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Celebrating Independence Day & Boston Harborfest on the Waterfront

 $by\ Matt\ Conti,\ NorthEndWaterfront.com$



Group picture at the annual FOCCP Independence Day celebration

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

What's with Dennis Rodman?

I didn't like him when he was playing in the NBA and I like him even less now. Recently, he took a trip to North Korea to see Kim Jong-un. A friend of mine said he was watching TV when Rodman returned home and spoke to reporters. My friend wanted to know if he became brain-dead on the trip. I told him, Rodman came home pretty much the same as he left.

NYT Not Optimistic for Dems in 2018

Recently, the *NY Times*, reporting on the Democrats' chances in the 2018 elections, stated, "The problem is they're going uphill, even if the wind is strongly at their backs."

Scarface the Songwriter

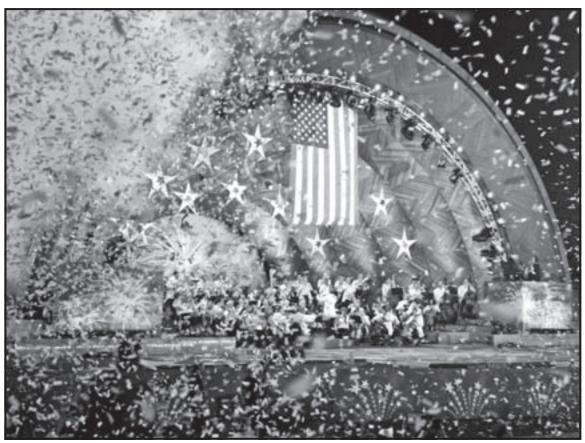
Artifacts connected to mobster Al Capone, including a song penned by Capone while he served time at Alcatraz, were auctioned off last month.

His composition includes the following ditty, "You thrill and fill this heart of mine/with gladness like a soothing symphony/over the air you gently float/ and in my soul you strike a note."

Too bad he never went into the songwriting business, but I do wonder how he would have taken criticism, huh?

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July 4th on the Esplanade



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Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



Nero was 17 years old when

the death of Claudius was made

public and he was hailed as

emperor on the steps of the

palace. He gave Claudius a

magnificent funeral, eulogized

and deified him. He declared

that he would rule according

to the principles of Augustus

and immediately abandoned all

oppressive sources of revenue,

reduced certain rewards paid

to informers, gave money to

the general public, granted an

annual salary to senators of lim-

ited means, and gave free grain

Nero gave many spectacular

shows in the arena, and was

the first in Rome to establish a

quinquennial contest (every five

years) in three parts: gymnas-

tics, music, and horseracing.

This contest was given the name

of "Neronia." Nero shaved his

first beard during an intermis-

sion in one of these gymnastic

contests while at the same time

some young bulls were sacrificed

for the occasion. His shorn hairs

were put in a golden box along

with some expensive pearls and

the whole affair was dedicated

Whenever he was required to

sit in judgment at court pro-

ceedings, he was always reluc-

tant to render any decision on

any matter on the same day.

Instead of continuous plead-

ings by members of opposing

sides, he required each point

to be presented separately and

argued by the parties in turn

before proceeding to the next

one. He never discussed matters

with his advisors in a group, but

instead required separate writ-

ten opinions, and it was from

these opinions that he formed

reforms which appeared to be

in the best interest of the pub-

lic. One such reform required

houses and apartments to have flat-roofed porches in order to

help in fighting fires. He set

a limit to public expenditures

(probably under the mandate

of proposition unus). Public banquets were confined to a

mere distribution of food; cooked

meals were forbidden in tav-

erns; and he started inflicting

punishment on a particular

class of people who were called

Christians. It was said that these

people were given to a new and

mischievous superstition. He

also put an end to a long-stand-

ing immunity enjoyed by chariot

drivers that permitted them to

cheat and rob the general public.

iar part in the life and public

administration of most persons

who have possessed the power

to control the destiny of others.

There is usually a very good

beginning, often brilliant, then

something seems to snap and

they go off the deep end. Nero

certainly was no exception to

this observation and a review of

his later career reinforces this

concept beyond any possible

doubt. The balance of his reign

was totally given over to shame-

NEXT ISSUE:

Nero's Fiasco

ful and criminal acts.

Once again we come to a famil-

He enacted many building

his decision.

to a god.

to the praetorian guard.

NERO



Agrippina crowns her young son Nero with a laurel wreath. The scene refers to Nero's accession as emperor in 54 AD and is dated before 59 AD when Nero had Agrippina murdered.

Nero Claudius Caesar Drusus Germanicus, emperor of Rome from 54 to 68 A.D., earned in his short life (he died at the age of 31) a richly deserved reputation as one of the most cruel, depraved, and despotic emperors that ever ruled Rome. He degenerated from the good qualities of his ancestors while at the same time he reproduced the vices of each of them, as if transmitted to him by natural inheritance.

He was born at Antium, nine months after the death of Tiberius, on December 15, 37 A.D. Many people at once made fearful predictions from

his horoscope, and even his own father, Domitius, said, "Only that which is abominable and harmful to the public could be born of Agrippina and myself." At the age of three, he lost his father and became heir to a third of his estate, but was cheated out of a good portion of it. After Claudius became emperor, Nero not only recovered his full inheritance but also received another inheritance from his stepfather. When he was 11 years old, Nero was adopted by Claudius, and later, at his formal introduction to the people, Nero gave them gifts and also gave money to the soldiers.



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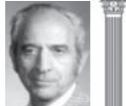
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Res Publica

by David Trumbull



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When we buy products made in America, we help to create or maintain American jobs and we have the assurance that the products we use were made under stringent health, safely, and environmental regulations. To many of us, those words "Made in U.S.A." are an important assurance of quality and commitment to American greatness. That's why it is so important that when a product is labeled "Made in U.S.A." that the claim be true.

For most products, unless they are automobiles or items made from textile or wool, there is no law requiring manufacturers and marketers to make a "Made in USA" claim. But if a business chooses to make the claim, the Federal Trade Commission's Made in USA standard applies. Made in USA means that "all or virtually all" the product has been made in America. That is, all significant parts, processing, and labor that go into the product must be of U.S. origin. Products should not contain any - or should contain only negligible — foreign content.

The FTC takes seriously its mandate to protect consumers from fraudulent "Made in U.S.A." claims. For example, in 2016, the FTC sued a Georgiabased manufacturer of fastacting glues. The FTC alleged that a significant proportion of the costs of the chemical inputs to the glues was attributable to imported chemicals. The company settled out of court. The settlement, which



included a \$220,000 financial remedy, required changes in how the company advertises its products. The order prohibited the company from making unqualified "Made in U.S.A." claims for any product unless it can show that final assembly or processing - and all significant processing — takes place in the United States, and that all or virtually all ingredients or components are made and sourced in the U.S.

Complying with the FTC rules can be complex and some manufacturers run afoul of the rules through ignorance, not the intent to deceive. I am pleased to announce that my company, Agathon Associates, has launched a new "Made in U.S.A. Certification" service. Manufacturers desiring to make a Made in U.S.A. claim can have me evaluate their manufacturing process and certify that under the FTC rules they can honestly say "Proudly Made in the U.S.A." For more information, contact me at david@ agathonassociates.com.

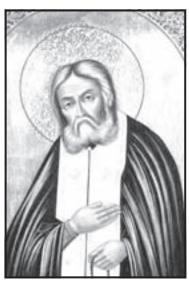
Saint Abban

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Abban was an Irish missionary living in the sixth century. An Irish prince, Abban was the son of King Cormac of Leinster, in the Diocese of Ferns, one of a list of kings that ruled this district of Ireland from the Irish Iron Age to the High Middle Ages. He is also recorded to be the nephew of St. Ibar the apostle of Wexford. It is also possible that he is the brother or related to Saint Abigail, featured in a previous column. The name Abban is a Galic name meaning Abbot.

Abban founded numerous churches in the district of Ui Cennselaigh, occupying the same area of the present County Wexford in the province of Leinster and part of the South-East Region of Ireland. His principal monastery was at Magheranoidhe, subsequently known as "Abbanstown," today, Adamstown. This monastery's fame in some early records is attributed and co-mingled with an abbey at Rosmic-treoin, or New Ross, which became famous as a scholastic establishment. When Christianity was first introduced into Ireland, the construction of monasteries

These new Irish monasteries, built in the 6th century, played an important role in the com-



munity as places of teaching and worship.

They became extremely popular and were renowned for being the best monasteries of their time for the teaching of poetry, literature, arts and, of course, the gospel. Anyone who had an interest in learning from the monks would always be made more than welcome to visit, so many took the monks up on their hospitality. Ireland became known as the land of Saints and Scholars, a saying still popular to this day.

