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MBTA Advisory for Monday, July 20th

Updated Boarding Protocols for Buses, Mattapan Line, and Customers at Some Green Line Stations; Standard Fare Collection Procedures at Front Doors

The MBTA announces that, effective on Monday, July 20th, there will be updated boarding protocols for customers using buses, the Mattapan Line, and the Green Line at street-level stations. Standard fare collection processes will continue at the front doors of buses and trolleys. Protective barriers have been installed to support physical distancing between operators and passengers, allowing front-door boarding to resume and providing more space for customers than the previous temporary barriers.

“We’re glad to be able to return to the normal boarding process, and as we continue through the reopening process, it is important that customers

and employees remain vigilant in our efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19,” said MBTA General Manager Steve Poftak. “By taking steps like wearing face coverings and social distancing, we’re able to continue to make progress and keep customers safe and healthy.”

On July 20th, front-door boarding resumes for all buses, for the Mattapan Line, and for Green Line trolleys at street-level stops. It is required that all MBTA customers wear a face covering and riders should avoid sitting or standing in areas (designated with decals) closest to the bus or trolley operators. Customers should board vehicles via the front

doors only and exit via the rear doors.

The MBTA temporarily instituted rear-door boarding in March in an effort to encourage social distancing measures and protect the health of MBTA operators and riders. Temporary barriers were also installed on vehicles at that time. The MBTA has completed the installation of permanent protective barriers that allows more space for customers while continuing to support social distancing. If there is a substantial statewide increase in active COVID-19 cases, the MBTA may revisit the updated boarding procedures and reinstitute rear-door boarding on buses and trolleys at street-level stops with customers notified in advance of the change.

To avoid overcrowding on buses, operators also have the discretion to bypass a stop if the operator determines that the bus has reached its safe capacity. If a customer with a disability is able to be identified while waiting at a stop to be bypassed, the bus operator



Photo of clear protective barrier on Green Line trolley.

alerts the Control Center, will notify that individual that the stop is being passed due to crowding, and will alert the customer to the approximate time of the next available bus that can accommodate them.

Customers should continue to make efforts to distance and are reminded that face coverings are required while onboard

vehicles and within the MBTA system. The MBTA urges area employers to continue to allow telecommuting and to consider staggered work schedules to promote social distancing on public transit. The MBTA also encourages cities and towns to assist in this effort by expanding available space

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

I Stand with Kelly Loeffler

U.S. Sen. Kelly Loeffler, R-Georgia, who also happens to co-own the Georgia Spirit WNBA franchise has come under much criticism from the cancel culture anarchists out there who believe anyone who disagrees with them is the enemy and to be taken out to stifle any semblance of free speech in this nation.

I heard her being interviewed on *Fox News* and I agree with her taking a stand against injecting more and more divisive politics into our sports teams. She doesn’t want any BLM support printed on team attire and I think she is one hundred percent correct. Already everyone on the other side is now telling folks to boycott the team and kick her out of office.

I remember Loeffler. She was the pick of Gov. Kemp to fill a vacant seat. President Trump was pushing the governor to pick someone else. He didn’t. I like her and think the governor did the right thing. Loeffler sounds a hundred times better than either of my two jokers in the U.S. Senate.

After Data Shows 11 Weeks of Decline, U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention Says, “We’re Below the Epidemic Threshold” But Lags in Data Reporting Could Change the Recent Numbers ...

Encouraging news you won’t see leading the nightly news, and you won’t see in the *Globe* or the *Herald*.

Currently, the number of reported cases continues to rise as more and more testing is made available, but if you watch the news, you don’t hear that deaths are not increasing (increases in testing positive, and in a few locations increases in hospitalizations, but

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Update on Phase 3 of Reopening in Boston

Phase 3, Step 1 of the state reopening plan launched in Boston on Monday, July 13th. On Friday, July 10th, the Mayor provided an overview of City programming and business guidelines in Phase 3. Those resources can be found at boston.gov/reopening.

The Mayor gave some national context about the coronavirus. Right now, the U.S. is in the worst place it has been since the pandemic began. He gave some examples: the California governor yesterday had to shut down indoor businesses for the second time, and Florida, Texas, Arizona, and other states are seeing dire situations in their hospitals.

He said Boston and Massachusetts don’t have to go down that path. The Boston Public Health Commission and the City are monitoring the data every single day, including test results, positive test rates, hospital activity, and neighborhood and demographic differences.

The City is ready to make whatever adjustments are needed, should we see the numbers move in the wrong direction. But the Mayor stressed that every single person has the ability to influence what happens with the spread, and must accept that responsibility. Everyone must continue to follow the precautions put in

place, or else we risk moving backward.

- For **businesses and non-profits**, that means operating workplaces with caution and care; following all state requirements; listening to concerns of workers and customers; and consulting the city’s sector guidelines at boston.gov/reopening.
- For **individuals**, it means wearing a face covering whenever you are out; keeping six feet of distance and avoiding crowds; washing your hands frequently; and cleaning your surfaces.

The City is available for help and guidance. Since March, the City has kept essential city services available while protecting the health of workers and visitors. As many city services as possible are available online, and the City’s 311 staff are ready to answer questions and provide assistance.

UPDATE ON CITY SERVICES AND PROCESSES:

Starting on July 23rd, City Hall will be open to the public on Thursdays: bringing in-person services to **3 days a week, on a Tuesday, Thursday, Friday schedule.**

Services will remain by appointment, so people must call ahead to the relevant department. A good starting place is to call 311.

The City will continue to screen everyone who enters the building for COVID-19 symptoms and elevated temperature.

The Mayor reiterated that, despite state guidelines allowing larger gatherings, the City will not be hosting public or private meetings in City Hall or other city buildings. The City will continue to provide online meetings and other ways to make residents’ voices heard.

Already, the City and the Boston Planning and Development Agency have held virtual conversations on the planning studies moving forward in East Boston, Mattapan, and Newmarket.

POLICE REFORM LISTENING SESSIONS:

The City is also providing opportunities for robust public input and community leadership in our work to advance racial justice in Boston.

The Mayor noted that Boston has already instituted a number of reforms in public safety policy and budget reallocations. The City is also moving forward with equity investments to combat systemic racism in education, housing, and public health.

The Mayor pledged to continue this conversation as a city — not in a top-down manner, but by centering the voices


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by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



AESCULAPIUS & HIPPOCRATES

The ancient Greek god of Medicine was named Aesculapius. He was often portrayed clad in a cloak while carrying a staff that had a serpent (snake) coiled around it. Mythology identifies him as a son of Apollo who was taught the art of healing by Chiron, a centaur. For those readers who might have forgotten, a centaur was a mythological figure, half man and half horse. The ancients considered them to be symbols of the destructive forces of nature. Chiron the centaur is supposed to have possessed great knowledge in the arts and sciences, which he also taught to Hercules and Achilles.

The staff carried by Aesculapius was the origin of the “mace” that Greek ambassadors or heralds carried in time of war. Originally, it was an olive branch with garlands. Legend tells us that Mercury, messenger of the gods, often carried a similar short staff or wand, and that at one time he came upon two snakes that were fighting. Mercury separated the snakes with his wand and henceforth the staff became known as the symbol of peace. At a later date, the staff was surmounted with two wings (a symbol of Mercury’s speed), entwined with two snakes, and named “The Caduceus.” We know it as the official emblem of the U.S. Medical Corps, and of medicine in general.

Another popular legend tells us that Aesculapius went about the land curing the sick, and by some unexplainable power, was also able to recall the dead to life. Zeus feared that mankind might use this Samaritan as a means to escape death altogether, so he killed Aesculapius with a thunderbolt, but out



of respect for his good deeds, placed him among the stars.

Hippocrates was a direct descendant of Aesculapius. He also practiced the art of healing while traveling throughout Greece. He was born about 460 B.C., and died in his early 80’s. The so-called “Hippocratic Oath” dates back to very early times. It was an oath taken by young men when they began their medical studies, and of course, the practice of taking such an oath has continued with graduating medical students’ right up to modern times. The present oath was thought to be the work of Hippocrates but subsequent research fixes its origins at some time during the 3rd century A.D.

The contemporary version is as follows:

“I swear by Apollo, the physician, by Aesculapius, by Hygieia, Panacea, and all the gods and goddesses, that according to my ability and judgment I will keep this oath and stipulation. I will

look upon him who shall have taught me this art even as one of my parents. I will share my substance with him, and I will supply his necessities, if he be in need. I will regard his offspring even as my own brethren and I will teach them this art, if they would learn it, without fee or covenant. I will impart this art by precept, by lecture, and by every mode of teaching, not only to my own sons but also to the sons of him who has taught me, and to disciples bound by covenant and oath, according to the law of medicine. The regimen I adopt shall be for the benefit of my patients according to my ability and judgment, and not for their hurt or for any wrong. I will give no deadly drug to any, though it be asked of me, nor will I counsel such, and especially I will not aid a woman to procure an abortion. With purity and holiness will I pass my life and practice my art. I will not cut a person with stone, but will leave this to be done by those who are practitioners of such work. Whatsoever house I enter, there will I go for the benefit of the sick, refraining from all wrong-doing or corruption, and especially from any act of seduction, of male or female, of bond or free. Whatsoever things I see or hear concerning the life of men, in my attendance on the sick or even apart therefrom which ought not to be noised abroad. I will keep silent thereon, counting such things to be as sacred secrets. While I continue to keep this oath inviolate, may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of my art, respected always by men; but should I break and violate this oath, may the reverse be my lot.”

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Ares, the Greek god of War

Res Publica

by David Trumbull



Fact Check:

Joe Biden Will Kill Good-Paying Union Jobs

Joe Biden pretends to be an advocate for union jobs, but his so-called “Build Back Better” Plan and radical proposal to spend \$2 trillion in four years on Green New Deal policies make it clear that union jobs related to oil, natural gas, fracking, and energy infrastructure will be on the chopping block in Joe Biden’s America.

Biden cannot look union workers in the eye and tell them their jobs are safe. This isn’t speculation. Good-paying union jobs and infrastructure projects are already being killed by Biden’s supporters:

Biden promised to kill the Keystone XL Pipeline project if he’s elected, shutting down tens of thousands of jobs and spitting in the face of rank-and-file union workers who for years have supported the pipeline and the jobs that come with it.

Biden has remained silent while left-wing Green New Deal activists shut down the Dakota Access Pipeline, which is projected to have an undeniably steep cost to North Dakota’s economy.

