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Councilor Lydia Edwards

Submits Statement of Candidacy



the district between April 27th and May 18th in order to appear on the ballot.

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"I'm so excited to kick off the campaign and get out into the district collecting signatures," said Edwards. "Representing this district for the last three years has been the honor of a lifetime. I'm excited for the opportunity to continue serving in this role. I can't wait to get out there and safely collect signatures."

Volunteers interested in helping Edwards collect signatures (while observing strict COVID safety protocols), phone bank, or hosting a virtual meet and greet can sign up at http://bit.ly/EdwardsVolunteer2021.

LYDIA EDWARDS

- Boston City Councilor

EAST BOSTON ★ CHARLESTOWN ★ NORTH END

News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

Fundraising to Remodel Eastie's Soup Kitchen

"We hope this message finds you doing well. We are excited to send the news to announce the launch of our fundraising campaign to renovate our East Boston Community Soup Kitchen space located at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in East Boston.

Please consider making a donation today; any amount makes a huge difference and it is greatly appreciated. We have set a goal of \$50,000 to bring the kitchen space up to code, to renovate working and cooking space, to buy new appliances and to improve our storage of perishables and non perishable items.

We will be fundraising this entire year through different events and teaming up with other local residents and businesses to help reach this goal. We believe this is a vitally important campaign for us and by renovating this space we will be able to serve many more of our guests who are experiencing food insecurity, homeless, mental health, substance use disorder, trauma and more.

With your support, we will start construction as soon as we have enough funds to start this wonderful project. Our dream is to have all renovations done by no later than August of 2021 so that we can serve our community

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EWAN BOATS Open Saturday, May 8^{th}



Mayor Kim Janey is pleased to announce that the popular Boston Swan Boats will open for the 2021 season at the Boston Public Garden lagoon on Saturday, May 8th, at 10:00 a.m.

For the first time in its history, this annual rite of spring did not take place last year due to COVID-19 and the Paget family is pleased to bring this tradition back to the Public Garden. In keeping with current health guidelines masks are required and passengers will be safely spaced both in line and on the Swan Boats.

Launched in 1877 by Irish immigrant and shipbuilder

Robert Paget, the Swan Boats continue to be owned and operated by the Paget family. Mr. Paget designed the Swan Boats after attending the opera Lohengrin in New York City. At the end of the opera, the hero crosses a river in a boat drawn by a swan.

2021 marks the 144th season for the Swan Boats. The oldest and smallest boat in the fleet just celebrated its 111th season, while the newest was launched in 1993. The swan on today's boats is made from either copper or fiberglass, depending on the age of the boat, and encloses a paddle mechanism that is

used to foot propel the boat through the water.

Fully loaded, each Swan Boat weighs three tons and is powered by the driver using a foot-propelled paddle wheel. The Swan Boats are built on oak framed pontoons sheathed in copper just as they were initially constructed in 1877. After being stored in a safe place for the winter, the boats are returned to the Public Garden Lagoon in the spring.

For more info, visit the Swan Boats of Boston online at: www.swanboats.com, call 617-522-1966, or email: info@swanboats.com.

NEW Health COVID-19 Vaccination Program in the North End and Charlestown:

Updated Hours for Spring 2021

NEW Health, a federally qualified health center and an affiliate of Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston Medical Center, is continuing its Community Vaccination Program and now accepting appointments for all Bostonians ages 18 and older as the state enters Phase 3 of its COVID-19 vaccination rollout Monday, April 19th. (NEW Health is currently administering Moderna, which is not available for ages 16 and 17.)

The health center is providing vaccines to patients and residents of the North End and Charlestown as well as the Beacon Hill, West End and Downtown Boston neighborhoods. The North End vaccination clinic has moved to St. Leonard's Church, while the Charlestown site remains at NEW Health.

Appointments are required and individuals must be registered with Mass General Brigham; individuals interested in making an appointment can reach the dedicated phone lines by calling 617-724-8725 for the North End location and 857-238-1141 for the Charlestown location, where they will be prompted to leave a message with their information and a patient service representative will call them back to schedule. Individuals who are not yet registered with Mass General Brigham should call 866-211-6588 to register.

WHEN: Hours for each site are available as follows:

North End: Thursdays 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Fridays 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. St. Leonard's Church – Enter at 31 Prince St., Boston, MA.

Charlestown: Scheduled based on need and vaccine availability NEW Health 15 Tufts St., Charlestown, MA; enter behind the health center

About NEW Health

As a federally qualified health center and an affiliate of Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston Medical Center, North End Waterfront Health (NEW Health) extends its world-renowned healthcare services to people who live and work in and around Boston's North End, Waterfront and Charlestown neighborhoods. NEW Health is committed to improving the quality of health and life for those it serves by providing high quality health care that is consumer oriented, culturally appropriate, neighborhood-based, affordable, and produces positive outcomes.

NEW Health has been serving the North End of Boston and the surrounding community since 1971. In addition to primary care services for all patients, many specialty services are also offered including dental, vision, behavioral health, obstetrics, gynecology, laboratory services and x-ray services. NEW Health is a private, non-profit corporation that is governed by a communitybased Board of Directors and licensed by the Department of Public Health. More information at: www.newhealthcenter.org, on Facebook, Instagram and

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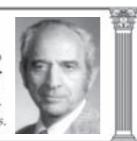
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they were relocated to the ends of

Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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



THE EARLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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a colonnaded atrium in front of

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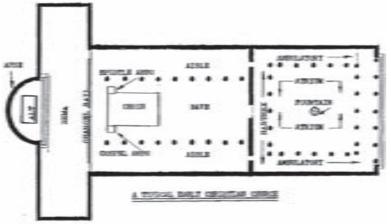
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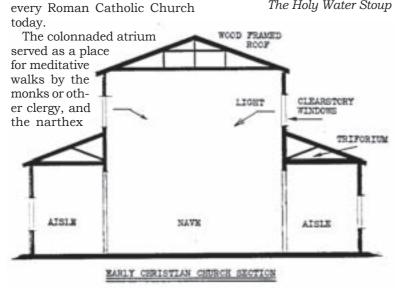
It is understandable that with timber ceilings; 6. a high ceiling the great numbers of persons flocking to the Christian faith, and not being content with second-hand buildings, a crash program of church building was begun. Thirty-one Christian they dug a well or erected Churches were built in Rome alone. The layout or plan of these churches was influenced by that of the pagan basilica, and these thirty-one were known as basilican-style churches, or simply basilican churches. Most of these original structures have been either remodeled or were destroyed for various reasons. Probably the most famous is "S. Paolo Fuori Le Mura" (St. Paul's Outside of the Walls) in Rome. It was partly destroyed and rebuilt twice, still in use today, and said to be the largest and most impressive church of that era.

The characteristics of Early Christian Churches are: 1. Basilican in plan; 2. a center nave with side aisles; 3. an apse with a decorated semi-dome, raised floor and altar; 4. a chancel rail with triumphal arch above; 5. richly carved and gilded

bemas. Each of the ambos is the appropriate reading stand for the gospel or epistle. All other areas need no explanation.

This design served the church needs adequately, except that the dry timber roofs were often struck by lightning. The lack of proper fire fighting equipment permitted serious damage to occur to the roof structure or, at times, even the destruction of the entire roof. The next logical step then, was to construct the roofs of stone by building a series of vaults and arches. Inadequate knowledge about arch thrusts caused some sidewalls to spread and roofs to fall. This problem was solved during the Romanesque period which came later.

> **NEXT ISSUE:** *The Holy Water Stoup*



Espresso Drinks Forever Stamps Now on Sale

The U.S. Postal Service celebrates America's love of coffee today with the issuance of four new stamps. Whether milky, dark as night, sweetened, flavored or highly concentrated, many coffee drinks have one thing in common — they begin with espresso.

This booklet of 20 stamps features four unique designs illustrating popular espresso drinks—espresso, cappuccino, time high. With the growing caffe latte and caffe mocha. It popularity of artisanal coffee may be purchased at: *usps.com*.

Capturing the inviting atmosphere of an early 20th-century each digital illustration with the style of 1920s and 1930s advertising posters in mind.

The names of the espresso drinks appear in art decoinspired lettering above or below each enticing cup.

Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamps with original artwork by Allen.

Espresso drinking in the United States is at an allshops, extensive research on the roasting and brewing process, and continued innovacafé, artist Terry Allen created tion in machinery to make the CAPPUCCINO

perfect cup, specialty coffee is better than it has ever been.

When it comes to espresso, most Americans rely on a barista working at a coffeehouse to carefully craft their specialty drink, but at-home espresso machines are also growing in popularity. Whether a routine part of getting going in the morning or a reason to gather socially at a local café, drinking beverages made with espresso has become increasingly trendy.

Customers may purchase stamps and other philatelic products through the Postal Store at: usps.com/shop stamps, by calling 844-737-7826, by mail through: USA Philatelic, or at Post Office locations nationwide.

Vice Adm. Linda L. Fagan

Nominated to be Coast Guard Vice Commandant. First Coast Guard Female 4-Star Admiral



First Coast Guard female 4-star admiral Vice Adm. Linda L. Fagan

Vice Adm. Linda L. Fagan has been nominated by the White House to be the next Vice Commandant of the U.S. Coast

She currently serves as the commander of the Coast Guard Pacific Area, overseeing all Coast Guard missions from the Rocky Mountains to the waters off the East Coast of Africa. Fagan concurrently serves as commander, Defense Force West and provides Coast

Guard mission support to the Department of Defense and Combatant Commanders. Fagan is a 1985 graduate of the Coast Guard Academy and is the Coast Guard's firstever Gold Ancient Trident, the officer with the longest service record in the Marine Safety

"Vice Adm. Fagan is an outstanding leader with 36 years of Coast Guard operations, policy-making, joint service, and interagency experience,' said Adm. Karl L. Schultz, Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard. "Throughout her distinguished career, she has been a top performer and a trailblazer. As the Coast Guard's first female four-star admiral, and President Biden's nominee to serve as the Coast Guard's 32nd Vice Commandant, Adm. Fagan will be instrumental in moving the Service forward at a critical juncture in our history."

