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107th Maddona del Soccorso - Fisherman Feast

by Matt Conti



2017 Members of the Madonna del Soccorso Society

(Photos by Rosario Scabin, Ross Photography)



The Flight of the Angel was the grand finale of the 107th Fisherman's Feast in honor of Madonna del Soccorso di Sciacca, held Sunday night in Boston's North End. The 2017 Flying Angel was Ava Travato Bonavita with Side Angels Sophia Fialkosky and Victoria Carregal.

After an eight-hour procession during the day, Fisherman's Club members brought the Madonna statue home to North Street where two side angels on balconies recite an Italian devotion followed by the entrance of the flying angel from a third story window coming down from the sky to meet the Madonna Del Soccorso Di Sciacca. At the end, confetti rains on the scene in an astounding street celebration.

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Antifa Hides in Plain Sight

This past Sunday in the Boston Herald, a member of the Antifa movement was interviewed in by a reporter while in his Antifa costume, which completely disguises him from view. Earlier last week, on CNN, a group of at least a dozen Antifa members dressed all in black — black cap, black sunglasses and a black bandana — were caught on camera as their leader was interviewed by a CNN reporter.

Can you image the liberal news media interviewing a hooded Klansman for a TV interview? Wouldn't happen! If you want to go on TV and spout your stuff, don't hide yourself all in black. Show your face.

As far as I am concerned, the Antifa crowd is nothing more than a bunch of goons and thugs who oppose free speech if it isn't in line with their thinking. American debate is going toxic as too many think they are so right that all "Right thinking people should be with them."

Was that Sheriff Roscoe Down in Durham County, N.C.?

We all saw what happened when a mob in Durham County attacked a Confederate Monument and toppled it, then kicked and spit on it while law enforcement acted more like police monitors than police officers. They watched while folks just went wild in the streets. Later, I watched the sheriff hold his press conference to defend what his force did, or didn't do to be more accurate. He stood at a microphone and stated that no one should confuse restraint for doing nothing. No one was confused. We know what doing nothing looks like and that's what happened. That sheriff should be ashamed of himself for allowing lawbreakers a free hand.

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2017 Flying Angel Ava Travato Bonavita with Side Angels Sophia Fialkosky and Victoria Carregal with family and friends.

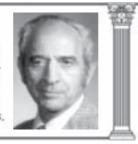
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by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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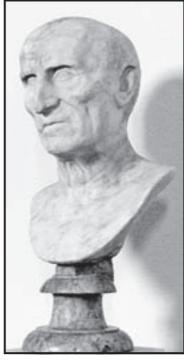


GALBA THE NIBBLER

During a period of less than two years, there were three unfortunates, or "pagliacci," that served as emperor of the Roman world after the death of Nero. The first of these men was Servius Galba. He was born in the year 3 B.C. near Tarracina (now called Terracina). The town was situated 58 miles southeast of Rome on the Appian Way. We are told that when he was a young boy, he visited Emperor Augustus with other youngsters of his age and the emperor pinched his cheek while implying that Galba would also have a nibble at the imperial power. Augustus, however, did not realize at the time how small and how bitter the nibble would be. During later years, when Tiberius heard of Augustus' prediction, the second emperor said, "we'll let him live as this does not concern me."

While a young man, Galba had many dreams of good fortune that would come to him in later years. His schooling included law as well as the liberal arts. Later, when he lost his wife, Lepida, he remained a widower and became a switch hitter for the rest of his life.

Livia, the surviving wife of Augustus, held Galba in great favor, and he in turn greatly respected her. Livia's will provided for Galba to receive the equivalent of about two and one-half million dollars, but because the amount was shown



in figures and not written out in longhand, Tiberius, who was her legal heir, had this sum reduced to twenty-five thousand, and later it was reduced

Galba began his public career at approximately thirty years of age, when he served as Governor of the of Aquitania, became a consul, and then was appointed governor of upper Germany by Caligula. He governed the area with a firm hand, stopping all requests for furloughs, conditioning the troops by plenty of hard work, and quickly checking the barbarians who had begun to penetrate into

Gaul. His troops became so well disciplined that he received high commendation during a visit by Caligula. Also, it was during this visit that Galba, shield in hand, ran for 20 miles close beside the emperor's chariot.

After the murder of Caligula, friends had urged Galba to take advantage of the situation, but he preferred to remain quiet and not to interfere with the ascension of Claudius to the imperial throne. This action placed Galba in particularly high favor with the new administration and he became an intimate friend to the new emperor.

Galba was active in Claudius' British campaign, and later became a special choice to govern a troubled Roman province in Africa. Here again, he was successful because of his strict discipline and the observance of justice in all matters. Examples of his fairness and impartiality are related in the story of one soldier who was refused extra rations and consequently died of starvation because he sold some of his provisions for a sum of money. A second story tells of a dispute between two men over the ownership of a beast of burden. The beast was blindfolded and led to its usual watering hole. The blindfold was removed, and ownership was granted to the person to whom the beast returned after drinking.

Next week: The Pathetic Galba

Saint Joan Elizabeth Bichier des Ages

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Elizabeth Bichier was born at the Chateau des Ages Le Blanc in the Central Loire Valley of France in 1773. She was the daughter of Antoine Bichier, the Seigneur of Ages and a public official, and Marie Augier de Moussac, whose father was a politician. Elizabeth spent much of her childhood at the convent at Poitiers.

She was one of four children. Her mother was a religious person and ensured that her daughter was taught how to pray and the basics of the Catholic faith. Elizabeth proved a good student, drawn to prayer from her childhood.

Her family lost everything during the French Revolution. Her oldest brother, Laurent, decided to emigrate from France because of the chaos. Her brother's departure was to cause the remaining family great distress, as the regulations of the Civil Constitution of the Clergy put into law by the Constitutional Assembly, which had declared all property of the Church to be national goods, were then being applied to émigrés like Laurent. Under this law, their ancestral castle could be confiscated. Elizabeth studied Law in order to help



her family defend their rights in court.

In 1792, after the death of her father, Elizabeth took her mother to live in the family's country home in Béthines called La Guimetière. Near their home was a parish left in chaos because of the French Revolution. Elizabeth dedicated herself to rebuilding the community. Every night she gathered the parishioners for prayers and hymns. Elizabeth soon became aware of a nearby parish in a similar situation. Father André-Hubert Fournet (who later became a saint) offered the Sacrifice of the Mass in a local

barn. They quickly became friends, and together they reestablished religion in the area. Fr. Fournet was an underground priest forced to remain clandestine because he refused to make a pledge of allegiance to the government of the new republic.

Elizabeth entered a Carmelite convent upon her mother's death in 1804, and later the Society of Providence with the advice and spiritual guidance of Fr. Fournet.

In 1806, Elizabeth established a religious congregation of women to care for the sick and aged, for the education of children, and to offer reparation for

the blasphemies and sacrileges committed against the Most Blessed Sacrament during the French Revolution. The congregation was officially recognized by the diocese in 1816 and named "Daughters of the

In 1836, Elizabeth fell seriously ill. After ten days of intense suffering, she died on August 26th. She was canonized in 1947. The Feast Day of Saint Joan Elizabeth Bichier des Ages is celebrated on August 26th. Before she died, she had opened over sixty convents under the rule of the Daughters of the Cross.

EAST BOSTON SOUP KITCHEN

More Than Just About Soup

by Sal Giarratani



Nurses help soup kitchen regulars with health needs and questions from the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center.

The East Boston Soup Kitchen will soon be celebrating its first anniversary, and every day you can see how big the need is for such a place helping to feed the hungry in our midst. However, the volunteers who staff this community haven also offer other services like those provided by the medical staff at the East Boston Neighborhood Center. And just last week, Happy Barbershop on Meridian Street provided two barbers and free haircuts for those who use the soup kitchen.



Barbers from Happy Barber Shop in East Boston at work clipping away.



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GUEST EDITORIAL

Where Were All the Love-Trumps-Hate Marchers?

by Sal Giarratani

If you listened or watched the news on last Saturday's (August 19th) Free Speech Rally and counter-protesters, one would have thought everything went well. However, the reality now seems to be pointing in a different direction.