Biden supporters are campaigning against the Atlantic Coast pipeline, killing thousands of union jobs and taking away workers’ paychecks.

“Thousands of hardworking LIUNA members, who spent years acquiring the skills to build the Atlantic Coast Pipeline safely and to the highest standards, now do not know where their next paycheck will come from,” the Laborers’ International

Union of North America said in a recent statement. The left’s war on energy infrastructure projects, they acknowledged, is “killing construction jobs by the tens of thousands for working families.”

Biden isn’t sticking up for these union workers and their families. In fact, he’s the one placing a boot on their backsides by embracing the job-killing Green New Deal despite opposition from rank-and-file union workers. “All it does is do what the Democratic Party seems to be very good at lately — which is export our jobs,” one union worker said last year. Biden’s extremism is only getting worse: Biden has become more radically liberal than ever, adopting Bernie Sanders’ extremist platform nearly word-for-word.

At a time when America’s economy is making a comeback, Biden is proposing to kill millions of jobs, spike families’ electrical bills, raise taxes, and heap tens of thousands of dollars in costs on households. It’s a stunning display of economic incompetence from a man who oversaw the worst economic “recovery” since the Great Depression the last time he was in charge.

No wonder more Americans trust President Trump to bring back America’s economy. They know President Trump will fight for every job and every industry, keep their taxes low, and stop the radical left’s war on energy.

RMV Renews Over 21,300 Licenses & IDs Online
Since June 12th REAL ID Promotional Opportunity Began

The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) continues to encourage all eligible customers to renew their standard Massachusetts driver’s license or Massachusetts ID card online at *Mass.Gov/RMV* **any time between now and August 12, 2020, in order to qualify for a free upgrade to a REAL ID credential in 2021.** This one-time, time limited offer is available to most customers who have an expired or expiring license or ID card dated between June 30, 2018 and August 2021, as customers are eligible to renew up to a year in advance of the expiration date printed on their license or ID, or up to two years after their expiration.

Since the RMV launched this promotional opportunity on June 12th, over 21,300 Massachusetts’ driver’s licenses or ID’s have been renewed online, compared to just 9,200 over the same time period in 2019.

“The RMV is encouraging all

of our customers to stay safe, save time, and go online during the COVID-19 pandemic to renew their license or ID card, rather than attempting to come in to get a REAL ID,” said RMV Registrar Jamey Tesler. “There are over 500,000 people with a license or ID that expires this summer that can be renewed online to take advantage of this one-time offer for a free, future upgrade to allow the RMV to prioritize ‘social-distancing’ and other essential transactions that may only be completed in-person.”

Qualifying customers who complete their renewal online prior to August 12th and wish to upgrade to a REAL ID for free, will have to wait until at least February 2021 to visit an RMV Service Center. At this time, customers will not need a federally compliant REAL ID for the purposes of boarding domestic flights prior to October 1, 2021 because the federal government delayed the compliance effective date by one-year. The fee for

obtaining a standard or REAL ID license is \$50, while the fee for obtaining a standard or REAL ID card is \$25. The typical \$25 upgrade / amendment fee will be waived under these qualifying circumstances. A limited digital campaign – “*Stay Safe, Save Time, Go Online*” — will also accompany this promotion and can be viewed at this link: <https://youtu.be/B3NuHgTwa3Q>

Obtaining an initial federally compliant REAL ID requires all customers to visit a Service Center in-person to present verifying documents. The RMV has introduced this initiative and fee waiver pursuant to Executive Order 39 issued by Governor Baker on June 12, 2020, and in light of the COVID-19 public health emergency to encourage ‘social-distancing’ and limit unnecessary travel by reducing the need for many customers to visit a Service Center, and allowing for the

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In Loving Memory of



Patrick “Pat” Simboli

June 26, 1932 – July 13, 2009

Guardian Angel

Guardian Angel from heaven so bright,
Watching beside us to lead us aright,
Fold thy wings around us and guard us with love,
Softly sing songs to us of Heaven above.
Amen

In Our Hearts Forever
Your Loving Family

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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.

In Loving Memory of



Jean (Razney) Graffeo

4th Anniversary

July 13, 2016 - July 13, 2020

You can only have one mother, Patient, kind and true;
No other friend in all the world, Will be the same to you.
When other friends forsake you, To mother you will turn,
For all her loving kindness, She asks nothing in return.
As we look upon her picture, Sweet memories we recall,
Of a face so full of sunshine, And a smile for one and all.
Sweet Jesus, take this message, To our dear mother up above;
Tell her how we miss her, And give her all our love.

*In Our Hearts Forever
Your Loving Family*

Joan M. (Unni) Santoro



Joan M. (Unni) Santoro
of Boston, July 11,
2020.

Devoted wife
of Vincent J.
Santoro. Beloved
mother of Sandra
L. Santoro and
Carol L. Santoro,
both of Boston.
Beloved sister of the
late Frank J. Unni and

Nella (Unni) Dauksewich. Dear sister of Andrew J.
Unni of California Loving niece of Joseph Raneri
of Chelmsford. She is also survived by many
nieces and nephews.

A private service will be held for the immediate
family only, followed by internment at
St. Michael's Cemetery, Boston, MA.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to
Waterman-Langone, 580 Commercial Street,
Boston, MA 02109, www.watermanboston.com.

Old North Church & Historic Site Reopens

The Old North Church & Historic Site reopened on July 16th after rigorous planning to welcome visitors back to the iconic Freedom Trail site in the safest manner possible.

Hours of operation will be Thursday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

“Our staff have worked diligently to develop protocol that is in full compliance with the Phase III guidelines for indoor historic site reopening provided by the city and state,” said Executive Director Nikki Stewart. “Guests will utilize our unique and historic box pews to ensure social distancing, and timed entry will allow for cleaning between each session.”

Admission includes a specialized group experience that invites visitors into the iconic church to learn more about the role Old North played launching the American Revolution and its deeper legacy as one of the nation’s most revered historic sites. Visitors will be seated in the original box pews and learn about the founding of the church in 1723, the remarkable events of April 18, 1775, the Longfellow poem that cemented Old North in history, and the people and stories that have made Old North the icon it is today.

The Old North Church is Boston’s oldest surviving church building and one of the Freedom Trail’s most visited historical sites, known for “one if by land, two if by sea,” and the midnight ride of Paul Revere. The enduring fame of the Old North began on the evening of April 18, 1775, when the church sexton Robert Newman and Vestryman Capt. John Pulling, Jr. climbed the steeple and held high two lanterns as



Old North Church and Historic Site

a signal from Paul Revere that the British were marching to Lexington and Concord by sea across the Charles River and not by land. This fateful event ignited the American Revolution.

“The legacy of the church’s history and people is as relevant today as ever,” said Stewart. “One of the most compelling reasons to engage with history is to learn the lessons that help us build a better present and future. The story of Old North tells us that active citizenship works. We hope that our visitors

will draw inspiration from the events of April 18, 1775 and think about what civic engagement and patriotism can look like for them in 2020.”

Note that the Old North Congregation is following the guidance of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, and has suspended public worship and congregational gatherings at the Church until further notice.

Visit: www.oldnorth.com/safety to read more about Old North’s modified visitor experience and safety protocols.

North Washington Street Bridge Update ...

Traffic Shifting onto Temporary Bridge

Starting Friday, July 17th, traffic will be shifted onto the new temporary North Washington Street Bridge. We will shift one travel direction at a time, in three stages over the weekend:

Inbound traffic to Keany Square will shift to the temporary bridge and inbound lanes on the existing bridge are closed.

Outbound traffic to City Square shifts to temporary bridge and outbound lanes on existing bridge closed

Sidewalk on temporary bridge opens and sidewalk on existing bridge closes. The Freedom Trail will be temporarily relocated to the temporary bridge along with its respective signage. Pedestrians will shift from the harbor-side sidewalk to the locks-side sidewalk.

On Monday morning, after Stage 3 is complete, we will begin demolition of the old bridge.

TRAVEL IMPACTS

N. WASHINGTON STREET INBOUND: Off-peak daytime lane reductions across the bridge and additional lane reductions at Keany Square will continue. One lane across the bridge and all turn movements will be available from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. on weekdays.

N. WASHINGTON STREET OUTBOUND: Off-peak daytime lane reductions will continue across the bridge to City Square. One lane across the bridge and all turn movements will be available from 7:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. on weekdays.

Once the temporary bridge is opened, two inbound and one outbound travel lanes will always be available.

DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULED WORK

In the week of July 19th, demolition of the old bridge including prep work, equipment staging, and barrier installments.

WORK HOURS

Daytime (6:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.) for general work.



Starting on Monday, 7/20, during the daytime in continuous two shifts (6:00 a.m. – 1:00 a.m.) crews will work to demolish the current bridge.

WORK THAT HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Installation of the temporary pedestrian/vehicle bridge, drainage work, and installation of the fender system.

TRAVEL TIPS

PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS: The bridge’s eastern sidewalk is open and available to all pedestrians and cyclists with crossings at both Keany and City Squares. By the end of the July 17th traffic shift onto the temporary bridge, pedestrians will shift from the harbor-side sidewalk to the locks-side sidewalk. Please be on the lookout for wayfinding signs that will direct pedestrians safely during the traffic shift and bridge demolition.

All users should take care to pay attention to all signage and police details and move carefully through the work zone. Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

For more info and project background, visit: mass.gov/north-washington-street-bridge-replacement

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

A Journey of Birthday Fun

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Note: L'Anno Bello is reprinting articles that were written before the Coronavirus pandemic. Obviously, advice on gatherings and reunions contained within are not applicable to this current time when social distancing (and mask wearing!) is the best practice. Please read these articles as a testament to the joy and love that imbues Italian celebrations — and as suggestions for ways to spend time in the future once this pandemic is finally over.



My birthday is quickly approaching on Monday, July 20th, and it has gotten me thinking about these unique celebrations in general. Birthdays fall under the category of rites of passage, or milestones, and, as a result, cultures around the world celebrate birthdays with special customs and traditions. While we think of birthdays as great opportunities for parties and food, in ancient times people viewed birthdays as dangerous occasions because of their liminality, being poised between one year and the next. As such, birthday parties included — and continue to include — loud noise and noisemakers to scare off the evil spirit believed to be lurking around during this period. Many vestiges of these ancient fetes remain. From birthday cakes to picking up the check, here are special birthday traditions from around the world.