Pending confirmation, Fagan is expected to relieve current Vice Commandant of the Coast Guard Adm. Charles W. Ray on June 18th.

North Washington Street Bridge Replacement



COMMERCIAL STREET LANE REDUCTION

On Wednesday, April 28, there will be a lane closure on Commercial Street to make room for a work zone near the Keany Square section of the project site. The lane closure will occur to prepare for concrete work on piers. Closure begins at 4:00 a.m. and will end at 2:00 p.m.

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

New AARP Analysis Shows Massachusetts COVID Cases and Deaths Declining in Nursing Homes; Chronic Problems Remain

The latest release of AARP's Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard shows that both cases and deaths in nursing homes declined in the four weeks ending March 21, 2021. Although these rates are improving, chronic problems in nursing homes — revealed during the COVID-19 pandemic — continue. In Massachusetts, during the four weeks ending March 21, 2021, .49% of nursing homes reported a shortage of nurses or aides, down from 2.4% from the previous reporting period.

Deaths of nursing home residents in Massachusetts have significantly decreased from the previous period, dropping from a rate of .79 to .10 per 100 residents. New infections among residents and staff also declined to less than half of previous levels. Resident cases fell from 2.4 to .34 per 100 residents, and new staff cases declined from 2.4 to .49 per 100 residents.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has brought to light the chronic, ongoing problems that have plagued the nursing home industry for decades, including staffing shortages, poor infection control, transparency, and accountability, said Mike Festa, AARP Massachusetts State Director. "Following the COVID-related deaths of more than 9,000 nursing home residents and staff in Massachusetts, now is the time to eradicate these failings that jeopardize the health and safety of nursing home residents."

AARP continues to urge elected officials to act immediately, focusing this year on:

- Enacting or making permanent the components of AARP's
 - o Prioritizing regular and ongoing testing and adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) for residents and staff — as well as inspectors and any visitors.
 - o Improving transparency focused on daily, public reporting of cases and deaths in facilities; communication with families about discharges and transfers; and accountability for state and federal funding that goes to facilities.
 - o Ensuring access to in-person visitation following federal and state guidelines for safety, and require continued access to virtual visitation for all residents.
 - o Ensuring quality care for residents through adequate staffing, oversight, and access to in-person formal advocates, called long-term care Ombudsmen.
 - o Rejecting immunity for long-term care facilities related to COVID-19.
 - Establishing minimum nursing staffing standards
- Ensuring progress is made so that in-person visitation can safely occur and facilitating virtual visitation
- Creating a pathway for single occupancy rooms in nursing homes

The AARP Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard analyzes federally reported data in four-week periods going back to June 1, 2020. Using this data, the AARP Public Policy Institute, in collaboration with the Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University in Ohio, created the dashboard to provide snapshots of the virus' infiltration into nursing homes and impact on nursing home residents and staff, to identify specific areas of concern at the national and state levels in a timely manner.

The complete Nursing Home COVID-19 Dashboard is available at: www.aarp.org/nursinghomedashboard. For more information on how COVID is impacting nursing homes and AARP's advocacy on this issue, visit: www.aarp.org/nursinghomes.

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Sunny Abakwue

Prolific Author

by John Joseph Fahey

Recently, I had the opportunity to interview author Sunny A. Abakwue on Radio International 1600 on WUNR radio, (1600 on the AM dial), which is also heard online on WUNR.com.

To indicate that Sunny is a prolific writer would be an understatement; indeed, Sunny has written 29 books (as well as co-authoring 6 others with his brother Francis) that cover 10 genres and includes, among others, 12 novels, along with works in non-fiction, comedy, plays, poems and religion.

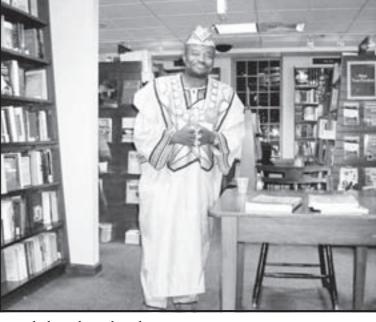
This author's journey to a literary career started many years ago; although Sunny is now local, he draws his experiences from his background in the country of Nigeria and in his college career in the United States. Sunny began writing 33 years ago while a sophomore at college located at the foot of the Ozarks in Arkansas.

As Sunny explained on the radio interview, he is the son of Chief and Mrs. Abakwue and was born in the small village called Unueke-Ohanze, which is situated 7 miles from the city of Nigeria. Sunny indicated that over the course of these past years his writing reflected and continues to reflect not only his home culture on the African continent, but also addresses a wide literary scope in terms of philosophy, history and current affairs, and often takes an allegorical approach.

With an impressive list of books (available on Amazon. com,) some of the titles are indicative of works for those looking for literature on selfempowerment which total 5 books including: Abundant Wealth, Path to Progress (originally written in Sunny's native language,) Amazing Success and Success to Prosperity and

Sunny's eclectic index of books (which also contains a series, albeit in progress,) can be considered appealing not only due to content but because of the diversity of the topics. The various titles represents books such as one of religious commentary with Christ Entered Jerusalem (published in 2000) and one consisting of a collection of poetry called *Mother's Advice*; (there are a total of 6 collections on Poetry.)The realm of entertainment is also a part of his plethora of works — including plays, with his two books: The Bright Jubilees and Spring of Entertainments. And, in 2011, the book Class of Laughter, Melodious Comedies was published, thereby including the category of comedy to an already imposing list of subjects. It is with these books (as well as with others) that Sunny has reached out to the entertainment community in the hope of generating interest in producing his narratives on film.

Not only has he attempted to approach those who would be instrumental in helping developing film or television projects but has also made appearances both on television and radio in marketing his work - and continues to do so. Sunny has



stated that there has been a positive response from a few and hopes that projects will result but promotion remains a daunting task as because there are so many scripts being written and programs developed, promotion remains a daunting task. However, Sunny believes that with perseverance coupled with a product that communicates such important messages, eventually his work will be discovered.

Two particular works in progress and one coming under the topic of religion is Heaven at War, an ambitious novel relating to the conflict between Lucifer and the good angels. One might say ambitious because there are already sequels planned. And another penned work that is notable, alone for its sheer length is a 7-volume tome, which Sunny refers to as his "literary endeavor" about a lad who was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Igboland.

Concerning historical subjects, Sunny is currently working on *Ojukwu Cried* — a manuscript addressing the Nigerian-

To further augment on his book's varied and assorted themes, Sunny also wrote two books in his native language, Igbo. The titles are Ijo Ego and Uzo Uba Na Oganiru. And, to provide a supplement for those wanting to know this language, language Sunny has written two teaching manuals in this language called Igbo Bu Eze and Igbo Di Nfe.

During our one hour interview on Radio International (Sunny who has also been a guest with regular host Evelyn Prophete) answered a question that many listeners, (as well as readers of this article) might be wondering: How is he able to write so much on so many topics. To answer this question Sunny indicated (and has indicated such in our interviews on cable television in Boston years ago) that his faith and devotion to the Supreme Being is what he attributes to his ideas and in the actual writing of the manuscript — an arduous task indeed given that his books are composed in longhand prior to being transferred

The purpose of his writing is to relate a message — messages that can be informative, educational and thought provoking. Messages also he believes transcend time and distance. Sunny believes however, it is not just him who is responsible for his prolific writing but rather a higher power, as Sunny states: "Unusual authors, like me, have been given a special gift to spread a message — a message from God — the Source of all inspiration."

Sunny Abakwue's books are available on Amazon. com and via the web at: www.sunnyabakwue.com.

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L'Anno Bello: A Year in Italian Folklore

Celebrating Spring from the Kitchen

by Ally Di Censo Symynkywicz

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

The Food Network now regularly runs a competition show with the no-nonsense title of Spring Baking. An early commercial for this program began with a voiceover narration asking: "So, what exactly is spring baking?" followed by images of people decorating cupcakes to resemble flowers. The question struck a chord with me because,

while I am an avid baker who makes treats all year long, I particularly associate baking with the season of autumn. The cool weather and dusky nights seem appropriate for an evening spent in the honeyed glow of a kitchen, feeling the warmth radiating from the oven. Moreover, fall offers a bounty of ingredients suitable for baking, from tart apples to juicy pears to sharp, spicy ginger. However, autumn is far from my thoughts as I enjoy the beautiful springtime. Everything gets me excited, from the days when the thermometer reaches upwards of seventy degrees to the buds growing bigger and greener on the tips of tree branches. I am also getting excited for the new baking opportunities spring offers. Fresh, seasonal ingredients and inspiration from Italy make for a valuable and fun baking experience during the

Citrus: Spring is a wonderful time to use up the last of the citrus fruits left over from winter. Moreover, citrus is a staple in Italian cooking, due to the abundant lemon and orange groves that dot the landscape of southern Italy and the islands. The zest of lemons (limone) and oranges (arancia) flavored the many Italian desserts lining the tables of bridal showers and weddings I remember all my life, from soft-baked, glazed cookies, to the waffle-like biscuits known as pizzelle. I love to use citrus in recipes like creamy lemon bars and orange-scented cakes. For Easter, I made a classic Italian ricotta pie accentuated by both lemon and orange peels. In short, citrus desserts are a great way to bid goodbye to the cold impressed at all the innovative weather and welcome in spring! uses for strawberries (fragole)



Tropical: As the days get warmer and the summer is so near I can practically smell sunscreen and sand, my mind wanders to the flavors of the tropics. I happen to love banana bread, a trait I inherited from my father. Moist, spongy banana breads are an easy recipe to make and offer a quick, healthy breakfast or snack option. One of my other favorite desserts has to be pineapple upside down cake. An impressive finale to any spring meal, these cakes blend the delectable taste of pineapple along with a sweet caramelized topping. Of course, on days when you feel that only an all-inclusive plethora of tropical fruits will satiate your desire for summer, try baking up a Hummingbird Cake. This recipe incorporates bananas, pineapples and coconut, finished off with a velvety cream cheese frosting! You could also take a cue from the Italians and snack on kiwifruit whenever you want a taste of the tropics. A perennially popular fruit there, Italy produces more kiwis than any other country!