Saint Abban passed away while serving as Abbot, on March 16, 620. His feast day is also celebrated on March 16th.

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Happy Birthday America



Frank, the "Macaroon Guy" was at The Elite Donut in Day Square, East Boston, recently. He's a U.S. Coast Guard veteran and was checking out the Fourth of July window display.

(Photo by Sal Giarratani)

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Friends of Christopher Columbus Park march in the Indendence Day celebration.

The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) continued their tradition of celebrating Independence Day with a family-friendly, free day of events. Ann Babbitt, chair of the event and FOCCP vice president said, "This is a particularly exciting event because it coincides with Boston HarborFest's activities." Boston Harborfest is the nation's long-running Independence Day festival featuring family-friendly activities on the waterfront through July 4th. The free celebration started with the fun "Kids Parade" led by a U.S. Navy Color Guard and Uncle Sam on stilts. FOCCP also thanked its sponsors for this event: NorthEndBoston.com, Sanibel Electrical Corporation, CL Waterfront Properties LLC, Joe's American Bar & Grill, Marriott Long Wharf and Tia's Restaurant. "We also thank our members whose yearly contributions help fund this and many other events in the Park.'





Peter the Magician leads a crowd at the Independence Day celebration.



Friends of Christopher Columbus Park at **Boston Harborfest**



Independence Day parade at Christopher Columbus Park led by the U.S. Navy Color Guard



Gnomes at the Independence Day celebration (Photos by Matt Conti, NorthEndWaterfront.com)

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

The Dog Days are Here!

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

Summer brings many pleasures, which is why so many people consider it their favorite season. It means vacations and refreshing dips in the pool, bright sunshine and warm weather, licks of an ice cream cone and golden twilight hours that last long into the night. However, summer also introduces days of great humidity, when the air feels like a thick and damp blanket enveloping the earth, when you sit in front of any fan you can find in hope of some relief. I actually like humid days, for they remind me that summer is really and truly here and differentiate the season from all others. Nevertheless, too much stifling weather can really wreak havoc! During periods of high humidity, I like to stay in an air-conditioned space and enjoy ice-cold glasses of water or lemonade, basking in summer relaxation. While I, like many others, take the humidity in stride as part of the season, in olden days the hot days of summer were considered downright dangerous. In Italy and other places across Europe and the world, a host of superstitions have attached themselves to the dog days of summer. These fascinating bits of folklore remind us that days spent under a scorching sun have both vexed and intrigued our ancestors for generations. I was reminded of the dog

days on a morning when every dog in my neighborhood suddenly got the urge to bark and howl simultaneously. Besides the fact that dogs and other animals feel the summer heat as much as humans do (which is why you should take precautions to keep your pet cool and comfortable during the summer), why the canine association with the hottest days of the year? The term "dog days" derives from the fact that in ancient times, during the summer, the star Sirius rose about the same time as the sun. Since Sirius is the brightest star in the constellation Canis Major, which means "large dog," the Romans represented the star as a canine - something any Harry Potter fan can tell you! For the ancient Egyptians, the rise of Sirius was viewed as a sign of relief, since it heralded the flooding of the Nile River and



thus the growth of crops and vegetation. The Romans, however, perceived Sirius as a malicious and dangerous star. They believed that its brightness combined with that of the sun, caused the heat to rise in the summer! Many superstitions have since attached themselves to the dog days, or dies caniculares as the Romans called them. Supposedly, illnesses run rampant and snakes are more likely to bite during the dog days. Thanks to modern science, we know this is not true, but it is easy to see why these days acquired such a nefarious reputation. In modern times, we can turn on the air conditioner or jump in a pool when it is too hot. In ancient times, people had no such luxuries, and indeed spent the summer haying under the hot sun. That must not have been a pleasant experience!

The dog days supposedly last from July 3rd to August 11th. When I visited Italy ten years ago, it was during the height of the "dog days," and I received a big culture shock. Here in the United States, I was used to popping inside an airconditioned store or restaurant when walking outside in the sweltering heat got to be too much. In Italy, air conditioning was practically non-existent. In fact, it was so rare, that whenever a store did have an air conditioner or fan blasting inside, they advertised outside on colorful posters hung from their windows. Perhaps this reluctance to use air conditionil colpo d'aria, or "hit of air" the belief that a blast of air to your neck or throat can cause a wide number of maladies. I also found out that many Italians dislike putting ice in their drinks for fear of indigestion. These cautions, by the way, are not unique to Italy, but prevalent in other European countries as well. Though the lack of air conditioning and ice took some getting used to, I eventually found out that Italians have other great ways of cooling off in the summer. Nearly every time I visited a family member, they had a fresh melone, or melon, waiting on their table. Juicy and refreshing cantaloupes, watermelons, and honeydews form a staple of Italian summer eating, the perfect finale to a muggy day. Italians also enjoy strolling outside in the fresh air during the evening, when the heat of the day has lessened. These walks are called passeggiate, and they provide Italians with the opportunity to chat with family and friends while enjoying a gelato and exploring the city or town. This is a wonderful tradition that America should adopt, especially in the summer, when we could all use some relaxation and time in the outdoors!

I believe that the "dog days" serve as a wake-up call to relax. The humid, stagnant air and high heat is nature's way of telling us that we can use the time to recharge and take it easy. Too often, our busy schedules and hectic modern lives keep us from taking time for ourselves, even in the midst of summer. Whether we set apart a few minutes to enjoy a cool glass of lemonade (with ice, of course!) or take a cue from the Italians and spend summer evenings basking in the fresh air and company of family, these small indulgences will reenergize us and our enjoyment of the season. When it is too humid to go outside — and we should all be mindful of risks like heatstroke and heart problems during especially hot days — relax inside, taking a bite out of a juicy melon and watching your favorite movie. For summer is too beautiful a time of the year to ignore, no matter how muggy the "dog days" get!

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Stupid Rhetoric Will Kill Real Healthcare Reform

"#AHCA will devastate Americans' healthcare. People will die." — U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren

While our elected officials in Washington, DC, continue to play politics with real health-care reform, real Americans continue to be amazed by the complete lack of leadership and cooperation from all sides in what is one of our nation's biggest issues to be solved. Partisan name-calling makes both Democrats and Republicans equally to blame for the massive roadblock created up on Capitol Hill.

Who is to blame? Look into the mirror folks, that's who is to blame. As *Pogo* once said, "We have met the enemy and he is us." Why do we allow politicians in Washington to endlessly play the blame game? Republicans blame everything on obstinate Democrats out to kill anything the GOP comes up with. Democrats say the Republicans want to kill old people and children. Compromise in this environment can't work.

Wouldn't it be super if both Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and Senate Democrat Leader Chuck Schumer could put down their partisan foolishness and figure out how to give Americans the healthcare they need?

The most recent version of the GOP healthcare reform seems doomed as a number of Republican senators either think the bill is too liberal or too weak. McConnell can't get the 51 votes he needs from this crowd of naysayers. Meanwhile, the Democrats will not vote for anything the Republicans come up with because it would be viewed as a GOP victory. I thought we sent folks to Washington to represent our interests, but do we really? It seems no one on Capitol Hill sees any urgency to do something before Obamacare implodes by its own weight of entitlements.

We have a real healthcare crisis in this country. What President Obama launched hasn't really worked out that well. Most of the promises failed to materialize. Remember the promise about keeping your own health plan, keeping your own doctor? How's that working for you?

Real healthcare reform that offers good access, good care, and affordable costs can't be done by politicians. We need our elected officials working together with our health care professionals. Here's what I know. Premiums are going up. Deductibles are going up. Health care costs are skyrocketing pitting hospital against insurers with all of us squeezed the middle. This is not a good system. A better one is needed but few if any of our elected officials seem to give a damn about us.

Finally — and this is a big finally — there's Medicaid expansion. The Democrats want more Medicaid and Republicans want to trim back the growth of this safety net before we need a safety net for the safety net. How many people know that more Americans are now on Medicaid than Medicare? Almost one in four Americans are now in the Medicaid Program. That is not what President Lyndon B. Johnson, Vice President Hubert Humphrey, or U.S. Sen. Bobby Kennedy envisioned for America's future.

Today we have many Democrats who think Medicaid is something for America to be proud of and, unbelievably, there are many Republicans out there who think likewise.

If our elected officials are this stubborn and can't legislate, perhaps it is time for all of us to send new voices tom Washington who will represent what we truly need and desire. I am tired of hypocrites who love to hear themselves talk, look for that great photo op, or love seeing some great sound bite of theirs in the media.

While many talk about the "Fake New Media," the real fake news story is our elected representatives up on Capitol Hill in both the House and Senate who seem to be just ignoring their responsibilities.

Our founding fathers must be rolling over in their graves at this bunch of characters. Is this what the American Revolution was all about? I think not!

