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Santa Rosalia di Palermo Society
Annual Procession

Members of the Saint Rosalie Society gather with their patron saint in front of Sacred Heart Church in North Square, Boston.

The Saint Rosalie Society held their annual procession on Saturday, September 13th, beginning at the Fisherman's Club on Lewis Street, Boston before traveling through the streets of the North End community. Founded in 1939, The Saint Rosalie di Palermo Society is dedicated to honoring its patron saint of Palermo, Italy, the protector during plagues and pandemics, her feast day is celebrated on September 4th. The society is proud of its Sicilian heritage and traditions, and its annual procession typically marks the closing of the feast season in Boston's North End.

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News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Walmart Slams Gate on Gator

See ya later, alligator. A Pennsylvania man's emotional support alligator is no longer allowed inside the store anymore. The man revealed his alligator was banned in West Brownsville, PA and bringing him inside to shop was never an issue before now.

"We've gone to Denny's where she's a star there," said the man. The 5-foot-long 32-pound reptile was recently photographed inside Walmart only weeks ago. It was photoed wearing a gray dress being pushed it in a shopping cart which led the store to banning the gator after images started showing up on social media.

Humpty Gets Stolen Then Dumptied

Two bad eggs removed a statue of Humpty Dumpty from a miniature golf course in a New Jersey beach town over a recent weekend before tossing it away near the scene of the crime.

The two mugs were caught on camera poaching as one of the thieves crept onto the mini-golf course in a pre-dawn move. Police said the defenseless egg was discarded in bad shape but injuries are not considered life threatening.

End Quote

"The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any."

— Alice Walker

Why Charlie Kirk's Assassination Matters

Regardless of Political Affiliation or Beliefs

by Patti Sartori

If you didn't know his name prior to last Wednesday, you do now. Charlie Kirk, conservative activists and founder of Turning Point USA, a non-profit political organization founded by Kirk in 2012, to influence American youth and advance a conservative agenda on high school and college campuses, was shot and killed at an event on the Utah Valley University campus. Investigators have the alleged assassin in custody and are still seeking a motive and trying to determine whether political ideology, personal grievances or other factors drove the act of violence.

This evil, senseless assassination sends a chilling message that expressing your beliefs could lead to death. If allowed to go unchecked or is not fiercely condemned, this type of political violence becomes normalized and accepted. Our democracy and first amendment, the right to free speech, rests on civility, respect for an opponent or difference of opinion. When people accept or rationalize political violence, our very foundation will erode beneath us.

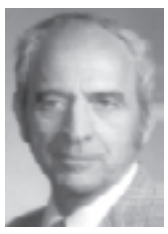
Americans should be able to engage in political disagreements without engaging in violence. In a news conference following the shooting, Utah Governor Spencer Cox expressed disappointment that differences in political viewpoints have led to violent attacks, calling for civility and for people on both sides of the political aisle to de-escalate and step away from political frustrations. "This is our moment to choose a different path. Do we escalate, or do we find an off-ramp? It's a choice. For the last 48 hours I have been as angry as I have ever been, as sad as I have ever been, and as it pushed me to the brink, it was actually Charlie's words that pushed me back. Charlie said, 'When people stop talking, that's when you get violence.'" Cox added.

Tragedies such as this tests us all, including law enforcement, the judicial system, the media and political leadership. These types of events should bring us together as a country and people, not further polarize. This is beyond politics. It's about the tragic loss of life, of a son, husband and father.

It isn't about agreeing or disagreeing with Charlie Kirk's ideology, its's about the sacred civility of our society and most importantly the ultimate value of human life.

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello



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

THE VESTALS

Nothing in Rome is said to be more ancient than the institution of a maiden priesthood. As was mentioned in a previous issue, the worship of Vesta goes back to the time when it was difficult but necessary to obtain fire. The sacred fire, the source of all Roman life and power, was kept alive in an edifice known as the Temple of Vesta, and it was constantly tended by a group of virgin priestesses that were known as the Vestals.

In Rome, their number started at four, and was increased to six about the time of the early Republic. During primitive times, the possession of fire was the greatest gain that man had yet made, and to lose it was the greatest misfortune for the community. The chief, or the so-called king, fulfilled a most important duty towards his people by keeping a fire always burning from which they could at any moment kindle their own. Nothing could be more natural than for the chief's unmarried daughters to be placed in charge of this precious hearth, under the protection of Vesta, the goddess of fire.

The number of Vestals corresponds to the idea that they were originally the daughters of one family, and that they were the king's daughters is traceable to their position of honor in the Roman State. They have been compared with the nuns of the Roman Catholic Church, and the Atrium Vestae has been called their convent. There was a close resemblance in their vow of chastity and the cutting of their hair.

They were dressed entirely in white, with a coronet-shaped headband (infula), ornamented with ribbons (vittae) suspended from it, and also a white veil or hood (suffibulum) made from a piece of white woolen cloth with purple border.

***Vestal Virgin* by Jean Raoux, The Hermitage, St. Petersburg, Russia, between 1677 and 1730**

It is here that the resemblance ended for instead of poverty and obedience, the Vestals enjoyed great independence and luxury. They were exempt from the common law, and not even subject to the censor's authority. They enjoyed a most conspicuous freedom, having the right to hold property and make a will. These rights alone exceeded those of the average female of the times. The Vestals also enjoyed great political importance, often interposing to save a life, to restore harmony at critical moments, or even to carry out the provisions of important wills. Death was the penalty for injuring them, and anyone whom they escorted was also protected from assault. Meeting them by chance in the street also saved any criminal who was being led away to punishment.

NEXT WEEK:
More about the Vestals

Game, Set, Match in Boston Mayoral Race

by Patti Sartori

It was an uphill battle from day one. Toppling an establishment, entrenched urban mayor is no easy feat, for anyone, and ultimately proved to be a Herculean task even for the deep pocketed Josh Kraft. Although Kraft secured a place in the November general election, with a second-place finish (23%) in last week's primary, it just wasn't enough to counter incumbent Mayor Michelle Wu who gathered 72% of the vote.

Within forty-eight hours of the primary results, Kraft announced he was suspending his mayoral campaign, effective immediately. "My decision is to suspend my candidacy for mayor, as of today." He made it clear that he was not interested in continuing a race that had been more focused on mud-slinging than the issues. "I started to think about the next eight weeks of this campaign, eight weeks of a lot of mud-slinging political talk, but no talk about what really matters, the issues that impact every single Bostonian across the city of Boston. And the country is at place now, we see it every day, where the vitriol and the political arguing and the fighting, it's not leading to anything but anger and negativity," Kraft said.

An extremely generous gesture upon bowing out, has Kraft donating the remaining $3 million is his campaign account to two organizations "tackling the humanitarian crisis at Mass and Cass" which he views as a more useful use of his resources rather than using those funds for a losing campaign. "I remain concerned about the future of our city, and even though I will not be moving forward in this election, I will keep working for Boston, just as I have over the past three decades as the former head of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston," Kraft said in an e mail to his supporters.

Mayor Wu thanked Kraft following his announcement, stating "I respect Josh's decision and I thank him for caring about our city." It most likely will not be the last time we hear from Josh Kraft. His heart and conscience seem to be in the right places when it comes to Boston and its people, even when he has operated under the radar in the past. Ever the optimist, I choose to believe he and Mayor Wu will find common ground and work together to better our city for all Bostonians. However, in this instance it's hard to ignore the old adage, "sometimes good guys do finish last."

NORTH END/WATERFRONT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (NEWRA) September Meeting

NEWRA is back to work after its summer break. The agenda deviated slightly from its original content, as President of the association Cheryl DelGreco opened the meeting by announcing Josh Kraft, candidate for mayor of Boston, would not address the group as previously planned, and instead had suspended his campaign.

The new Area A-1 Boston Police Community Service Officer Michael Mustacchio, Sergeant Sean Wallace and COMSTAT Analyst Rebecca Gavel discussed a plan to provide surveys to the association members, via an e mail link, over the next few weeks asking for feedback about public safety/quality of life concerns they have in the North End/ Waterfront community. The results will be discussed on October 22, 6:30 p.m. at the Nazzaro Center, 30 North Bennet Street. All members are urged to participate in this survey.