Our first stop, of course, is Italy, one of the original homes of the birthday cake. Though scholars are still unsure about the roots of the birthday cake, many theorize that these sweet treats originated in the Mediterranean world. Ancient

Greeks baked round cakes to honor Artemis, the goddess of the moon and the hunt, and then illuminated the cakes with candles in order to better resemble the moon. The ancient Romans, on the other hand, made sweet honey cakes to serve at birthdays and weddings — where they were traditionally broken over the bride's head for good luck! However, the custom of placing candles on a birthday cake comes from Germany, where a large candle was often situated in the center of the cake to symbolize life. Modern Italian birthday traditions resemble those of America. People gather for a birthday cake, food, a party and gifts. There are some differences, however. Beware of people pulling on your earlobes if you celebrate your birthday in Italy — they will pull the corresponding number of years you are turning. Also, if a group of friends go out to dinner, it is the friend celebrating the birthday who is expected to pay for the meal. Finally, since saints are an important part of Italian society, children are often named for the saint whose day coincides with their

birthday. Or they may celebrate on a smaller scale during the day belonging to the saint who shares their name. My father, for example, was born on August 16th, which is Saint Roch's day, and so my grandmother appropriately named him Rocco!

Foods are an important part of birthday celebrations around the world. Australian children can expect to be served the charmingly named Fairy Bread, or buttered bread covered with multicolored sprinkles, during their parties. Children in Brazil receive marzipan candies shaped like fruit. Candies feature in Mexican birthdays as well, where they are concealed in a piñata which is later broken open by blindfolded guests. The Dutch, on the other hand, like to feast on pancakes sprinkled with powdered sugar. Many birthday foods also reflect the theme of good luck for the upcoming year. A person celebrating their birthday in China will eat long noodles, which symbolize a long life. Russians have birthday pies instead of birthday cakes, and a message bestowing good fortune upon the birthday person is inscribed on the crust. Finally, Canadian children can expect a more immediate form of luck at birthday parties. Whoever finds a coin hidden in his or her slice of birthday cake will have the first turn in all of the feast's games! In addition to food, sometimes the specific age a person is turning forms the focal point of birthday celebrations. Usually these special birthdays honor the entrance into adulthood. The United States has "sweet sixteen" celebrations, while Latin American countries hold elaborate *quinceañeras* when a girl turns fifteen. These parties' rival weddings and the girl shares a special dance with her father. In the Jewish tradition, bar or bat mitzvah rituals near a teenager's thirteenth birthday welcome the boy or girl as adult members of the community.

Birthdays are a special time to honor both human joy and resilience. They indicate that we have once again made it through a year filled with myriad human emotions, from happiness to disillusionment, challenges and triumphs. They remind us that we have the strength to endure. Like holidays, birthdays are an indication that the year cycles on, and that is a good reason to celebrate. Whether we celebrate with cakes or dinners, when we honor a birthday, we honor the passage of time, but also all that is timeless — love and family and good food. That is the true meaning of the candles winking and blinking cheerfully on a birthday cake, a symbol that, like us, has come a long way.

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THINKING
OUT LOUD

by Sal Giaratani

Housing Crisis, Gentrification, And Displacement What to Do

I recently read that the City of Boston has been named the third most "intensely gentrified" city behind only San Francisco and Denver. I would say from personal observation that this report by an economic justice non-profit in Washington, DC is right on target. I have seen huge swaths of the city over the past decade like Jamaica Plain, Mission Hill, Roxbury, and from Hyde Park on one end of the city to East Boston on the other end become gentrified.

With urban gentrification comes displacement for poor and working folk who get priced out in this new neighborhood growth. We all see it right here in East Boston when folks get priced out of this renewal and economic development.

What are, and what can our elected officials do besides using the bully pulpit? How do

we sustain a neighborhood that is inclusive to all? How do we do it anywhere?

The housing issue we face today didn't start yesterday, last year, or even 10 years ago. This housing issue was recognized back in the late '70s to early '80s when condo conversions started changing demographics in places like the South End and then Charlestown back when I lived on Winthrop Street across from Engine 50. Back then, a two-bedroom apartment went for \$200 plus utilities per month.

If we don't find a way to actually deal with all these ramifications of the new housing markets, our cities will change forever and working families and middle-class homeowners will be on the outside looking in and feeling powerless which is never good to be.

"Those Nattering Nabors Of Negativity"

by Sal Giaratani

Back in the late '60s when America was going through turbulent times over civil rights and the Vietnam War issues, President Nixon often sent out his pitbull Vice President Spiro T. Agnew. His job was to take on the left-leaning media, the Democrats, and the mobs in the streets protesting. Agnew was giving one alliterating speech after another. He had the best sound bites like the above "nattering Nabors of negativity."

Today, those "nattering Nabors of negativity" are back pushing the old guard out of the way. Speaker Pelosi still may hold the title, but she is speaker of nothing, the real power source is far-left Democrat U.S. Rep. Alexandra Ocasio Cortez, D-NY, and her ilk.

The mob battle is on, trying to win the hearts and minds of all of us to transform AMERICA. Tell us we are a racist nation and always have been. Dividing us to keep us apart. However, we are all human beings sharing more together than not.

I think all this hating is foolish, like surely most of us think. We know much of our nation's history wasn't perfect, or even at times near perfect. However, we know our country has grown and changed just as we all have.

We know we can learn from history, recognize where we need to still go. We don't need to topple it and demonize it.

We can live together in harmony and most of us do. Race-baiters must be called out for who they are. Haters must be called out, too.

Finally, as a retired police officer who is proud of his law enforcement service, I recognize that law enforcement needs to constantly work to earn the trust of those served. Making our communities safe needs both the police and those living in the community partnering together to bring this about. After several terrible incidents where police ended up looking bad by needless deaths of African Americans, this partnership must be restored for everyone's safety.

Pitting folks against each other using racism as a weapon does no good. It makes the mobs in the street feel good, but it is the worst thing if healing is what we all want along with equal justice and everything we are guaranteed in the Bill of Rights.

Tell these new nattering Nabors of negativism to take a hike!



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Saint Teresa of the Andes

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Juana Enriqueta Josefina de los Sagrados Corazones Fernández Solar, known as Juanita to her friends was the fourth of six children born to Miguel Fernández and Lucia Sola. Born in 1900, her family was part of Santiago, Chile’s middle-class.

As a young girl growing up in the early 1900s in Santiago, Chile, Juana read an autobiography of a French-born saint — Thérèse, popularly known as the Little Flower. The experience deepened her desire to serve God and clarified the path she would follow.

Juana received her education in a college managed by French nuns from the Sacred Heart order, and she remained there from 1907 until 1918. In 1914, she decided to consecrate herself to the Lord. At age 19,



Juana became a Discalced Carmelite nun, taking the name of Teresa.

The convent offered the simple lifestyle Teresa desired and the joy of living in a community of women completely devoted

to God. She focused her days on prayer and sacrifice. “I am God’s,” she wrote in her diary. “He created me and is my beginning and my end.”

Toward the end of her short life, Teresa began an apostolate of letter-writing, sharing her thoughts on the spiritual life with many people. At age 20, she contracted typhus and had six months to complete her canonical novitiate so as to make her religious vows. She nevertheless was allowed to profess her vows “in periculo mortis” (“in danger of death”) on April 7, 1920. She passed away on April 12, 1920, during Holy Week.

Thérèse was Canonized in 1993 by Pope John Paul II; she is Chile’s first saint. The Feast Day of Saint Teresa of the Andes is celebrated on July 13th.

Introducing a new book by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari, lifelong residents of the North End, entitled:

Four Women “Quattro Donne”

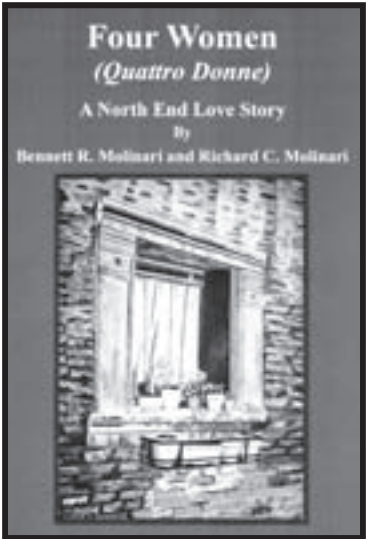
subtitle, A North End Love Story

In the next few weeks this column will feature excerpts from this book.

CHAPTER 25

Pets, Pets, and more Pets

North End families were still large in the 1940s and ’50s. Kids tumbled out of the two and three-story brick buildings that lined our narrow streets, filling the neighborhood with the sounds of children at play. Mini neighborhoods within our tiny Italian enclave were formed by the residents of the narrow alleyways lacing our streets together, adding further complexity to the buzz of life that filled the streets. Despite the crowded conditions, many of us kept pets that were in every way part of the family. Favorites were Canaries and Parakeets that brightened flats with their chirps and color. Some of our neighbors raised Homing Pigeons. They were kept on roofs in ramshackle wooden coops. Some of the pigeons were pure white, others brown and white calico, and others simply looked like street pigeons. One species called the Nun was everyone’s favorite. It was black and white with an outcrop on its neck, reminiscent of a veil, hence the name “Nun.” The owners of the birds raced them once or twice a year against the pigeons of other neighborhoods; bets of all sizes were made on the outcome of the race. Our next-door neighbor, Mario, kept his bird coop on his roof adjacent to our roof. He had about 30 or 40 birds. We helped build the coop, therefore, had open access to it. The coop was filled with feathers, had a strong smell of bird crap, particularly smelly on hot



summer days.

Many dogs and cats in the North End were abandoned. The dogs ran in packs through the streets and often got into fights among themselves, while the cats moved like shadows from building to building, under cars and sometimes seen precariously walking along the parapet of a roof looking for mice, or anything they could sink their teeth into. There was one dog named Red, a Chow that had grown particularly vicious and terrorized the neighborhood, until he was killed by a car. He once fought a German Shepherd in the middle of North Square and was about to kill it, until the neighbors began pelting Red with stones, managing to drive him off.