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State Senator Joe Boncore with his family including his mother and grandmother in celebration of his $35^{\rm th}$ Birthday at the Hilton Gardens



Lydia Edwards, candidate for Boston City Council who was recently endorsed by Senator Boncore, received a warm welcome among Boncore supporters.



State Senator Joe Boncore and State Representative Adrian Madaro at a fundraiser held recently at the Hilton Gardens for Senator Boncore. A Birthday cake was served honoring Senator Boncore's 35th Birthday.

Showcase Cinemas Presents Bookworm Wednesdays!

Every Wednesday from July 5th to July 26th, select Showcase Cinemas will present **Bookworm Wednesdays**, a rewarding program designed to encourage summer reading. Kids who bring a book report (downloadable on Showcase's website and available at participating box offices) to a select family film each Wednesday in July will receive free admission! Adults and children under the age of six who accompany a qualifying participant will also receive free admission. Children who wish to participate but are not yet reading on their own are encouraged to draw a picture about a story an adult has recently read to them.

The schedule for various locations is as follows. 9:00 am: Lowell, North Attleboro, Randolph, Revere, Woburn

10:00 am: Legacy Place, Patriot Place
July 5th: Ice Age: Collision Course (Rated PG)
July 12th: Goosebumps (Rated PG)
July 19th: The Peanuts Movie (Rated G)
July 26th: Hotel Transylvania 2 (Rated PG)
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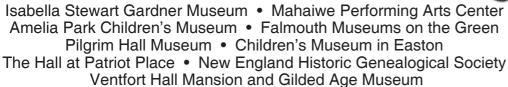
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Bring the whole family to enjoy these fun outdoor concerts with the North End/Waterfront community!

July 6th – **Scanzonati**, Contemporary Italian Jazz Musicians July 13th – **NEMPAC Community Night**, Spotlight on Local Talent 6:00-6:45 pm – **Hilary Noble Jazz Duo**

6:45-7:30 pm - Dirty Water Brass Band

July 20th – **REVMA**, Authentic Greek Roots Music July 27th – **Caio Afiune**, Brazilian Ensemble

Learn more and see artist bios at http://www.nempacboston.org/performance-season/summer-series.

BCYF Fun Stops Return

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is pleased to bring back the annual "BCYF Fun Stops" offering free, daily, drop-in activities at five locations in Boston through August $18^{\rm th}$.

Children ages 8-14 are welcome to stop in and enjoy a variety of structured activities, including board games, sports, and arts and crafts from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm* each weekday. No pre-registration is required, however, parents must fill out a brief waiver form that contains the necessary emergency contact information and allows the child to swim during scheduled times at the Fun Stop pool locations. Each Fun Stop is open on a first-come, first-serve basis and is limited to 50 children per day. Many of the Fun Stops are able to provide lunch through the Summer Food Service Program, but please confirm with the site. Fun Stops begin on July 10th and will continue through Friday, August 18th.

The Fun Stops are hosted in parks or open spaces adjacent to or near a BCYF community center. For more about the Fun Stops, contact the host community center or visit *Boston.Gov/BCYF*.

BCYF Blackstone Community Center, 50 West Brookline Street, South End, 617-635-5162; BCYF Clougherty Pool at Doherty Park, Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown, 617-635-5174; BCYF Mildred Avenue Community Center, 5 Mildred Avenue, Mattapan, 617-635-1328; BCYF Leahy-Holloran Community Center @ Garvey Park (*operates from 2:00-8:00 pm), Neponset Avenue, Dorchester, 617-635-5150; BCYF Paris Street Pool, 113 Paris Street, East Boston, 617-635-5125/x1410.



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Freeway Says ...

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

Keep Your Dog Safe in the Summer Heat

Whether you see summer as a time to have fun in the sun or take a nap in the shade, it's important to keep the health and safety of your dog in mind. The warmest months of summer can be a dangerous time for your dog. Here are some tips to make sure your dog enjoys the summer as much as you do.

On the go with Fido: make sure your dog has access to plenty of cool, fresh water 24 hours a day. There are many inexpensive and collapsible bowls (usually plastic or fabric) that you can take with you anywhere and refill at water fountains. If you are going to be out for a long period of time, freeze a bottle of water or bring ice cubes in a Tupperware container so that you will have cold water when you reach your destination.

Be aware that asphalt and sand can quickly get hot enough to burn the pads of dogs' paws, and that your dog's entire body is much closer to the ground than yours. In hot weather, walk your dog on the grass or dirt where it is cooler.

Never leave your dog in a vehicle. When it's only 80 degrees outside, a car can heat up to over 120 degrees in just minutes and leaving a window cracked does little to prevent heat build-up. Many vets say that this is the most common cause of heat exhaustion.

Tying a dog outside a store while you run an errand is never a good idea, but it is especially dangerous in the summer since he may be exposed to direct sunlight. If you can't bring your dog inside the store, it's best to leave him home.

Avoid strenuous exercise on extremely hot days. Take walks in the early morning or evenings, when heat and humidity are less intense. Remember that if your dog is spending most of his time in air conditioning, the intense weather outdoors will be even harder for him to acclimate to.

Many dogs like swimming, but some cannot swim (bulldogs, for instance, are too large-boned) or may not like the water. Be conscious of your dog's preferences and skills before putting him in the water. Always supervise your pet while swimming. Dogs can become easily disoriented in swimming pools and may not be able to find the stairs.

Chlorine from pools and bacteria from streams, lakes and ponds can be toxic for a dog's

THANKSGIVING NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

O Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recorse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present urgent petition. In return, I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked.

Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. This novena has never been known to fail. I have had my request granted. (This Novena should be said on nine consecutive days.)

S.D.



system. Always rinse your dog with clean water after swimming and never let him drink water from these sources.

Know the signs of heat exhaustion: There are many factors that can make dogs more susceptible to heat exhaustion, including physical condition, age, coat type, breed, and the climate it is most acclimated to. Very young and very old dogs are at the most risk. Brachycephalic dogs (those with short muzzles), such as pugs and bulldogs, are also at greater

Symptoms of heat exhaustion or stroke can include excessive panting, disorientation, and obvious paleness or graying to the gums due to a lack of oxygen. A dog's natural 102-degree body temperature should never exceed 105 degrees.

If you feel your dog is suffering from heat exhaustion or heat stroke, act immediately by submerging him in cool water (not ice cold) or by placing an ice pack on his neck. Once the dog has been stabilized, get him to the vet.

Keeping cool: If you keep your dogs outside, it's critical that they have access to shade, and remember that dark-colored dogs absorb more heat than dogs with lighter coats. Doghouses are not good shelter

during the summer, as they can

There are various products that can keep pets cool, such as fans that clip onto crates and mats with cooling crystals that stay up to 20 degrees below room temperature. These can be used as crate liners or as beds. Collars, vests and other items are also available. For an immediate and inexpensive option, try placing your dog on a wet towel on a concrete or tile floor in front of a fan or air conditioner.

Dogs do not sweat and their only means of reducing body heat is by panting. Although it seems incongruous, trimming your dog's coat will not make him significantly cooler, and you should never shave your dog! His coat helps regulate body temperature and protects him from sunburn

I hope some of these ideas have helped you keep my pooch friends comfortable in hot weather.

Remember it's ALL about them, not YOU. Keep your pet

Oh! Before I forget, I want to WISH MY BOSS PAMELA DONNARUMA A HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND MANY MORE!!!

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PETER S. LYNCH

Receives Norman B. Leventhal Explorer Medal,

Gala Raises Nearly \$1.5M for Education Initiatives

The Explorer Medal was conferred by Mayor Martin J. Walsh on Peter S. Lynch at the Norman B. Leventhal Map Center's Gala. The award recognizes pioneering work that demonstrates innovative and original thought and contributes to the betterment of humankind. The gala raised nearly \$1.5 million to support the educational programs of the Map Center, which use maps as a tool to inspire curiosity and learning among schoolchildren, teachers, and the public of all ages.

enable two teachers annually to use the Leventhal Map Center's collection and resources to create curriculum materials and develop their teaching skills. Present at the gala event were the inaugural Carolyn A. Lynch Teacher Fellows: Theresa Garcia de Guevedo from the Mildred Avenue School in Mattapan, and Donald "Max" McCullough from the City on a Hill school in Roxbury.