BPD also noted several arrests in the Commercial Wharf area, breaking and entering of motor vehicles at 33 Commercial Wharf and resisting arrest. It was noted these incidents are not typical in that area and that the suspect is now in custody, but it still remains vital that all residents remain vigil and report any suspicious behavior.

Patrick Roath, candidate for the 8th Congressional District seat in 2026 introduced himself to the association members. He is a resident of Jamaica Plain and is an attorney with the Boston law firm of Ropes and Gray. He believes the seat needs a new face, fresh ideas, and is currently lacking leadership. The present Congressman representing the district is Stephen Lynch.

The final item on the agenda drew the ire of many association members. Umani Crudo purchased the assets of Crudo Restaurant at 78-80 Salem Street, with proposed hours of 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Sunday thru Thursday and 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday. The group became upset upon discovering the Boston Licensing Board has already approved the application and transfer of the common victualler license, with many members demanding answers as to how this happened?

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m. at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street. Annual elections will take place at this meeting.

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Cosmas & Damian
Celebrates 100th Anniversary Festival

The 100th Annual Feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian recently celebrated a four-day extravaganza, September 4-7 in East Cambridge, Mass. Attendees enjoyed various live entertainment groups, including Gloria Gaynor, Joey McIntyre of New Kids on the Block, Chris Kirkpatrick of NYSNC and many others. In addition to traditional Italian food vendors, beer and wine, there was a grand procession with Saints Cosmas and Damian, marching bands, floats and carnival games, along with a healing service with holy oil and relics of the saints along with a mass celebrated at Saint Francis of Assisi Church. The feast of Cosmas and Damian is traditionally celebrated on September 26 each year, honoring the twin brothers who were skilled doctors and martyrs.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR ...

City of Boston to Prioritize a Renovation Project for the North End branch of the Boston Public Library

As a member of the Friends of the North End Library, I am writing to urge Mayor Wu and the City of Boston to prioritize a renovation project for the North End branch of the Boston Public Library. Our branch, a longstanding pillar of the North End community in the oldest residential neighborhood in the city, urgently needs attention to meet the evolving demands of one of Boston's densest neighborhoods, which attracts nearly 4 million tourists annually.

In the 2013 Boston Public Library Branch Facilities Review, the North End Library was identified as one of only six branches in the city needing a future capital project, along with Adams Street, Egleston Square, Fields Corner, Parker Hill, and Uphams Corner. Since that review, significant renovations and improvements have taken place in nearly every other branch identified as needing attention, as well as many other neighborhood branches that BPL determined not to need serious renovations.

Improvements were completed at the Central Library (2016), Jamaica Plain (2017), Roxbury Branch (2020), Adams Street (2021), and Roslindale Branch (2021). Fields Corner is currently under construction. Other branches, including Chinatown, West End, Uphams Corner, Egleston Square, and the South End, have all been approved for major construction projects and have moved into the design phase for improvements. *The North End Library remains the only branch from the original 2013 list to have received no significant improvements or design planning, while several branches not listed in the 2013 capital review have moved ahead of the North End in the project pipeline.*

Our branch is facing mounting challenges that make renovation critical:

1. Lack of Dedicated Programming Space:
Our only multipurpose room also serves as the location for the sole accessible family restroom, which disrupts programming and meetings. There is also a need for a private breakout room space for small groups, including study groups and private community meetings, which is standard in other branches.

2. Need for a Dedicated Children's Room:
A separate, enclosed children's room is a pressing need for safety and noise management. The North End Library is a beacon for preschool-age children and students of all ages, as it is one of the only locations in the North End where they can study and conduct research.

3. Lack of Teen Space:
Providing a designated teen space would enable us to better serve our adolescent patrons and expand programming for this age group.

4. Essential Partnership with Local Schools:
North End's elementary schools have no on-site libraries and depend on the North End branch for all library programming and resources.

5. Energy Inefficiency:
The building and the building systems, including the original single-pane windows, are outdated and do not meet modern standards for energy efficiency or comfort.

6. Electrical Outlet Shortage:
There are not enough outlets to serve today's needs. Due to the shift to hybrid and fully remote jobs, many individuals lack dedicated or distraction-free workspaces at home, leading more working adults to use the library as their office.

7. Outdated Electrical and HVAC:
Our Old electrical systems cannot adequately support modern HVAC needs, compounding comfort and energy inefficiency issues.

8. Aging Furniture:
Much of the shelving and furniture is original or long outdated and in need of replacement. The wooden shelving is antiquated and dangerous for staff and patrons accessing materials, and insufficient for today's modern library needs.

The North End branch remains a vital resource and a beloved gathering place for our community and the many visitors drawn to the North End by our historical, cultural, and dining attractions. It serves people and residents of all ages, supports local schools, welcomes tourists, and provides much-needed public amenities. We hope you will acknowledge the urgency and importance of our branch's renovation needs and approve advancing the North End Library to the design phase so we can rebuild our Library as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Rory Harrington

L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Bringing Balance to Our Harvest

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

After a stifling hot summer, during which even five-minute walks in the sweltering sun immediately drove me back to the air-conditioned interiors of my home, I was relieved when one morning dawned overcast and cool. Finally, the smell of September — that wonderful month when the leaves begin to blush with shades of red and gold, and chilly nights creep in catlike with their early darkness — permeated the air. Wherever I turn my head, it seems, signs of autumn wink at me playfully, announcing the presence of the season with a crisp and snappy flair. Juicy apples lent their tartness to an old-fashioned crisp I baked for my family not too long ago. Scarecrows smile from store shelves, their broad grins and crackly hair joyfully heralding the feasts to come. Leaves shine in the slick pavement after a rainfall. There will even soon be a carton of iced pumpkin spice coffee sitting in my refrigerator, waiting for me to enjoy its creamy goodness. These hallmarks of fall intensify as we near the autumn equinox, which this year occurs on Monday, September 22nd. This equinox embodies the rhythm that pulses throughout the fall, its measured dance of harvest and community and interplay between light and dark. Indeed, the autumn equinox is celebrated throughout the world, including Italy, as a seasonal marker and as a significant date in which people honor the generosity of the Earth.

The autumn equinox falls about halfway between the summer and winter solstices, and as such is used to indicate the passage of time. While some people may mourn the end of the astronomical summer and its idyllic, carefree nature, it is important to look at the autumn equinox as an opportunity to begin anew. The return to work and school fills the air with a sense of purpose and organization, a feeling that will guide us as the cadence of autumn eventually dissipates into the jollity of the holidays. Since autumn brims with renewal, it is little wonder that many cultures begin their new year around the equinox. One such example is Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, which will begin on the evening of September 22nd this year and is celebrated with meals of apples and honey to ensure the sweetness of the upcoming year. However, the equinox also signifies another important time change: while the day of the equinox consists of equal hours of day and night, after this date the darkness will overwhelm the light. The darkness beckons me indoors, to cozy evenings spent with my family and friends as our stories and laughter form a barrier against the dim night. I may even spend the early nights alone baking with the abundant produce of autumn, filling my kitchen with warm and spicy scents. The equinox affords us opportunities to reconnect with our families and our deepest selves, to devote time to projects and hobbies and take pleasure in the spirit of the season, which is at once both communal and introspective.

In addition to the turning of time, the autumn equinox is also a wonderful time to pay homage to the bounty of the Earth. In Europe, the last collection of harvest takes place around the time of the equinox. Our Italian ancestors, living off the land in a primarily agricultural society, may have waited until the Harvest Moon to finish harvesting their crops. The Harvest Moon, or the full moon closest to the equinox, illuminated the fields sufficiently so that farmers could work well into the night. This year, the Harvest Moon occurs on October 6th, and as usual I will celebrate the occasion by baking my appropriately-named Harvest Moon cookies, or almond cookies half-dipped in melted chocolate. As the harvest ended in Europe, many cultures would ritualistically cut the last sheaf of grain, a practice which stems from ancient times, when people believed that the goddess of the grain was embodied in the final remaining bundle. It was then time for cozy feasts known as "Harvest Home," which still exist to this day and can be seen in the harvest fairs that dot event calendars throughout the fall. For Harvest Home, the community gathers together at tables laden with the foods of autumn — apples, pumpkins, pears, carrots, nuts, ginger, spices — and celebrate the generosity of the land and the fruits of their labors. In Italy, these kinds of feasts often take the form of *sagre.* Derived from the Latin word "sacrum," which also lends itself to the English word "sacred," *sagre* are festivals devoted to a specific crop or product. Italians love their *sagre,* and the various regions of Italy each have feasts that honor a local delicacy. Villages in Northern Italy, for example, may host *sagre di mele* — apple festivals — while Southern Italians often honor grapes in their *sagre di uve.* No matter what autumnal staple is being celebrated, these European feasts remind us that good food, a strong sense of community, and the love of family are sacred treasures indeed.