The Fake News Media was out in full force talking about how 40 thousand peaceful protesters marched to the Boston Common in opposition to hate and white supremacy.

The actual folks who pulled the permit to hold that rally at the Parkman Bandstand on Boston Common ended up not being able to speak. How's that for free speech? The Boston police rank and file did a great job holding everything together as much as possible. However, here in the Cradle of Liberty, free speech was under assault from many of the counter-protesters who only want free speech for those who agree with them. Nobody else!

Reportedly, cops were assaulted and had pee bombs thrown at them. An elderly lady was interviewed saying she had been sucker punched, thrown to the ground and dragged. Her sin was carrying an American flag.

I knew things were not as peaceful as the mainstream media was reporting as I saw police cruisers and unmarked vehicles racing up State Street to Court Street over to the Common. Surely they were responding to a lot of peaceful activity taking place, huh?

If Free Speech is that important, why shutdown countering speech? There were a lot of anti-Fascists and anti-Trump folks angrily taunting those who disagreed with them. Many of the Antifa counter-protesters were wearing all black and covering their faces. From they way they were acting, brown shirts were seemingly in order.

The Fake News peddlers have no credibility. If the whole point of the free speech rally was about the Bill of Rights and free speech, what we saw was an assault on individual liberty and the ability of folks to debate one another without someone calling you a Nazi.

Where will this all end when we have politicians trying to be so politically correct, they are blind to reality? Kudos once again to law enforcement for trying to do their very best in a terrible situation. Darts to politicians who ride with the crowd and think that's called leadership.

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James B. "Jimmy" "Fitzy" Fitzgerald

Retired Boston Firefighter Engine Co. 24, Veteran

Retired Boston Firefighter, Engine Co. 24, and Past President and Vice President of Boston Firefighters Union Local #718. James B. "Jimmy, Fitzy" Fitzgerald, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, entered into eternal life unexpectedly on Tuesday, August 22, 2017, at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He was 79 vears old.

Jimmy was born in Boston on October 2, 1937, a son of the late James Fitzgerald and Katherine (Duffy) Fitzgerald. He grew up in Charlestown where he was educated at

St. Mary's Parochial School and graduated from Charlestown High School in 1955. He furthered his education and received his Associates Degree in Fire Science from Bunker Hill Community College. Jimmy enlisted into the United States Army on October 29, 1956. After basic training at Fort Dix, NJ, he volunteered for the Airborne and was sent to the 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, KY. He was assigned to E Company, 1st Airborne Battle Group, 327th Infantry, for advanced infantry and then airborne school. He was discharged on August 15, 1963. He then joined A Company, 11th SFGA, a Reserve Unit in Boston. He served as a light and heavy weapons leader, intelligence and operations sergeant. He retired in 1988 with 32 years of service, all Airborne. His awards and decorations include EIB, MSM with OLC, ACM, MM, AGCM, USARAM, NDSM, AFRM, CWVM, Master Parachutist and Jungle Expert Badges, Canadian, British, German and French Parachute Badges. Jimmy was also a member of United States Army Parachute Team "Golden Knights."

While serving with A Company, 11th SFGA, he was appointed to the Boston Fire Department. Jimmy was Past President, Vice President,



Treasurer and Historian for Boston Firefighters Union Local #718. He was a member of the Boston Fire Department (BFD) Scuba Team, BFD Retirement Board, and the BFD Gaelic Fire Brigade.

He was Founder and President of The Halligan Club of Charlestown, member of Bunker Hill Council # 62, Knights of Columbus, and the 520 Club of Charlestown. In 1987, Jimmy was elected Mayor of Charlestown by his faithful following of Townies. Jimmy enjoyed traveling the world, especially his many

trips to Ireland where he would play Santa Claus every Christmas season.

Jimmy was the beloved husband of 58 years to Frances M. (Strano) Fitzgerald and the devoted father of Kathleen Lynch and her husband Daniel; Michele Yandle and her husband John; and Linda Liberatore. He was the loving Pa to Justine and her husband Brian, Evan, Seamus and his wife Sarah, Liam, Conal, Sabrina; and GG Pa to Lulette and Vivienne. He is the beloved brother of John Fitzgerald, Michael Fitzgerald, and the late Joseph "Jay" Fitzgerald.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Friday, August 25, 2017, from 4 to 8 pm at the Carr Funeral Home, 220 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown. Jimmy's Funeral will be on Saturday, August 26, 2017, at 9 am from the funeral home, followed at 10 am by his Funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, 55 Warren St., Charlestown. His burial will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett.

In lieu of flowers, kindly make a memorial donation in Jimmy's name to the Boston Firefighters Kids Foundation c/o Boston Firefighters Credit Union, 60 Hallet St., Dorchester, MA 02124.

May He Rest in Peace

Let's Dance Boston!

Dreaming of dancing out under the stars? Dancers of all ages and abilities are invited to grab their dancing shoes and head to the Rose Kennedy Greenway September 13-17, 2017, for the return of Let's Dance Boston!

Let's Dance Boston is one of the most vibrant free outdoor dance and music parties ever to take place in the city. In 2017, Let's Dance Boston moves down to Dewey Square Park on The Greenway and features four consecutive nights of dynamic live music and dance, along with a special Sunday afternoon event in association with the Jewish Arts Collaborative.

Ever wanted to learn how to salsa? Always looked on in envy as your friends take over the dance floor with their swing moves? In September, everyone is invited to learn and participate in this free, fun dance party. Fun for all, the five-day dance extravaganza will include five different live bands preceded by expert dance instructors. Each event begins with a 45-minute free dance lesson taught by professional teachers in the dance style of the day. After the lesson, a live band performs a 90-minute set to accompany the dancing and continue the party.

Join us for five events and five dance styles.

SWING - Michael Gamble and the Rhythm Serenaders, featuring Laura Windley. Wednesday, September 13th. Group Dance Lesson: 6:00-6:45pm. Live Music & Open Dancing: 7:00-8:30pm

From the Lindy Hop to the Charleston, there is a vibrancy and excitement to Swing that will be evident as Michael Gamble and the Rhythm Serenaders, featuring Laura Windley, take the stage. This hard-swinging and stylistically faithful ensemble, created in the mold of the late 1930s and early 1940s dance bands, performs arrangements popularized by bands led by Fletcher Henderson, the Coleman Hawkins All Stars, various Duke Ellington and Lionel Hampton side groups, the Dickie Wells and Willie Bryant orchestras, and more.

MAMBO - Tito Puente, Jr. and His Orchestra. Thursday, September 14th. Group Dance Lesson: 6:00-6:45pm. Live Music & Open Dancing: 7:00-8:30pm. Dance Instructors: Ana Masacote & Gastrell Rossignol teach Mambo.

Havana comes to The Greenway with the fastpaced, Latin-dance moves of the Mambo! Tito Puente Jr. and His Orchestra will take the stage with their high-voltage celebration of Latin music. Puente, Jr. is determined to nurture the musical legacy left by his father, Tito Puente, revered by many as "Mambo King."

'70s DISCO - The Loser's Lounge. Friday, September, 15th. Group Dance Lesson: 6:00-6:45pm. Live Music & Open Dancing: 7:00-8:30pm. Dance Instructor: Rob Glover teaches the Hustle

Hustle down to Dewey Square Park for a '70s Disco Party, a collective of New York City's finest performers founded in 1993 by former Psychedelic Furs keyboardist Joe McGinty.

SALSA - Orquesta SCC "La Excelencia" -Saturday, September 16th. Group Dance Lesson: 6:00-6:45pm. Live Music & Open Dancing: 7:00-8:30pm. Dance Instructors: Jenna Robey & Luis Talavera Díaz teach Salsa.

It's Salsa time! Enjoy the sounds of Orquesta SCC "La Excelencia," a salsa dura orchestra based in New York City. The 11-piece big band is worldrenowned for breaking from many unnecessary traditions in order to recreate the genuine Latin style and sound in a manner that befits the modern era of music.