Queenie was just one of the many pets we had. Others came in quick succession. There was Pudgy, a mixed breed with

little personality and not very friendly. She was gone within three months. We traded her for a huge sun turtle we kept on our roof in a big, black metal tub. When summer was over, our brother Anthony said it was smelly, he tossed it into the ocean at the end of our street, to set it free, never realizing the difference between a fresh and a salt water turtle. Then there were the six chicks given to us one Easter that we gave to a local farm after a month. They were followed by Donald, a yellow duckling, purchased by Dad from a local pet shop and brought home in a shoebox. The moment we opened the box, Donald made a beeline for Dad, from that day on, Donald was never more than three steps behind him. Donald was a lot more fun than the chickens because he was very playful. Mom loved the quacks and amusing sounds he made as he ran through the house. As he got bigger, Mom insisted we keep him on the roof where he took up residence in our former chicken coop. There was no way Donald was going to stay in that coop. He would hop down the roof stairs, wait at our door quacking, until one of us opened it to let him in. He was looking for Dad.

Four Women “Quattro Donne” is available at R. Del Gaudio Gift Shop, 17 North Square North End (617-227-5915), adjoining Paul Revere House; Post-Gazette; Saint Francis Book and Gift Shop at Saint Leonard Peace Garden; Barbara’s Bestsellers, South Station (857-263-8737); lulu.com; molinaridesign.net; Greetings from Boston, Faneuil Hall; Amazon.com; and Barnes and Noble.com.

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ABCD Brings Operations and Workforce Development Expertise to MassHire Metro North Career Centers

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With fortuitous timing, ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development) has assumed operations of the MassHire Metro North Career Centers in Cambridge, Chelsea, and Woburn. With one million state residents unemployed, the result of record job losses since the COVID-19 pandemic began, ABCD meets this crisis with operational efficiency, workforce development experience, and a history of program innovation.

On June 2, 2020, the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board (MNWB) announced the selection of ABCD as the next operator of the MassHire Metro North Career Centers (MNCC). ABCD was selected for its extensive experience with developing and managing workforce development programs, its strong ties to the local community, and an expansive partner network.

ABCD offers unique capacity to deliver major public programs with a human touch. The agency's current portfolio is characterized by complex, large-scale projects with stringent standards for accountability, a focus on customer service, and measurable outcomes. ABCD often collaborates with some of the largest businesses in Massachusetts. At the same time, the organization draws on decades of experience in working with individuals and families facing the most challenging social and economic barriers.

"We are looking forward to working with the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board and the exceptional team at the Metro North Career Centers to support and connect job seekers with their next position while meeting employers' staffing needs," said ABCD President/CEO John J. Drew. "Of course, we couldn't have anticipated the COVID-19 pandemic and its disastrous fallout. Through this partnership, we'll have the opportunity to leverage our strengths in providing wraparound services to further help folks who are struggling."

Ronald Marlow, ABCD's Director of Workforce Development and Alternative Education, emphasized the importance of employer partnerships and being a critical conduit to skilled individuals who can meet the increasingly sophisticated demands of 21st century workplaces.

"We're exploring creative strategies to expand outreach to employers, as well as developing innovative program models to better serve job seekers. The new ideas we bring to the table will also be grounded in the impressive leadership of Systems Director Lee-Ann Johnson. She has done a remarkable job in her three years with Metro North Career Centers, and we look forward to her staying on and joining our team," Marlow said.

Workforce development services have played an integral role in ABCD's holistic approach since its inception in 1962. This partnership with the MassHire Metro North Workforce Board represents one of its largest areas of community investment.

The MassHire Metro North Career Centers in Cambridge, Woburn, and Chelsea are temporarily suspending face-to-face services and meetings to safeguard the well-being of our communities and to slow the contagion of COVID-19. However, staff are working remotely and are available by phone or email. For more information, visit: masshiremncareers.com.

ABOUT MASSHIRE METRO NORTH AND ABCD

The **MassHire Department of Career Services** oversees Massachusetts's network of Career Centers that assist businesses in finding qualified workers and provide job seekers with career guidance as well as referrals to jobs and training. Visit www.mass.gov/orgs/masshire-department-of-career-services to learn more.

The **MassHire Metro North Workforce Board** (MNWB) oversees the MassHire Metro North Career Centers that provide customer centered job search assistance to enable individuals to meet their training and employment goals. Supporting 20 cities and towns in the region from offices in Cambridge, Chelsea, and Woburn, the board's connections to businesses provide valuable information to keep them informed of the in-demand occupations in the region and how best to prepare for those opportunities. To learn more, visit: <https://masshiremetronorth.org/>.

ABCD — Greater Boston's anti-poverty agency — each year provides more than 100,000 under-resourced residents in the Boston, Metro North and Mystic Valley areas with the tools, support, and resources they need to transition from poverty to stability and from stability to success. Workforce development services are at the core of the ABCD mission. More at: bostonabcd.org.

Rayla Campbell Says There's a New Candidate For District 7 House Seat

by Sal Giarratani



Rayla Campbell with Charlie Chase
(Photos by Sal Giarratani)

To my surprise, 82-year-old USAF Veteran Charlie Chase came up to help Campbell in her first political campaign. You may remember Charlie because he made the news this past June. He was attacked on June 2nd in his hometown of Fall River for holding a Trump sign. I spoke with him at this Randolph rally and think he is one heck of a patriot who's not afraid to stand up for what he believes in.

United Cape Patriots founder Adam Lange stated something recently that I think Charlie Chase would second, "it is time we stand our ground, defend our values, and support our president. Any flak we get from liberals just means we are over target."

By now, the whole world knows that District 7 in Massachusetts has a member of the so-called Squad representing the nation up on Capitol Hill. She is totally focused on the bigger national picture, making many of her 2018 voters wondering about the communities of her House District right here in places like East Boston, Charlestown, Everett, or even Randolph.

On Thursday, July 9th, I drove out to the town of Randolph which is 13 miles south of East Boston, but also in the seventh congressional district. I had to travel through two other House districts to get there, which reminded me about the term gerrymandering.

I arrived at the announced stand-out for both President Trump and a very energetic candidate running for my House seat. It took place by a large public park on North Main Street in that town. Rayla Campbell was right there out front waving to passing motorists. She's not shy. She had a nice band of folks with her lending some vocal support.

I liked what I saw in her. She's Republican. She's African American, too. Oh, and she's 37 years old and ready to rumble as they say on the WWE. We need more Republicans like her up on Capitol Hill representing us. She also hasn't forgotten the lesson that former House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill Jr., always stated, "All politics is local." In fact, much of the 7th district used to be in his old 8th district back when I was a college student.



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of the communities that have been most severely impacted by this history. That's the purpose of the **Boston Police Reform Task Force**, headed by former **U.S. Attorney Wayne Budd** and made up of Black and Brown community leaders, civil rights leaders, and activists. Their work is moving forward.

The Mayor thanked Wayne Budd and all the members of the Task Force for their service, and reaffirmed his pledge to act on the recommendations of this board, as informed by the community.

The Mayor noted that, with fewer employers able to offer jobs in person this year, the City had to get creative in providing summer opportunities that are safe and meaningful. The City boosted funding for the program from **\$8 million** to **\$12 million** to increase outreach, increase support, and offer an opportunity to every young person who needs it.

The first is a **“Learn & Earn” Career Development Internship** that pays young people to take college-level coursework, which started on Monday, July 13th. Students come away with real college credits as well as experience and financial earnings.

- This program will have more than **500** young people enrolled in **26** classes, in areas like Business, Communications, Early Childhood Education, Human Services, and Technology.

- The Mayor thanked the local colleges who are providing this

The second is that the City is providing all Summer Jobs participants with an **online resource guide to workers' rights**, put together by the office of Attorney General Maura Healey.

- The Mayor noted that we want all young people entering the workforce to understand their rights and the rights of all working people.

- He thanked the Attorney General and everyone who came together to offer these opportunities, including the City's Office of Workforce Development and our Department of Youth Employment and Engagement.

This Friday, July 17th, is the launch of Boston's **2020 Summer Food Truck Initiative**. For the first time ever, food trucks will be heading out into the neighborhoods.

This summer, the City is **piloting temporary food truck sites across our neighborhoods**, including at City parks, playgrounds, and public spaces. These sites are open to trucks that have already been approved by the City to operate.

Spots will be issued based on interest and availability and they will be open **seven days a week from noon to 7:00 p.m.** The City is offering **23** sites so far and working to add more as needed. More information on their locations will be posted on **boston.gov/reopening** this week.

The Mayor said food trucks are small businesses that bring fun and vibrancy wherever they go, as well as an outdoor dining experience that aligns with the City's public health precautions.

This program is led by the Office of Economic Development's Small Business Unit, in partnership with the Streets Cabinet and the Inspectional Services Department. Like outdoor dining and healthy streets, it's another way the City is innovating, in response to the pandemic, to support small business and bring new amenities to our neighborhoods.

The Mayor announced that, barring any change in circumstances, **the ban on plastic bags and the 5-cent bag fee will remain suspended** until Sept. 30th. They will return

He noted that the City originally suspended the ban on plastic bags and the 5-cent fee for paper bags in March in order to give both stores and customers more flexibility during a difficult time.

He also made clear that the Boston Public Health Commission and the state Department of Public Health have said that reusable bags are safe and people should feel free to use them.

The Mayor closed his remarks by addressing the **federal court hearing** that happened July 14th, on a plan by the Department of Homeland Security to deny visas to international students, if the college that is hosting them goes online for the fall. Harvard and M.I.T. are leading the lawsuit to stop that policy.

Yesterday, the Mayor joined Los Angeles Mayor **Eric Garcetti** in leading a group of cities to file an amicus brief in support of this lawsuit.

The Mayor said the following:

• “My message is clear. This policy has no basis in public health or the national interest. It’s an attempt to pressure colleges and universities to open up. It puts politics in place of public health. It’s not fair to students who looked to Boston as a place of educational opportunity. And, it’s a blow to our economy at a time when we can least afford it.”

He noted that Massachusetts has over **70,000** international students, many of them either living or taking their classes in the City of Boston. They contribute roughly **\$3.2 billion** dollars to the state's economy and support **39,000** jobs.

He also said that, beyond the economic factor, this kind of move chips away at the goodwill that the City has built up around the world through academic leadership, and strikes at Boston's identity as a welcoming city and a global leader.

He reassured international students that they are not alone, and the City is going to fight this change. Boston values its international students and wants them here. He asked students to not make any decisions yet, and to reach out to their school for support. Boston's colleges and universities, and the City, have made it clear that they welcome international students and stand with them.

Park facilities, including athletic fields, courts, splash pads, and playgrounds OPENED as of July 13, 2020 as part of the City of Boston's Phase 3 Reopening. Park users are advised to: wear a face covering, remain 6 feet away from others, and follow social distancing guidelines recommended by the Boston Public Health Commission.