This equinox, let's bring back a sense of balance and purpose to our lives by enjoying the season. Rather than bemoan the darkness, we can welcome it by resolving to use nighttime as an opportunity to do something that makes us happy — whether it involves spending extra time with our families and friends or crafting some alone time in which we may develop our interests and hobbies. We can honor the bounty of the Earth by enjoying the fruits of all and truly relishing them, slowly biting into a tart and juicy apple and inhaling the spicy scent of a cinnamon-flecked cider. Moreover, we can spread the love of the Earth by donating our time or our food to those less fortunate. Let us carry the lessons of the equinox to our heart, and then the pleasures of fall will always have a home — a harvest home, if you will — inside our souls.

Happy Fall and Harvest Blessings to All!

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THINKING OUT LOUD

by Sal Giarratani

Violence Should Never be an Option When it Comes to Free Speech

The *New York Post* front page's headline the other day said it all "What we have to get back to is being able to have a reasonable disagreement where violence is not an option."

We really must ask ourselves repeatedly: What kind of country do we want to live in? A country that replaces truth with violence? George Orwell once wrote, "The further a society drifts from the truth, the more it will hate those who speak it." Or as a gay Republican organizer stated shortly after Charlie Kirk was fatally gunned down, "Don't you get it? They want us dead."

It is dreadful that so many on social media, in the legacy media and even members of the Democrat Party up to Capitol Hill seem to be celebrating Kirk's murder with such malignant depravity.

Charlie Kirk was never afraid to say out loud what he believed in. More should try doing so. Democrats always like saying how "Democracy dies in Darkness." Well, it can die in violence too. Finally, kudos to MSNBC for firing commentator Matthew Dowd for practically saying that Kirk's "hate speech" led to his death.

I thank MSNBC President Rebecca Kutler who added, "There is no place for violence in America, political or otherwise."

Thank You Gerri Palladino!

The North End Roving Photographer

The next time you see Gerri Palladino busily taking photos at one of the many North End neighborhood events she so tirelessly attends and covers for the Post-Gazette newspaper, please take a moment to thank her. Gerri did not miss one procession this past festival season, attending all with a smile on her face at each and every one.

Since she was a young girl, Gerri has been a part of the North End community. She and her family would faithfully visit her aunt on Cooper Street, adopting the neighborhood as her second home. Participating and documenting the religious processions and events are a labor of love for Gerri and we are very grateful to have her.

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Stop the Violence Rally

in Winthrop in Response to the Shooting Death of Charlie Kirk

by Sal Giarratani

The recent senseless murder of Charlie Kirk, founder of Turning Point USA at a college in Utah shocked the entire nation and it seemingly brought Americans together who stand against hate and intolerance. In America we all have the right to disagree with each other but our free speech is being challenged today by those who too often believe you have a right to take out someone for not expressing your own views. Once, civil discourse meant listening to one another, debating our differences to ensure everyone an equal voice. We were and, I believe, still are free to oppose another view. We can still challenge each one of us to listen to both sides and accept others who don't always agree with our beliefs. We are one people but our voices belong to every individual. People in Winthrop over this past weekend put that principle to work. We gathered together folks from Winthrop, East Boston, Revere and elsewhere in unity not to be locked in our personal beliefs but in the belief that we all have our freedom of speech. No one should be made voiceless in our democratic republic. We all need to protect each other's right to speak truth to power as we all have that right to do so.

(L-R): Rev. Walter Connelly, St. John's Episcopal Church, Senator Lydia Edwards, Rep. Jeffrey Turco, Ed Cash, and Father Chris O'Connor from St. Michael the Archangel Church

French Square in Winthrop Center was packed with community members from Winthrop, East Boston, Revere and other communities to stand together in solidarity with each other in fighting intolerance and the ever-growing violence plaguing our communities.

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Everett Street Block Party

In photo are both Ben and Dave who did grilling duties as usual. If you look carefully on the left, you can see me watching these "Sausage Guys" taking a quick break from the grill. As a retired "Sausage Guy" at Faneuil Hall Marketplace, I know what it is like to endless cook at a grill.

(Photo by Caroline Scherer)

The Everett Street Block Party over in Jeffries Point, East Boston, was held recently and a great time was had by all in attendance until of course the rain came, which put a damper on things. Still fun though as usual.

Ayn Rand at the Movies

BY DENISE NOE

Review by John Joseph Fahey

An engaging book published by BearManor Media in 2023 should satisfy those readers who perhaps didn't know but would like to, of the connection that philosopher (and writer) Ayn Rand had had with Hollywood.

This well researched 248 paperback by Denise Noe gives amply information about Rand's background not only as the author of the novels A*tlas Shrugged* and *The Fountainhead* with whom many might be familiar, but also as a screenwriter during the Golden Age of films. Indeed, Rand association can be traced to with Hollywood going back to 1927 with Rand employed as an extra in Cecil B. DeMille's *The King of King* where she met her husband Frank O'Connor, an actor with whom she married in 1929.

The author also provides salient material about Rand's early history (born Alisa Zinovyevna Rosenbaum in 1905) in St. Petersburg, Russia and her eventual emigration to the United States in 1926. But it was during her years in Russia living under a communist ideology after the Bolsheviks overthrew the Russian Republic in 1917 that cemented Rand's philosophy that she developed into what is known as "Objectivism," which is listed a quote from the official Ayn Rand Institute (ARI;) "My [Rand] philosophy, in essence, is the concept of man as a heroic being, with his own happiness as the moral purpose of his life, with productive achievement as his noblest activity, and reason as his only absolute."

Rand's concept of individualism and initiative, especially vis-à-vis to the economic (and of course political!) system plays such an important part of her beliefs. Not necessarily new in political thought but certainly understandable given her experience with collectivism while living in what many will remember as The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, or the USSR!

This is apparent, as *Ayn Rand at the Movies* references Rand's ideology as a primary theme in her books, plays, screenplays and other writings. What Noe does, and serves a purpose to those who will first meet Rand via this book, is to present Rand not only in terms of a screenwriter and novelist, but as an individual who does not comprise her work (read philosophy) to appease those who try to amend it — albeit ever so slightly! It is interesting that Rand herself was a screenwriter as by definition the objective of the position is to reduce a story to fit a film. Of course, alterations will often be a result. Additionally, the author provides intriguing anecdotal narrative of how her works have been translated to the screen — and not as unadulterated as Rand would like.

Ayn Rand at the Movies allows the reader exposure to the Rand's philosophy known as Objectivism; yes, as the above signifies it is an ideology that emphasizes the magnitude of the individual in terms of self-reliance along with the value of capitalism relative to society's economic system but it allows also one to discern Rand's ideal via part and parcel of her stories.

Two of Rand's novels, *The Fountainhead*, and what is considered her Magnum opus and *Atlas Shrugged* have enjoyed considerable readership; and to state that her philosophy is evident throughout these thick volumes would be an understatement. Noe gives credence to this as coverage of both weigh heavily in the book. However, there are lesser-known works that is addressed giving a good overview of how prolific Rand was.

Ayn Rand at the Movies contains 34 Chapters along with summary in chronological order. The reader also learns some interesting background of Rand's personal life — along with her Hollywood years and as author; and one will as ascertain however that her personal life, Hollywood years, and life as a writer was not all that separate.

Rand died in 1882 but her legacy lives on through her writings and with her philosophy.

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Yesterday & Today

A COLUMN OF PAST AND CURRENT EVENTS

by Bennett Molinari & Richard Molinari

Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra

Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra was born in Alcalá de Henares (Madrid) in 1547. His father was a barber-surgeon, his mother was Leonor de Cortinas. Due to his work and debts, the family lived in different Spanish cities like Valladolid, Cordova, Seville and Madrid.