Strawberries: Strawberries are a harbinger of spring. Whenever I see these rubyred gems lining the produce shelves of supermarkets, I know that spring has arrived. I love baking with strawberries because of their versatility. My mother once made a strawberry and white chocolate tiramisu for my father's birthday, a summery twist on a classic Italian dessert. Strawberries are also delectable on cakes, pies, cheesecakes and quick breads. When I went to Italy, I remained in Italian desserts. Italians often drizzle strawberry sauces over baked custards known as panna cotta, or else serve the strawberries in tall, elegant glasses marinated with balsamic vinegar for a savory-sweet contrast. As an essential crop of spring, do not be afraid to experiment with strawberries, as they nearly always guarantee a foolproof

dessert!

Rhubarb: Rhubarb is my new favorite spring ingredient which to bake with. An odd, red stalk that resembles celery, cooked rhubarb tastes like a cross between a strawberry and an apple. Its tartness perfectly blends with sweet desserts. I have found so many rhubarb recipes that I would like to try, ranging from strawberry-rhubarb pies to rhubarb chutneys served over lemon-ricotta pancakes - my mother and I once made this latter recipe, and we could not get enough! My favorite rhubarb recipe, however, is one for a moist rhubarb cake with a cinnamon crumb topping that my father-in-law gave me. I prepare this cake for my May Day celebrations now.

Baking in the springtime is a wonderful experience. Using seasonal ingredients connects us to Mother Earth, which is now blossoming with new life. Sweet desserts made with citrus, tropical fruits, strawberries and rhubarb can serve as lovely finishes to picnics and open-air dinners spent luxuriating in the beautiful spring weather and in the company of nature. Moreover, spring baking offers us the opportunity to engage in the recipes of our Italian ancestors, honoring the food of our heritage and applying our own innovation and creativity to it. This spring, head to the market and pick up the freshest ingredients available ... and from there, happy baking!

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

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If We're Waiting for Someone Else To Do Something, IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN

The recent senseless homicide of a 73-year-old grandmother just sitting on her porch relaxing, was hit by stray gunfire and lost her life ("Time for Justice" Boston Herald, April 12th) brought neighbors, community leaders, and politicians together remembering her life a few feet from the porch where she died.

People reportedly cried, clutched candles with one person saying, "It should be unacceptable for anyone ... to drive or walk down our street and shoot or kill anyone." On that very same day the Boston Herald printed a sad front page story, over 200 miles away, the NY Post ran its headline (KILL OR BE KILLED Shot 12-year-old's grandma on city's grim reality) concerning a grandmother's anger that her 12-year-old grandson was shot but thankfully survived. She was quoted, "The neighborhood is the neighborhood. It happens all the time." And if that wasn't enough, a day later an 11-month-old baby was killed, and two little children wounded in a drive-by shooting up in Syracuse, NY.

Acting Mayor Kim Janey spoke truth to power, "It is a scene that is all too familiar to certain neighborhoods in my city," too familiar for certain and kudos again to the Boston

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Herald for its more recent editorial (Tap infrastructure funds to put an end to gun violence, April 14th) for reminding readers of all these endless and senseless killings. As the editorial pointed out, back in August 1988, a 12-year-old girl named Darlene Tiffany Moore was caught up in a cross fire and killed by stray bullets while sitting on a mailbox. There was a great outrage then, and once again, people are outraged. Thirty-one years have passed and what has changed?

The editorial is so correct. "We live in a country that can fast track multiple vaccines ... surely we can focus our resources on combating gun violence. I can remember the words of Edward R. Murrow, an esteemed broadcast journalist who once said, "Difficulty is the excuse history never accepts."

Cease the short-term outrage and turn it into constant action because that speaks louder than words. The solution is the neighborhood coming together speaking as one and holding our elected officials' feet to the fire. We are the change that needs to happen.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI20P3301EA Estate of **DELANNE F. CORVINO**

Also Known As **DELANNE CORVINO** Date of Death: January 10, 2020

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons: A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Robert E. Corvino of North Reading, MA and John A. Corvino of North Reading, 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 A Corvino of North Reading, MA and Robert E. Corvino of North Reading, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in supervised administration

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Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 20, 2021

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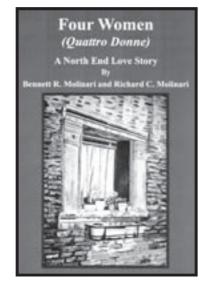
Four Women "Quattro Donne" subtitle, A North End Love Story

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

CHAPTER 45 Father Francesco

(Continued)

"Carmela, are you ready? We have to go and see Padre Francesco." "Ma, do you know what you plan to say to him?" "I want to speak to him of Pietro and Carla. We need his advice. Are they making a sin? Have we made a sin letting their affair go this far?" "Ma, how could you say that? Pietro's loving Carla is not a sin. He's not a priest. What would be wrong is forcing him to become a priest." "Carmela, what do you think we should say to Padre Francesco?" "Ma, let's just explain to him the whole story. How the relatives in Rome expect him to become a priest and sent him here for a brief vacation before entering the seminary. How he met Carla and fell in love with her. How the Riccis are against Carla marrying him. How possessive they are of her." Grandma kept nodding her head in approval, agreeing with everything Mom had to say. Then Grandma spoke up, "What about the scandal? What the neighbors will think, and the relatives in Italy, how they will blame us for allowing Pietro to fall in love with Carla. We have to explain this to Padre Francesco." "Ma, there's nothing we can do about it," replied Mom in an irritated voice. "This is not a scandal. You can't stand in the way of two people who love each other and want to get married." "Carmela, I know you're right but let's get going. I want to speak with Padre Francesco." Mom grabbed Anthony and told him to take care of Bobby and Charlie, and not to wake up Dad, who had to be at the newspaper for the



3 o'clock shift. Grandma and Mom were heading to the door when Grandma turned, remembering her duty as matriarch and Grandmother, made a little gesture to us as if blessing us. She then grabbed Mom under the arm, and they were off to see Father Francesco.

Mom and Grandma made their way up North Square. Pasquale was already sitting in his Cadillac in front of the church, puffing on his cigar. Grandma approached the car, stuck her head in the window, asked Pasquale how he was doing, and had he seen anything interesting in the past day. Grandma was obviously pumping Pasquale for anything he might have seen concerning Pietro and Carla. Pasquale took a deep puff on his cigar, blew the smoke out of the driver's window, turned to Grandma and said, "Angie and Stella are in the church." "Is Pietro there?" Grandma asked. "Yes, he was. He came earlier, but when Angie and Stella arrived, he left." Grandma was relieved.

She motioned to Mom to bring Stella and Angie over to the rectory. The three sisters came out of the church. Auntie Angie called to Grandma, still talking to Pasquale. Auntie Stella, seeing Grandma's head stuck in the open window of Pasquale's Caddy, yelled out, "She's looking for gossip! Pasquale sits there all day long watching everything that goes on in the Square. He knows everyone's business." Grandma pulled her head out from the window, made a threatening gesture with her hand in the direction of Auntie Stella, immediately silencing her but not before Auntie Stella made one more remark of disapproval. Mom then piped up, "Let's knock on the door. We have to speak with Father Francesco." Mom knocked on the door, as the four women gathered in front of the rectory door waiting for Father Francesco to answer. A moment or two passed, someone could be heard walking toward the door. The door swung open and Father Francesco was standing there. Always formal, he was dressed impeccably in clerical garb. Surprised at the sight of the four women gathered at the door so early in the morning, and the look of anxiety on their faces, he immediately surmised something was wrong. "Has someone died?" He asked in a very concerned voice. "No, Padre Francesco. No one has died in the family, thank God. We are here to speak of a serious matter," replied Grandma. "Grazia Dio!" Father Francesco exclaimed, thanking God, with a sigh of relief. "Come in ladies, come into my office and we will

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

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better starting in our birth month which is September 14th. We know it is only a few months away, but we also believe that dreams do come true so we will stay hopeful and optimistic. Thank you wholehearted for supporting our EBCSK's efforts and for believing in our work." Sandra Najjar and

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Mildred Hailey Housing Complex Getting Re-Do

The Mildred Hailey Housing Development over by Heath Street in Jamaica Plain used to be the Heath Street Projects back in the day when I was growing up in Roxbury in the Orchard Park projects. It used to be a tough project as most projects were.

A major overhaul is coming to the Mildred Hailey development after the BPDA approved plans to replace 253 low-income apartments there and add 425 new units geared to multiple income levels as well as a new community center.

The project is being developed by a partnership of the JP Neighborhood Development Council, The Community Builders and Urban Edge. It will be the first phase of a broader development of the public housing complex, part of BHA push to revitalize this housing site by adding more affluent residents.

Oregon Proposal Will Make Mask Mandates "Permanent"

As states around the country have started lifting COVID-19 restrictions, the state of Oregon seems poised to go in the opposite direction and many of its residents are fuming mad about it. A top health official is considering indefinitely extending rules for requiring masks and social distancing in all businesses in the state.

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The proposal would keep the rulers in place until they are "no longer necessary to address the effects of the pandemic in the workplace."

Michael Woods, administrator of the state department of Occupational Safety and Health, said the move is necessary to address a technicality in state law that requires a "permanent" rule to keep current restrictions from expiring. According to him, "We are not out of the woods yet."

The idea has prompted a flood of angry responses, with everyone from parents to teachers to business owners and workers crying government overreach.

Oregon as a blue state has been among the country's most stringent COVID restrictions and now stands in contrast with much of the nation as vaccines become more available.