KLEZMER - Alicia Svigals' Klezmer Fiddle Express - Sunday, September 17th. Group Dance Lesson: 3:00-3:45pm. Live Music & Open Dancing: 4:00-5:30pm. Dance Instructor: Steve Weintraub teaches and leads Yiddish Folk Dance. Let's Dance Boston concludes with an afternoon of Klezmer. Steve Weintraub, who will teach and lead the audience in Yiddish Folk Dance, is an internationally known teacher who has trained with Alvin Ailey and Erick Hawkins.

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

The Treasure Trove of Almanacs

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

If you stepped into my parents' old home on any given day, you would most likely have heard the television tuned in to the Italian language channel. I no longer bat an eye, for I have been used to this since practically the day I was born. Due to my father's love for the Italian channel, practically every day of my life has consisted of some variation of a silly variety show, hourlong quiz game, soccer match, Italian soap opera, or news program. While I used to find these shows rather goofy when I was little, I now appreciate them for helping me learn the Italian language and about Italian culture — I especially love the travel and science programs. However, my favorite show on the Italian channel has not aired for seven years, though I watch it regularly online. It is called Almanacco di Domani, or Tomorrow's Almanac, and like most good things in my life, it was introduced to me by my dad. This quaint little fifteen-minute show provides folkloristic, astronomical, and fun fact information pertaining to the upcoming day — birthdays, history, recipes, notable quotes, you name it! Even saying the name in my mind conjures images of cozy dark evenings spent curled up on my couch at home, listening to the zany music announce the details of the next day.

I just love almanacs because they celebrate seasonal time and tradition, which anyone reading this column knows I wholeheartedly embrace. Italian almanacs, whether in the form of the aforementioned television show or quick write-ups in local newspapers, are especially useful for anyone trying to find out more about the customs, beliefs and values that characterize his or her Italian heritage. In Italian almanacs, you will almost always find the following:

1) The Saint of the Day: The calendar of saints is very important in Italian culture. Until not too long ago, this calendar often determined the name of the child born on a particular day. In this month of August, for example, you could have babies named Lorenzo (St. Lawrence's Day, August 10th), Assunta or Maria (Assumption of the Virgin Mary, August 15th), Elena

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(St. Helen's Day, August 18th), Bartolomeo (St. Bartholomew's Day, August 24th), or, as is the case in many a family, Rocco (St. Roch's Day, August 16th). The feast days of saints are also interesting for the holiday and seasonal lore associated with them. The Assumption, for example, acquired many customs related to the start of the grain and first-fruits harvest, which, like the feast day, occurred around mid-August.

2) The Sun and Moon: Like American almanacs, Italian almanacs will also tell the rising and setting times of the sun and the moon. In olden times, farmers would have found this information very useful. Superstition parceled out various agricultural tasks to certain phases of the moon, such as planting crops during the period when the moon grows in the sky to ensure a similar result. Of course, nights with a full moon promised magic and mischief of all kinds. I like checking the rise and setting of the sun in order to gauge seasonal changes. When the sun no longer sets after eight o'clock, as is happening now, I know autumn is on its way. Similarly, I love watching the sunset time progressively grow longer after the winter solstice with the anticipation of the coming spring.

3) Household Hints: Trust me, Italians seem to have more practical uses for everyday household items, like rubbing alcohol, baking powder, lemon juice and candle wax, than I have ever heard. These little hints are cheap, environmentally sound, and just like having a wise grandmother next to

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you dishing out advice! They definitively represent the more whimsical side of almanacs, true to the Italians' tradition of never taking themselves too seriously.

I love almanacs because they remind me that every day is special. Each day arrives laden with its own lore, history, and curiosities. Almanacs teach us to always look forward, to keep hope and to always count even the smallest pleasures that a day can bestow. Now that I have been bitten by the almanac bug, I know that I will continue to pore over these olden bundles of wisdom and humor, whether in the form of Almanacco di Domanio or The Farmer's Almanac website. So thanks to my dad for introducing me to these cultural curios, and happy (almanac) reading to all!

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PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304
In the matter of
EDWIN PARKER
of Weston, MA

RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Wingate at Weston of Weston, MA, in the above captioned matter alleging that **Edwin Parker** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that some other suitable person be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

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

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of September 12, 2017. 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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WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr.,

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Assault on American History and Culture!

My God, the reaction by the leftwing media in this country to President Trump's rhetoric on what happened in Charlottesville, VA! It sounded almost as unhinged as the rhetoric from Liberal activists and provocateurs of violence like the liberal fascists Antifa and Black Lives Matter.

One would think from listening to the pontificating of the likes of Don Lemon that Trump was a supporter of the Klan and neo-Nazi white supremacists.

Trump, as usual was his own worst enemy when he could not clearly and unequivalently condemn the Nazis and Klan and call them the evil that they are. Trying to mitigate things for God knows why, he ended up looking and sounding like he was defending these scumbags. He said this and that and then that and this and then back again and ended up looking like a jerk.

However, the mainstream media that some conservatives like Sean Hannity call the "Destroy Trump Media" started resembling hungry sharks in the water looking for their prey. They could smell blood over the tragedy in Charlottesville and started politicizing it in their continuing Anti-Trump narrative.

Bouncing back and forth between *CNN*, *MSNBC* and *FOX*, I felt only the *Fox News Network* showed any credibility. They tried to give viewers more than one side of the issue. I pity any conservative brought on Don Lemon's Show. They get eaten up alive.

When these sad excuses of cable news media weren't talking about Nazis, they were still talking about RussiaGate or, better still, the issue of Confederate statues.

Lemon actually equated General Robert E. Lee with Osama bin Laden. How can you even have a civil conversation with this empty suit on camera? His panel of liberal experts joined in his choir. One guy actually said there was a big difference between slave owners like Jefferson Davis or Robert E. Lee who led the Confederacy in the Civil War and George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, who took on the British in the American Revolution. Talk about convoluted logic.

Do any of these liberal talking heads know anything about the history of the Civil War? I think not and you know that those who don't know their history are doomed to repeat it.

On either *CNN* or *MSNBC*, who knows the difference, someone told the audience that any "right-minded person" has to oppose what Trump said about white supremacists. I guess that means there's no need to debate that issue. Truth is one-sided.

There is a national debate over the removal of all those Confederate statues in America's public squares, especially in the South. Liberal Democrats, many of them are drowning in their own guilt, think removing statues actually means something.

I have crossed over the Mason-Dixon Line and I have seen many of these statues and I think they reflect a part of our history we need to understand. We have come far since the days of slavery. We are better today then we once were. We can learn from history.

If you listen to some anti-Trump liberals out there, the Confederacy was responsible for the deaths of over 600,000 soldiers; but that number includes both sides in the war.

Back during the Centennial of the American Civil War, America understood the sadness of that war that pitted families and neighbors against one another. We viewed the great generals of that war with respect, regardless of which side they fought to uphold. General Robert E. Lee was a great general despite fighting for a lost cause. We respected principles back during the centennial, but we have slid downhill since 1965 and have forgotten how America was a better place for all when that war ended.

Over in Charlestown in a public park stands a Civil War monument to the Union dead. When I go down to Austin, TX, I see a Civil War monument to the Confederate dead at the State Capitol. I treat both with the same respect each deserves. I believe in knowing all about American history, not pretending something didn't happen because I am uncomfortable about it.

While everybody loves fighting the past, I would rather all of us were focused on America's future. We are in such turmoil right now, splitting off into opposing camps just like Americans did during the Civil War.

The media needs to get its act together and help us all find commonality, but there's always better ratings when we are all killing each other over so much nonsense.

One last bit of advice for President Trump—stop looking like a jerk and start building up America. Call Nazis what they are. Call the Klan what they are. These are not members of your base. Your base is concerned about the economy, jobs, public safety and the future prosperity of all of us. Don't let the media confuse you (since you seem to get confused too easily at times). Stay on message and just tell the truth.

The antagonist media isn't going away. Learn to live with them and not get swallowed up by their nonsense.