Cervantes left Spain fleeing justice it is believed, for wounding Antonio de Sigurd in a duel, and took up residence in Rome. He joined the militia and took part in the battle of Lepanto against the Turks where he was severely injured and his left hand became useless.

Cervantes returned to Spain by sea, with his brother Rodrigo, and was captured by Barbary pirates.

Cervantes remained captive in Algiers for five years, and during this time he tried to escape four times without success. His brother Rodrigo returned to Spain after their mother paid his ransom, which was unfortunately not enough for both brothers. Cervantes let Rodrigo, his brother, leave for Spain without him. Finally, in 1580, the Trinitarians arrived in Algiers with the idea of rescuing Cervantes, but they only had 300 gold coins which was inadequate. They got the rest from Spanish travelers and Cervantes was finally let go on the 19th of September of 1580 and he returned to Spain.

In 1585, he published his first significant novel, *La Galatea.*

In April of that year, Cervantes visited Esquivias, to help arrange the affairs of his recently deceased friend and minor poet, Pedro Laínez.

Don Quixote by Cervantes was published in 1605 is considered the beginning of the modern novel. As Cervantes explains in the prologue, it's a parody of chivalric romance and the ethics of the medieval knights. But the book went further than the intentions of its author and *Don Quixote, the Knight of the Woeful Countenance* whom Cervantes wished to present as a ludicrous character, has become an archetype of nobility of character and naïve idealism. In 1615, he published the second part of *Don Quixote* to claim authorship of the work, due to the publishing of a false second part of *Don Quixote* written by Avellaneda. Miguel de Cervantes passed away on April 22, 1616.

Saint Enda of Aran

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

Saint Enda of Aran was a warrior-turned-monk considered to be one of the founders of Irish monasticism. Born during the fifth century, Enda inherited control of a large territory in present-day Northern Ireland from his father Conall. His sister Fanchea was a consecrated nun with a community in Meath, and looked unfavorably on the battles and conquests of her brother.

Enda is said to have made a deal with his sister, promising to change his ways if he could marry one of the young women of her convent. But this was a ruse on Fanchea's part, as the promised girl soon died. Fanchea forced him to view the girl's corpse, to teach him that he, too, would face death and judgment. In this way, Fanchea succeeded in turning her brother not only from violence, but even from marriage. He left Ireland for several years, during which time he became a monk and was ordained as a priest.

Upon his return to Ireland, he petitioned King Aengus of Munster — who was married to another of Enda's sisters — to grant him land for a monastic settlement on the Aran Islands, a beautiful location off Ireland's west coast.

During its early years, Enda's island mission had around 150 monks. As the community grew, he divided up the territory between his disciples, who founded their own monasteries to accommodate the large number of vocations.

Enda did not found a religious order in the modern sense, but he did hold a position of authority and leadership over the monastic settlements of Aran — which became known as "Aran of the Saints," renowned for the monks' strict rule of life and passionate love for God.

While living on an Irish island, Enda's monks imitated the asceticism and simplicity of the earliest Egyptian desert hermits.

The monks of Aran lived alone in their stone cells, slept on the ground, ate together in silence, and survived by farming and fishing. Enda's monastic rule, like those of St. Basil in the Greek East and St. Benedict in the Latin West, set aside many hours for prayer and the study of scripture.

During his lifetime, Enda's monastic settlement on the Aran islands became an important pilgrimage destination, as well as a center for the evangelizations of surrounding areas. At least two dozen canonized individuals had some association with "Aran of the Saints."

Enda passed away around the year 530. An early chronicler of his life declared that it would "never be known until the day of judgment, the number of saints whose bodies lie in the soil of Aran," on account of the onetime-warrior's response to God's call. The Feast Day of Saint Enda of Aran is March 21st.

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• **Santa Rosalia di Palermo Society Annual Procession** (Continued from Page 1)

Pastor of St. Leonard Church Father Michael Della Penna offers a blessing to St. Rosalie and society members prior to the start of the annual procession.

The marching Band tuning up

A member of Joseph and Sarah Longo's family displays the beginning of the family memorial ribbon.

Youngest to Oldest

Anna Salamanca drapes her ribbon over St. Rosalie.

Paying homage to St. Rosalie.

Santa Rosalia Pray for Us

Danny Puccio and family participate in the annual St. Rosalie procession.

Carrying St. Rosalie through the North End neighborhood.

Queen Claudia with her dedicated court of Santa Rosalia society members.

(Photos by Gerri Palladino)

Facts ON wax

by bob morello

reviewing the best . . . forgetting the rest

SMASHING PUMPKINS –
MACHINA/THE MACHINES OF GOD
(2LPVinyl) UMe

The Smashing Pumpkins have formally detailed the long-awaited reissue and reformation of their 2000 masterpiece, *Machina/ The Machines of God*, and its companion album, *Machina II/ The Friends & Enemies of Modern Music*. This reimagined project, featuring extensive remixing and remastering, is available in multiple formats now via UMe and through Madame Zuzu's Tea Shop. Billy Corgan's Madame Zuzu's tea shop in Highland Park, IL is exclusively offering an expansive 80-song vinyl box set featuring a 48-track MACHINA plus an additional 32 bonus tracks of demos, outtakes, and live performances, marking the first time these two records will officially be united. This vinyl box set is the only format available to listen to all 80 songs in its entirety. Additionally, the rock band has released a 16-song reissue of the original Machina/The Machines of God vinyl. This 25th-anniversary remastered formats of Machina/The Machines of God, is a limited-edition color 2LP in corona red/black, also available in CD and digital formats. "It's taken some 25 years to finally release MACHINA as we in the band had hoped it would be, and with MadameZuzus.com as the only place one can get this expansive, 80-song collection, I personally could not be more proud," said Corgan "MACHINA was meant as our swan song, and it was truly a labor of love to bring it to fruition, however broken we were back then. But with the band about to embark on a global tour in 2025, as well as my solo tour with The Machines of God, this set stands as a celebration and testament of will, for the songs alone have helped James (Iha), Jimmy (Chamberlin), and I keep the faith." Machina 2LP Reissue Track List: The Everlasting Gaze - Raindrops + Sun showers - Stand Inside Your Love - I Of The Mourning - The Sacred And Profane - Try, Try, Try - Heavy Metal Machine - This Time - The Imploding Voice - Glass And The Ghost Children - Wound - The Crying Tree Of Mercury - Speed Kills** - Age Of Innocence - With Every Light - Blue Skies Bring Tears - **Vinyl and Digital bonus track.

FRANK SINATRA'S
GIANTS OF JAZZ
(2LP Vinyl) UMe

UMe in conjunction with Frank Sinatra Enterprises announces a new exclusive double-vinyl collection from Frank Sinatra, featuring his historic collaborations with Count Basie and Duke Ellington, entitled *The Giants of Jazz*. This special release includes a pair of timeless albums—*It Might as Well Be Swing* with Count Basie and His Orchestra and *Francis A. & Edward K.* with Ellington—newly remastered from the archival recordings. Comprising seminal performances from Sinatra, Basie, and Ellington, the title *The Giants of Jazz* couldn't be more apropos. *It Might as Well Be Swing* initially arrived in August 1964. It saw Sinatra accompanied by Basie in tandem with his orchestra on ten tracks for the second time following 1962's *Sinatra-Basie*, and it was Sinatra's first studio album arranged by Quincy Jones. It housed some of his most celebrated material, ranging from "The Best Is Yet to Come" to the definitive recording of "Fly Me to The Moon (In Other Words)." Famously, the original cover of *It Might as Well Be Swing* also bears the phrase *"A Meeting of Giants."* Then, there's *Francis A. & Edward* K, first released in January 1968, united Sinatra with Ellington and his big band. Among a bevy of highlights, it features an iconic rendition of "All I Need Is the Girl" and "Indian Summer" that includes a wonderful solo by saxophonist Johnny Hodges. Jazz legends Cootie Williams, Cat Anderson, Paul Gonsalves, Russell Procope, and others are also part of the Ellington orchestra. Long time Sinatra arranger, Billy May, did the arrangements for the album. Track listing: ***It Might as Well Be Swing -*** Fly Me to The Moon (In Other Words) - I Wish You Love - I Believe in You - More (Theme from Mondo Cane) - I Can't Stop Loving You - Hello, Dolly! (From Hello, Dolly!) - I Wanna Be Around - The Best Is Yet to Come - The Good Life - Wives and Lovers. ***Francis A. & Edward K. -*** Follow Me - Sunny - All I Need Is the Girl - Indian Summer - I Like the Sunrise - Yellow Days - Poor Butterfly - Come Back to Me.