A petition on change.org opposes the rule gained nearly 60,000 signatures quickly and spread on social media.

Mark Harmon Down

NCIS was among five series renewed by CBS-TV. Star Mark Harmon will be returning for Season 19. Also, returning are Bull, S.W.A.T., Magnum PI and Tom Selleck in Blue Bloods.

Two End Quotes This Week "We are all slaves to little screens."

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> Docket No. MI21P1930EA Estate of

VAN WILLIAMS Date of Death: August 12, 2020 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 Sasha M. Johnson of Ashland, 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 Sasha M. Johnson of Ashland, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI21P1931EA

Estate of TARA A. McCARTHY Date of Death: March 01, 2021 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 Neil M. McCarthy of West Palm Beach, FL requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Neil M. McCarthy of West Palm Beach, FL be appointed as Per sonal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

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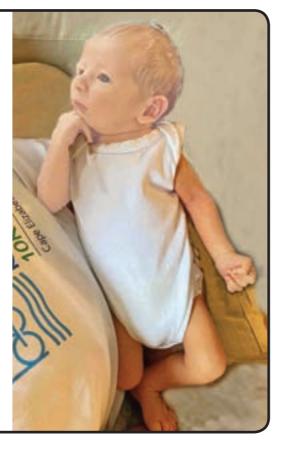
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Christi Gannon and her husband Nicholas Ordway of Boston, Massachusetts would like to announce the birth of their son Theodore "Theo" Gannon Ordway on April 7, 2021 weighing in at 6 lbs. 7 oz. measuring 20 inches long Francine and Jim Gannon of Boston, Massachusetts are the maternal grandparents Donna and Kirk Ordway of Portland, Maine are the paternal grandparents



Dress Up the Landscape with **Spring Flowering Shrubs**

by Melinda Myers



This Show Off® forsythia signals early spring for many with its showy, bright yellow flowers and slight fragrance.

(Photo by Pasquesi.com)

Add a burst of color to the start of the garden season with spring flowering shrubs. Small or large, these beauties add color, support pollinators, and help attract birds to the landscape.

Make room in mixed borders and gardens for these spring bloomers. Use varieties with slightly different bloom times to create continuous color throughout the spring. Complement these with spring flowering perennials and bulbs. Once the shrubs finish flowering, they add some nice greenery to the border.

Plant a few compact varieties in containers for added color on patios and decks. Add seasonal color with annuals, pansies or other cool weather tolerant flowers for spring and fall. Replace these with petunias, lantana, or other suitable heat tolerant flowers for summer.

Forsythia and lilacs are traditional spring favorites. Forsythia's bright yellow flowers signal spring for many. The showy flowers have a slight fragrance, and the plants are basically pest free. Select varieties whose flower buds will survive cold winter temperatures, so there will be blossoms from the tip of the stem to ground level.

Lilacs fragrant flowers may generate wonderful childhood memories. Select the preferred white, pink, or purple color and varieties that will fit the growing location when mature. These will brighten any spot later in the spring.

Look for other easy-care, spring-blooming shrubs to include in the landscape. The spring blooms of viburnum are sure to provide plenty of enjoyment not to mention its attractive foliage, fall color, and

fruit that attracts birds. Use them to create an attractive screen, hedge, or mixed border. Several viburnum varieties, like Korean Spice and doublefile, make great specimens or impressive small groupings in the landscape.

Brighten those shady spots with azaleas. These spring bloomers thrive with afternoon or dappled shade. Grow them in moist, rich, acidic soil in a sheltered location for best results. Make sure there is a good view to enjoy the blossoms and hummingbirds they attract.

Light up the spring garden with Garden Glow dogwood. The bright chartreuse foliage turns a burgundy red in fall. The white flowers give way to blue fruit and the red stems are a welcome sight in winter.

Other dogwoods, like red twig and gray dogwoods are native shrubs with flowers that support pollinators and fruit that feeds the birds.

Fothergilla's fragrant white spring flowers are a favorite of hummingbirds. This beauty ends its season with a colorful mix of yellow, orange, and scarlet fall color often on the same leaf.

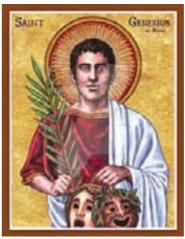
Add an evergreen backdrop of boxwood, arborvitae, and junipers to showcase these spring beauties. The spring blossoms, fall color, and winter interest will shine when positioned in front of greenery.

Take a walk through the landscape now to identify places that would benefit from some spring color. Select the right plants that are suited to the growing conditions and complement the garden design. Then plant and enjoy these colorful additions for years to come.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including The Midwest Gardener's Handbook and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Her web site is www.melindamyers.com.

Saint Genesis of Rome

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari



Saint Genesius was born in third century Rome. There is much speculation about the facts surrounding his life but certain facts have persisted through the centuries. What we know about St. Genesius comes from an ancient Christian tradition which was affirmed in a seventh century document called the Acts of the Martyrs which tells his story.

During the brutal persecution of Christians under the tyrannical emperor Diocletian in the third and fourth centuries, a pagan man named Genesius wrote a play mocking Christianity.

The ancient Roman actor Genesius was a member of a troupe of actors who performed comedic plays regularly for Emperor Diocletian.

The actors specialized in satire on many subjects and people of their day and Genesius was a favorite of the Emperor. One evening the idea of the play was to ridicule the burgeoning sect of Christians whom Diocletian hated, persecuted and killed. Genesius' role was to pretend to be baptized. Genesius obviously had attended several Christian baptisms in order to be familiar with his role. He was supposed to be sick and fall to the ground on stage. The actor "priest" and "exorcist" was to rush onstage whereupon Genesius would then say, he was weighted down with his sins and an angel had commanded him to be baptized to wipe away all his sins.

Genesius would not play the part. Instead, he addressed the Emperor and all those around him and exhorted them all to give their lives to Christ. So serious and persistent was Genesius, the Emperor became enraged and had Genesius turned over to the prefect of the Praetorian Guard Plautia for torture.

Under torture, Genesius still insisted that he had been converted right there onstage and would not renounce Christ. Seeing it was a true conversion to Christianity, Diocletian had him beheaded, the year was 303 AD

After the Christians received the right to open worship (Edict of Milan 313 AD), Genesius was very popular and a church dedicated to him was built in Rome and was apparently repaired by Pope Gregory III in 741. The Feast Day of Saint Genesius is August 25th.

As the cult of saints became more popular, Genesius became the patron of actors, dancers, musicians, comedians, converts, epileptics, printers, torture victims and lawyers.

In Saint John Paul's "Letter to Artists" he referred to all artists as "Images of the Creator.' He wrote, "To communicate the message entrusted to the church by Christ, the Church needs art. Art must make perceptible, and as far as possible attractive, the world of the spirit, of the invisible, of God." The late Pope explained, "Beauty is a key to the mystery and a call to transcendence. It is an invitation to savor life and to dream of the future. That is why the beauty of created things can never fully satisfy. It stirs that hidden nostalgia for God, which a lover of beauty like Saint Augustine could express in incomparable terms: "Late have I loved you, beauty so old and so new: late have I loved you!"

Easter Baskets & Craft Bags provided to North End Youth & Nazzaro Center Members



Not even a pandemic could stop the Easter Bunny from hopping by the Nazzaro Center this past week! Peter Rabbit delivered again this year for the youth of the North End by providing Grab -N- Go Easter baskets and Craft bags for the youth of the North End and Nazzaro Center members. With help from North End Against Drugs, the Nazzaro Center and Mikey "FUD" Giannasoli (In Memory of

his Mom Florence) youth ages 8 and under were able to stop by the Nazzaro Center and pick up an Easter Basket filled with 2 different Easter Crafts, a stuffed animal and Egg Yolk Slime. For the older children ages 9 and up there were canvas bags with various crafts items like water color pencils, a sketch pad and more - all donated by the Museum of Fine Arts. Special thank you to Patricia Romano and Michele Deveau for assisting Peter Rabbit in assembling all of the items for the children! "We hope that we will be able to have our regular Easter party next year" stated N.E.A.D. President Emeritus John Romano.



MassDOT Advisory Chelsea and Boston

Temporary Right Lane Closure on Route 1 Southbound

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) implemented a 24/7 closure of the right lane on Route 1 southbound in the area where it passes through the Chelsea Viaduct portion of the combined Tobin Bridge/Chelsea Curves Rehabilitation Project in Chelsea and Boston. The closure is scheduled to continue through Friday, May 7th.

The right-lane closure will allow crews to complete construction and paving operations such as removing temporary asphalt and waterproofing, milling and paving, and striping of the roadway. The two other travel lanes on Route 1 southbound will remain open throughout the closure period during peak travel times.

Drivers should take care to pay attention to all signage and move carefully through the work zone.

Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

For additional information, please see: https://www.mass.

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- Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

Nando Ristorante

Opens on Hanover Street in Boston's North End



The "Loyal North End Girls" were the first customers of Nando Ristorante (formerly Green Cross Pharmacy) located at 393 Hanover Street in the North End of Boston.

We wanted to show the Mira Giangregorio Firicano and her husband Salvatore, who has been a chef for over 40 years, and the Giangregorio Family that we appreciated all the years of their service and dedication to us — the North End Families — the devotion and care that they gave us for so many years, by supporting their newly opened restaurant!

The site is absolutely "European Elegance. The atmosphere, food, service, comfort, and pricing were up to perfection!"