EVENTS: Outdoor events are limited to 50 people or fewer, by permit only. Events of 50-100 attendees subject to approval by the City of Boston special events committee.

YOUTH AND ADULT SPORTS: For lower contact sports, ***games are allowed*** in addition to practices, conditioning and skills drills, and lessons for these sports: baseball and softball, tennis and pickleball, sailing, track and field, and skateboarding

For higher contact sports, ONLY practices, conditioning and skills drills, and lessons in groups of fewer than 25 people, are allowed (**no games**). These include: football, soccer, lacrosse, rugby, basketball, and ultimate frisbee

PERMITTING: Regularly scheduled, organized activities — such as games, practices, conditioning and skills drills, and lessons — require a permit

SPECTATORS: Youth players are allowed one chaperone per child. No spectators are allowed for adult sports.

LIGHTING: Facility lights will be turned on based on the location's permitting schedule.

To report enforcement issues, please call Boston Police. For maintenance issues, please contact 617-635-4505 or 3-1-1.

Warm weather brings with it door-to-door solicitations. Be cautious anytime a stranger comes knocking, especially if the visitor is trying to sell you goods or services. Protect against bad actors by refusing to do business right on the spot. Always ask for credentials and check references of anyone seeking to do work for you. If you agree to the visitor's offer, pay by check or credit card, or arrange financing. Paying in cash can be dangerous — you may lose the cash and not get the promised goods or services. And always insist on a written contract before you pay anything and before work begins.

According to the FBI, 2020 has seen a spike in extortion scams. These are typically e-mail messages that include a password you've used in the past. The sender claims that they have installed malicious software on your computer, and have proof you've been frequenting adult websites. They warn they will share that proof with all of your email and social media contacts unless you send money — typically in the form of hundreds of dollars of Bitcoin.

True or not, this fear tactic works. But this is really just a phishing expedition using data obtained from a prior data breach. The hope is you'll see an old (or current) password and believe the message must be true and pay up. Don't click on any links or respond to the scam message. But do report it to authorities at: [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.ftc.gov/complaint).

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CLUELESS (Blu-ray+Digital)
Paramount Home Ent.

Revisit the halcyon days of high school in the '90s; a time filled with camaraderie, chaste dances and fervent study. *Clueless*, the whip-smart comedy celebrates its 25th anniversary on Blu-ray, and a Limited Edition Blu-ray Steelbook. 25 years after it was originally released (July 1995), *Clueless* remains a smart, charming and hilarious classic that truly captures what it was like to be a teen in the 1990s. Alicia Silverstone shines as a 15-year-old high school student who thrives on shopping, enjoys the perfect social life, and plays matchmaker to all her friends. The film features an outstanding ensemble cast including Paul Rudd, Brittany Murphy, Donald Faison, Stacey Dash, Jeremy Sisto, Breckin Meyer, and Wallace Shawn. This Blu-ray Steelbook includes over an hour of previously released special features including a “Clue or False” trivia game, a fashion featurette, a look at the Class of '95, a “Suck 'n Blow” tutorial, original theatrical trailers and more. Kick off your designer shoes and celebrate the 25th Anniversary of this hilarious classic!

THE WHISTLERS (DVD)
Magnolia Home Ent.

Not everything is, as it seems for Cristi, a corrupt police inspector who plays both side of the law, a he undertakes a suspenseful, high-stakes heist with his beautiful femme fatale accomplice Gilda. Together they will both have to navigate the twists and turns of corruption, treachery and deception. Gilda, his criminally aligned co-conspirator helps him navigate dangerous mob territories, as they seek help from prisoner and lawless businessman Zsolt, as he is the sole individual who can locate the hidden fortune. Under the heavy police surveillance, the menacing duo learn a secret whistling language on the Canary Islands to communicate freely as they carry out the treacherous mission.

THE WILD GOOSE LAKE (DVD)
Film Movement

When small-time mob leader Zhou Zenong accidentally kills a cop, a dead-or-alive bounty is placed on his head, forcing him on the lam from both the police as well as dangerous gangsters out for the reward. Hiding out at *The Wild Goose Lake*, Zhou becomes entangled with a beautiful, young enigmatic woman, who has mysterious intentions of her own. The down-and-dirty film follows the desperate attempts of Zhou to stay alive after he mistakenly kills the

cop. Fasten your seatbelt as director Diao Yinan delivers a stylish and explosive Chinese crime noir!

GHOST (Blu-ray)
Paramount Presents

Celebrating 30 years, *Ghost* is still one of the most memorable romantic films ever made. Winner of two Academy Awards, Patrick Swayze is Sam, recently departed from the living world, but left behind in spirit form. While desperate to reconnect with the love of his life, Molly (Demi Moore), he discovers his death wasn't just a random robbery gone bad. To solve his own murder, he enlists the talents of a skeptical psychic (Whoopie Goldberg), who doesn't even believe in her own abilities. Featuring a memorable Maurice Jarre score and a heartbreaking, yet often funny script by Joel Rubin, *Ghost* is a truly unique genre-defying film that will cross over into your heart and never leave. *Ghost* is presented in collectible packaging that includes a foldout image of the original theatrical poster, with an interior spread of key movie moments, and has been remastered from a 4K film transfer, as the newest entry in the Paramount present's line.

TARGET: PHILADELPHIA (DVD)
IndiePix Films

In 1985, Philadelphia police — at the behest of Mayor W. Wilson Goode Sr. — dropped a military-grade explosive on a residential building to end a standoff with Black liberation group, MOVE. The resulting fire caused the C-4 bomb destroyed many buildings, and set a new standard for institutionalized violence: 11 people, including 5 children were killed. *Target: Philadelphia* explores the rise of police militarization within the parallel contexts of Black nationalism and the systemic disenfranchisement that incubates movements like Black Lives Matter. Interviewees include Jannie Blackwell, a seven-term West Philly councilwoman, members of MOVE, including Mike Africa Jr., Jerry Ford Africa, Birdie Africa, Ramona Africa, Mo Africa, Omali Yeshitela, founder of the Uhuru Movements, an African Internationalist organization and Dr. Will Guzmán, a noted scholar of African/African American history and culture. A must-see for any advocate of social justice, *Target: Philadelphia* is a searing indictment of contemporary law enforcement. It's the second documentary in producer/director Sean Slater's Target series which explores African-American history within the context of post-World War II U.S. domestic policy.

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

by Sal Giaratani

FACIAL RECOGNITION MISUSE THREAT TO ALL

“Facial recognition technology is fundamentally flawed, systematically biased, and has no place in our society.

That's why I — in partnership with Reps. Pramila Jayapal, Rashida Tlaib, Yvette Clarke, and Senators Ed Markey and Jeff Merkley — introduced legislation to stop government use of biometric technology, including facial recognition tools.

Black and brown people are already over-surveilled and over-policed. It's critical that we prevent government agencies from using this faulty technology to surveil communities of color even further.”

The above quote came from U.S. Rep. Ayanna Pressley in her latest e-mail to her supporters. Everything about her is always about race, ALWAYS about race, keeping all of us apart from each other. I agree this technology is a threat to our being a free people, all of us regardless of color, ethnicity, or anything else.

CITIES LACK RULES DEFINING HOMELESS CAMPS

Eight months ago after the Mayor's office released a draft protocol on dealing with homeless encampments, the policy has yet to be finalized and sets up legal risks, and leaving unsheltered homeless people uncertain whether they might be forced to move.

The draft plan was part of a strategy tackling drug use

and homelessness down by Melnea Cass Boulevard and Mass. Avenue near Boston Medical Center and the expressway.

Boston receives federal aid to fight homelessness but no one seems to know what makes an encampment. You can't conduct sweeps of an area, moving them out and disposing of their belongings without an apparent definition. This, thanks to the Federal Government warning cities to pause clearing out homeless encampments.

For the sake of argument, can we stipulate that “Methadone Mile” is an encampment? Just write the policy, it is unbecoming of city officials. Is there really a big difference between Melnea Cass Boulevard and Mass Avenue, than say about nine or ten homeless folks who gathered many times around that Giant Clapp Pear in Edward Everett Square in Dorchester? They're encampments so get on with it. Stop stalling. You're not helping them by letting them rot on the sidewalk leading to the highway. Shameful is my word for this situation.

WHY IS EVERYONE AFRAID OF THEIR OWN SHADOW?

Plimoth Plantation is about to change its name to honor Indigenous history. The word plantation is out because it sounds too much like those southern plantations staffed by slaves.

Personally, I have been to this museum with my daughter


back when she was in the third grade and I was a parent aide on the bus that took her and her classmates to see this place. I also remember how much I liked the Wampanoag home site better than the Pilgrim's village. I thought the museum gave equal billing to both groups. Now it seems they are being intimidated by the anti-racist agitators and anarchist trying to erase history.

QUOTE TO NOTE
“Love is the question and the answer.”

— Mel King

CLASSIC CAR CORNER

Spotted another great classic car over at Royal Auto Tops last week. It's a beauty, too. A 1970 Buick Electra and it is an electrifying automobile that brings back memories of when cars were impressive looking and pretty cheap, too.



1970
Buick Electra convertible
(Photo by Sal Giaratani)

• **MBTA Advisory** (Continued from Page 1)

at historically busy bus stops and working with the MBTA to implement dedicated-bus lanes.

While passenger volume continues to be just a fraction of pre-pandemic levels, the MBTA will continue to closely monitor ridership and, when possible, will make adjustments. Bus service in particular has been tailored to specifically allow for operational flexibility, giving dispatchers the ability to make adjustments in response to changing ridership demands and to alleviate crowding. The MBTA is operating a full complement of buses, including 30% reserved to be deployed where there is increased demand for service. Crowding will be closely monitored with these flexible buses deployed as needed. Full information regarding service levels can be found at: mbta.com/coronavirus.

ENHANCED DECONTAMINATION, CLEANING, DISINFECTING, SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND MORE:

In addition to encouraging good hygiene practices and social distancing, the MBTA is continuing its enhanced cleaning and disinfecting protocols. The public is encouraged to visit www.mbta.com/RideSafer for more information. Protocols include:

- Stations and facilities: disinfecting touch points in high-traffic facilities twice a day; disinfecting touch points on

surfaces such as handrails, fare gates, and fare vending machines in subway stations once every four hours; and hiring additional vendors for disinfecting using chemical fogging, electrostatic sprayers, and manual disinfecting wipes/solutions.