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

(L-R): Andrew Donovan, candidate for Weymouth Town Councilor at Large, Kathy Rober Kelly, candidate for the District 1 seat, Councilor Gary Dossett, At-Large candidate, Alyson Dossett, At large candidate and Fred Happel, Councilor at Large

WEYMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL FUNDRAISER HELD FOR KATHY ROBER KELLY OVER IN NORTH WEYMOUTH

Kathy Rober Kelly, a friend of mine who lives in north Weymouth, is running for Town Council this coming November. She recently held a very successful fundraiser at the Wessagussett Yacht Club last Friday evening. The place was mobbed with supporters. I work with her over at Quincy High School. She's got a great campaign motto: Kathy says she is running "to make sure Weymouth puts community first." If I still lived in Weymouth, she'd have my vote and she should have yours too.

I WISH THIS CAT WAS RUNNING FOR MAYOR IN BOSTON IN NOVEMBER

There's a Demo-cat shaking things up in NYC. who might even prove to be a fur-midable candidate. There's a sticker campaign going on in Queens, NY.

People are being urged to consider Leo the Cat as a write-in candidate for the Queens City Council seat. His campaign backers say he's the only candidate that gives a damn or meow about the people.

We need a cat in Boston's mayoral race too. If Josh Kraft didn't give a damn or meow, at least we know that Leo does. I wonder if it is legal for a cat to run for the council in NYC and Mayor of Boston simultaneously? I say write Leo's name on Election Day.

NEW ICE CREAM SHOP IN WINTHROP CENTER

I stopped by Winthrop this past weekend and found a rather new ice cream shop located in Winthrop Center. The place is named Riley's Ice Cream. I ordered a small rum raisin on wafer cone. Mmmmm Good.

SACRED HEART MONTHLY DINNERS

The monthly community dinners have become a new Sacred Heart tradition. The next dinner is on Wednesday, October 8th starting at 5:00 p.m. The season is changing too. The BBQ grill is gone and pasta dinners are back on the schedule.

THE 4TH MICHAEL PARISH PICNIC

St. Michael's Parish in Winthrop will be holding its 4th annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 28th following an 11:30 Mass. Tickets only five bucks or $20 per family. Enjoy the music, the barbecue, cold drinks, popcorn, etc. By the way, September 28th just happens to be the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel.

THE NEED CONTINUES AT CHARLESTOWN'S HARVEST ON VINE FOOD PANTRY

Every second Friday of the month, St. Mary's / St. Catherine Parish hosts a food distribution day to the surrounding community organized by the Harvest on Vine Food Pantry run by Tommy MacDonald since its inception over 20 years ago. I have joined other longtime volunteers in helping to set up the event and help distribute food to those living in need of such.

The numbers that show up on a regular basis are still far too long showing how much food insecurity still remains among us in this society of ours. If you would like to help out in any way, just go online to Harvest on Vine Food Pantry.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Police report a local man was arrested after he entered the honeymoon suite at a local hotel while holding an alligator. No injuries reported. Police are unsure what charges the man might face, most likely charge appears to be 'a reptile disruption."

SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ZUMIX NEXT WEEK

Looking for something cool to do next week, then check out HARVEST Z-LOUNGE on Thursday, September 25th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Live performances, Harvest-themed Bake Sale. Harvest-themed attire is encouraged. Free and open to all down at the ZUMIX firehouse on Sumner Street. Check it out.

Harvest on Vine Food Pantry

Well, "The Captain" was at his stand over at the North End Feasts once again as usual and everyone seemed to love what he sells. I guess because I'm half-Irish, there are some things that do not appeal to me but my friends Peter D. and "First Strike" Bob, from the BK Crew up the Heights took an uber from East Boston just to down these suckers.

(Photo by Carmine Pollastretti)

Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance

People have asked me how Nanna and Babbononno met and how my parents ended up together. It seems that the dating customs of today are quite a bit different than in years past. My own experiences are a world away from what the youth of the country experiences today. When I was a kid (many years ago), I met young ladies — neighborhood girls in school, at CYO weekly meetings or via introductions when my grandparents were trying to match me up with the granddaughters of paesani.

My folks weren't like that, but I had heard discussions between Nanna and Babbononno about my social life after puberty set in. Seeing I headed off to English High School, and it was all boys back in the day, I had to rely on other sources when I started dating. I dated casually, but until I was 17 or 18, was more interested in working at the Seville Theater, playing baseball, studying music and hanging around on a given street corner.

One episode that slowed down my finding a girlfriend happened when I was in high school. My street corner friends and I went to a record hop and met a group of Puerto Rican girls from the South End. Each of us became enamored with one of the girls we danced with and would pile into one of the cars to tie up with them a couple of nights per week. One of my friends bought a new Chevy convertible and four of us were going to head to the South End to take our girls to a car hop up on Route 1. On the day the plans were made, I was told that we were to have a surprise quiz in math on the following day. As a result, I didn't go out that night. One of the other guys couldn't make it either, so the owner of the new car and another pal picked up the four girls. En route to the car hop, they got into an accident and the convertible overturned. The two guys were injured along with two of the girls. Unfortunately, the other two girls were killed, one of them my special friend. It would be another couple of years before I got over the shock of her death and felt comfortable dating another girl. By then I was a sophomore in college and had matured a bit, but by then I had so many things on my plate, getting serious wasn't part of the equation.

Back in Babbononno and Nanna's day, things were different. How my grandfather settled in Boston is a story for another day, but after his arrival, he wound up rooming with a group of bachelors on Salem Street in the North End. His roommate and closest friend, Antonio Ceruolo, was doing well as a plasterer and was saving his money to bring his siblings to the states, one by one. Among them was his youngest sister, Giovannina. After she arrived, Babbononno asked his friend, Antonio, if he could date Giovannina under his supervision and that of his two sisters who were already here. The OK was given and the dating began. A couple of years later, they were married at the Mount Carmel Church in East Boston. A year after that, my mother was born and would be the first of the Contini children born in the United State.

When my parents began to date, it was due to an introduction made by both Uncles Paul and Nick. It seems that they were both playing in a band that had Johnny DeChristoforo as the bass player. Known as Johnny Christie, he was rapidly becoming well known as a Boston musician. On a given Saturday, the band had two jobs with a couple of hours between them. Paul and Nick invited John to go home with them and have dinner, after which, they could all head out to the next job. Nanna and her daughter, Angelina, both cooked, preparing for Paul, Nick and their invited guest to arrive.

Within a short period of time, John DeChristoforo began dating Angelina Contini. They actually dated for three years due to the fact that my father went on the road with another band and was back in Boston infrequently. On one of those return trips, Angelina gave him an ultimatum. Even Nanna, who had become quite Americanized, questioned her daughter about the intentions of her fiancé. My mother laid it out on the table, three years was long enough, "Either make a commitment, or break things off." They were married a few months later and would spend the next 55 years together. They were married at the Sacred Heart Parish in East Boston on October 25, 1936, and I showed up almost 2 years later, to the day (October 21st).

I have observed the dating habits of my two sons. Both had girl friends in high school, but both were more involved in sports, baseball and basketball taking up most of their time. In college, they were on their own, away from home, so who knows. When son John met his wife, it was due to the fact that they were both in a wedding party in Washington, D.C., where John went to college. (George Washington U.) John's college roommate was getting married and John was a groom's man and Beth was one of the bride's maids. They met and have been together ever since.

Son Michael is an actor and a health and wellness specialist in New York. He actually gave up the possibility of a career in baseball for acting, and is now doing rather well displaying his talents in business. He has gone through a bevy of young ladies over the years, but now has a wife and two kids. My daughter-in-law works with Michael at his craft, and everything else is secondary (except the kids, Dante and Daniel … they come first).