The event was the first seated dinner in the newly renovated Johnson building of the Boston Public Library's Central

the Suffolk Cares Charitable Foundation, the Sherry and Alan Leventhal Family Foundation, Ron O'Hanley and the O'Hanley Family, and Joe Tucci. The Vice Chairs of the event were Beacon Capital Partners, Fidelity Investments, and State Street. John Fish is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Suffolk Construction Company. Alan Leventhal is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Beacon Capital Partners and Vice Chair of the Board of the Leventhal Map Center. Ron O'Hanley is



Cardinal Sean O'Malley



Honoree Peter Lynch, Map Center President Connie Chin, and Co-chairs Alan Leventhal and Ron O'Hanley



The Carolyn A. Lynch Teacher Fellows Max McCullough and Theresa Garcia de Guevedo

The Explorer Medal is presented to a uniquely gifted and dynamic individual who has made significant contributions to his or her field. It recognizes a spirit of individual enterprise, and the individual's work breaking the barriers of knowledge representing the best of our cultural and historical knowledge. This award has only been presented to two individuals before this event; **Sherry Leventhal** to documentary filmmaker Ken

In addition to recognizing Peter Lynch for his lifetime achievements and philanthropic work, the Leventhal Map Center will establish a permanent endowment named for Peter Lynch's late wife Carolyn with a portion of the proceeds from the event. The Carolyn A. Lynch Fellowships will

Burns in 2010, and to former

Mayor Thomas M. Menino in

2013.



David and Nancy Colella



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Lionel Fortin and Co-chair

Library in Copley Square and was centered on the theme of "The Power of Maps to Educate and Inspire." Guests included Mayor Martin J. Walsh, who conferred the Award, Cardinal Sean O'Malley, who gave the Invocation, Boston Pub-Schools Superintendent Tommy Chang, former Boston Public Schools Superintendent and interim principal of Boston Latin School and Leventhal Map Center board member Michael Contompasis, and Boston Public Library President David Leonard.

Honorary Chairs were Cardinal Sean O'Malley, Senator Edward J. Markey, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Representative Michael E. Capuano, Representative Joe Kennedy III, Mayor Martin J. Walsh, and David Leonard, President of the Boston Public Library.

The Co-Chairs of the event were Cyndy and John Fish of



Map Center Director of **Education Michelle LeBlanc** and Bill Fowler

President and Chief Executive Officer at State Street Global Advisors, Vice Chairman of State Street Corporation, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Leventhal Map Center. Joe Tucci is the former Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer of EMC Corporation.

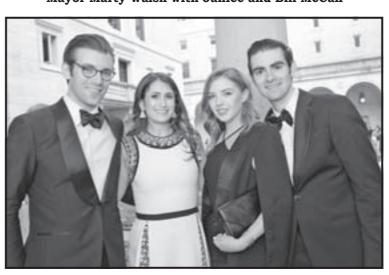
Peter Lynch is President of the Lynch Foundation and Vice Chairman of Fidelity Management & Research Company. Under his 13 years of management of the Magellan Fund at Fidelity, an investment of \$1,000 in 1977 became worth \$28,000 in 1990 and thereby helped several million American families. Lynch is the bestselling author of One Up on Wall Street and Beating the Street, and co-author of Learn to Earn. All profits and



Alex and Lianne Leventhal (Photos by Roger Farrington)



Mayor Marty Walsh with Janice and Bill McCall



Jeremy and Carolyn Leventhal with Stephanie Sharpe and **Evan Leventhal**



Map Center Board Chair Robert Melzer, Sidney and Geoffrey

royalties from his books are donated to charity.

Prior to joining Fidelity, he served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army, received his Bachelor of Science from Boston College, and an MBA from the Wharton School of Business.

Based on their deep belief that philanthropy is an integral part of family life and that engagement in good work is essential, Peter and his late wife Carolyn established The Lynch Foundation. Together the Foundation and the Lynch family have donated over \$175 million to nonprofit organizations that range from well-established institutions to innovative and promising start-ups.

For the last 27 years, Lynch has served as Chairman of the Inner-City Scholarship Fund, raising over \$150 million for scholarships supporting children of all faiths and ethnicities in inner-city Catholic schools. Serving on the Boston Archdiocesan finance committee for over 30 years, Lynch is a founding member of his parish finance council in Marblehead.

A recipient of multiple civic awards and 15 honorary degrees, Lynch was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and inducted into the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's Academy of Distinguished Bostonians. He was honored with the ADL Abraham Joshua Heschel Interfaith Relations Award and was the first layperson to receive the award. Appointed a Knight of Malta, he was also awarded the Order of St. Gregory the Great, the highest papal honor conferred by the Catholic Church on a layperson.



HEE HAW: PFFT! YOU WAS GONE (2-DVD) Time-Life

From 1969 to 1992, the whole family could gather around the TV set and enjoy the laughter and songs of the wildly talented *Hee Haw* cast. This hilarious 2-disc set features four of the best vintage episodes from 1969 to 1973. Kick back and join hosts Roy Clark and Buck Owens and the Kornfield Kounty gang for a-pickin' and a-grinnin'! Enjoy the classic "Pfft! You Was Gone!" sketches with Archie Campbell and Gordie Tapp, slap a knee over Grandpa Jones in "Hey Grandpa! What's for Supper?," plus belly laugh at the jokes, and the bushel of yuks in "Archie's Barbershop," the twisted soap opera, "The Culhanes of Kornfield Kounty," and sketches featuring stars Minnie Pearl, Grandpa Jones, and Junior Samples.

RETURN TO MAYBERRY (DVD) CBS DVD + Paramount

The stars of America's most beloved sitcom are back in this feature-length reunion! After turning in his sheriff's badge to become a postal inspector in Cleveland, Andy Taylor (Andy Griffith) returns to Mayberry for the birth of his first grandchild. But when his former Deputy Barney Fife's (Don Knotts) campaign for sheriff is derailed, Andy must once again solve the town's problems with his trademark good humor and charm.

TABLE 19 (Blu-ray) 20th Century Fox Home

Academy Award nominee Anna Kendrick leads a hilarious ensemble cast — including Lisa Kudrow, Stephen Merchant and Craig Robinson — in this laugh-out-loud tale of mischief and matrimony. Relieved of her maid of honor duties after being dumped by the best man, Eloise (Kendrick) decides to attend her oldest friend's wedding anyway and finds herself seated among random strangers in the back of the ballroom. As secrets are revealed, Eloise bonds with her new tablemates and discovers that friendships, and even romance, can develop under the most unlikely circumstances.

CHAPTER & VERSE (DVD) Anchor Bay Ent.

Upon his return from serving eight years in prison, reformed gang leader S. Lance Ingram struggles to adapt to a changed Harlem. Lance lives under the tough supervision of a parole officer in a halfway house. Unable to find a job with the computer tech training he received in prison, Lance is forced to take a deliveryman job in a food pantry. It is then that he meets and is befriended by Ms. Maddy, a 60-year-old strong and spirited grandmother. Lance assumes responsibility for the wellbeing of Ms. Maddy's 15-year-old grandson Ty — a promising student and artist who has become involved in a dangerous Harlem street gang. Lance tries to make peace with G-Rod, the charismatic gang leader, and makes a deal to let Ty walk away. Lance decides to sacrifice his "second chance" at freedom so that Ty can have a "first chance" at better life.

STEPHEN KING'S TRIPLE FEATURE (5-DVD) CBS DVD + Paramount

Three acclaimed television mini-series from the master of horror are included in *Stephen King's Triple Feature*. **The Stand** (1994) stars Gary Sinise, Molly Ringwald and Laura San Giacomo. In King's epic vision of an apocalyptic future, the few survivors of a plague-ravaged world must choose sides in a battle of good versus evil that will decide the fate of humanity. **The Langoliers** (1995) stars Patricia Wettig and Dean Stockwell in the Emmy-nominated mini-series. On a red-eye flight across the country, a small group of passengers awaken mid-journey to discover that they have slipped through a hole in the universe. **Golden Years** (1991) stars Keith Szarabajka and Felicity Huffman. After an explosion in a secret government lab exposes an elderly man to mysterious chemicals, he starts to grow younger every day.

THE WEDDING PARTY (DVD) Candy Factory Films

When chaos ensues at Paul and Margene's wedding, Jim, a recently heartbroken groomsman, is tasked with managing the reception. With help from his former high school sweetheart, Alex, he's forced to wrangle his unruly friends to maintain order, all while learning to love again. Stakes rise and cakes fall throughout an unforgettable evening of chaos in this romantic comedy.

THE IRON IVAN (DVD) MVDvisual

Ivan Poddubny was a rare champion, having a professional career for over 40 years. This richly rendered biopic follows the incredible journey of an early 20th century wrestling phenomenon. Working as a common laborer, Ivan quickly became a local sensation at the circus, and soon, with lover in hand, escaped a modest life to seek praise and accolades as a professional wrestler. It wasn't long before Russian politicians voted to have Ivan represent their country in the world championships, taking Ivan abroad to Paris and 1920s America. Through trials and tribulations, Ivan remained victorious for decades. An adventure of spirit, *The Iron Ivan*, will bring the past to life with unforgettable characters and storytelling.