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WHITE SHADOW (DVD) IndiePix Films

Since 2007, it has become known that albinos in East Africa have become a commodity - human targets of a lucrative and sinister trade. White Shadows is the story in which witch doctors offer thousands of dollars for albino body parts, which are believed to bring food, fortune, prosperity, and the ability to cure any illness when used in a magic potion. As a result, gangs of men who hack off arms, legs, or genitals of albinos murder East African albinos, of any age or gender. This is the story of Alias, an albino boy on the run. After witnessing his father's murder, his mother sends him away to find refuge in the city, brought to the care of his uncle, Kosmos, a truck driver struggling with a few small businesses. In the city, Alias is a quick learner, selling sunglasses, DVDs and mobile phones. He is fond of his uncle's daughter, Antoinette, although his uncle disapproves. Unfortunately for Alias, however, the rules of the city become no different than the bush, and wherever Alias travels, the same chilling rules of survival apply.

FREEDOM (DVD) Corinth Films

Fed up with married life, Nora suddenly walks out the front door and leaves her lawyer husband, Philip, and their two children behind forever. Nora roams through a museum in Vienna, has sex with a young man and hitchhikes randomly on to Bratislava. She hides her identity by telling little lies. She changes her look, finds work as a chambermaid, and makes friends with a young Slovakian stripper, Etela, and her husband Tamas, a cook. After the initial shock of Nora's departure, Philip struggles to understand what has transpired as he tries to hold together what's left of the devastated family. Further complicating matters, Philip is assigned the most difficult case of his career shortly afterward, which only adds to his unbearable emotional strain. Meanwhile, Nora finds brief exhilaration in her newfound freedom, but begins to question herself after the everyday sights of happy families begins to trigger an overwhelming sense of remorse. As Philip and Nora both become more desperate for closure, each of their behaviors begin to manifest in ways reflecting a rebound from the stifling nature of their marriage

LASPSI (DVD) Film Movement

New York, an alternate present: the quantum computing revolution has begun and investors are lining their pockets on the trading market. Building the network though, requires miles of cables to be laid across rough terrain by unprotected gig workers. Queens delivery man, Ray Tincelli, is skeptical of the new technology, and the buy-in to start "cabling" is steep. So when he scores a shady permit, he believes his fortunes have finally changed. What he doesn't expect is to be pulled into a conspiracy involving hostile cablers, corporate greed, and the mysterious "Lapsis" who may have previously owned his medallion. *Lapsis* a darkly funny sci-fi film has been described as a darkly comic and timely look at the gig economy and the failed utopian promises of big tech.

AMBUSHED -FACELESS MAN -RUN FOR YOUR LIFE (DVD) IndiePix Films

IndiePix's Retro Afrika collection came about through close coordination with Cape Town's Retro Afrika Bioscope, a group that actively locates, acquires, restores and re-releases forgotten classics for new generations worldwide. Written and produced in the midst of the Apartheid-80s, these Zululanguage films pay homage to Hollywood, while reflecting the realities ... and often the fantasies ... of native South Africans in a not-so-bygone era. A versatile troupe of actors embodies a groundbreaking B-movie style, a precursor to today's burgeoning Nollywood industry. Listed here is a trio of new action-packed retro Afrika cult classics, available in North America for the very first time.

AMBUSHED (1988): With the odds stacked against them, a game ranger and his assistant launch a desperate attack against a gang of army-deserting poachers, in an effort to rescue the ranger's wife and son, who have been kidnapped and stashed in a hideout.

FACELESS MAN (1985): Pete, an innocent man looking for work, gets roped up in an assassination of a local politician, and ends up working with the police to bring the culprit who hired him to justice. It is soon revealed that Detective Andrew, whom Pete is helping work the case, is in fact the criminal known as the "Faceless Man." A cat and mouse game ensues to bring a corrupt policeman to justice.

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE (1985):

While out on a cross-country run, two friends stumble upon an illegal drug ring in the woods. Taken hostage by a notorious drug lord, they face the threat of becoming drug slaves themselves. Forced to work the plantation for "Cobra," the two friends will have to rely on their wits if they wish to defeat the armed guards holding them captive.

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Docket No. MI21C0141CA
In the Matter of
ASHTYN MAY PARKER-McDERMOTT
CITATION ON
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Ashtyn May Parker-McDermott of North Reading, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Ashtyn Parker McDermott.

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 May 05, 2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court Date: April 07, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run Date: 04/23/2021 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

SENIOR BREAKFAST WITH BILLY TAURO



Billy Tauro (far right) takes time at breakfast to speak with seniors and pose with them for this photo.

It was a great morning in Somerville's Ward 7 at Renee's Cafe during a recent "Breakfast with Billy" event. The event gave Billy Tauro, a candidate for Mayor of Somerville this year, an opportunity to sit with constituents to discuss the needs and concerns of the city's senior community. It was held on April 11th. This past Saturday, Tauro held another breakfast for Somerville's military veterans also at Renee's Cafe.

MARKEY & DEMOCRATS FOR PACKING THE COURT

I can't figure out whether U.S. Senator Ed Markey is seemingly the dumbest or most dangerous Senate Democrat. Either way, we would be much safer if he were still selling soft serve ice cream out of a truck in Malden!

He, along with the infamous Jerry Nadler in the House, are pushing legislation that would expand the size of the U.S. Supreme Court with four more justices. According to Markey (and I heard him say this with my own ears), the Republicans packed the seats on the Court for political purposes and now, Democrats must respond by enlarging the size of the Court to balance it again. Isn't "BAL-ANCE" just another word for packing the Court for Democrat political gain?

These Capitol Hill Democrats are a piece of work. They can't even wait for the sham presidential commission to come out in favor of court packing. Recently Speaker Pelosi warned we must never let the Republican win again in a fundraising email and the Democrats seem as a whole to mean just that.

If the Democrats win this court battle, then America is lost as we know it. Even the late Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg was adamantly opposed to packing the Court for political purposes saying it would weaken the Court and make it another political branch of government. She said in a 2016 NPR (National Public Radio) interview that nine members was just right.

If the Democrats win we will no longer have three independent branches of government, and we will no longer be a constitutional-based Democratic Republic.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AGAIN WITH MANY MORE TO COME

Did you know that Thursday, April 15th was Leonardo De Vinci's birthday once again and he is no spring chicken! He just

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turned 569 years old and he's looking good for a dead guy, isn't he?

GAS PUMP PRICES; WHAT FUELS THEM?

Some people are blaming Biden taking the keys away from Trump to the Oval Office. Others think OPEC is still behind higher and higher prices. However, as I look around, I see high prices in places like East Boston and lower prices in Roslindale and Quincy. I see higher prices near highway ramps and tunnels. Over in Dorchester for instance at the intersection of Columbia Road and Dorchester Avenue prices at two gas stations across the road from each other are separated by 13 cents a gallon at the pumps.

Oh, and I was out by the Lahey Clinic in Burlington and found gas prices there an amazing \$2.47 a gallon, so that's where I filled my tank.

As much as I can't stand Biden, I think pump prices have much more to do with pure American Greed.

WORKING MY WAY BACK TO A TIE?

As a music lover going back to the day when my most valuable possession was my vast collection of old 45s, I have heard many covers of great hit songs, but more likely than not covers can never match up to the original versions. However, recently, I listened back-to-back to the Four Seasons (1966) playing "Workin' my Way Back to You" and then the Spinners (1980) doing the remake. I couldn't decide and rarely do originals and covers end up in ties.

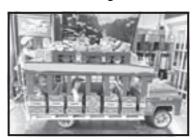
Oh, thinking about that, I am reminded that another tune,

"Everlasting Love" had two versions within six years of each other. The original was sung by Robert Knight in 1967 and the cover by Carl Carlton in 1974. Both were great, but I give the edge to Robert Knight. Years later, I heard Mariah Carey sing it too but didn't like hers at all. I LOVE MY MUSIC CHANNEL

MOSTLY ON TUNED ON CHANNEL 509

By the way, 509 is Classic R&B and having grown up in Roxbury and the South End it should be no surprise that I love R&B, Soul, Motown, the Philly Sound and the Delta Blues. Recently, I listened to Luther Vandross sing "A House is not a Home" and then "Dancing with My Father Again" two of his best recorded hits. It is still hard to believe he left us at age 58 from diabetes. Same thing happened to Barry White, also 58 years old.

EASTIE'S NEWEST RESTAURANT IN DAY SQUARE



Check out this cool looking bus on the counter. It is packed, presuming with customers on the way to eat there.

There's a new Colombian restaurant that just opened in Day Square at a site that was for decades named the Elite Restaurant owned by Joe Young. This brand new place just opened last month and seems to be doing well even in pandemic times.

The place is called Perros Paisas. It is a hot dog! And just by coincidence Perros Paisas means hot dog in Spanish. However, if you order your hot dog there, you will be so surprised. Colombian hot dogs are out of this world. I've already had both breakfast and lunch there. The place is cozy, and you have an option to eat in the outside dining area, too.



Perros Paisas isn't just a sit down restaurant. It is also a food truck you might see about East Boston or over on the other side of the tunnel, too.

(Photos by Paola Infante)





by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



Last week, I left off with the beginnings of an experience I had in Sicily back in 1972. During the last week in June, I joined my boyhood pal, Sal Meli, at his parent's hometown in Agrigento, Sicily. They had retired from their jobs in 1970, and Sal hadn't seen them for two years, hence, the visit. Sal called and invited me to join them and I landed in Palermo a few days later. Sal, his father, Carmelo, and his uncle, Agostino Faldetta, came north by train and intercepted me at the Palermo airport. I rented a car and the four of us headed to a local hotel, as the older men wanted to spend a couple of days in Sicily's capital city. Sal's uncle, who insisted I call him, Uncle Gus, latched on to me in order to practice his English, which he spoke without an Italian accent.

UNCLE GUS AND MUSSOLINI Part II

We checked into the Hotel Joli (the spelling was different back then ... it might have been Jolly or Jolley), I'm not sure. Carmelo's comment was that, with their military IDs, they would get a good discount off the price for the two rooms we needed.

The rooms were small by American standards, but clean and with a connecting shower that looked like it had been a closet before it was anything else. After I unpacked, we headed to the center of Palermo in search of a restaurant the older men know of. En route, Uncle Gus pointed out many of the modern buildings, the avenue-sized thoroughfares, and the contemporary streetlights, which illuminated the downtown area at night as if it was the middle of the day.