I don't know if Europe is any different than the U.S. with its dating rituals. I think they have except in Muslim circles, where traditions are closely dictated by religion and strict cultures. One thing I have noticed is that young people are settling down a lot later than in the past. When I was young, if a girl wasn't married by the time she was in her mid to late 20s, she was considered an old maid. Today, even among Italian Americans, marrying is somewhere in the 30s range and is quite common and acceptable.

I was the exception to the rule in my generation. I was so involved with show business, music and education, that I really didn't think about settling down until I was in my mid-thirties, and didn't get married until I hit age 38. Back then, as I said, this was the exception. I wonder if things will change with the next generation that is climbing out of their teens. As far as Italian Americans go, we are 3rd, 4th, and 5th generations in America and Americanization has taken hold. Regardless of when it takes place, there's nothing better than a good old fashion Italian wedding.

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by Marianna Bisignano

As the weather cools, few dishes are as comforting as a steaming bowl of *Polpette in Brodo*; meatballs gently simmered in broth. Thought to have roots in Southern Italy, this classic dish was born of resourcefulness where Nonna's would use leftover meat, finely mince it, season with just a few simple ingredients, and drop the little *polpette* into a bubbling pot of broth. Traditionally, the broth begins with a *soffritto* of onion, carrot, and celery, which together with the meatballs, simmers for hours, creating a delicate yet deeply flavored soup. For me, *Polpette in Brodo* carries generations of memories. I can still picture myself rolling tiny meatballs beside my grandmother, just as my daughter later did with my mother. No matter how many were made, everyone always seemed to want extra meatballs in their bowl. While chicken soup is often filled with greens and other ingredients, in *Polpette in Brodo*, the meatballs take center stage. Today I'm sharing my family's version, which includes a few extra touches. Feel free to make it just as we do, or keep it simple by leaving out the optional ingredients.

NONNA'S MEATBALLS in BROTH

Polpette in Brodo della Nonna

1 to 1 ½ cups olive oil
1 large onion, minced
4 to 5 carrots, minced
4 to 5 stalks celery, minced
4 garlic cloves, pressed (optional)
3 to 4 bay leaves
Salt and fresh ground peppercorns, to taste
1 large beef shank (optional)
2 pounds ground beef, or 1 pound beef + 1 pound pork
1–1 ½ cups plain breadcrumbs
½–1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
1 handful fresh parsley, chopped
½ small onion, finely minced
2 eggs, beaten
Salt and pepper, to taste
Water or whole milk, as needed

Optional Additions:

½ pound ditalini pasta, cooked al dente
2–3 cooked carrots, chopped
1–2 cooked potatoes, chopped

To make the broth, in a large stockpot, warm the olive oil over low to medium heat. Add the minced onion, carrots, celery, and garlic (if using). Sauté until softened. If using a beef shank, push the vegetables to the side of the pot and sear the shank on both sides until browned. Season with salt and pepper, then add water to create the stock. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat, and simmer for about 20 minutes.

To make the meatballs, in a large bowl, combine the ground meat, breadcrumbs, Parmesan, parsley, onion, and eggs. Season with salt and pepper. Add a little water or milk as needed to moisten the mixture. Using your hands, mix gently until combined, then roll into small meatballs. Raise the broth to medium heat. Gradually add the meatballs to the pot. Allow the broth to return to a boil, then reduce to a gentle simmer. Cook uncovered for 3 to 4 hours, skimming occasionally if needed. If desired, stir in cooked carrots, potatoes, and ditalini pasta during the last 15 minutes of cooking. Serve hot, with extra Parmesan cheese, if desired.

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THOUGHTS BY DAN
ABOUT THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso

But First, Vienna

Hofburg

It started the moment I left Vienna Airport and it didn't leave me until I returned to the airport. It was all over the city that inspired Johann Strauss and Beethoven, both indoors and out. It was an indefinable aroma, part floral, part confectionary in essence and all transporting to a time of gilded elegance. This was too strong to ignore and so I had to Google for the answer, which was that in Vienna history lives.

Centuries of royal balls, masquerade parties and events at the courts of dukes and their families have left their mark on the city. The perfumes, powders and scents of palace kitchens which clouded these gatherings have become a fixture in the very walls of the old city, making their presence known in the warmer months, transporting visitors to an age gone by.

Vienna is in all immediate appearance a city as elegant today as it was when the waltzes of Strauss were introduced. She is so unfailing true to her reputation, so little does she stray from her collective cultural depiction, as a city of palaces and artists that expectations cannot help but be met.

Her heart is, after all, the Hofburg, the former imperial palace dating back to the 13th century that today not only houses the office of the President of Austria but also enshrines the nation's history, culture and epicenter. In this respect it is much like the Smithsonian is to Washington, but archives and artifacts naturally going back centuries farther.

An archeological site outside of the Hofburg showcasing three eras of Austrian history.

But this was not where I started my day after taking a shuttle from the airport to the historic center of the city. My first stop was a café on Wallnerstrabe called Verde which, if anything, enhanced the aroma of the city tenfold. It is a traditional café basked in the opulence of Vienna, its pancake and French toast offerings themselves are literally covered in richness. They come in two coatings, vanilla or pistachio. Both come covered in currants and berries, both are culinary masterworks.

Austrian National Library

Stairwell of the Hofburg

Making my way toward the Hofburg I found the first stagnant crowd around St. Stephen's Cathedral where the narrow streets began to expand into a lively center of shops and plazas.

Like the Smithsonian, a closer-counterpart to which I have never seen, the Hofburg is composed of multiple museums, each tied to a different area of interest as well as the Austrian National Library, a stunning atheneum of manuscripts, maps, folios and books cataloging the history of Austria.

The Hofburg is part traditional museum, featuring works of art and its comprehensive collection of artifacts and books and part garden where the iconic horse carriages take visitors through its lush pathways.

I spent the majority of my day in Vienna at the Hofburg, particularly at the library, before crossing the Vienna Ring Road to the Kunsthistorisches Museum Wien, one of the largest art museums in the world.

After dinner I stopped at a small bakery for croissants to take with me on my ride back to the airport and for my next flight to Yerevan where I would continue my research into the fall of the Ottoman Empire and the brutalities it bestowed up until its collapse after World War I. Fittingly I started my journey in Austria a nation that, if not the starting point of the war as often credited, was certainly one of its most powerful players. Throughout two world wars and centuries of battle, its beauty and elegance have never dimmed. The opulence is literally felt in the air.

Kunsthisturisches Museum Wien

Artifacts at Kunsthisturisches Museum Wien

Artifacts at Kunsthisturisches Museum Wien

Me at St. Stephens Cathedral

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The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

Docket No. MI25C0957CA

In the Matter of
LINDSAY ELIZABETH BEATTY

CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A **Petition to Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Lindsay Elizabeth Beatty** of **Winchester, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to **Lindsay Elizabeth Tully.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 07, 2025. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO, First Justice of this Court
Date: September 16, 2025
Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate
Run Date: 09/19/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Stephens Automotive Transport, 60 Union Street, Medford, MA 02155**, pursuant to the provisions of G.L.c.255 39A, that on **September 26, 2025 at 10AM**, at said address, the following motor vehicle(s) will be sold, in as is condition, no keys, at public sale to satisfy our garage keeper's lien thereon for towing, storage, and expenses of notice and sale:

2014 MERCEDES-BENZ E-CLASS, SILVER
WDDKJ8JB3EF254798

2009 BMW 528xi, BLACK
WBANV13569C153429

2009 ISUZU NPR, WHITE
JALC4W16197000759

2016 HONDA CR-V, RED
5J6RM4H41GL091552

2015 BMW 525i, BLUE
WBAXH5C54DD111156

2015 MERCEDES-BENZ ML, BLACK
4JGDA5HBXFA458760

2012 AUDI A6, BLACK
WAUBGAFC4CN017643

2021 HONDA CR-V, BLACK
2HKRW2H87MH649203

2015 HYUNDAI SONATA, RED
5NPE24AF4FH171484

2013 SUBARU FORESTER, SILVER
JF2SHABC2DH425078

2021 CHEVROLET SILVERADO, RED
1GC4YVEY5MF220405

Run dates: 09/12, 09/19, 09/26/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Todisco Services, Inc., with its corporate office located at **171 Boston Street, Salem, MA 01970,** under the provisions of Mass G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, will sell the following vehicles on or after **October 13, 2025** by public or private sale to satisfy a lien for towing, storage, and all other fees due.