3 GENERATIONS (Blu-ray) Anchor Bay Ent.

The touching story of three generations of a family living under one roof in New York as they deal with the life-changing transformation of one that ultimately affects them all. Ray (Elle Fanning) is a teenager who has struggled with the body assigned to him at birth and is determined to start transitioning. His single mother, Maggie (Naomi Watts), must track down Ray's biological father (Tate Donovan) to het his legal consent to allow Ray's transition. Dolly (Susan Sarandon), Ray's lesbian grandmother, is having a hard time accepting that she now has a grandson. They must each confront their own identities and learn to embrace change and their strength as a family in order to ultimately find acceptance and understanding.

The time has come, the walrus said,

TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

of shoes and ships and sealing wax of cabbages and kings

by Sal Giarratani

FRANKLIN PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Cambridge College will be hosting this year's free Summer Concert Series at Franklin Park every Tuesday starting at 6:00 pm from July 11th through August 15th.

I hear Keisha and KJ from 97.7F.M Radio will be there every Tuesday on stage. First group to lead of concert series is Richie Rich, a local R&B band with a great sound. I saw them about 4-5 years ago down in North Attleboro at a restaurant/dance club no longer with us.

I went to hear them with Blue, a renowned entertainment producer who only needs one name. He heard about the group and wanted to hear them in person. He liked them. I liked them, too. They had the look, the feel, and the sound. They should be a good opening act for the summer concerts.

CAPUANO GETS FOE ON HIS LEFT

Only in this District and Cambridge, could U.S. Rep. Michael Capuano come out looking and sounding like a moderate. He has to be one of the most liberal folks up on Capitol Hill, but he most likely will be facing a Cambridge City Councilor who is the state's highest-profile Muslim elected official and further to the left than he is. Only in Cambridge U.S.A. could this happen.

CURBING DISTRACTED DRIVERS

The Massachusetts State Senate recently passed a bill that allows driver to talk on only hands-free cell phones such as Bluetooth. The bill would also ban the use of social media and not allow drivers to type information into a GPS while driving. Is anyone that stupid to do this? The voice on the GPS should be yelling, "Stop typing into me while driving, you stupid (blank)."

Fourteen states already have similar laws on the books. Smart move, but I am not

comfortable with drivers using Bluetooth either. They are just as distracted from the road as drivers using hand-held phones. But we need to start somewhere and this is a good place to begin to make our roads safer for all.

MADARO HAS GREAT FUNDRAISER

Over 200 people turned out at Spinelli's in Day Square recently for Rep. Adrian Madaro's annual East Boston fundraiser. He was introduced by City Councilor Sal LaMattina, who praised Madaro for all his hard work for East Boston. Madaro thanked everyone there for their strong support and friendship.

RACE IN DISTRICT 2 HEATING UP

The frontrunners are Eddie Flynn from Southie and Michael Kelley from Bay Village. Both candidates have been doing well at fundraising and both have lined up impressive numbers of endorsements from elected officials.

Voter turnout will be all important. The best ground game wins this race.

CONGRATS TO GUIDO

Revere Mayor Brian Arrigo has announced that Captain James Guido will be Revere's interim Police Chief as of July 1st.

MURPHY SUMMER GATHERING A SUCCESS

Suffolk County Register of Deeds Stephen Murphy recently held a packed gathering at Florian Hall over in Dorchester to celebrate the arrival of summer. The hall was packed with folks from all over the county. It was a great party and everyone had a wonderful time mingling with folks from all over Suffolk County

QUINCY NATIVE GUEST OF HONOR IN BRAINTREE

Everyone in Dorchester knows Lou Pasquale from the shuttered Freeport Tavern, the Old Colony House, and the Boston Bowladrome. Recently this Quincy native and World War II Army veteran was the guest of honor at a Flag Day ceremony and dedication held at the National Grid maintenance yard in Braintree.

Pasquale is well known for his work with the DAV and veteran affairs. He helped raise the flag at a new flagpole dedicated in memory of Christopher J. Orlando, a Hingham native and U.S. Marine who died on January 14, 2016, off the Hawaiian Islands. He was a flight crew chief. He and 11 other Marines were killed that day when two Marine helicopters crashed during a training mission. Chris' father Richard is employed by National Grid.

Thank you to National Grid and Lou for always remembering our fallen heroes.

WHAT DID THE METRO CALL DORCHESTER?

Recently read a new story about Boston 2030 in the Metro newspaper, a free but sometimes equally useless rag. The newspaper referred to Dorchester as "hardscrabble." Dorchester is still Boston's largest neighborhood and has seen many good things happening lately, none of which would lead anyone to think of this community as "hardscrabble." Don't exactly know what that term means, but it really doesn't sound positive to me. How about you?

NEW COMMANDER FOR SOUTHIE VET GROUP

The South Boston Allied Veterans War Council, which runs Southie's St. Patrick's Day parade, has elected a new commander and it could be the dawn of a new era when it comes to the annual controversy over gays marching in the parade.

Dave Falvey, 34, of South Boston was elected to head the veteran's council.

He said he hopes that annual controversy is now in the past. Good news for everyone. Time to leave the past in the past and get back to just making the annual parade the best parade ever!

BCYF Girls Nights Start July 12th

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) invites Boston girls to Girls Nights, a series of free girls-only events. All activities are designed to bring girls together in a safe, non-competitive environment where they can be themselves, meet other girls their age, and engage with role models.

Girls Nights also connect girls with resources and opportunities while they enjoy a positive and fun experience with their peers. Last summer, over 1,000 girls participated in BCYF's Girls Nights.

The Girls Nights schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, July 12th: "Beauties and the Beach" at BCYF Curley Community Center, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. All ages

Saturday, July 15^{th} : **Girls' Night at Franklin Park Zoo**, 4:00-7:00 pm. Ages 6-18

Wednesday, July 19th: *Girls' Rock Climbing*, *Games and BBQ* at BCYF Menno Community Center, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Ages 6-18

Tuesday, July 25th: **Bowling at Boston Bowl**, 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Ages 6-18
Friday, August 4th: **Girls' Summer Night**

Friday, August 4th: **Girls' Summer Night** at BCYF Quincy Community Center, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Ages 10-17

Tuesday, August 8th: *Lip Sync Night and BBQ* at BCYF Perkins Community Center, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Ages 13-16

Saturday, August 12^{th} : **Girls' Day at New England Aquarium**, 11:00 am. Ages 6-17

Wednesday, August 16th: *Girls' Skate Night* at Chez Vous, 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Ages 6-18

Tuesday, August $22^{\rm nd}$: *Ice Cream Social* at JP Licks, 4:00-6:00 pm. Ages 6-17

For further information on Girls Nights or to register, please e-mail *Erika.Butler@Boston.Gov* or call her at 617-635-4920 x2314.

Updates and changes to the schedule will be posted on *Boston.Gov/BCYF* and twitter @BCY-FCenters

BCYF serves thousands of young people throughout the summer through day camps and full day programs, teen-only and girls-only programs, sports and fitness programs, the BCYF Streetworker Program and family-friendly neighborhood block parties. Visit our website to learn more.

Boston Centers for Youth and Families

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is the City of Boston's largest youth and human service agency. BCYF operates 36 community centers in Boston that offer a variety of engaging and enriching programs for people of all ages created through community input and need. BCYF also oversees many citywide programs including the nationally recognized violence intervention and prevention Streetworker Program and SuccessLink, the Mayor's Summer Jobs Program.



Vincent Pastore and Sally Struthers to Star in

Bullets Over Broadway

at the Ogunquit Playhouse July 5th through July 29th



Vincent Pastore (Nick Valente) and Reed Campbell (Cheech) with ensemble.

The Ogunquit Playhouse takes the audience on a hilarious trip back to the Roaring Twenties with their production of the musical adaptation of Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath's madcap film, Bullets Over Broadway, on stage from July 5^{th} through July 29^{th} . Hailed by *Time Magazine* as "Musical Theatre Gold!," Bullets Over Broadway is the side-splitting musical comedy about the making of a Broadway show, filled with tap dancing gangsters, saucy showgirls, colorful characters, and big laughs. A young playwright, who is in desperate need of financial backing for his next show, accepts an offer he can't refuse from a gangster looking to please his ditzy, talentless girlfriend. Stage and screen star **Vincent Pastore** is cast as the mobster Nick Valenti, and is joined by Emmy-winner Sally **Struthers**, who returns to the Playhouse as the dog-toting Eden Brent. Loaded with songs that made the '20s roar, this six-time Tony-nominated musical features hits from that decadent decade, including "Let's Misbehave," "Tain't Nobody's Biz-ness if I Do" and "There's a New Day Comin'!'