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Mrs. Murphy . . . As I See It

Ronnie Catena, for the season ... Some IHOPS activist and a political voice in East Boston

passed away in Florida recently. Born in East Boston, he later moved to Revere and then to Ft. Lauderdale, FL. A funny and caring man who was respected by the East Boston community. Always with a smile and a joke, one could always count on a laugh or two with Ronnie Catena ... After years of neglect, owners of the Wonderland Dog Track have a begun a clean-up because word is they may be negotiating to sell the property to the same outfit that bought Suffolk Downs. A fence was installed around the proper and heavy equipment can be seen from the street. A demolition crew has begun to take down the dilapidated Wonderland Dog Track at a cost of approximately four million dollars. Owners of Wonderland are baiting rats and cleaning up the land. Home and condo owners in the area may want to get their property exterminated! ... Bob Kraft, owner of the New England Patriots, has bought two new state-of-the-art planes to transport his team. One will be used as a backup. The New England Patriots deserve to travel in a private jet; they've made their owner and New England fans proud! ... Suffolk Downs was given approval for two more racing days, bringing the total to eight

East Boston are closing in Massachusetts. It's no surprise; their pancakes are not up to snuff! ... Revere News: In the race for Revere Councilor at-large, here's what voters are predicting. Jessica Giannino may top the ticket because of family recognition, but Dan Rizzo will come in strong because the people of Revere miss him!!! ... In the East Boston elections for Boston City Councilor, replacing Sal LaMattina, North Ender Steve Passacantilli's camp believes their candidate is a shoo-in in East Boston. That remains to be seen ... The body of a missing Suffolk University student was found in East Boston last week - what's going on? ... The opioid epidemic is getting worse. The cops are doing their job, making drug busts at a steady rate, but the junk just keeps rolling in. Chelsea, next city over from East Boston, had several fatal over doses recently. The influx of drugs in the inner cities is at an all time high ... If the President farts the wrong way, the media is there to rate the size and smell and report his ratings plummeting!! In the meantime, the Republican Party is a disgrace. Two major Republicans, Paul Ryan, and John McCain, have fought every proposal President Trump has brought to the table to help the working man. The mainstream media is another story, recently criticizing President Trump for

failing to mention David Duke and White Nationalists in his first speech condemning the violent actions in Charlottesville, VA. ... What's up with this new age, liberal spinning media? Are they deaf, dumb and blind? Also, bags of urine and feces were being flung around, but no one heard the media talk about that! Only President Donald Trump's speech was taken to task. Most logical people thought the President made his point!! These biased reporters need to get their act together, because the sane public doesn't listen to them anymore. People want the whole story, not opinions from liberal networks who decide to spin the story the way they want to interpret it! ... Question? Why hasn't the press made a stink over the drug dealers Barak Obama released from prison before leaving office that are believed to be now flooding our neighborhoods dealing drugs to our kids given the same coverage that Trump gets if he sneezes or farts to the dislike of the media? President Trump cannot get anything done in the White House because of his own Republican party and of course liberal Democrats, who want him out. What a pleasant surprise it would be to Americans if all these turncoat Republicans and troublemaking Democrats were to be voted out of office next time they're up for re-election ... Till next time!!!

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The Saint Lucy Society

Back-to-School Backpack Drive

Members of the Saint Lucy & St. Anthony Societies recently completed their Back-to-School Backpack Drive. Over 55 new backpacks and cases of classroom supplies were collected and purchased for the kids at the Italian Home for Children to use in the new school year. The drive was in memory of Mark F. Frattaroli



FREE Family Music Makers Drop-in Class

The North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) will be hosting a **FREE** Family Music Makers drop-in class on Thursday, August 31st at 10:30 am at Lincoln Wharf, Bo

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For more information or to RSVP, please email mshepherd@nempacboston.org.

North End Against Drugs' Annual



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New Repertory Theatre Presents the Boston-area Premiere of

IDEATION

by Aaron Loeb, Directed by Jim Petosa September 2-24, 2017

"This season, we felt compelled to look at the resilience of the human spirit," says Artistic Director Jim Petosa. "At a time when it is increasingly difficult to decipher truth from fallacy in politics and the news, Ideation allows us to explore actions of thought in the creation of realities. In this thrilling and darkly comic mystery, the truth becomes so twisted that we begin to question everything. We're asking those who see the show to please spread the word, but don't give away the ending!"

"After the tremendous success of last year, we're thrilled to present another remarkable season at New Rep," says Managing Director Harriet Sheets. "Our first production of the season takes us deep into the inner-workings of a fast-paced consulting firm and their A-list team. Joining us on that team are a number of New Rep regulars: Christine Hamel, Lewis D. Wheeler, and Ed Hoopman, along with Jake Murphy, who made his New Rep debut last season, and newcomer Matt



Ketai. We welcome them all for what is sure to be one of our most talked about productions of the season!"

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CHRISTINE HAMEL* (Hannah) returns to the New Repertory Theatre after performing in Brecht on Brecht, Broken Glass, On the Verge, Ragtime, and Sweeney Todd.

ED HOOPMAN* (Ted) returns to the New Repertory Theatre after performing in Mister Roberts, Indulgences, and touring productions of *Macbeth* and Hamlet. Recent credits include Camelot (Lyric Stage Company); and Finish Line (Boston Theater Company/Boch Center).

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Ogunquit Playhouse Cast Honored with Special Guests During

HEARTBREAK HOTEL

Rehearsal



tion to Graceland this week to honor the 40 Anniversary of Elvis Presley's passing, the Authentic Brand Group (ABG)/ Elvis Presley Enterprises visited the cast of the Ogunquit Playhouse world premiere production of *Heartbreak Hotel* during rehearsal in New York City today. They got a sneak peak of

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As the world turns its attenthe musical, Elvis' music, and Business Development; Katie his cultural impact on America as he became the King of Rock 'n' Roll. Pictured with Bradford T. Kenney, Ogunquit Playhouse Executive Artistic Director, are Floyd and Birgitte Mutrux, creators of the new musical; Jamie Bendell from Big Block LA; the cast and creative team of Heartbreak Hotel; Marc Rosen, SVP

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Heartbreak Hotel is on stage at the Ogunquit Playhouse in Ogunquit, ME, from August 30th to September 30th. This world premiere musical features hit songs from the King himself as well as the legends who influenced his iconic music, with chart-toppers including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Tutti Frutti," "That's All Right Mamma," "Shake Rattle and Roll," and, of course, "Heartbreak Hotel." For more information, go to www. ogunquitplayhouse.com or call 207-646-5511.

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"The tournament was a huge success," stated Honorary Chairman Robert Travaglini and N.E.A.A. President Louis Cavagnaro. We wish to thank the many residents,

The Annual North End Athletic Association Golf Tournament in Memory of Carmen business owners, and friends of the North End who assisted us in achieving our goal. The money raised will allow the N.E.A.A. to purchase uniforms and equipment for sporting events and add to the existing programs.

The N.E.A.A. is a 57-year-old organization, which provides athletic, social, educational, and civic activities within the community and the City of Boston.



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JOHN WAYNE - RIO LOBO + BIG JAKE (Blu-ray) CBS DVD + Paramount

No name is more synonymous with westerns than John Wayne, and now viewers can enjoy two of "The Duke's" most legendary performances with the *John Wayne Double Feature*. In *Rio Lobo*, Wayne headlines a star-studded cast that includes Jorge Rivera, Jack Elam, and Victor French, as he portrays a Civil War colonel on the hunt for the men who betrayed his unit. In Big Jake, Wayne teams up with his real-life son Patrick Wayne and the incomparable Maureen O'Hara in a film about an aging gunfighter who must rescue his grandson from the ruthless outlaw John Fain (Richard Boone).

THE EXCEPTION (Blu-ray) Lionsgate Home Ent.

A riveting World War II thriller filled with espionage and romance in equal measure, The Exception follows German officer Captain Stefan Brandt (Jai Courtney) as he goes on a mission to investigate exiled German monarch Kaiser Wilhelm (Christopher Plummer). The Kaiser lives in a secluded mansion in the Netherlands, and as Germany is taking over Holland, the country's authorities are concerned that Dutch spies may be watching the Kaiser. As Brandt begins to infiltrate the Kaiser's life in search of clues, he finds himself drawn into an unexpected and passionate romance with Mieke (Lily James), one of the Kaiser's maids whom Brandt soon discovers is secretly Jewish.

DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: THE LONG HAUL (Blu-ray) 20th Century Fox Home Ent.

Pack your bags and load up the minivan for more fun with new laughs and new hilariously "wimpy" mischief. In Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul, the Heffley family road trip to Meemaw's 90th birthday celebration takes a wild detour thanks to Greg's newest scheme to attend a video gaming convention. Based on one of the best-selling book series of all time, this crazy, cross-country adventure turns into an experience the Heffleys will never forget. Another plus is fans get two movies for the price of one with this purchase, as included is a bonus copy of the original *Diary* of a Wimpy Kid movie.

HOW TO BE A LATIN LOVER (Blu-ray) Lionsgate Home Ent.

Eugenio Derbez heads an allstar cast in this uproariously funny comedy. When aging Latin lover Maximo (Derbez) is suddenly dumped by the older woman he married for money, he moves in with his estranged sister, Sara (Salma Hayek), and her 10-year-old son, Hugo (Raphael Alejandro). Determined to return to the lap of luxury, Maximo uses Hugo to meet a rich widow — and learns that love and trust must be earned in this hilarious film featuring Rob Lowe, Kristen Bell, and Raquel Welch.

PJ MASKS: TIME TO BE A HERO (DVD) 20th Century Fox Home Ent.

By day, six-year-olds Connor, Amaya and Greg go to school like everyone else. But when they put on their pajamas and activate their animal amulets, they magically transform into their dynamic superhero alter egos and become the PJ Masks: Catboy, super-fast and agile; Gekko, super strong and able to scale walls; and Owlette, with the power to fly and see great distances. In each of the six exciting episodes, the three heroes embark on exciting adventures and work together to solve mysteries and learn valuable lessons along the way. Also included is the PJ Masks "Feeling Great" sing-along music video, as well as exclusive activity sheets so the little heroes can have even more "super" fun at home.

FACE 2 FACE (DVD) Candy Factory Films

Having rekindled their childhood friendship, Teel and Madison begin sharing their lives over the Internet as a means of coping with the typical problems of adolescent life. Though they are on opposite ends of the popularity spectrum, Madison, the A-list party girl, takes pity on Teel, the social outcast, vowing to help him win friends on social media. As their relationship deepens, Madison falls for Teel, forcing him to confess the hidden cause of the bullying he faces at school. His admission sets off a sequence of events that ultimately motivates Madison to expose her own devastating secret in a disturbing cry for help. This digital coming-of-age story examines some of the most pressing and pernicious social issues facing the world's teenagers today - all of it viewed through the brutally honest lens of an online video chat.

RIVERDALE: THE FIRST SEASON (DVD) Warner Bros. Home Ent.

As the school year begins, Riverdale's residents are reeling from the news of golden boy Jason Blossom's shocking death — an event that reveals many secrets bubbling just beneath the surface of this onceidyllic town. All-American teen Archie Andrews grapples with whether to come forward with scandalous information about the day Jason disappeared. Girl-next-door Betty Cooper carries a hopeless torch for Archie, while fallen-from-grace socialite Veronica Lodge instantly sparks with him. Cheryl Blossom reacts to the death of her twin brother by tightening her grip on the River Vixens, while neo-beatnik Jughead Jones sits in a booth at Pop's Chock'lit Shoppe, trying to make sense of his darkening town. Riverdale puts a subversive spin on the iconic world of the Archie Comics in sexy, smart and mysterious episodes.

THE DINNER (Blu-ray) Lionsgate Home Ent.

In this dark psychological thriller about how far parents will go to protect their children, The Dinner has two estranged brothers and their wives meeting at a restaurant to discuss a dark crime committed by their sons. With their involvement still a secret, they must decide how far they'll go to protect the ones they love. The powerful allstar cast includes Richard Gere, Laura Linney, Steve Coogan, and Rebecca Hall.

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

WALKS FOR PEACE CONTINUE

Boston's neighborhoods continue their weekly Walks for Peace. Here in Eastie, the walks take place every Thursday through September 28th starting at 6:00 pm at District A-7. As someone once said, "If you want to go fast, go alone, but if you want to go far, go together."

NEW RESTAURANT IN REVERE

Check out the strip mall where the RMV used to be. The place is called Nino's Ristorante Italian. Great meals! Short money! I met up with Fabrizio Di Fonzo who is both the manager and owner of this hidden gem. Knowing that he was from Italy, I found out he's part Genovese and part Calabrese, one interesting combination.

IF YOU LIKED JIM MORRISON ...

Over at the Regent Theatre in Arlington, they will be celebrating the music of Jim Morrison and the Doors on Saturday, September 9th. For more info. go to www.regenttheatre.com or call 781-646-4849.

CONGRATS GO OUT TO ...

Recently two Eastie folks made the news after getting new jobs. Claudia Correa, who had been serving as Mayor Walsh's liaison to the East Boston neighborhood, has now left that post to take a job with

the city's Inspectional Services Department.

Also in the news was Jason Ruggiero, who was just appointed Assistant Manager for Massport Community and Government Affairs Department and will be focusing on addressing issues and concerns of both resident and community

Good luck to them in their new roles in public service.

COUNCILOR HOPES TO CURB NEEDLES IN THE STREETS

City Councilor Annissa Essaibi George, chair of the Council's Homeless, Mental Health and Recovery Committee, has proposed an idea to get those dirty needles out of our parks, playgrounds and streets. She wants pharmacies who sell these needles to be required to act as needle return stations. Sounds like a good idea, right? However, I am not too sure that pharmacies should be needle return stations. Will it just be for their customers or any addict who happens by their way? I am also not too sure that irresponsible folks will do the right thing just because they can.

Pharmacies, by the way, are opposed to this proposed ordinance. I would think a better approach might be to have firehouses equipped with these plastic red containers for used needles. Also, what about neighborhood health centers?

Glad to see Councilor George so pro-active on the City Council. She takes her job seriously and is always trying to work on issues affecting the lives of the city's residents.

TYLER ORLANDELLA NAMED ALL-STAR AND RUNNER OF THE YEAR

Beverly High School student Tyler Orlandella has been recently named Girls Track All-Star and Runner of the Year. She is the daughter of Brian and Erinn Orlandello and the sister of Rocco, her number one fan according to her mom.

Tyler is also the granddaughter of former North Enders Mary and Phil Orlandella who I have known for some 40 years now as a writer in the community and as a friend.

McPHEE SEEMS **EVERYWHERE**

While up in Peabody on Route 1, I stopped for dinner at Brothers Kouzzini and while there picked up a copy of Route 1 Magazine .com, a paper for the Route 1 business community. Right there on page one was a photo of Michele McPhee of Eastie fame. Print and broadcast reporter and book author. Miss her on the defunct WMEX radio 1510 AM, too. She's a great reporter and good friend.

THOUGHTS BY DAN **ABOUT THIS & THAT**

with Daniel A. DiCenso

LONDON AFTER MIDNIGHT:

The Holy Grail of Lost Films



In the sad annals of lost films, few inspire more enthusiasm and wonder than London After Midnight, the 1927 horrormystery bringing together two early shock masers, director Tod Browning and face-shifting Lon Chaney. The last known copy was destroyed in the infamous MGM vault fire of 1967, but plenty of stills, posters, and records of the story survive, all contributing to the film's legend.

The plot (written in part by Browning), which was described as "certain to disturb the nervous system of the more sensitive picture patrons" by Film Daily, involves the mysterious death of Roger Balfour, a respectable London gentleman. The Scotland Yard detective

declares it a suicide despite the skepticism of Balfour's friend. Five years later, a mysterious looking visitor arrives at Balfour's former home, prompting the return of the detective and bringing more of the household personnel under suspicion.

Chaney was, by then, Hollywood's master of disguise and here he outdid himself, playing the Scotland Yard detective, a hypnotist, and the sinister looking creep in a beaver hat.