2012 HYUNDAI SONATA
Vin #5NPEC4ACXCH325159

2006 HONDA CIVIC
Vin #2HGFG12856H508520

2004 HONDA ACCORD
Vin #1HGCM56634A017175

2011 DODGE AVENGER
Vin #1B3BD1FGXBN586494

2016 VOLVO XC90
Vin #YV4A22PK9G1014272

2024 ZHILONG ST
Vin #HZ2TBCNF3R1006258

2010 NISSAN SENTRA
Vin #3N1AB6AP7AL697672

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Please email for specific information
info@todiscotowing.com

Run dates: 09/19, 09/26, 10/03/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. SU25P2078EA

Estate of
CHRISTOPHER B. KELLEHER

Date of Death: July 26, 2025

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Karen Kelleher** of **Harwinton, CT**.

Karen Kelleher of **Harwinton, CT** 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: 09/19/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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

Docket No. SU25P1877EA

Estate of
DONALD TAO CHEN

Date of Death: December 10, 2023

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Yvonne Chen** of **Potomac, MD**.

Yvonne Chen of **Potomac, MD** 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: 09/19/2025

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Todisco Services, Inc., with its corporate office located at **171 Boston Street, Salem, MA 01970,** under the provisions of Mass G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, will sell the following vehicles on or after **October 06, 2025** by public or private sale to satisfy a lien for towing, storage, and all other fees due.

2008 INFINITI M35
Vin #JNKAY01F78M656327

2014 TOYOTA CAMRY
Vin #4T4BF1FK0ER342653

2024 ZHILONG ST
Vin #HZ2TBCNF2R1009426

2012 TOYOTA COROLLA
Vin #2T1BU4EE8CC817848

2007 HONDA ACCORD
Vin #1HGCM55817A012595

1998 HONDA ACCORD
Vin #1HGCG2251WA033882

2024 ZHILONG ST
Vin #HZ2TBCNF5R1008271

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Run dates: 09/12, 09/19, 09/26/2025

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Middlesex Division

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Woburn, MA 01801
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Docket No. MI25P4275EA

Estate of
HERBERT PUTNAM WILKINS
Also Known As:
HERBERT P. WILKINS

Date of Death: May 27, 2025

INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Angela M. Wilkins** of **Concord, MA,** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Angela M. Wilkins of **Concord, 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: 09/19/2025

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Docket No. MI25A0584AD

CITATION
G. L. c. 210, § 6

In the matter of
AVIEN'SKIE CORNILEUS LAMBERT

To any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth.

A petition has been presented to said court by **Kerri Lyn Lambert** of **Lowell, MA** requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to**.**

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

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

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT **WOBURN** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON **OCTOBER 31, 2025.**

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 05, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run dates: 09/12, 09/19, 09/26/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Todisco Services, Inc., with its corporate office located at **171 Boston Street, Salem, MA 01970,** under the provisions of Mass G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, will sell the following vehicles on or after **September 29, 2025** by public or private sale to satisfy a lien for towing, storage, and all other fees due.

2003 TOYOTA CAMRY
Vin # 4T1BE32KX3U748418

2007 HONDA CIVIC
Vin # 1HGFA16847L045754

2010 HONDA ACCORD
Vin # 1HGCP2F38AA145936

2004 ACURA TL
Vin # 19UUA662X4A058645

2012 FORD EXPLORER
Vin # 1FMHK8D81CGA97213

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Run dates: 09/05, 09/12, 09/19/2025

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Docket No. MI25C0941CA

In the Matter of
DAMIEN EDWARD RODRIGUEZ

CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A **Petition to Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **Damien Edward Rodriguez** of **Woburn, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to **Damien Edward Smith.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Middlesex Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of October 06, 2025. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court,
Date: September 08, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run Date: 09/19/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI25P4524EA

Estate of
GREGORY RONALD BUCK

Date of Death: April 06, 2025

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 **Eric Buck** of **New York, NY** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Eric Buck** of **New York, NY** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **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 October 10, 2025.

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. TERRI L. KLUG CAFAZZO,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 12, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run date: 09/19/2025

EXTRA *Innings*

by Sal Giarratani

Phil Mushnick Covers More Than Baseball

I love reading Phil Mushnick's baseball columns in the NY Post. He and I think alike when it comes to all that stinks today in Major League Baseball. He always calls it like he sees it too.

Mushnick recently wrote of the death of Charlie Kirk in the last paragraph of his commentary this past Sunday, saying, "At 31, Charlie K was what all Americans, not just conservative-Americans, needed. He was modest, had a sense of humor, knew his past and current stuff, and was especially one-on-one tolerant with the intolerant. He might have accomplished for all of us what fewer and fewer can, wish or strive to accomplish."

Yankees and Gerrit Cole

The 2025 season has about a week's worth of games before it's a wrap. At the moment both the Red Sox and Yankees are still in the hunt for both of the Wild Cards spots. Neither team is really impressive. Neither of them looks like they will catch up to Toronto to who lead the AL East this year. Toronto ain't that great either but in the division, they seem to be the cream of the crop.

If you listen to Alex Cora, getting the second Wild Card spot is almost as great as winning the World Series, it isn't. Meanwhile the Yankees were a big disappointment this year. For a while, the team looked great and then the CRASH came. Since then, the Yankees remain a difficult team to figure out.

The Yankees most likely would be racing to top the AL East but with Cole going out last March as this season began in need of season-ending Tommy John surgery, the Yankees were doomed. I feel sorry for Aaron Boone but not really. I still can't figure out how he is still manager of the Yanks. To be fair to Boone, I am also at a loss for all the confidence Red Sox management still has in the steel drum instincts of Alex Cora.

Had Cole been healthy this season, the Yankees might have had at least 10 more victories. Aaron Judge the slugger is a big part of this team's successes this season but the season-long absence of Cole on the mound hurt big time.

Visited the Twin Cities Again this Summer

While most baseball fans know who the Minnesota Twins are, their Triple A team in St. Paul also has quite a fanbase of its own . The team is called the St. Paul Saints and their baseball caps are cool-looking with a blue-colored STP emblem on 'em. The team's motto "Fun is good. it's what we do." Next year on my return, gotta take in a Saints' game to have some fun too.

"The Fall-Star Game"

I still struggle to love Major League Baseball but this game ain't what it once was. The people running this sport are running it down in so many obvious ways. Are fans running from this sport just because it is boring? Because ticket pricing is too high? Because you can't afford to buy anything to eat without taking out a second mortgage on your home. Baseball is like everything else today. Quality baseball hasn't been the same since the Steroids Era. I rarely watch more than a handful of games and I haven't gone to a single game at Fenway in over two seasons now.

You know, my favorite newspaper baseball writer is Phil Mushnick and he recently (July 27th) wondered aloud why MLB still has an All-Star game, the so-called midsummer Classic between the two leagues when inter-league play is now constantly taking place throughout the whole season. Back in my youth, I remember going to that Jimmy Fund game between the Milwaukee Braves and Boston Red Sox. It was an opportunity to see NL greats like Hank Aaron, Warren Spahn and Eddie Matthews in person. Those games never counted in the standings and were fund-raising exhibition games.

There was the National League and there was the American League and never the two shall meet. Each league had Cy Youngs, Home Run Kings, etc. I remember seasons when top pitchers got traded midseason to the other league. If they won 20 , the two or more, they couldn't be 20 game winners in either league. Always thought that was crazy.

Maybe Mushnick is right. Both leagues play so many inter-league games, why still have All-Star games anymore? And it's not like everyone actually watches this game anymore either. Just a thought. Any thoughts out there on this subject? *sal.giarratani@gmail.com.*

Here is Stephen Scapicchio taking a selfie with NY Yankees fan Anthony recently at the St. Anthony's Feast over in the North End.

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Docket No. SU25P2041EA

Estate of
MATTEO DINO GALLO
Also Known As:
MATTEO D. GALLO

Date of Death: July 26, 2025

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 **Gina McCullough** of **South Yarmouth, 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: **Gina McCullough** of **South Yarmouth, MA** and **Matteo G. Gallo** of **Winchester, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **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 October 21, 2025.