Vincent Pastore makes his debut at the Ogunquit Playhouse reprising the role of Nick Valenti, which he originated in the Broadway production of Bullets Over Broadway. He is best known for his long running performance on HBO's The Sopranos, as well as his work on HBO's 1996 television movie, Gotti, and ABC's The Practice. His numerous films include Goodfellas, Revolver, Made, and The Hurricane. On stage, he has played the role of Amos Hart in Chicago. He has also performed Off-Broadway in Queen for the Day and Lampost Reunion.

Two-time Emmy Award and Golden Globe Award-winner Sally Struthers joins the cast as the dog-toting Eden Brent. She is probably best known for her role as Gloria in the groundbreaking TV series All in the Family. She has also starred in the Fox television series 9 to 5 and her own CBS series, Gloria, as well as recurring roles on the CBS comedy Still Standing and the CW network's highly acclaimed Gilmore Girls. Ms. Struthers joined the Gilmore cast for Netflix's new four movie limited revival, which premiered in the fall of 2016, and recently guest starred in the acclaimed IFC comedy series Maron. Sally Struthers has performed many roles at the Ogunquit Playhouse, including the socialite Evangeline Harcourt in last season's Anything Goes, the Duchess Estonia Dulworth in Nice Work if You Can Get it, and as Louise Seger in Always, Patsy Cline, Mama Morton in Chicago, Paulette the hairdresser in Legally Blonde, and as Felicia Gabriel in *The Witches* of Eastwick.

John Rochette is making his debut at the Ogunquit Playhouse as young playwright David Shayne. On Broadway, he starred as Norm Waxman in Jersey Boys. Off-Broadway, he's performed with Blue Man Group at Center Blue Man, and some of his many regional credits include Elvis in Million Dollar Quartet, Sir Lancelot in Spamalot, and Frank-N-Furter in Rocky Horror Picture Show. He has performed on television on NBC's Guiding Light, and on ABC's One Life to Live and All My Children.

Joining the cast is **Reed Campbell**, in his Ogunquit Playhouse debut, as Cheech. He was Cookie McGee in the National Tour of *Nice Work if You Can Get It*, and performed

off-Broadway in *Important Hats* of the Twentieth Century at the Manhattan Theatre Club, in The Comedy of Errors at The Public Theater's Shakespeare in the Park, and regionally as Judas Iscariot in Stage 773's *The Last* Days Of Judas Iscariot. On television, he's starred as C.O. Will Frank in Netflix's hit series Orange Is The New Black and on NBC's The Blacklist: Redemption. He is the co-creator of BROadway and Broadway Late Night on The Broadway Channel.

Reprising her role as Olive Neal from the First National Tour of Bullets Over Broadway is **Jemma Jane.** Her overseas credits include Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors, Texas in Cabaret, and as the Narrator in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.

Kenny Morris is making his Ogunquit debut as Julian Marx, the producer that enlists the help of a wealthy gangster to help pay for David Shayne's play. On Broadway, he's starred in Hairspray, Les Miserables, and the 20th Anniversary of Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris. He was a member of the National companies of Kinky Boots, Hairspray, Sunset Boulevard, and Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. He has been nominated for a Barrymore.

The Ogunquit Playhouse is located at 10 Maine Street, Ogunquit, ME.

For more information, go to www.ogunquitplayhouse.org or call 207-646-5511.

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• News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

Hollywood, Who Needs Them? This crowd of self-important people just doesn't get it. Nobody cares what they think. They get paid to act, so just act. I recently watched Will Smith in Concussion, but almost didn't watch it because Alec Baldwin was the co-star. The other day, Robert De Niro was on TV doing a spot about Independence Day. He delivered a great script, but when he ad-libs about President Trump, he comes across like such a faker. The same is true of Meryl Streep and, of course, Johnny Depp of "when was the last time a president was assassinated" fame.

Every Big Shot in their own mind in Hollywood thought they could help elect a Democrat in the Georgia special election. What they did was elect a Republican instead. Nobody cares what they think. Don't they get that yet?

Trump Celebrating Bastille Day in Paris

President Trump has been invited to Paris on July 14th to commemorate Bastille Day, which happened 228 years ago, and he will be there. President Trump and French President Emmanuel Macron will review a military parade marking the 100th anniversary of the entry of the United States into World War I. American and French troops will march side by side.

By the way, two years ago, I found out that I am not only Sicilian and Irish but, according to DNA testing, I am also French from the Bourbon Region in southern France. Garlic-Gaelic and French dressing, too.

Koch Brothers Unhappy with GOP Bill

Charles and David Koch are unhappy with the GOP Healthcare Bill currently floating around looking like it is going nowhere and fast. They want full repeal and they want it now. I wonder how you can repeal something without having something ready to go immediately replacing it. Republicans had plenty of time while President Obama was in office to figure out a replacement and didn't come up with anything but the rush job they are pushing now, looking like idiots.

I could care less about the Koch brothers or how unhappy they are right now.

How's that \$15 an Hour Idea Working Out?

According to new reports, the move by cities to eventually get the minimum wage up to \$15 an hour doesn't seem to be working out that well, like over in Seattle where boosting hourly wages has led to low wage workers losing hours and income. The same will be true in New York, Boston, or anywhere else. It has been reported that in Seattle, the wage hike has cost the city 5,000 jobs and workers have seen a loss of \$125 a month.

Pretty soon, getting a hamburger will be the job of a robot that doesn't make \$15 an hour. In this case, making more money actually means making less money.

The New Ken Doll

Mattel has upgraded Ken with a man bun. According to *NY Post* letter writer Ray Starman of Albany, "Frankly, he looks miserable. And what do you call a depressed dummy? A manic depressive."

What's really depressing is

how much news remaking old dolls makes to begin with. Are they going to remake G.I. Joe, too? Is this real news or what? **New Book On Bobby Kennedy**

I was a Bobby Kennedy Democrat back in the day when the Democratic Party hadn't gone insane yet. Had he not been assassinated back when I was 20 years old, who knows where America might have gone? Would the Vietnam War have ended sooner and with far fewer deaths?

There is a new book out that should interest baby boomers like myself and even younger generations of Americans like my daughter. It is called *The Revolution of Robert Kennedy*, written by John Bohrer and published by Bloomsbury.

There has not been as complex a politician as Kennedy since. He was neither a liberal nor a conservative. He attracted folks to his campaign across the political spectrum because he was speaking to real issues that were dividing us. He was trying to bring the nation together on eternal values that our founding fathers understood. I remember reading his own book that came out when he announced for president called To Seek a Newer World. I still have that paperback and re-read it every so often to refresh my memory of how I felt back in my younger days before I started becoming so cynical.

Ditching Pelosi Should be Easy, but it's Not for Dems

If I were advising Tony Perez, chair of the Democratic National Committee, I would tell him it is time to ditch House Minority Leady Nancy Pelosi, not because she is 77, but because she just doesn't get what happened on November 8, 2016, when President Trump beat the presumed presidential winner Hillary Clinton.

The Democrats remain in denial and will keep getting beaten up until they review where they are and what they need to do to get back into the winning column again.

For starters, they need a new face leading the party in the U.S. House of Representatives, someone who saw what happened and has a workable agenda to get out of the funk they are in.

I remain a registered Democrat, but often vote Republican like many Democrats in my age group. We remember when the Democrats defined themselves by what they believed in and not what they oppose.

The Democratic Party has been radicalized and no longer speaks for the working middle class. It has become the party of the elites and the party that panders to the takers out there. The Democrats can't express the values they hold because they can't seem to understand what those values mean to us.

It's my hope that Democrats get smarter because we need two parties to have a two-party system. As far as U.S. Sen. Liz Warren, my aim is to see her defeated because she is out of the political mainstream and is a bully, too.

If the Democrats want me back in the fold, they need to start representing my interests again.

End Quote

"If you make yourself a sheep, the wolves will eat you."

— Ben Franklin

Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



On the 2nd, Loretta and I celebrated our 40th anniversary. As a young man, I never dreamed of settling down as I had so many things on my plate. I was a teacher, musician, actor, model, graduate student and, sometimes, a businessman. The last thing I wanted in my young life was a wife and kids. But that attitude changed when I was in my late 30s and met Loretta.

The first time I decided to celebrate an anniversary was when my folks were approaching their 25th. I was 23 and wanted to do something for them in the way of a surprise party. After speaking to Uncle Nick, he told me that he had spoken to Stanley Blinstrub, the owner of a famous South Boston supper club from back in the day. The plan was to get my folks to Southie on a night when my father wasn't playing with a band. As it turned out, the arrangements were set up on a night when Dad wasn't playing, nor Uncle Nick or Uncle Paul. I told my folks that I was being honored for something or other to insure they wouldn't have any excuses that prevented them from attending.