The Warren Tribune mentioned that, "Chaney is present in nearly every scene, in a dual role that tests his skill to no small degree. Chaney needs no introduction as a past master of deception. He attracts with a glance, and repels with a leer. Only, in London After Midnight, he does both simultaneously, so that this critic, at least, was continually torn between a strong desire to cheer and an equally strong desire to hiss."

supposed to be an obvious disguise (the detective's ploy to flush out the murderer).



film was a hit and the most profitable of Chaney's collaborations with Tod Browning. How the film would hold up today remains, however, something of a mystery since it was last seen in the early 1950s by historian William K. Everson who called it, "routine."

The film's legacy survives in reviews, a novelization, and images. In 1935, five years after Chaney's death, Browning remade the film into a talkie titled Mark of the Vampire with Bela Lugosi. The closest contemporary audiences came to seeing the original film was in 2002 when producer Richard Schmidlin, under a special commission by Turner Classic Movies, reconstructed the film using surviving stills. If there is one thing we can be sure of after watching the 45-minute reconstruction, it is that Chaney's disguises can still send a chill.

With his fabled make-up bag making its only known screen appearance here, Chaney incorporated his talent for face shifting into the narrative as the climax revealed the monster to be the detective in disguise. This presented a curious challenge for Chaney, as his make-up was, in the context of the story,

Reviews were mixed, but the



by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



on April 6th that year. (Oh, by the way, it was Easter of 1958.) Uncle Nick, my mother's middle brother (and my godfather) and his wife, Aunt Dorothy, were Havana, Cuba. Quite often when they traveled, I was invited along. They never had children and I was like the surrogate son. Actually, I was Uncle Nick's favorite nephew and was very close to them.

I was in college at that point in time and had a lot on my plate. I attended classes five days a week, worked at the Seville Theater a few nights a week, and had just turned professional as a musician and was beginning to to clothing. The prices weren't rum has a great taste. I had to work with dance bands on the bad, but I noticed one thing that weekends ... as I said, a lot on my plate.

Uncle Nick and Aunt Dorothy flew to Miami then on to Cuba on Wednesday the 2nd and checked into the Hotel Nacional, the best location in Havana. They called home and spoke to Babbononno who turned the phone over to me be a liquor store that sold only with just two words, "Zio Nicola" (Uncle Nick).

The essence of the conversation was an invitation to Cuba for the Easter weekend. I told my godfather to hold on and yelled out, "Ma, its Uncle Nick. He's inviting me to Cuba for Easter." She yelled out, "Go." So, I said OK.

Uncle Nick made the arrangements. The next day, Dad drove me to Logan and made sure I had my passport, some money and two suitcases filled with dress clothes for at night and a couple of bathing suits for the daytime. I flew from Logan to Miami and boarded a shuttle to Havana. Uncle Nick was waiting for me and we headed for the hotel. En route, he and the driver pointed out many places of interest, and what impressed me the most was the architecture, beautiful Spanish colonial buildings, wide streets with lots of American cars and trucks of the '50s, and the hustle and bustle of a thriving culture. The people were among the friendliest I ever encountered did a few years later.

this? Well there is a motive. that the people are all poor and Loretta and I just returned that everything is in shambles. from Cuba. I'm actually writ-ing He told us about the glorious this week's column from Florida. revolution and how it benefited We really didn't celebrate our 40th anniversary this past July 2nd, so this trip is a belated present to each other. We sailed from Miami to Havana on a 4-day tour. I was looking for the Captain and Gilligan, but they were nowhere to be found. Seriously, we were briefed on what to do and what not to do in Cuba, and when we docked, I bought some Cuban money and we headed ashore.

There were many '50s American convertibles for hire, but the temperature was over 90 degrees, so we chickened out and hired a modern cab that was air-conditioned. Fortunately for had the original engines, but Loretta, the driver spoke English. He showed us many parts of the city, but to my dismay, everything was decayed and the buildings were crumbling. Since the couple of years, but the owners revolution (1959), the state has saved the engines. The cars controlled everything including were probably the most prom-

Easter was approaching. It fell ownership of all structures. ising aspect of life that we saw. Evidently, there is little money to keep the outsides from falling down. The insides are owned by the tenants and you might have three or four generations living planning to spend a few days in in two rooms with no indoor plumbing, maybe electricity, and definitely no air conditioning.

> The cabdriver then mentioned that salaries are controlled by the government, and as an example, a doctor makes \$50.00 per month! He added that street vendors who sell things to the tourists make more money than people in the medical profession. We stopped at a couple of vacant lots where vendors had set up shop selling everything from food even Loretta mentioned, "Nobody smiles." This didn't seem like business to me, it seemed like survival, and nothing more.

> The next day, we booked a bus tour from the ship to a rum factory and a cigar factory.

> The rum factory turned out to Cuban rum and the cigar factory turned out to be a cigar store that tried to sell high-end cigars to the tourists. I was not happy. Remembering what Babbononno said many years ago ("Cuban rum is the best in the world. You can sip it like the best French cognac"), I bought a bottle. The problem for me was an attempt to purchase the Cuban cigars I like. I was told that the factory was closed, or they weren't Cuban, or they were cheap cigars and were machine-made, not handcrafted, and on and on. Finally, one store sold them to me. It seems that the brand I like, Jose Piedras, is sold only to the locals. The rest of the brands that are known internationally sell for from \$5.00 to \$50.00 each, giving the sellers a good profit. Mine cost \$1.20 each and taste as good as their more expensive cousins. The profit isn't as good, so they push the more famous brands.

We did take a historic tour again the 3rd day and the director was an older man who had traveling the world, something I fought next to Castro during the revolution. He was proud of his Why am I mentioning all of country and played down the fact those who stayed. Fortunately for many millions, they didn't stay and came to the United States. The first generation that came here actually made Miami a world-class city from its traditional southern origins.

The one thing I couldn't get over was the percentage of 1950s American cars. The most numerous were 1954 and 1956 Chevy models. But, I saw Buicks, Oldsmobiles, Cadillacs, Fords, Mercurys, Plymouths, Dodges, Desotos, Chryslers and a few that were combinations of many brands all put together. Some most had engines taken from the Russian cars that were sent there from the USSR. Most of those cars rusted away within a They were entities from the past carried into the future, not only as automobiles, but also as possibilities of what the future might hold for them.

It was a bittersweet experience, but it was a gift from me to Loretta and from Loretta to me. Will we ever do it again??? I don't know. The one giant plus for the Cubans is that the authorities have zero tolerance for drugs and sex crimes. As a result, the country is safe and there is no problem walking the streets of Havana at night. I like that. You don't find this in too many parts of the world today.

Babbononno was right, Cuban sample it two or three times to make sure he was right and the liquid is even better tasting when accompanied by a Cuban cigar. After visiting Cuba, I can close with a more emphatic three-word statement than ever before ... GOD BLESS AMERICA

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17D2181DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING** JEANA ROSE JOHNSON

ROBIN L. JOHNSON

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 tak ing any action which would negatively impac the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Jeana R. Johnson, 6 Garden Lane Apt. 5, Waltham, MA 02452 your answer, if any, on or before September 19, 2017. If you fail to do so, the court will pro ceed 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: August 8, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI17D2658DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY**

PUBLICATION AND MAILING NEIVA DESCIO

MURILLO S. SANTINI To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for rretrievable 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 impac the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Neiva Descio. 132 State Street. Framingham, MA 01702 your answer, if any on or before September 19, 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: August 8, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS, DIVISION Docket No. MI17P0509PM SALE OF REAL ESTATE CONSERVATOR-INVESTMENT SALE OF REAL ESTATE

To all persons interested in the estate of a protected person, Kathleen T. Sullivan, of North Reading in the County of Middlesex, a petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that the Conservator, Sandra A. Conron, of North Reading, County of Middlesex may be licensed to sell at - private sale - certain real estate situated in North Reading for his/her investment.

NOTICE

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before Ten o'clock in the forenoon on September 5, 2017, the return date of this citation

WITNESS, HON, EDWARD F, DONNELLY, JR. First Justice of said Court, this 16th day of August, 2017.