I thought the impromptu tour was due to a sense of pride expressed by Gus, but once we were seated in the restaurant the two older men were looking for, he sipped his before-dinner cocktail, and began to describe the modern aspects to the city and the changes made thanks to Mussolini after he took over the government in 1922. He then stated that, before the Fascists took power, Sicily had no paved streets, no modern architecture, no electricity and very little indoor plumbing. As he continued, I noticed the expression on his face. It changed to reflect a positive reminiscence of what he had experienced. I said nothing and waited for the man to continue with his first hand stories.

Gus continued without interruption and brought the conversation to the end of WWI, "Like many other European countries after the War to End All Wars, regardless of who won, Italy was basically without anything left in its treasuries, was minus a sizable portion of a generation of young men and still mired in the traditions of royal family or foreign domination, regardless of how negatively it affected the population. King Victor Emmanuel III took a back seat to the new Fascist government led by Benito Mussolini in 1922, and things began to change."

I listened with questions coming to mind as Gus continued to describe the modifications and modernizations that became part of the Italian character after 1922. When I asked as to how he knew all that he described, his answer was short and to the point, "I was there." Sal's father interrupted by pinching my arm saving in Italian, "My brother-in-law became part of Mussolini's close circle of advisors." Sal added his two cents in by saying, "Uncle Gus became part of Il Duce's inner circle.

We spent two days in Palermo, Sicily's capital. Each morning, the four of us had coffee at sidewalk cafes and then strolled the main streets of the city. As Uncle Gus pointed out the modern conveniences that Mussolini was responsible for, paved roads, electric lights, indoor plumbing, and the telephone, which he claimed was invented by an Italian in New York before Bell knew what was going on. (I became curious about this statement and later researched the historical aspects of it and discovered it was not Alexander Graham Bell, but Antonio Meucci who invented the telephone. More about this historical mistake in a later column.)

As Uncle Gus continued pontificating about the miracles performed by Mussolini throughout Italy, I asked him about his relationship with the man called "Il Duce." As he continued with his stories, the undertone was that of a love/hate relationship. When I finally asked him why Italy joined with Germany in declaring war on the United States days after Pearl Harbor, he scowled and replied, "We had no alternative; we had to." I then asked, "Did you Italians really hate us Americans that badly?" Uncle Gus inhaled, exhaled, choked and then tried to answer by giving me a bunch of statistics he conjured up. I had no way of telling if his figures were accurate or not, but didn't interrupt him, "Listen, about a year before war was declared on the United States, the population of Italy was around 42,000,000. There were maybe 5,000,000 Italian immigrants in the U.S., give or take if you add in the ones born in America, and another million or so that had intermarried with other nationalities. This means that let's say, 1 out of 8 or 10 Italians had family or friends in the United States. Counting on my fingers and toes, that was about 12% of the population. Gus then commented, "Do you think we really wanted to go to war with our own?" I repeated my question as to why Italy joined with Germany and declared war on the United States. Sensing that I was getting a bit defensive, Uncle Gus took a deep breath and said, "Germany and Italy didn't declare war on the United States; it was the Nazis and the Fascists."

Even though I called myself an Italian-American (with a hyphen, something I refuse to add in today), I was a guest in a foreign country and didn't want to look like the "ugly American," the image I had seen used by many American tourists in my travels through-out the world, but I was and still am an AMERICAN.

I decided to shut my mouth and thought of changing the subject. Uncle Gus seemed to have subconscious feelings that he wanted to bring to the surface and continued talking as if the conversation was between father and son, "Guaglione, (boy or kid in Neapolitan ... although he was not Neapolitan, he knew I would catch the drift of who was the teacher and who was the student). I was there at the meetings between Il Duce and Hitler. I was hidden in the crowd of advisors who loved the limelight as much as the boss. Both Mussolini and Hitler loved to be surrounded by advisors in public, but much of their advice was ignored. Whatever these two men wanted to do, they did regardless of who said what. God forbid you said something that they didn't want to hear, you might become history like Mussolini's son-in-law, Count Ciano." I'm out of space so, TO BE CONTINUED ... GOD

LEGAL NOTICE

BLESS AMERICA

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI21P1927EA Estate of **REGINA ROSE CERUTI** Date of Death: April 15, 2005 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

To all interested persons A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Regina B. Ceccarini of Framingham, MA requesting that the Courtenter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

The Petitioner requests that Regina B. Ceccarini of Framingham, 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 May 18, 2021.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a dead-

line 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 aken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 20, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 04/23/2021



Marianna Bisignano



Biscotti Regina or "Queens Biscuits" as it translates are those delicately sweet and crunchy sesame seed cookies you'll find throughout most pastry shops in Sicily. Originating in Palermo, these popular seeded biscotti were named after Margherita di Savoia, the second and much adored queen of a united Italy. Legend has it that Queen Margherita had a love for sweets and would often go to visit pastry shops with her ladies in waiting. When she found a *pasticceria* where she really liked the way these cookies were made, she would spontaneously ennoble the owner of the shop and raise him to the rank of cavalier or knight! Luckily, the Sicilian immigrants that came to this country brought this cookie with them. So today, here in the states, you can find them sold in several Italian bakeries as well as packaged under the name of "Italian Sesame Seed Cookies".

In many Italian homes, biscotti or cookie jars are often filled with homemade versions of these delicious delights. When made at home, you can use butter, lard (as they were originally created), olive oil or shortening. If you use lard, they'll be crunchier, while butter or oil will give them a softer center. The following recipe is one of my favorite versions. It uses a combination of butter and shortening, which seems to result in just the perfect texture; an outer sesame seed crunch with a satisfying softer center. Infused with anise, lemon or vanilla flavor, then rolled in sesame seeds and baked to a light golden brown, Biscotti Regina or Queens Cookies are perfect to enjoy with a glass of your favorite Italian wine, an espresso or even a steamy café latte!

SICILIAN SESAME SEED "QUEENS BISCUITS" Biscotti Regina



 $3\frac{1}{4}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder 1 cup sugar

½ cup softened butter ½ cup shortening (Crisco)

3 eggs

1 ½ tablespoons whole milk 1 tablespoon extract (vanilla,

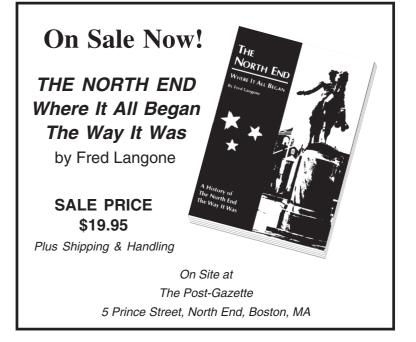
anise, or lemon) 1 cup whole milk (to dip)

1 cup toasted sesame seeds (to coat)

Preheat the oven to 375°. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper, set aside. In a medium mixing bowl, sift together the flour and baking powder, set aside. In a large mixing bowl, cream the sugar with the cooled butter/shortening mixture. Add the eggs, milk, and anise, vanilla or lemon extract. Mix together well. Gradually add the flour and combine, kneading and mixing until a soft dough forms. Cover and let dough rest for 15 minutes.

Place the milk in one small bowl and the sesame seeds in another. Taking a ¼ cup of dough at a time, roll to about 1/2 thick and 12 inches long. Cut into 6 even rectangular sections. Take each piece and dip it in milk, then roll it in sesame seeds making sure the entire piece of dough is coated. Place biscotti's one by one, side by side on the prepared baking sheets. Press down on each to flatten and bake for approximately 20 minutes or until golden brown. Store in an airtight container and they'll last for several weeks.

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



THOUGHTS BY DAN **ABOUT**

THIS & THAT

with Daniel A. DiCenso



The Assassination Of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., A Retrospective



More than fifty years after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and, though much has improved, many of the pains and much of the anguish both leading up to his death and in the aftermath still linger. America has made great strides but some mountains have yet to be crossed.

Leading up to his assassination on April 4, 1968, King was beginning to shift focus somewhat. He was broadening his mission to opposition to the Vietnam War and, like President Johnson, with whom he had a fragile but ultimately productive relationship, he took aim at poverty.

In part, this was an attempt at gaining more support beyond the demographic of black Americans, many of which were becoming impatient with his nonviolent, passive approach to race relations.

Malcolm X's assassination (a frequent critic of King's approach) three years earlier had only widened the rift.

And yet when the fatal bullet from James Earl Ray struck King in the neck while he was standing on the second-floor balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis the reaction was near universal sorrow. What is significant is what happened after.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Notice is hereby given by D & G Towing and Auto Repair Services, Inc. 2 Emery Road, Allston, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after May 8, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices

> 2003 FORD FOCUS VIN # 3FAFP37313R172779 2003 TOYOTA CAMBY VIN # 4T1BE30K53U232728 2003 BMW 325xi VIN # WBAEU33443PF59265 2015 TOYOTA SCION

> VIN # JTKJF5C71FJ006250 2007 HYUNDAI ELANTRA VIN # KMHDU46D87U243559

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Signed D & G Towing Run dates: 04/23, 04/30, 05/07/2021

A moment that temporarily gave semblance of unity soon created more hostility. This was not just between blacks and whites, though this certainly added to the fire. But many blacks who had been naysayers to King's non-aggressive tactics felt somewhat vindicated and saw the assassination of King as a confirmation of the futility of passivity. The results were riots in many cities with looting and burning raging across

The capture of James Earl Ray at Heathrow Airport in London that June and the forensics that led to his conviction were largely beside the point then. The death of Martin Luther King was more a symbol and a line in the sand than a news opera. It must be said that the aftermath brought the passage of the Fair Housing Act within days of the assassination but the roads still to be crossed, both in terms of actual legislation and national reconciliation were in plain view but still to be crossed.