Both Dad and Uncle Nick had played in the house bands that were featured at Blinstrub's, and both knew Mr. Blinstrub rather well. When Uncle Nick and I were to meet with the man himself, I outlined what I wanted: a table for about 25 to 30 people and a menu that would allow them to choose what they wanted to eat. Knowing that most of the guests didn't drink much, I added in the liquor, too.

When the date finally arrived, I lucked out in that the featured attraction was Sammy Davis, Jr. I gave all of the info to Blinstrub, which he said he would pass along to Davis. From there, it was just the setup of a list of relatives and friends of my folks. When I called each of them, I made sure that no one would let my folks know anything before hand, and got an assurance that they would be there before I brought my folks in.

On the night of the event, Uncle Nick arrived early and supervised everything. The long table that was readied for my folks was set up on a 90 degree angle from the center of the stage, right down in front. Party favors and name cards indicated where each person should sit, and by the time I brought my folks in, everyone was at the table. Mom and Dad were shocked at first, and then delighted. As they followed me to the table, all of the guests stood and applauded ... the

shortest being Babbononno, who was only four feet, eleven inches tall.

Everything went off like clockwork. Drinks were served just before the show started, and when Sammy Davis, Jr., began to sing, he included the Anniversary Song, "Oh how we danced on the night we were wed." When he finished, he told the audience why he had included the song in that night's performance, and had my folks stand as the audience applauded.

Back then, Uncle Nick was the head of the Musicians' Union and knew Davis professionally. He had met with him ahead of time to brief him on the surprise. Sammy took it from there, and my folks were as happy as I had ever seen them. Later, when intermission was at hand, a waiter gave me a note that stated that Davis wanted to see me in his dressing room. I excused myself from the table, followed the waiter, and met with one of the three inner circle members of the Rat Pack. Uncle Nick had briefed him on the part of my career that included music and acting. I introduced myself to Davis who asked if I would like to sit in with his band when he again would acknowledge my folks. I said that I would be delighted, and the impromptu invitation would lead to Davis opening doors for me at his level of the entertainment business, which included Hollywood, too. I would get the chance to play behind him on several occasions.

As the evening came to an end, Sammy Davis, Jr., came over to the table, congratulated my folks personally, and told me to keep in touch. He then headed out to sample Boston's nightlife. Uncle Nick then ushered me into the kitchen where Stanley Blinstrub was lounging on a couch that allowed him to relax while he observed the operations of his

After I shook his hand with compliments and "mille gracie" over and over again, I mentioned that I had not received the bill as of yet. He then asked me if the service was good, and when I complimented him on his wait staff, he told me to make sure I tipped them well. When I brought up the bill again, he repeated himself, "Make sure you tip those boys." As we left the kitchen, Uncle Nick whispered, "Do you have enough cash for the tips?" When I said I did, he told me how much to give each of the waiters who had served us. When I asked about the bill, he switched to Italian,

and said that everything other than the tip was on the house.

My folks were the happiest I had ever seen them, and even Babbononno had nothing to complain about, which was a rarity. I thanked every one of the guests as they left, especially Uncle Nick who had arranged everything with Mr. Blinsturb and Sammy Davis, Jr. He answered, "You're my Godson, what did you expect?"

As the years passed, I would take my folks out on special occasions, birthdays, holidays, and off-year anniversaries. I would throw surprise parties for them when they celebrated their 30th, 40th and 50th anniversaries. Their 55th would be the last anniversary that they would celebrate. Dad's health wasn't too good and he would pass away not too long after October of 1991, when he was 81.

Mom loved surprise parties, and the family would throw them for her year after year through 2007, when she was 98. We did the same for Babbononno right up to the end, and he made it to 98, also.

I love surprise parties, but my wife doesn't. When my birthdays rolled around, she would call Barbara Summa and set something up at LaSumma's Restaurant on Fleet Street in the North End. Knowing her distaste for surprise gatherings thrown in her direction, I usually take her out to dinner with a small group of family and close friends. I, on the other hand, always loved surprise parties, and even at this age, still love them. I guess there is still a little kid hiding behind these wrinkles and white hair. What else can I say???

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The Post-Gazette throughout the year.

Recipes from the Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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SHRIMP AND SALMON IN BIANCO OVER LINGUINE (In White Sauce)

4 tablespoons butter or margarine

4 tablespoons olive oil

4 cloves of chopped garlic

1/2 pound medium shrimp 1/2 pound salmon

1 pound linguine

2 bottles clam juice

1 tablespoon chopped parsley 1 tablespoon chopped chives 3 tablespoons white wine

Romano or Parmesan grated

Remove any skin from salmon steak. Cut up into one-inch portions. Wash and set aside. Remove skin and wash shrimp. Set aside in a separate bowl. In a skillet, soften butter and then add oil to heat. Add chopped garlic and simmer for a few seconds. Do not brown garlic. Lower heat. Add salmon pieces and toss until all pieces begin to whiten. Then add shrimp and toss until all shrimp turn pink. Remove from heat. Add clam juice, parsley, and chives to shrimp and salmon. When mixture comes to a boil, add wine. Bring to a slow boil again. Then remove from burner. Cover and set aside.

Cook linguine according to directions on the package. When pasta is almost cooked, add chopped chives to shrimp and salmon mixture and begin to heat on a separate burner. After straining pasta, place into a serving platter or bowl and add shrimp and salmon broth from saucepan. Top each serving with shrimp and salmon pieces. Serve with preferred grated cheese.

Serves four.

NOTE: In the past, we have enjoyed littleneck clams with linguine in our home, but occasionally I change the recipe slightly. I use salmon and shrimp in place of littleneck clams. I add butter to the recipe along with some chives and wine for a different flavor.

This is served with warm garlic bread, a fresh green salad, and white wine.



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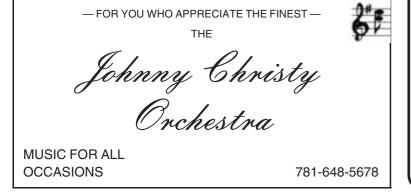
Shares with us a delightful recollection of her memories as a child growing up in Boston's "Little Italy" and a collection of Italian family recipes from the homeland.

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Estate of
COREY LELAND DINKIN
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COREY DINKIN

Date of Death June 6, 2015 INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Les Dinkin of Westport, CT.

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

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Docket No. MI17P3336EA

Estate of ROBERT J. WILCOX Date of Death May 6, 2017 INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Brenda
S. Diana of Wellesley, MA, a Will has been

admitted to informal probate.

Brenda S. Diana of Wellesley, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Docket No. MI17D1663DR SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION NEILA MEDEIROS, Plaintiff

MARCO MEDEIROS,
MARCO JULIO MARTER PINTO MEDEIROS,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant: A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, seeking an Annulment of Marriage.

You are required to serve upon Neila Medeiros - plaintiff - whose address is 20 Highland St., Framingham, MA 01702 your answer on or before August 4, 2017. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Cambrige.

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, this 23rd day of June 2017.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 7/7/1

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Essex Probate and Family Court 36 Federal Street Salem, MA 01970 (978) 744-1020

> Docket No. ES17A0024AD In the matter of KEYLIANIS CRESPO CITATION G.L. c. 210, § 6

To Luis Rodriguez, unknown, Canovanas, P.R., any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth, 280 Merrimac St., 2nd Floor, Lawrence, MA

A petition has been presented to said court by Juan Alexis Boria-Agosto of Beverly, MA, Julie Enid Boria of Beverly, MA requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Keylianis Zoe Boria Crespo.

If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person.

An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON AUGUST 21, 2017.

WITNESS, Jennifer M R Ulwick, First Justice of this Court.

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EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



Happy Birthday to ...

Birthday greetings go out to Jose Canseco who turned 54 and to Tony Armas who just celebrated his 64th birthday.

Remember Carlton and Perry?

Did you know that in 1972, Gaylord Perry won the AL Cy Young Award and Steve Carlton did likewise in the National League? And the following season, Perry lost 19 games and Carlton was a 20 game loser? Sort of reminds me of this season with Rick Porcello, Cy

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Docket No. MI17D1849DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY

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KYMBERLY CASEY

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce fo

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 James T. Casey aka James Casey, Jr., MCI Gardner W108195, 500 Colony Road, Gardner, MA 01440 you answer, if any, on or before August 4, 2017. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

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

Date: June 22, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 7/7/17

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Docket No. MI17P3332EA

Estate of ANGELO COLAFELLA Date of Death August 9, 2016

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

July 26, 2017.

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Jennifer C. Fonte of Sudbury, 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 **Jennifer C.**Fonte of **Sudbury**, **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

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., First Justice of this Court. Date: June 28, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run date: 7/7/2017

Young winner, this season to date 4-10. From Cy Young to Sigh Young!

67th Banquet of Champions

The East Boston Athletic Board recently hosted its 67th Banquet of Champions down at Spinelli's on June 26th. The place was packed as usual. Congrats go out to all of the Award and Scholarship winners.

