoffs. Turns out that even though there has been a year of separation, Cassidy has the opportunity to do one last favor for the Bruins while perhaps making the franchise that formerly employed him envious as well.

For Cassidy it would be the highlight of his career while for the Bruins it would be a reminder of what might have been — and what many employed by the franchise feel should have been — this year.

And if Vegas does win it all perhaps he might consider bringing the Cup back to Boston in triumph — just as Ray Bourque did in June, 2001 when he returned with hockey's holiest hardware for a celebration at City Hall Plaza.

Everybody loved Raymond that day he brought the Cup to Boston even though he was then a member of the Colorado Avalanche. Could a similar scenario await Cassidy?

Only time will tell. And as Bruins fans already know, stranger things have already happened this spring.