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Court Run date: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4099EA

Estate of **CELIA JOSIE GOGUEN** Also Known As
CELIA JOSEPHINE GOGUEN Date of Death July 4, 2017 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Josephine A. Pizzuto of Waltham, 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 Josephine A. Pizzuto of Waltham, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an

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 September 7, 2017.

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 with out further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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: August 10, 2017

Run date: 8/25/2017

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division** 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

> Docket No. MI17P2264EA Estate of **CLAIRE P. GRIMES** Also Known As **CLAIRE POST GRIMES**

Date of Death January 23, 2017 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Marilyn G. Ryan of Belchertown, MA, Petitioner Matthew J. Grimes of Wellshoro PA, a Will has been admitted to informa

Marilyn G. Ryan of Belchertown, MA, Matthew J. Grimes of Wellsboro, PA 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: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4140EA

Estate of HORACE S. GLOVER Date of Death August 13, 2014 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Paul S. Glover of West Townsend, 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 Paul S. Glover of West Townsend, MA and Alyce C. Glover of Ayer, 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 September 12, 2017.

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 nder 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: August 15, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/2017

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Docket No. SU17P1460EA

Estate of MANUEL ROSENBERG Date of Death June 15, 2017 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

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

Audray Rosenberg of Boston. MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representa tive under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court, Inventor 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 restrict ing 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: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4069EA Estate of **GRACE T. SULLIVAN** Date of Death April 17, 2017 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Michael G. Sloan of Auburn, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Michael G. Sloan of Auburn, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal 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: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4058EA

Estate of **NICHOLAS JOHN VITI** Also Known As NICHOLAS J. VITI

Date of Death May 16, 2017 **INFORMAL PROBATE** PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitione Andrew Shabshelowitz of Westport, MA Petitioner Thomas P. Viti of Westwood, MA a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Andrew Shabshelowitz of Westport, MA Thomas P. Viti of Westwood, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and car 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: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

> Docket No. MI17P2305EA Estate of ROBERT DAVID HOGAN

Date of Death April 8, 2017 **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Samuel J. Gallo of Arlington, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate

Samuel J. Gallo of Arlington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre sentative of the estate to serve without surety

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

Run date: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Fam 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI17D2757DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING FLAVIA FERNANDES DaSILVA PACHECO

vs.
ROSSANO PORTO PACHECO

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 tak ing 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 Philip H. Whitehead, Esq., Katz, Robertson & Whitehead, 161 Harvard Ave. Allston, MA 02134 your answer, if any, on or before September 19, 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: August 8, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts **The Trial Court Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street ast Cambridge, MA 021 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4194EA

Estate of ELEANOR C. KATCOFF Date of Death June 29, 2017

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Martin S. Katcoff, Jr. of North Reading, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Martin S. Katcoff, Jr. of North Reading, 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: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4123EA

Estate of **JOHN CURTIS MAHON** Also Known As JOHN C. MAHON Date of Death April 2, 2017 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Maria A. Taranto of Framingham, MA, requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the

The Petitioner requests that Maria A Taranto of Framingham, 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 September 8, 2017

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: August 11, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/2017 • News Briefs (Continued from Page 1)

Speaking of Law Enforcement

What in the name of political correctness was the strategy down in Charlottesville, VA, when the Klan, Nazis and other lowlives held their rally which was crashed by counterprotesters, some of them — on both sides by the way - wearing helmets, and carrying large sticks and baseball bats. Did the police not see these weapons? Do people bring weapons to debate one another over public policy? Looked pretty clear, a lot of people came looking for a fight and a fight they got. Sadly, one counterprotester died after being hit by a car ramming into the crowd.

Elvis Left the Building 40 Years Ago

Hard to believe that Elvis the King of Rock and Roll Presley left the building for the last time forty years ago last week. I still remember watching his last concert televised after his passing.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI17P4238EA

Estate of LAWRENCE LEONARD CONNORS Also Known As LAWRENCE L. CONNORS Date of Death September 6, 1989 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by John P. Connors of Waltham, 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 John P Connors of Waltham, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an

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 September 14, 2017.

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)

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: August 17, 2017

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/2017

He was somebody almost unrecognizable as he ballooned up in weight. I did not enjoy watching it because it only added to his sad and sudden ending.

When Did David Gergen Become A Psychiatrist?

Recently, on CNN, the network's senior political analyst, David Gergen, when talking about President Trump, said the president had "hatred in his heart." AND he ain't the only talking head in the liberal media talking like that.

Everybody wants to be shrinking and tell us what kind of mental illness our president is suffering as if they actually know anything. Makes the liberal media look like idiots.

Great Letter in NY Post

A recent NY Post letter writer from Manhattan made an astute observation. Said the writer, "If everyone would like to remove vestiges of slavery, why don't we abolish the Democratic Party?" He's right. Southern Democrat slave owners helped bring on the Civil War and nearly 100 years later tried to filibuster the Civil Rights Act when it was getting debated up on Capitol Hill.

Too many of us are too ignorant of our U.S. history, which is why folks in one small town protested a Civil War statue not knowing that he guy on the horse was in the Union Army uniform. Ignorance is bliss.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI15D3383DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY**

PUBLICATION AND MAILING MELODINE ROBINSON, Plaintiff

WALTER GUILLAUME, Defendant To the above named Defendant: The Plaintiff has been presented to this Court

by the Plaintiff, seeking a modification. You are required to serve upon Melodine Robinson - plaintiff - whose address is 422 Salem Street, Medford, MA 02155 your answer on or before September 19, 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 Cambridge

Witness, HON. EDWARD F. DONNELLY, JR., Esquire, First Justice of said at Cambridge, this 8th day of August 2017.

Date: August 8, 2017 Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 8/25/17

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Division 208 Cambridge Street East Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

> Docket No. MI17P3707EA Estate of GERALD E. INSERRA, JR. Date of Death May 24, 2017

INFORMAL PROBATE **PUBLICATION NOTICE** To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner

Tiffany M. Inserra of Walpole, MA, Petitioner Gerald E. Inserra, III of Walpole, MA.
Tiffany M. Inserra of Walpole, MA, Gerald E. Inserra, III of Walpole, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Repre-

sentative of the estate to serve without surety

on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal 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: 8/25/17



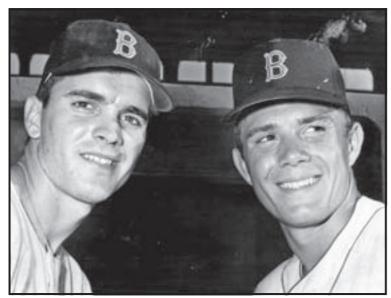
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REMEMBERING OUR RED SOX

50 Years Ago and a Dream Denied



Brothers Tony and Billy Conigliaro

Last Thursday, I attended a celebration at Tony C's Sports Bar & Grill, around the corner from Fenway Park at the old Jerry Remy's place, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Impossible Dream when the Red Sox took us all on a wild ride by getting to Game 7 of the World Series. Also, it was a time to remember Tony Conigliaro, who almost died at home plate from a pitch that struck his face and damaged an eye.



Billy Conigliaro with cousins Mark and Matt Martelli

For a young Italian-American baseball fan, Tony C was a big deal. He was from here and was one of us. The other night, all those faded dreams came back to life as I remembered 50 years ago and the cruel fate that prevented such a talented baseball player from accomplishing what many thought would be a Joe Di Maggio-like career.



Cayla Conigliaro and Sarah Germanos

I attended the celebration at Tony C's Sports Bar and Grill, where Sox fans gathered to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Impossible Dream and all the what-ifs of Tony Conigliaro. He survived that night but was never the same and left us 27 years ago at age 45. That, too, I remember well.

The restaurant gathering, with a great view of Fenway Park, seemed like two events morphed into one. Most



Billy and Keisha Conigliaro

of the crowd was living that Dream again and wondered where their youth went. Then, we all stopped and thought about Tony C and all that he meant to this crowd made up of a large contingent of Italian-Americans from the other side of the tunnels and bridge where Conigliaro's legend still lives on.