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800 Docket No. MI21D0483DR **DIVORCE SUMMONS BY**

PUBLICATION AND MAILING SANTANA J. SCOTT

REBECCA M. SCOTT To the Defendant:

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Breanishea Zhade Amaya, Esq., New England Law - Boston, 46 Church St. Boston, MA 02116 your answer, if any, on or before May 14, 2021. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 02, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 04/23/2021

Registration Now Open for Boston Parks Summer Sports Centers

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is pleased to announce that registration is now open for summer Sports Centers at White Stadium in Franklin Park, Almont Park in Mattapan, East Boston Memorial Stadium, Garvey Park in Dorchester, and M Street Park in South

Each location offers instruction in several popular sports from July 6th to August 20th. All Sports Centers are offered free of charge to Boston residents and open to boys and girls ages 7 to 14. Parents may register their children for just one week or the entire summer.

Please note that lunch will be provided, but participants must provide their own transportation. Pre-registration is required for both groups and individuals. For more information or to register online please visit: boston. gov/recreation.

For more information about the White Stadium Sports Center and/or the Almont Sports Center, please call 617-961-3084 or email woodley. auguste@boston.gov. For more information about the East Boston Sports Center, please call 617-961-3083 or email damien.margardo@boston.gov. For more information about the South Boston Sports Center,

please call 617-961-3039 or email mavrick.afonso@boston. *gov*. For more information about the Garvey Park Sports Center, please call 617-961-3093 or email charles.conners@boston.

The Sports Centers are operated in accordance with current public health guidelines. Children and staff must wear face coverings and maintain six feet of social distance at all times, activities are organized in groups of ten or fewer, and programs are held completely outdoors. For current social distancing guidelines in City of Boston parks please visit: boston.gov/coronavirus.

City Golf Courses Open

The City of Boston's two George Wright Golf Course municipal golf courses are open in Hyde Park for ages 7 to 14 for the 2021 season.

The City owns and operates the William J. Devine Golf Course in Dorchester and the George Wright Golf Course in Hyde Park designed by Donald Ross. Both have received national accolades as mustplay courses when golfing in the Boston area.

Golfers can go to: *cityofboston golf.com* for tee times and rates. For updates, the City's golf courses can be followed on Twitter @FranklinParkGC and @GeorgeWrightGC.

The second-oldest public golf course in America and part of the historic Emerald Necklace, the William J. Devine Golf Course at Franklin Park in Dorchester is open yearround, weather permitting. The outdoor patio features seating for up to 100 people. Contact PGA Professional Kevin Frawley at 617-265-4084 for more information.

Founded in 1938, the 18-hole par 70 Donald Ross-designed George Wright Golf Course is a hidden gem located at 420 West Street in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Boston is open seven days a week through November. Contact PGA Professional Scott Allen at 617-364-2300 for more information.

GEORGE WRIGHT GC JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS Registration Now Open

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is offering free golf clinics at the

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Middlesex Probate and Family Court

208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

(617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI21C0077CA

In the Matter of

KYLA RAE JOHNSON

CITATION ON

PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Minor has

been filed by Kyla Rae Johnson of Wilmington,

MA requesting that the court enter a Decree

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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 April 30, 2021. This is NOT a hearing

date, but a deadline by which you must file

a written appearance if you object to this

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Run Date: 04/23/2021

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,

First Justice of this Court Date: April 02, 2021

proceeding.

Any person may appear for purposes

changing their name to Kyla Rae Silveria.

years old.

The first-rate Junior Golf Lessons program provides basic instruction in the fundamentals of golf taught by professionals. Equipment is provided, if needed, but you may bring your own clubs. Pre-registration is required.

The George Wright Golf Course is a hidden gem located at 420 West Street in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Boston.

The lessons take place Tuesdays through Thursdays with classes at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. The series repeats weekly starting from July 6, 2021, until August 12, 2021.

Clinicians are highly qualified golf instructors. To register, go to the "Parks Online Activity Search" link at: www.boston.gov/calendar/ junior-golf-daily-lessons.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Notice is hereby given by Export Enterprises, Inc. 50 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass General Laws, Chapter 255, Section 39A, that they will sell or junk the following vehicles on or after April 24, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale:

2005 FORD FOCUS VIN # 1FAFP36NX5W147771 2011 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2009 VOLKSWAGEN GLI VIN # 3VWBJ71K19M066305 2006 HONDA ACCORD VIN # 1HGCM56486A071962 2007 MERCURY MILAN VIN # 3MFHM07Z47R605823

2005 CHEVROLET MALIBU VIN # 1G1ZU54805F226030 2007 HYUNDAI ACCENT VIN # KMHCN46C37U095384 **2014 CHEVROLET EXPRESS** VIN # 1GCSGAFX0E1180922

2007 HYUNDAI ACCENT VIN # KMHCN46C37U095384 2006 HYUNDAI SONATA VIN # KMHET46C56A113902 2004 FORD EXPLORER VIN # 1FMZU73K64ZA41103

2015 NISSAN ROGUE VIN # JN8AS5MT5FW662568 1989 VOLVO 740

VIN # YV1FX8851K3232591 2004 CADILLAC ESCALADE VIN 1GYEK63N94R240329 2006 HONDA ACCORD

VIN # 1HGCM56486A071962 2008 HONDA PILOT VIN # 5FNYF18218B048441

Vehicles are being stored at 142 Mystic Ave., Medford, MA, and may be viewed by appointment only.

> Signed Export Enterprises, Inc. Run dates: 04/09, 04/16, 04/23/2021

For more info, please contact Jennifer Widener at 617-961-3047 or: jennifer.widener@ boston.gov.

Under current public health guidelines the pro shop, restaurant, and bathrooms are all open, tee times are required in advance, masks are required unless you are seated at a table eating, all quests must observe distancing of six feet, and sanitation stations are provided throughout the clubhouse

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Middlesex Probate and Family Court North Lowell Justice Center 370 Jackson Street, 5th Floor

Lowell, MA 01852 (978) 656-7700 Docket No. MI21C0222CA In the Matter of

JUSTIN MICHAEL POSSENTI-SPINA **CITATION ON** PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Justin Michael Possenti-Spina of Framingham, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to Justin Michael Spina.

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 May 06, 2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 08, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run Date: 04/23/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by **Todisco Services**, **Inc.**, **of 171 Boston Street**, Salem, MA pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will sell the following vehicles on or after April 24, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m. by public or private sale to satisfy their garage keepers lien for towing, storage, and notices of sale.

2006 FORD E-450 VIN # 1FDXE45S76DB15791

2000 NISSAN OLIEST VIN # 4N2XN11T7YD813500 2012 CHEVROLET CRUZE VIN # 1G1PC5SH5C7202908

2004 HYUNDAI ELANTRA VIN # KMHDN46D54U794153

2007 HYUNDAI SONATA VIN # 5NPET46C17H195092

2004 MITSUBISHI MONTERO VIN # JA4I S21RX4J004194

2010 CHRYSLER 300 Vin # 2C3CA5CV9AH206434

Vehicles are being stored at multiple Todisco Services, Inc. locations, and may be viewed by appointment only.

Signed Todisco Services, Inc. Run dates: 04/09, 04/16, 04/23/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI88P1054GI2 **CITATION GIVING NOTICE** OF PETITION FOR **RESIGNATION OF A GUARDIAN** OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON

In the Interests of MICHAEL PIERMATTEO of Woburn, MA

RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Harriet H. Onello of Wayland, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court Accept the Resignation of the Guardian.

The petition asks the court to make a deter mination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardian ship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of April 30, 2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

Date: April 02, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 04/23/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI21P1197EA

Estate of ANN ALBERN OLMSTEAD Also Known As ANN A. OLMSTEAD

Date of Death: March 21, 2017

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by James W. Olmstead of Winchester. MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of April 30, 2021.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 14, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate Run date: 04/23/2021

LEGAL NOTICE

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

CAROLYN S. PYE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by Maria M. Pye of North Berwick, ME requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as

The Petitioner requests that Maria M. Pve of North Berwick, ME be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised

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

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

Personal Representative appointed and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS,

Date: April 15, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Docket No. MI21P0814EA Estate of

Date of Death: August 04, 2017

To all interested persons

requested in the Petition.

administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

May 13, 2021

UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM

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

First Justice of this Court

Run date: 04/23/2021

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

LEGAL NOTICE

Docket No. MI21P1761EA

Estate of SARA S. SPICKLER Also Known As

SARA SIMONE SPICKLER

Date of Death: February 01, 2021 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 Adam M. Spickler of Santa Cruz, CA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that Adam M. Spickler of Santa Cruz, CA 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 May 13, 2021.

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

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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

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

Date: April 15, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI21P1827PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER **PURSUANT TO**

G. L. c. 190B, § 5-304 & § 5-405 In the matter of

JAMES KNEELAND of Watertown, MA

RESPONDENT (Person to be Protected/Minor)

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Ann Marckini of Belmont, MA, in the above captioned matter alleging that James Kneeland is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Ann Marckini of Belmont, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protect tive order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this

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 May 12, 2021. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate

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Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141 (617) 768-5800

Docket No. MI21P1890EA

Estate of **ALICIA EMMA HAU-ROSA** Also Known As

ALICIA E. HAU-ROSA Date of Death: July 31, 2012 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment has been filed by Juan A. Ruiz-Hau of Winchester, MA request ing that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in

The Petitioner requests that Juan A. Ruiz-Hau 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 May 13, 2021.

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UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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Witness. HON. MAUREEN H. MONKS, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 15, 2021

Tara E. DeCristofaro, Register of Probate



EXTRA Innings

by Sal Giarratani



a piece titled "25 Worst MLB

Hall of Famers" written by Paul

Ladewski and I didn't agree

with his many choices. I looked

at his choices, the ones from

my era growing up in the '50s,

'60s, '70s. Of his 25 players in

Cooperstown, I disagreed on

six of them. Players like Luis

Aparicio, Nellie Fox, Tony Perez,

Lou Brock, Jack Morris, and

Jim Catfish Hunter all belong

However, I also believe that

Jim Rice finally being inducted

into the Hall sounded like the

right thing to do, but I am not so

sure because his numbers were

on the cusp of Cooperstown but

in the Hall for sure.