ESPN Selective Memory?

ESPN two weeks ago promoted its Home Run Derby telecast on "Sports Center" with video of the "epic" 1996 battle between Mark McGwire and Barry Bonds. No mention whatsoever of steroids. That problem would have ruined things for ESPN, huh?

Abington's Keleher Makes All-Scholastics Team

The Boston Herald's 2017 Spring All-Scholastics Softball team members included Lauren Keleher from Abington. The freshman center fielder hit .791with 72 hits in 91 at bats and knocked in 68 RBIs for the 25-1 Green Wave, who made it to the Division 2 South title game. The South Shore Player of the Year is an honor student and also plays varsity basketball. Keleher plays club softball for the Rhode Island Thunder Gold, too.

By the way, Lauren is the granddaughter of Joe Chinzi, publisher of *On Tray Magazine* and he is one proud Grandpa!



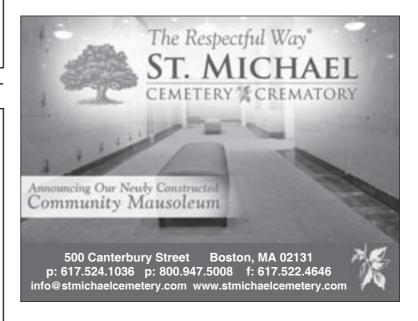
Sandy Koufax

Just How Great Was Sandy Koufax?

He was simply the greatest late bloomer in professional baseball history. He was born in Brooklyn and was signed by the Dodgers in 1955 as a 19-year-old pitching prospect.

He played for 12 seasons and had a total of 165 career victories. In his first six seasons, he was a forgettable pitcher, going 36-40 in that period.

However, it was the second half of his career that brought him into the Hall of Fame in a landslide. Look at the stats. From 1955-60, he was a slightly under .500 pitcher. However, from 1961 to 1966, he went 129-47. It gets better — from 1963 to 1966, he was 97-27! During those four seasons, his highest ERA was an amazing 2.04. He was simply the best at the time he retired in 1966 after winning 27 games at age 33. He decided to go out on top.



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Happy Birthday Jack Dempsey



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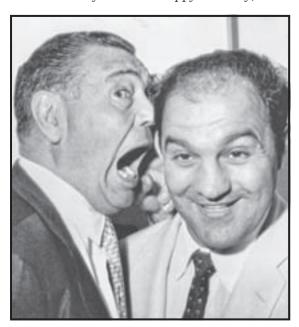
June 24th marked the 122nd birthday of the great Manassa Mauler, Jack Dempsey. Born William Harrison Dempsey in 1895, Dempsey began his career fighting under the name Kid Blackie. Dempsey would later take the name Jack in emulation of the great middleweight Jack Dempsey, The Nonpareil.

Dempsey lived the life of a hobo for many of his early years. His life was a tough one, bordering on the brink of starvation many times. He began fighting in saloons for side bets in order to survive. Eventually, he would progress to organized fights and was taught the fine points of the Art of Boxing by the very great boxing trainer James DeForest, who was also known as "The Professor."

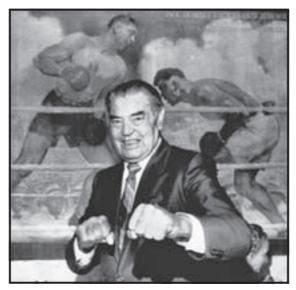
Dempsey would go on to win the Heavyweight Championship of the World from Jack Johnson. He would remain champion throughout the Golden Age of Sports, finally losing the title to Gene Tunney in 1926. In a rematch with Tunney in 1927, Dempsey pummeled Tunney to the canvas in the 7th round in what became known as the Long Count Fight. While Tunney was on the canvas, Dempsey forgot to go to a neutral corner and the referee delayed starting the count until he did so. This gave Tunney additional time to recover from the blows he took. Tunney survived the round and actually floored Dempsey in the 8th round on his way to a decision win.

Dempsey retired after that fight but did fight a number of exhibitions fights in the early 1930s. He would go on to open the very popular Jack Dempsey's Restaurant in New York City where he would meet with friends and customers on a regular basis. The restaurant closed in 1974.

Jack Dempsey died in 1983 at the age of 87. His was an amazing life, going from hobo to world champion to successful businessman. But most importantly, this man from the Wild West went on to become one of the most respected figures in 20th Century America. Happy Birthday, Jack!



Dempsey and Marciano



Jack still fit in his 80s.



Jack and Gregorio Peralta



Jack and Mamie Van Doren



Dempsey confers with a couple of boxers.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

LONG SHOTS — We all know that Stephen Curry of the Golden State Warriors can shoot those three-pointers. But he'll be taking some shots from a much longer distance come August.

That's when the two-time NBA MVP will play in a pro golf tournament on the Web.Com Tour that will take place August 3-6 in California.

Curry, who has played in a variety of amateur golf events and pro-ams over the years, will be competing on an unrestricted sponsor's exemption, meaning that he will be able to keep his amateur status in golf.

Not that he would need any prize money, though. Curry recently signed a new five-year contract with the Warriors for just over \$201 million — the largest contract in NBA history. His average salary over the life of the contract comes to more than \$40 million per year. Since there are 82 home games in the regular season, that means Curry will earn slightly under \$500,000 per game for every contest he plays during the regular season — and that assumes he plays every single one of them.

If we take \$40 million and divide it by 365, we find that Curry will make about \$109,590 per day — each and every day — throughout the year. If we divide the daily amount by 24, we discover the Curry will earn \$4,566 per hour — each and every hour — of a 24-hour day.

It's a stretch, but if Curry went to bed at midnight and got up at 8:00 am, thus getting a full eight hours of rest, he'd make about \$36,530 during the time he was sleeping each and every night. And, by the way, since a typical agent's fee is 10 percent, that means that Curry's agent will get about \$20 million — definitely a good deal.

The large contract amounts in the NBA, NHL, NFL, and MLB are made possible by the sale of broadcasting rights and the rates charged to sponsors, advertisers, and other "corporate partners." Ticket sales and money made from concessions and souvenir shops are also part of it, but not as much as one might assume.

So, when you think of it, broadcasting is the key. The leagues are able to sell the rights to networks for princely sums because the broadcasters believe they can make a profit from the advertisers. The advertisers believe they can make money because they believe large numbers of people will see their ads when they watch popular events and thus decide to purchase their goods and services.

But, as you can see, it's a house of cards. We believe that the time will come over the next few decades when fewer people will watch the games. They might watch summaries of games, but not complete games. We already have a harbinger of this with the RedZone channel in pro football that concentrates on showing scoring plays. It also does not show commercials.

Plus, as ticket prices go ever higher, fewer people may opt not to attend as well, thus lowering the live gate. Broadcasters may still buy the rights but will ask lower rights fees. Why? Because advertisers will demand lower ad rates because of the smaller audiences.

When those factors converge, franchises will thus have less money to pay the players and coaches and salaries will have to go down. We won't put a timetable on when this will occur. But we believe it will happen — slowly — over the next few decades.

JANUARY IN JULY — The weather outside was warm, but inside it was quite a bit cooler as some 29 prospects were in the process of being evaluated at the 11th annual Bruins Development Camp held during the first week of July.

Those in attendance included 17 forwards, nine defensemen and three goaltenders. Some 21 of those players are already in the Bruins organization, while eight additional ones were participating on an invitational basis.

One of the players on the roster with a familiar name was Ryan Donato, a current player at Harvard whose father Ted played for the Bruins before becoming the current head coach of the Crimson. Donato, a forward who was a secondround pick of the Bruins (56th overall) in the 2014 NHL Draft, has put together two solid college campaigns. This past season as a sophomore, he was named Ivy League Player of the Year, playing in all 36 games while scoring 21 goals and adding 19 assists for a total of 40 points.

It was an impressive season during a standout year for the Crimson that saw Harvard win the Beanpot and Ivy League titles, the ECAC regular season and tournament championships, plus gain a berth in the Frozen Four. Those laurels followed a fine freshman year when Donato was named Harvard's top frosh player. In addition, during the holidays that first season, all he did was play on the U.S. World Junior Team that captured the bronze medal at the World Junior Championships.

Ryan's father Ted, who will start his 14th season behind the Crimson bench this fall, is a former Harvard captain who graduated in 1991. Ted Donato played on the 1989 Harvard team that won the NCAA Division 1 National Championship. After graduation, he went on to play 13 seasons for the Bruins before being named the head coach of the Crimson in 2004.

Look for Ryan to remain with Harvard for two more years. Ivy Leaguers tend not to leave early for the pros, a good example set by his father that will likely be followed by his son. Like father, like son — in academia as well as in athletics.