I remember his stats: First homer in first at-bat in 1964



George Thomas who played the infield or the '67 Sox with Sal Giarratani

(Photo by Kristin Smith)



Stand-up guy Johnny Pizzi from Giggles with Richie Conigliaro



Harmonica Virtuoso James Montgomery

at 19 years old. Twenty for that season! Next year, at age 20, he topped the American League with 32 homeruns. He was the youngest player in baseball, at age 22, to hit 100 homeruns by 1966. He was a player of destiny. Reminded folks of Joe Di Maggio, Mickey Mantle, and Ted Williams all rolled up into one. We all talked about what might have been but never happened. Amazingly, even with his eye damage, he came back in 1969 and hit another 56 homers before retiring with the Angels.

So many mixed feelings about that 1967 season. Happy ones about that inner drive the Red Sox players had under the helm of new manager Dick Williams, himself only in his late 30s,



Sal Giarratani with Rico Petrocelli

that took the Sox to October the flip side of that tune as a Baseball, but sad ones about

the fate of Tony C. Where have the years gone? I sure don't miss all those losing seasons from the late '50s and '60s. I feel sorry for today's young fans who can't understand why my generation of fans cheers our Sox so much today. We've been there in bad times and appreciate so much the success of our hometown team today where we take winning for granted. I lived kid from the South End and Roxbury, where tickets were real cheap but victories rare.

Also, for a brief moment in baseball history, we had Tony Conigliaro at bat and in the field bringing us thrills like we never saw before. Like I said, he was one of us. We were part of that dream, too.

Finally, when are the Boston Red Sox going to retire Number 25 and put Conig into the Red Sox Hall of Fame? Do it soon!

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JERRY LEWIS

A Genius Leaves Us Smiling



Jerry Lewis passed away this week at the age of 91. I don't think there has ever been a comic who has come close to the genius Jerry Lewis displayed for eight decades. While he was certainly best known for his comic acting, Jerry also showed the depth of his dramatic ability in the 1983 movie *The King of Comedy*. He was absolutely brilliant in that Martin Scorsese film.

Even in his comic roles, Lewis showed a deep sense of the dramatic, as in when he played the alter ego part of Buddy Love in *The Nutty Professor*. Nobody else could have done what he did.

Also, watch a clip of him doing the typewriter routine from *Who's Minding The Store?* And also his lip-synching to the Count Basie Orchestra in *The Errand Boy* if you want to see one of the most amazing talents of the past 100 years.

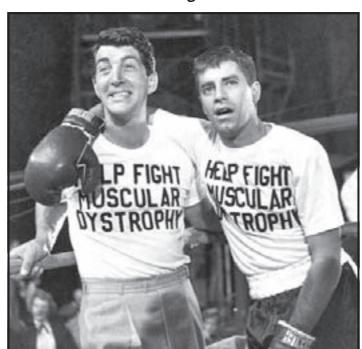
For years, he was teamed up with Dean Martin and they made a lot of great movies together as well as numerous personal appearances. Lewis always played the fall guy to Dean's romantic leads. He usually looked rather wimpish and weak, but in realty he was actually bigger than Martin. He would slouch in order to make Dean look taller. Also, contrary to the weakling image in these movies, Jerry Lewis was a very tough guy. I have been told nobody messed with him.

Lewis dedicated a huge part of his life to raising money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, and Labor Day Weekend was always known for his non-stop telethon. It was on one of these where Frank Sinatra arranged for Lewis and Martin to be united after many years of not speaking to one another. It was a very touching moment.

On a personal note, I got to see Jerry Lewis perform in person twice. Once, when I was a kid and my parents took me to see him at the Monticello in Framingham. He put on a marvelous show of comedy and music. Yes, he could sing, too.

In the '90s, I got to see him in Boston in a revival of *Damn Yankees* where he played a character called Applegate (The Devil). Not only was he great in this part, but midway through the play he stopped the performance and spent a half hour doing his comedy act complete with gags and juggling. What an entertainer. We will never, ever see his like again, and the world has lost a true original.

I am sharing some photos of Jerry that are boxing-related. Some are of Lewis with Rocky Marciano when they put on a boxing exhibition to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy. Lewis was a huge fight fan, but in life he fought his heart out for those kids who suffered so much.









Rest in Peace Jerry Lewis.

You left us laughing.

You also left us with what it means to work hard and to be good to our fellow man.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

STILL STANDING AFTER ALL IS SAID AND DONE — They may not necessarily be the most memorable four but they are the leftover four — the small group of players still remaining on the Celtics roster from the

2016-2017 campaign.

Yes, Al Horford, Jaylen Brown, Terry Rozier and Marcus Smart are all that remain from a team that just three short months ago advanced to the Eastern Conference Finals against Cleveland. They are the only ones slated to return to the parquet following the capstone trade that saw Isaiah Thomas and Jae Crowder sent to Cleveland for star player Kyrie Irving.

Now, it is they who must also feel somewhat different. Although they did not get traded to other teams, when they report to the opening of training camp in late September, it may well feel like they did.

All the new players will be there, but the bulk of those who propelled the Celtics to the Eastern Conference Finals will be elsewhere — scattered across the NBA during a summer in which the proverbial fireworks that were once promised by Celtics management finally came to pass.

The new players won't really know what to expect right away in their new setting. To some degree, it will similar for the four holdovers. It will be as if they are joining a completely different team. Both groups will have that in common.

The point is that the 2017-2018 Boston Celtics will bear hardly any resemblance to the team that left the floor following its final playoff game against Cleveland back in May. Fans essentially will be backing a different team than they did last year.

This will be the second time in his coaching career that Brad Stevens will take the reins of a different team. It did not happen at Butler University, because he was an assistant coach there who was promoted to head coach. Thus he had worked previously with the players and they with him.

The real change came when he was hired by the Celtics and thus took over a whole new team on a whole new level. Stevens was up to the challenge as we all know — the team has improved every year and went to the aforementioned conference finals last spring.

While not as drastic as when he took over the Cs in 2013, the coming campaign also will present a challenge. The new acquisitions plus the hold-overs must blend together as a team in order to win. We think Stevens will be successful in orchestrating that because he has accomplished it in the past.

Oh, and let's not forget that there is a huge free agency on the horizon. Stevens is entering the fifth year of a six-year contract. It is often star players that request so-called max contracts. As June 30, 2019, looms closer (the day Stevens' current contract worth \$22 million expires), one can wonder about the size size of a financial increase the coach might demand — especially if he guides the Celtics to the NBA Championship in either one or both of the two remaining seasons on his contract.

Should the Celtics go all the way, you can bet his request will be for a significant increase in compensation.

One can also argue that the current situation unfortunately sets Stevens up for "failure." With the new group of star players, would Stevens be looked upon as "failing" if the team did not win an NBA Championship, but "only" advanced to the NBA Finals? Sadly, there will be a segment of those in Celtics Nation that would look upon such a scenario in that way.

Expectations for postseason success by the Celtics in the upcoming season will be the highest they have been in quite some time. Danny Ainge has stocked the Celtics roster with a new group of players — many with resumes full of significant accomplishments.

The Celtics have been built to have a season to remember in 2017-2018. Whether that includes hoisting the NBA Championship Trophy next June remains to be seen. Whatever takes place, it should be one exciting time.

IS IT STILL AN AMATEUR TEAM? — There was a time when big-time college coaches were somewhat more modestespecially when it came to their compensation. It was the late Paul (Bear) Bryant, the longtime head football coach at the University of Alabama, who refused a salary that would have made him the highest paid employee on campus. His reasoning: no one running a program at a university should be paid more than the person who runs the entire university (the president of the institution).

Well, times have certainly changed. While it is still true that the players do not get paid salaries, it is certainly true that the compensation for coaches has increased significantly. All one has to do is contemplate the release put out by Penn State in mid-August indicating that it had signed head football coach James Franklin to a contract extension.

The agreement means that Coach Franklin will be guaranteed a total of \$34.7 million through the 2022 season. That works out to \$5.78 million on an annual basis. Of course, that's for coaching an amateur team.

By the way, the contract contains incentives. What more incentive could one need after signing that large a contract? It appears that the days of following the reasoning of coach Bear Bryant are far behind us.

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