- Bus and rail vehicles: decontaminating all vehicles nightly with disinfecting wipes; performing mid-day decontamination at layover locations daily by wiping down operator cabs and high-touch locations; wiping down cabs, fare boxes, and entrances for first/second shift bus pullbacks; performing electrostatic fogging for 100% decontamination every two weeks for all bus vehicles; isolating and electrostatic decontamination of any vehicle reported as operated by an employee who tested positive for COVID-19.

The MBTA has also deployed messaging through social media and within stations, bus terminals, and vehicles that encourages social distancing. Crowding threshold standards have also temporarily been lowered for each bus and subway fleet to accommodate social distancing measures. Customers can also find real-time crowding information for a number of bus routes with more information at: www.mbta.com/crowding.

Face coverings are required while onboard all MBTA vehicles, on shuttle buses, and at stations and stops. The

Executive Order that went into effect on May 6th does include an exemption for individuals with certain medical conditions, but does not require a person who is so exempt to produce documentation of their condition. The MBTA has issued internal guidance to its operators consistent with the Executive Order, though the MBTA expects all customers will comply.

The MBTA continues to follow guidance from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health with the MBTA encouraging its riders and the public to:

- Practice social distancing at all times when leaving the home for essential trips;
- Stay home if sick and avoid close contact with others;
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least twenty seconds;
- Use alcohol-based hand sanitizing gel with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available;
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth;
- Clean areas that are frequently touched with sanitizing spray or wipes;
- Cover coughs and sneezes, and use a tissue or the inner elbow, not hands.

For more information, please visit mbta.com/coronavirus, mass.gov/COVID19, or connect with the T on Twitter @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, or Instagram @theMBTA.

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Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Something I am experiencing as of late, new acquaintances wanting to know my opinion on politics and religion. In either case, a conversation centered on either topic puts me in a no win situation. If I were to defend any side, regardless of what it is, I put myself at a disadvantage, so I make light of things with unorthodox answers that usually cause these potentially adversarial opponents to change the subject.

As an example, when anyone who is probing asks me about President Trump and I know where they are coming from, I answer, “Oh, I’m not a Trump supporter. He’s way too liberal for me.” This usually shuts them up. When I’ve been asked about religion, I tell them I’m a Six Day Buddhist. Many know what a Buddhist is and some know what a Seven Day Adventist is, but not my Six Day Buddhist religion. They will then ask me about the religion and my come back shuts them up, “We pray to Our Lady of the Heartbreak of Psoriasis, and we believe that when you die, your soul goes to a used car garage in Chelsea or Brooklyn, depending on whether you live in Boston or New York.” Again, this shuts them up and I go on my merry way.

The ones I am afraid of are the revisionists, the people who are trying to change history by erasing what they feel was wrong with it. A perfect example of the attempt to change history is the destruction of the Christopher Columbus statue in the North End. Most of those activists who robbed us of our Italian admiral did this not knowing who Columbus really was and what he did and didn’t do. They are reacting to a revisionist pandemic that is as bad for our future as the coronavirus is for our health.

The fears of one another are not new. I remember want ads from the Boston newspapers of old that indicated, “No Irish need apply.” I remember the stories I heard from Babbononno and Grandpa Christoforo about how they were treated when they were new to America. I remember stories I heard from Dad about growing up in Boston in the first few decades of the 20th century, and I remember the tail-end of what I call discrimination slanted toward Italians from when I was a kid. Our generations didn’t try to change history, we learned from it. If it was bad, (slavery, and the treatment of the Native Americans) we changed the future. If it was good, (the Constitution) we kept it and lived up to the standards included within.

When I taught World History on a college level, I researched the three major western religions, Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. The practices differed dramatically, but the essence of each was the same; a belief in God, a set of laws to live by, and a concept of good and evil which affects us on Earth and beyond. When I looked at the Asian religions, Hindu and Buddhist, Shinto, etc., they were very different, but some of the same tenants I found in our western beliefs were the same; a belief in god(s), a set of laws to live by, and a concept of good and evil which affects us on Earth and beyond.

One of my more reflective students once asked why we humans don’t look for what makes us similar rather than what makes us different. I wish I had had an answer for him. When I was young Sal Meli and I traveled around the world, I would look for similarities between us and the people of the country we were in, and once they were established, we made friends. This includes people in Europe, Africa, Asia, and Latin America (I’ve never visited Australia).

Even then, the image of the “Ugly American” was out there. It was shown to us in Puerto Rico in the mid-sixties. I was playing with a band in San Juan, PR., and Sal had come to the island for a few weeks. After work one night, we decided to head into the hotel’s casino and try our luck. We hit it big on a crap table, and the next morning headed to a local bank to deposit our winnings.

We headed for Old San Juan where the bank was located and were stopped by two tourists, a man and a woman who were trying to ask us something in Spanish using a Berlitz phrase book. We didn’t understand and I was about to switch to English when the man said to his female companion, “Just like these Spics, they don’t even know their own lingo.” Sal continued speaking Spanish as the man flipped through his book looking for translations. Finally, he understood and thanked us by taking a quarter and placing it in the palm of my right hand while saying to his companion, “So they won’t starve to death.” I looked at the quarter, showed it to Sal, and in Spanish said, “Oh, look a quarter.” I then dropped it in the man’s shirt pocket and said in perfect Boston English, “Sir, you may need this more than we do.” At that point, Sal removed a wad of hundreds from a carrying case and began to count

the bills. The couple was fit to be tied and walked away as both Sal and I laughed. I later got mad saying to Sal, “What if we were local farmers coming to the big city for the first time and were exposed to this type of tourist?” I then understood where the term “Ugly American” came from.

If Babbononno and Dad were still alive, I would ask them where do we go from here. Do we let the revisionists change our history to coincide with their distorted concepts of the past, or do we learn from the realities of the past and hope not to make the same mistakes again? I wonder how they would respond to the way things are evolving in today’s America.

My suggestion for our future is to forget our differences and team up to put together a more perfect union. Our Constitution isn’t perfect, but we can amend what doesn’t work. It is not perfect, but it is better than any other political document that now exists on this planet. It allows for democracy. It allows us to be all we can be without restrictions put in front of us. Why is it that most countries have to put up borders to keep their people in and we have to put up borders to keep their people out (illegals)? We must be doing something right if everyone wants to come here.

There is no country as diverse as the United States. I remember a conversation with Nanna about when she first arrived in New York. She had never seen a human that wasn’t Italian where she came from, and saw a parade of people she called the League of Nations once she stepped foot on American soil. Before she left Ellis Island, she entered the gift shop and bought a copy of the Statue of Liberty and kept it in plain sight for the rest of her life. It represented America and freedom to her. I wonder if it still does.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given by **TODISCO TOWING OF 94 CONDOR STREET, EAST BOSTON, MA**, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A that they will sell the following vehicles.

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Run dates: 07/17, 07/24, 07/31, 2020

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by
Marianna Bisignano



The zucchini most of us are familiar with today were brought to California from Italy in the early 1920s by Italian immigrants. The name *zucchini* is considered the plural form of the Italian word *zucchini*, meaning a small marrow, gourd, pumpkin (*zucca*) or squash. After entering the states, this gourd like vegetable gained popularity and became an ingredient in which many delicious dishes and desserts were made from. At this time of year, *zucchini* can be found growing on farms as well as in many family gardens. While the vegetable continues to be a household favorite, what appears to be even more preferred are its long-stemmed yellow orange flowers. In Italy, these blossoms are referred to as *fiore di zucca*. In fact, *Fiore di Zucca Fritti* (fried courgette flowers) are among one of Rome’s must eat dishes, and the flowers are also found prepared with different ingredients, in different regions of the country.

As far back as I can remember my family had a vegetable garden as well as many beautiful fruit bearing trees. During the growing seasons, my Nonna would take her basket into the yard early in the morning and pick what she considered to be “ready.” One of the things she looked forward to most in her summer garden were the yellow orange blossoms that appeared on the zucchini plants. Nonna said that when she was a young girl she used to pick these back home, and her mom would make a delicious *Frittata di Fiori di Zucca* (Squash Flower Omelet) with them. The blossoms are so delicious that she believed if you added too many ingredients to them, you would take away from their unique and delicate flavor. I have to say that I agree with my Nonna and *Frittata di Fiori di Zucca* is a perfect balance of a few simple ingredients. It makes an excellent second course with a salad on the side, or served as my Nonna often did, sandwiched between two slices of warm homemade Italian bread!

SQUASH FLOWER OMELET

Frittata di Fiori di Zucca



- 2 dozen squash flowers, stems removed, washed and dried
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup freshly grated parmesan cheese
- 1/4 - 1/2 cup light olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 18 large fresh eggs, beaten

In a large omelet or frittata pan, heat olive oil. Add squash flowers and sauté on low heat for about 4 minutes, turning the flowers at the halfway mark. Simultaneously, in a large mixing bowl add the beaten eggs, parmesan cheese (as much or as little as you prefer, being careful not to use too much as it will overpower the flavor of the squash flowers) and salt and pepper to taste; mix together well. Add the egg mixture to the squash flowers in the pan and let cook on low heat until 3/4 of the way cooked, flip and cook until set. Do not overcook. Turn onto a platter, cut into wedges and serve.

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
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Pearl Harbor



Japan was under the radar of the United States for some time before the day that would live in infamy. Franklin D. Roosevelt knew Japan would come to see American interest in the Philippines as an obstacle to its rising empire in the Pacific. Fearing an attack, Roosevelt, eager to avoid war, attempted to reach a diplomatic settlement with Japan but little was accomplished. Still, the Roosevelt administration hoped to maintain peace and to plan for an attack and, consequently, going to war.

Pearl Harbor was a particularly vulnerable base to attack, lying between the Rising Sun and the United States. At 7:02 on the morning of December 7, 1941, two radar operators observed an unusually high number of aircraft flying toward the base from the north. Despite the inconsistency in flight direction, the operators assumed these to be the expected fleet of B-17s entering from the United States and sounded no alarm.

It is unlikely that much could have been done to ward off the attack entirely, anyway. Many of the sailors were on leave to observe Mass and some were still asleep. The attack was a full on surprise.

By the end of the attack, Japan's 360 airplanes had destroyed five of the eight U.S. battleships, three destroyers, 200 aircraft, and seven ships, including the USS *Arizona* that took much of her crew to the watery grave with her.

In all, some 2,400 Americans were killed and another 1,200 injured. Survivors managed to down thirty of Japan's planes and five submarines. By a stroke of good luck, the three U.S. Pacific fleet carriers were off base that morning conducting training exercises. It would be these three carriers that would prove crucial in the United States victory against Japan at Midway.