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.

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Witness, HON. JANINE D. RIVERS,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 09, 2025

Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

Run date: 09/19/2025

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

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2002 CHEVROLET SILVERADO, GREEN
2GCEK19T121234836

2008 MAZDA MAZDA3, GRAY
JM1BK32FX81164285

2019 CHEVROLET EXPRESS, YELLOW
1GCWGAFPOK1337698

2010 BUICK LACROSSE, SILVER
1G4GD5EG1AF199530

2007 CHEVROLET SILVERADO, BEIGE
1GCHK29K97E510664

2003 HONDA ELEMENT, BLUE
5J6YH28533L040593

2021 TESLA MODEL 3, WHITE
5YJ3E1EB2MF098518

2022 SUBARU WRX, BLUE
JF1VBAN63N8006070

2008 NISSAN VERSA, GRAY
3N1BC13E68L391430

2001 HONDA CIVIC, GOLD
2HGES16581H577835

2013 LAND ROVER RANGE ROVER, WHITE
SALSF2D49DA762025

2000 SUZUKI GRAND VITARA, WHITE
JS3TD62VXY4109620

2005 TOYOTA COROLLA, SILVER
1NXBR32E05Z531686

2008 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER, RED
1GNDT13S182189115

1998 STARCRAFT CAMPER, WHITE
1SAAS01E5W1GL4090

2023 JIAJUE JJ150T-5, BLACK
LLPTGKBN3P1010157

2022 YONGFU YN50QT, BLACK
LL0TCAPM2NG000394

2006 PIAGGIO VESPA, BLACK
ZAPC386BX65001808

2023 JIAJUE JJ150T-5, BLUE
LLPTGKBN0P1030429

2012 ZHEJIANG YY50QT-6, BLUE
L8YTCAPF8CYC03555

Run dates: 09/05, 09/12, 09/19/2025

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Boxing Ringside

WITH BOBBY FRANKLIN

Lights!, Camera!, Action!

I have always been amazed at how much of the action that takes place in a boxing ring can be captured in a single moment. Though these photos are of just a split second in the fights they were taken at, you can see and feel the action and excitement taking place. You can also observe the great techniques practiced by these boxing artists. The positioning, balance, leverage, and timing are all seen here. With these fighters it was a lot more than just trading punches. They had truly honed their skills.

Tony Canzoneri (Left) And Lou Ambers appear to be taking flight in their 1936 battle.

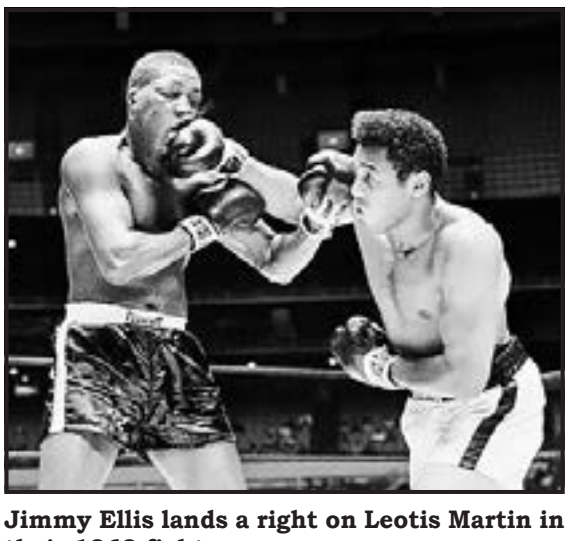
Tony Zale drives Rocky Graziano into the ropes.

Jake LaMotta And Sugar Ray Robinson. If looks could kill.

Henry Armstrong on the attack against Fritzie Zivic. Notice how Armstrong has positioned himself to the side of Zivic.

Cassius Clay delivering a straight right to the jaw of Doug Jones.

Billy Conn demonstrating excellent defensive positioning against Joe Louis in their first fight.



Jimmy Ellis lands a right on Leotis Martin in their 1968 fight.

Billy Ryan lands a hard right on Rory Calhoun in 1960.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss

His career straddled two eras — one largely forgotten now and the other a harbinger of the contemporary game.

That was Ed Giacomin, the Hall of Fame NHL goalie who guarded the crease for both the New York Rangers and the Detroit Red Wings during a lengthy career in the National Hockey League.

The Hall of Fame goalie died at his home in Michigan on September 14th at age 86.

He never played for the Bruins but came geographically close — putting in five full seasons for the then Providence Reds before moving on to the New York Rangers at age 26 where he came of age and became a beloved personality at Madison Square Garden.

He led the league in games played by goalies for four consecutive seasons from 1967 through 1971. He also led the league in shutouts in 1967, 1968 and 1971. He posted 56 shutouts during his career.

In 1972, he faced the Bruins in the Stanley Cup Final. It was the first time the Rangers had advanced to the Final since 1950 and the first time the Bruins and Rangers had met in the championship round since 1929. The Bruins won the series four games to two.

Although he never won a Stanley Cup, he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1987. His uniform number ("1") was retired by the Rangers in 1989.

Giacomin was one of the last members of a bygone era–the time in hockey history when goalies played their position open faced without wearing masks. He definitely wore one from the start of 1970-1971 season onward through the remainder of his NHL career which spanned in total the years 1965 to 1978.

After his playing career concluded he served as a hockey broadcaster for the New York Islanders and later worked with the Islanders and Rangers as an assistant coach and with the Rangers as a goaltending coach. All in all, a hockey life well lived.

A MAN WITH A MOTIVE? We read with interest the recent announcement that retired NFL star quarterback Tom Brady is coming out of retirement to partake in another version of football.

As in touch football.

The event, called the Fanatics Flag Football Classic, will bring together numerous current and former NFL Players for the three-team event to be held on March 21, 2026 in Saudi Arabia.

The tournament will feature Brady reuniting with former New England Patriots teammate Rob Gronkowski. We know they will play on the same team because Brady has stated he "would never play against him."

Part of Brady's deal with the Saudi government is to promote the event. It will be televised nationally back to the United States.

Brady talked about the attention and energy focused on the inaugural tournament.

"It is the first year we have ever done anything like this but all the players that I have talked to are excited about playing," Brady said in an interview with the *Associated Press*.

There are several dimensions to this. The first one to consider is what is missing from Brady's trophy cabinet. He has collected seven Super Bowl titles but for decades all forms of football have been shut out of the Olympics.

Not this time around. Starting with the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles flag football will be an official Olympic sport featuring one tournament for men and another for women.

How does Thomas Edward Patrick Brady Olympic Gold Medalist sound? We think it must sound great to him.

And now you know his motivation. Even Brady himself alluded to it when he stated: "Obviously with the Olympics coming up in 2028 this tournament will be the players' first exposure to it (flag football) and I did not want to miss out on being a part of it."

Thus, play in this annual event for three years before advancing to the Olympic tournament in the summer of 2028. By then you've had time to absorb all the rules and strategies that make up flag football's fine points. Plus, you probably have played with or against your fellow Team USA teammates.

In addition, this could serve to keep Brady high in the minds of the sports public. There is no faster fadeout than a player who is not playing, although Brady has managed to blunt that a good deal by serving as a TV commentator during NFL games.

The March event is positioned to catch the eyes of sports fans in this country. Whether that will happen or not remains to be seen.

The flag football tournament in Saudi Arabia will take place during the hugely popular men's and women's "March Madness" basketball tournaments. With a seven-hour time difference between the U.S. Eastern Time zone and the tournament site (noon in Boston is 7:00 p.m. in Saudi Arabia), this means that the flag football event could be running up against a full schedule of nationally televised college basketball tournament games plus college hockey playoff games involving New England teams. The only way around that is to have an afternoon start at the game site — 4:00 p.m. in Saudi Arabia for a 9:00 a.m. start on the U.S. East Coast. That is not an especially good time slot for a weekend broadcast.

Whether this form of "counter programming" by Fox is enough to put a dent in the ratings of the basketball games shown by CBS and Turner Sports on Saturday, March 21st remains to be seen.

But it does mean that Tom Brady is off and running once again on the field — A Man with A Motive.