For now, Roosevelt knew that the United States' entry into war was inevitable and no one feared this more than Japan's Emperor Hirohito, who warned from the start that provoking the United States into war would cost Japan its empire.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
Docket No. SU20C0175CA
In the Matter of
VIRIDIE EMMANUEL
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Viridie Emmanuel of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Vee Raine Joseph.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of July 23, 2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: July 01, 2020

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

Run Date: 7/17/2020

• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

not deaths) like you did when all the scare and horror started.

So, things seem encouraging, but local and national media continue to hammer the negatives, with no signs of hope.

It's Always 1984 in China

There's a saying in Chinese that goes "Ying shou jin shou." Translation: "Round up everyone who should be rounded up."

When I think of China, I think of George Orwell and his novel 1984. I also think of *Fahrenheit 451* where the fire department starts fires to burn books. China is Big Brother come to life; it is not dystopian fiction.

I read a quote from Chun Sen Huang, a Presbyterian pastor in Taipei that offers hope to all who believe in the urge for freedom within human beings. Read this and ponder its words, "Darkness can never defeat light. I believe democracy and freedom will certainly defeat totalitarianism."

Remember Recently When A Cop Drove His Cruiser Into An Angry Crowd?

Not long ago the liberal news media in its cheerleading for Black Lives Matter ran a video at a BLM protest of a police officer in his marked SUV cruiser driving right into an angry mob

of protesters surrounding his vehicle. His rear window gets smashed out and he decides to drive through everyone blocking him for his own safety. The protesters wanted him arrested, the media-type thought what he did was uncalled for. I say if you fear for your life, you gotta do what you gotta do to stay unharmed.

I am reminded of a great nonsense quote from George C. Wallace when he was running for president back in 1964. He simply observed, "If any demonstrator ever lies down in front of my car, it'll be the last car he'll ever lay down in front of."

I always loved that quote of his. He never pussyfooted around, ever! Wallace was talking about the hypothetical but in the case of this recent trapped cop, he simply wanted to get the heck out of there and his only alternative was the one he took.

Dead Cat Gets Voter Registration Form In the Mail

I oppose mail-in voting. It is open to the possibility of so much fraud it isn't funny. Recently, an Atlanta family received a voter registration form in their mailbox for a cat

they had that died 12 years ago. It showed up with the name Cody Tims. How could this happen? He's a cat and he's been dead for a long time.

Don't you wonder how many other cats, dead or alive, are receiving their voter registration forms from the mailman?

Pelosi Says She Doesn't Care

Speaker Nancy Pelosi is a disgrace to Italian Americans everywhere after refusing to condemn those anarchists who topple that statue of Christopher Columbus in her native Baltimore's Little Italy by saying, "People do what they do." She then added, "I think that's up to the community to decide what statues they want to see."

An angry mob on July 4th attacked the statue, pulled it down, dragged it to the Inner Harbor, and pushed it into the water.

Her late dad, the former Mayor of Baltimore, who was present at the statue's dedication, must be rolling over in his grave listening to her gibberish.

End Quote

"Live your life and forget your age."

— Norman Vincent Peale

• RMV (Continued from Page 2)

prioritization of essential in-person needs by appointment-only.

Customers should take the following steps to determine their online renewal eligibility and to qualify for this offer:

- Visit [Mass.Gov/RMV](https://www.mass.gov/rmv), login to your "myRMV" account, and find out if they are permitted to renew online.
- Renew online by August 12th — your new standard license or

ID card will be sent to you via U.S. Mail.

- The cost for renewing a driver's license is \$50. The cost for renewing an ID card is \$25. These costs are the same for both a standard or REAL ID license or ID card. The cost for upgrading or amending a license or ID card outside of your renewal cycle is \$25, which will be waived for participating, eligible RMV customers.
- Customers who renew online will have to wait until at least February 2021 to make an appointment for a REAL ID and have their \$25 upgrade / amendment fee waived. Anyone who holds a valid U.S. passport or other federally compliant form of identification may never need a RMV-issued REAL ID.
- As a service to its members, AAA continues to issue REAL ID credentials for their members only and members should make an appointment before visiting an AAA location.

While the RMV has previously announced the below automatic extensions to certain expiring licenses and ID cards, all eligible customers are encouraged to take advantage of this

offer by renewing online prior to August 12th.

- Driver's licenses and ID cards that expired or will expire in March, April, and May 2020 will now expire in September 2020.
- Driver's licenses and ID cards that will expire in June have been extended until October 2020.
- Driver's licenses and ID cards that will expire in July have been extended until November 2020.
- Driver's licenses and ID cards that will expire in August have been extended until December 2020.

All RMV customers are encouraged to visit [www.Mass.Gov/RMV](https://www.mass.gov/rmv) to renew their license or ID card, and complete one of over 40 other transactions available online, by mail, or by phone.

For details on these and other credential expiration date extensions and additional information on RMV service offerings during the COVID-19 pandemic, please visit www.mass.gov/rmv or <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/rmv-covid-19-information>.

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Docket No. MI20P2795EA

Estate of

FLORENCE W. HARRIS

Date of Death: May 06, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by James W. Harris of Lexington, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of August 05, 2020.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM
PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.

Date: July 09, 2020

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 07/17/2020

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Docket No. SU20C0177CA
In the Matter of
LAUREN ELIZABETH BERK
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Lauren Elizabeth Berk of Boston, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to **Lauren Berk Wheelock**.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of July 30, 2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 08, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Run Date: 7/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
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Docket No. MI20D1349DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION AND MAILING
BRIAN T. DOVAN
vs.
TSIRING GURUNG
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 **Khuong Nguyen, Esq., Law Office of Khuong Nguyen, PC, 572 Freeport St., Unit B, Dorchester, MA 02122**, your answer, if any, on or before **August 21, 2020**. 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: July 10, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 07/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

DV-210 SUMMONS
(DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
RESTRAINING ORDER)
Superior Court of California,
County of Santa Clara
201 N. First Street
191 N. First Street
San Jose, CA 95113
Family Division
Case Number: 19-DV-000950
1. Person asking for protection:
Jonathan Wayshak
2. Notice to
Caroline Alida Weiland
The person in (1) is asking for a Domestic Violence Restraining Order against you.
3. You have a court date:
August 14, 2020
Time: 9:00am Dept. 66.
Address of Court above
What if I don't go to my court date?
If you do not go to your court date, the judge can grant a restraining order that limits your contact with the person in (1). If you have a child with the person in (1), the court could make orders that limit your time with your child. Having a restraining order against you may impact your life in other ways, including preventing you from having guns and ammunition. If you do not go to your court date, the judge could grant everything that the person in (1) asked the judge to order.
How do I find out what the person in (1) is asking for?
To find out what the person in (1) is asking the judge to order, go to the courthouse listed at the top of page 1. Ask the court clerk to let you see your case file. You will need to give the court clerk your case number, which is listed above and on page 1. The request for restraining order will be on form DV-100, *Request for Domestic Violence Restraining Order*.
Where can I get help?
Free legal information is available at your local court's self-help center. Go to www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp to find your local center.
Do I need a lawyer?
You are not required to have a lawyer, but you may want legal advice before your court hearing. For help finding a lawyer, you can visit www.lawhelpca.org or contact your local bar association.
Run dates: 07/03, 07/10, 07/17, 07/24, 2020

LEGAL NOTICE

EXPORT ENTERPRISES
TOWING
NOTICE TO OWNERS
Notice is hereby given under the provisions of (M.G.L. c255 Section 39A) of the sale or disposal of the following motor vehicles to satisfy our garage keeper's lien for towing (M.G.L. c155b Section 6B) storage & expense for holding sale of auction.
Any questions regarding this matter, please contact **Export Towing, 50 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA**, Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Telephone: 781-395-0808.
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Docket No. MI11P3887EA
CITATION ON PETITION FOR
ALLOWANCE OF ACCOUNT
In the Matter of
WILLIAM F. WHITE
Also Known As
WILLIAM FLOYD WHITE
Date of Death: June 14, 2011
To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by **Barbara L. Casey of Woburn, MA** requesting allowance of the 1st and 2nd account(s) as Personal Representative and any other relief as requested in the Petition.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on July 27, 2020.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.
Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 17, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 07/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
Docket No. SU19P1678PM
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR ORDER OF
COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Estate of
PAUL HADDAD
A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by **Brian J. McLaughlin of Boston, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, the allowance of a proposed distribution 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 August 20, 2020.
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: July 06, 2020
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Run date: 07/17/20

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI20C0348CA
In the Matter of
GAYLE MARJORIE VERNER
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Gayle Marjorie Verner of Weston, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to **Gayle Marjorie Verner-Swartz**.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of August 04, 2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.
Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court
Date: July 07, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 07/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI20P0591EA
Estate of
HELEN ANNE WETHERBEE
Also Known As
HELEN A. WETHERBEE
Date of Death: January 19, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Susan Wagner of Hudson, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Susan Wagner of Hudson, 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.
Run date: 07/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Division
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI20P2784EA
Estate of
FREDERICK G. McNUTT
Also Known As
FREDERICK McNUTT
Date of Death: April 09, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Arline B. McNutt of Stoneham, MA**, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Arline B. McNutt of Stoneham, 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.
Run date: 07/17/2020



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giaratani





Mike Ryan Catcher During Impossible Dream Team
I remember when a kid from Haverhill High School became a Major League catcher for his hometown team the Boston Red Sox. He stated that, “Naturally, I wanted to play near home. So choosing (Boston) wasn’t hard for me.”
Sadly, Mike Ryan, 78, passed away recently in Wolfeboro, New Hampshire.
He was 6 feet 2 inches and 205 pounds and had a long reach as a catcher. He could bare-hand the ball, too which

he did many times. His first game for the Sox was in October 1964, when Bob Tillman was having his best year offensively at the plate.
At different times with the home team, he roomed with either Jim Lonborg, then Tony Conigliaro. After the ’67 season, he was traded to the Phillies where he played through 1973 before being traded to the Pirates.
He returned to Philly after retiring as their bullpen coach from 1980 to 1995, and was the team’s only coach to make three trips to the World Series in 1980, ’83, and ’93.
Bottom Line
Next week, we’ll take a trip back to memory lane to the days of slugger Dick Stuart hitting homers, striking out and making those historic errors in the field. You’ll love this upcoming commentary on him, his two years with the Red Sox and his many seasons with the Pirates. Ahead of his time, made for TV did have a late night sports show, a must watch for fans. Truly a legend! NEXT WEEK DON’T FORGET.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI20P2717PM
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO
G. L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405
In the matter of
MARY G. ROCCA
of Waltham, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Steven V. Rocca of Waltham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Mary G. Rocca** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Steven V. Rocca of Waltham, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **August 03, 2020**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 07, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 07/17/2020

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800
Docket No. MI20P2718PM
CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO
G. L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405
In the matter of
SAMUEL J. ROCCA
of Waltham, MA
RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Steven V. Rocca of Waltham, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Samuel J. Rocca** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Steven V. Rocca of Waltham, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **August 04, 2020**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
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The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 07, 2020
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 07/17/2020

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EUGENE CRIQUI French WWI War Hero

Won World Title After Having Jaw Shattered by Sniper's Bullet



Eugene Criqui

Eugene Criqui was born in the Belleville neighborhood of Paris, France, on August 15, 1893. Belleville was a working-class village that was later used as the backdrop for a number of motion pictures including the Oscar winning short *The Red Balloon* in 1957.

Criqui worked as a pipe fitter before becoming a professional boxer in 1910 at the age of 17. From 1910 until 1914, he compiled a record of 68 fights with 45 wins, 9 losses, and 14 draws. Of his wins, 14 came via knockout.

In 1914, Eugene joined the French military and fought in WWI. While serving guard duty during the Battle of Verdun, he was shot by a German sniper. The bullet struck him in the face shattering his jaw. Criqui would spend two years in the hospital recovering from his wounds. During that time surgeons rebuilt his face using wires, plastic, and pieces of sheep's bone to repair the damage. Given this was in the early part of the 20th Century, it was amazing what the doctors were able to accomplish. After a long and painful recovery Criqui returned home.

His family and doctors were stunned when he told them he had decided to resume his boxing career. It seemed he must have gone a bit mad to be even considering returning to such a brutal profession after suffering such injuries. But return he did and what a second career he had.

In his first four years of boxing he had 68 fights, but scored just 14 knockouts. In his comeback after the war he had another 68 fights, but this time he scored 42 knockouts in 60 wins. Clearly he had changed his style. I have read that pre-war Eugene had been a slick boxer who was content to go the distance. After the war his style turned much more aggressive and he developed a powerful right hand.

Why the change? Well, for one thing, he had grown from a flyweight to a featherweight. But I theorize he was greatly influenced by another great French champion who was also a war hero. If you watch films of Eugene Criqui in his fights after the war you can see his style is clearly patterned on that of Georges Carpentier. The way he holds his left and sets

up his opponents for his lethal right hand is right out of the Carpentier playbook.

Georges Carpentier was immensely popular in the United States after the war. He was handsome and a war hero. That fact was not lost on promoters when they matched him against Jack Dempsey who had been accused of evading the draft and sitting out the war. When the two met in 1921 they drew a gate of over a million dollars.

In 1923, promoter Tom O'Rourke brought Criqui to New York to fight Johnny Kilbane for the World Featherweight Title. It could have been that O'Rourke saw some of the Carpentier magic in Criqui. The fight took place at the Polo Grounds. It would be the first time Eugene would fight in the United States, but as with Carpentier, he had a reputation as a war hero and was also known for his exciting knockout power. Because of this the fight generated excitement, though Kilbane was installed as the betting favorite.

Criqui exceeded expectations when he kayoed the champion in the 6th round with a solid right hand. Now the champion, Eugene was under contractual obligation to defend the title within 60 days against Johnny Dundee.



Criqui and Johnny Dundee

Dundee and Criqui met on July 26, 1923, just 54 days after the Kilbane fight. Dundee dropped Eugene four times on his way to winning a fifteen round decision and the title. This would be one of the



Criqui in uniform

shortest reigns of any world champion.

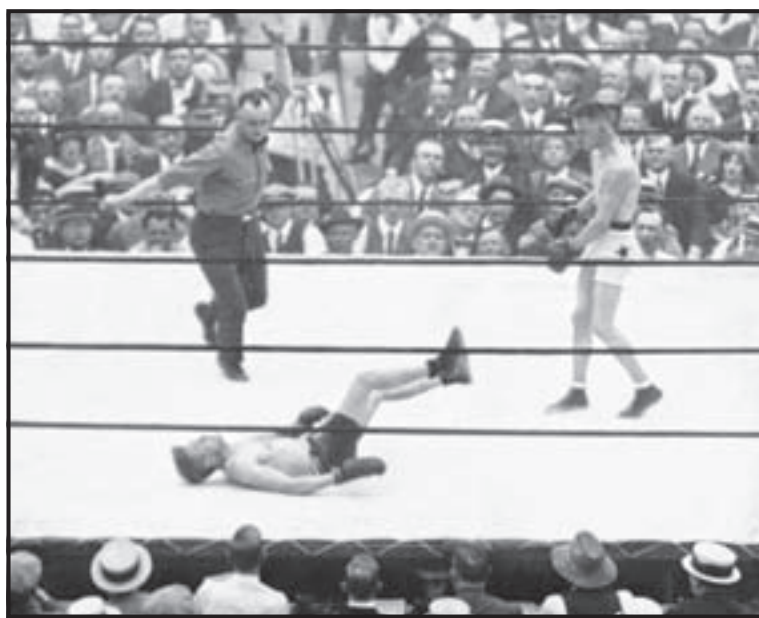
It would be Eugene's last fight in the United States. He would fight just six more bouts. Losing four including one to Panama Al Brown in Paris. He retired in 1928 having compiled a career record of 136 bouts with 105 wins, 16 losses, and 15 draws. 59 of his wins came via knockout.

It has been said he quit boxing because of injuries to his hands. His jaw certainly held up well as he was only stopped on five occasions.

Eugene went on to have a career as a boxing referee in France. He was the second French boxer to win a world championship, Carpentier being the first. It is unclear why he didn't fight more often in the United States or why he never got another title shot. It very well may have been because he had proven himself by coming back from his wounds and attaining the title.

Criqui was a courageous soldier and a fearless boxer who overcame a lot to become world champion. On July 7, 1977, he passed away in a nursing home in Noisy-le-Grand, France. He was 83 years old.

Not a lot has been written about this very interesting champion. In 2017 a biography of Criqui was published in France but has not been translated into English. The title of the book is *Gueule De Fer* which translated means Iron Mouth. It would be interesting to know more about his life. Just the little we do know is quite inspirational.



Criqui kayos Kilbane

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



As the Boston Bruins and the additional 23 National Hockey League teams prepare to convene on the two designated sites that will lead to the resumption of play, we thought it might be interesting to take a look at how things have fared over the years for cities and franchises based in Canada.

The Bruins and 11 other Eastern Conference teams will proceed to Toronto while the 12 Western Conference franchises will gather in Edmonton later this month. The NHL powers that be have decided that seven teams in the 31-team league won't be participating when action resumes.

One of the more interesting facets of the resumption of play plan that will eventually culminate in the crowning of a Stanley Cup champion is that all of the games will take place north of the border. No games will be played in the United States.

Although the format of the tournament has been known for quite some time, the exact location of the two venues was only officially declared in the second week of July. We think that the NHL executives felt that it might be best to avoid the U.S. given that the virus was on the uptick throughout much of America after coming on strong throughout the spring in a number of cities in the Northeast.

In addition, we feel that the federal government of Canada might, how shall we phrase it, be more appreciative of the Stanley Cup playoffs being hosted in the major cities of two Canadian provinces than say lawmakers based in Washington or in various large communities throughout the U.S.

So, it is over the border that the players and coaches go for hockey in July, August, September and October. About the time that Tom Brady is throwing footballs in his fifth game or so as a member of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers is when the Cup should be hoisted by the eventual 2020 Stanley Cup champion.

One big disappointment for those intending to head to Toronto is the cancellation of the Canadian National Exposition — a nationwide fair that draws one million people to the city every year. Normally held between late August and Labor Day, the cancellation is the first since the World War II era.

But the scheduling of the Stanley Cup Playoffs may make up for it — even if fans are not allowed to attend. Canadian pride should come to the fore.

People may not realize it but there has been a dearth of participation on the part of the Canadian franchises late in the playoffs for quite some time.

Indeed, no team from Canada has captured the Stanley Cup Championship since 1993 and only four teams from that nation have made the Stanley Cup Final in the 21st century. Go through the records of the respective Conference Finals

and one finds there has never been an Eastern Conference Finals matchup featuring two teams from Canada. In the West there has been only one — in 1994 when Vancouver eliminated Toronto in five games to advance to the Stanley Cup Final. The Canucks then lost to the New York Rangers in seven games.

Which brings us to an interesting reality, no matter who advances in the Stanley Cup Playoffs, both the Eastern Conference Finals and the Western Conference Finals plus the Stanley Cup Final will all be played entirely in Canada. In fact, every single game of the entire tournament will be played there.

The last time the Stanley Cup Final was played entirely in Canada was way back in 1989 when the Calgary Flames, coached by Terry Crisp, defeated the Montreal Canadiens, coached by Pat Burns, in six games. The Flames, in a way, were getting even since Montreal had defeated Calgary for the 1986 title in a five-game series.

Prior to those two instances, one has to go back to the 1967 Final, the last one of the Original Six era, to find an SCF that was played entirely north of the border. Toronto turned out the lights on one of the most fascinating periods in athletics by defeating Montreal in six games.

That reality has been somewhat masked, of course, by the significant number of Canadian players who do make it to the SCF every year as members of U.S. base franchises. But when one considers the hold and heritage of hockey in Canada, we feel that the nation is very proud that the entire big show will be hosted there.

Few may realize it but the Stanley Cup was really not the original name for the trophy. It was first called the Dominion Hockey Challenge Cup — a title that harkened back to its early days as an award that went to the winning team in an amateur tournament.

Lord Frederick Arthur Stanley of Preston, the Governor General of Canada, donated the funds for the trophy in the early 1890s. Over time, by agreement, it became emblematic of the best team in professional hockey. The tradition of each member of the winning team getting his day with the Cup started much later -- in 1995.

It is an activity that has taken on a life of its own and enabled the National Hockey League to remain in the news every summer as the Cup travels to various communities, both large and small, generating media coverage along the way. For dedicated hockey fans, there is always another Stanley Cup story every day as the journey continues.

We wish the Bruins well as they resume play and attempt to write a successful final chapter to the story of the 2019-2020 season.