Pete Rose on Stinchfield



This past Sunday evening I was watching Grant Stinchfield on Newsmax TV and one of his on-air guests was the irascible Pete Rose. In all transparency I know he has more lifetime hits with over 4,000 of them. However, after getting caught betting on the Cincinnati Reds while being that team's manager, MLB gave Rose a lifetime ban from the game and he is also ineligible to enter the Hall of Fame

I never liked his "Charlie Hustle" routine. He came across looking like the fool he was. However, on Stinchfield, he spoke truth to power. Leave politics to the politicians and just do your job. Baseball is already losing much of its fan base and the last thing MLB should be doing is cancelling out its conservative fans by basically telling them their all racist if they support the idea that voter integrity laws are Jim Crow voter suppression.

Baseball goes WOKE and maybe broke, good luck to them. The last thing we need as a sport and nation is for baseball to become a political football.

Who is This Guy On Stadium Talk

I came across a website called StadiumTalk and found

— Casey Stengel

LEGAL NOTICE

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

Middlesex Probate and Family Court South 10-U Commerce Way Woburn, MA 01801

(781) 865-4000 Docket No. MI21P0733EA Estate of

ROBERT P.D. BUTLER Also Known As R. PETER BUTLER

Date of Death: September 18, 2020

INFORMAL PROBATE

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Sandra D. Flanagan of Wakefield, MA, a Will has

been admitted to informal probate.

Sandra D. Flanagan of Wakefield, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

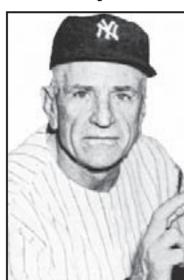
The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration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

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if he should be inducted, why not Curt Schilling or Dewey Evans? Hey, these two players were good, but not that good as someone who remembered the late '50s into the '70s when you really had to be good to enter Cooperstown. Happy Birthday To ...

Rico Brogna just turned 51 and spent part of the 2000 season with the Red Sox after being claimed off waivers from the Phillies. As a member of the Mets, he hit the first homerun at Coors Field when the Rockies started playing there in 1995.

End Quote



"We call it discharged because there is no question I had to leave."

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

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

> Docket No. MI21P1158EA Estate of ALEXZANDRA ZALLEN DOW Date of Death: January 08, 2021 **INFORMAL PROBATE**

PUBLICATION NOTICE To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Isabelle Z. Dow of Yarmouth, ME, a Will has

been admitted to informal probate Isabelle Z. Dow of Yarmouth, ME has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

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

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Carlos vs. Marvin

A Battle of Greats That Might Have Happened

With the recent passing of Marvin Hagler, I have been giving a lot of thought to the middleweight division in the late 1970s. There were a lot of good fighters competing for a title shot. Carlos Monzon had been dominant with 14 successful title defenses against 11 different opponents. He retired after defeating Rodrigo Valdez in 1977. It was his second fight against Valdez who proved to be a tough challenger. The Columbian had the champion on the deck in the 2nd round, but Carlos came back in the second half of the fight and won a unanimous decision. It was a strong finish to a spectacular career. He finished with a record of 100 fights with 87 wins and only 3 losses.



Valdez vs. Monzon

1977 was quite a year for Marvelous Marvin Hagler as well. The previous year Marvin had traveled to Philadelphia in an effort to move up in class. In his first bout in the City of Brotherly Love, he was defeated by Bobby "Boogaloo" Watts in what most observers was a robbery. The hometown favorite was awarded the decision by majority decision, but other than the judges, nobody saw it that way. Hagler may have lost but he gained the respect of the boxing world and was asked back to fight Willie "The Worm" Monroe. This would turn out to be the only undisputed loss on Marvin's record as Monroe clearly out boxed the future champ.



Marvin on the attack against Monroe

In Hagler's next trip to Philadelphia the third time proved to be the charm when he dominated the murderous punching Eugene "Cyclone" Hart with the fight ending when Hart was unable to answer the bell for the 9th round.

Marvin followed the Hart victory up with twice kayoing Willie Monroe to prove beyond a doubt who the better fighter was and to cement his place as a legitimate contender for a title shot. But he would have to wait.

When Monzon retired, another Argentine won the title. Little known Hugo Corro defeated Rodrigo Valdez for the vacant championship. The slick boxing Corro defended the title against Ronnie Harris and in a rematch beat Valdez. In his fourth defense, he lost the title to Vito Antuofermo. The decision in that fight was very much disputed, but Vito was now the champion.

Marvin had been clamoring for a shot at Corro but now shifted his attention to the new champion Antuofermo. While he was waiting, Marvin stayed very active fighting nine times from the beginning of 1978 until he finally landed a shot at Vito in 1979. He had impressive wins over the likes of Bennie Briscoe, Doug Demmings, Willie Warren, Kevin Finnegan (twice), and Olympic Champ Sugar Ray Seales whom he decisioned and then kayoed in one round.

When Hagler finally got his shot at Antuofermo it appeared he had clearly won the fight and the title, but the fight was ruled a draw, which allowed Vito to retain the title. Instead of Marvin being given an immediate rematch, which he deserved,



Hagler in Victory

the champ was ordered to defend against Alan Minter. Minter took the title and then beat Vito in a rematch. It was now that Marvin finally got another shot at the crown, and he left nothing to chance when he stopped Minter in the third round. The rest, as they say, is history.

But what if history had been different and Monzon hadn't retired? Would he have defended the title against Marvin in 1978? Would it have been a wise move for Hagler to challenge the great Monzon at that time? Marvin still wasn't at his peak, and it is hard to tell if Carlos was starting to slip or not. His two fights with Valdez were very tough battles.

The Hagler of 1980 would certainly have been ready for Monzon, but could he have beaten him then? If Carlos had continued fighting, it is very likely his skills would have been starting to diminish at that point and he would have been ripe for the taking by Marvin. Or maybe not!

The real dream match would have been the Marvin of the early 1980s against the Monzon of the early to mid-1970s. There was approximately a ten-year gap between the peaks of both fighters. Who would have won? It's a very tough fight to figure out. With both meeting up on their best night, it would be an extremely competitive fight. It would certainly have gone the distance since neither fighter was ever stopped. In a total of 167 bouts between them neither one was ever close to being stopped. That's pretty amazing.



Carlos Monzon

I'm not going to pick a winner in the fight, but I will give the opinion of two experts. Both Marvin and Carlos gave separate interviews where each was asked his opinion on what would have happened. Both gave thoughtful and respectful answers with each praising the other. Neither boasted of a victory in the dream fight. Carlos said he knew it would be difficult for him seeing as Marvin was a leftie, and Marvin talked about how great Monzon was and how it would have been quite a challenge going up against him.

While I have no doubt each champion would be confident of victory, it was refreshing watching both of them showing real class in how they spoke about one another. They comported themselves like true champions.

While it is too bad such a fight was not meant to happen because of the time frame of their careers, one thing you can be sure of is neither man would have ducked the other. If Monzon was the champion and Marvin was the top contender he would have been given a title shot, as that is what real champions do.

It's incredible to think that neither man is still with us. Both passed away far too young. It would have been great to have them in the same room together to talk about what would have happened with one another. I think they would have gotten along very well.

HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB



by Richard Preiss

WITH A CHAMPIONSHIP COMES CHANGE — It was earlier this month that UMass-Amherst accomplished the high point of its athletic program, winning the NCAA Division 1 men's hockey national championship.

There followed a cascade of congratulations from many within the Commonwealth and beyond as the focal point of the collegiate level of the sport has shifted, at least temporarily, from the eastern part of the state where the historic programs based at Boston University, Boston College, Northeastern and Harvard have normally captured the lion's share of attention and publicity.

A person responsible for that geographical reorientation of interest is head coach Greg Carvel, who has just completed his fifth season on the campus located some 90 miles to the west of Boston. Two years ago, UMass made it to the Frozen Four championship game, losing to Minnesota-Duluth.

Then this year, they advanced once again, defeating St. Cloud State, another Minnesota school, for college hockey's ultimate crown. And last year? All UMass did was win 31 games before the world as we knew it changed into something we could never have imagined.

Yet, just as UMass may now be seen as a place to come to experience success in college hockey, it might also be perceived by some as a location to leave before achieving the goal towards which all student-athletes should aspire — earning a degree in their chosen major.

Just as the Frozen Four in Pittsburgh was a three-day event with the semifinals on a Thursday followed by an off day on Friday and the championship game on Saturday, it only took a similar period of time before the first change took place within the championship team.

That would be the signing of sophomore all-star defenseman Zac Jones by the New York Rangers on the following Tuesday, a little less than 72 hours after the final buzzer that signaled the commencement of the memorable moments that followed as the Minutemen entered into that elite environment comprised of college hockey's national champions.

"Jones wanted to go out on top and he did as Massachusetts won the NCAA hockey title," proclaimed a recent piece in the New York Post. "There was nothing left to prove in college." Really?

Well, with all due respect, we feel that for anyone who is a college sophomore there still is quite a bit left to be accomplished. Such as completing the courses one signed up for at the start of the spring term and remaining in college for the final two years in order to earn a degree.

Jones, a Virginia native, wore number 24 on his uniform, numerals that turn out to have been a bit prophetic. Given that he probably came to UMass over the summer of 2019, they represent an approximation of the number of months he was affiliated with the program.

He was a third round pick (68th overall) in the 2019 NHL Draft and came to Amherst after scoring 45 goals in 56 games while playing in the United States Hockey League. UMass was coming off Its 2019 trip to the Frozen Four and would

only be prevented from another lengthy tournament run in 2020 by the COVID-19 shutdown before going on to glory earlier this month.

In his two seasons as a Minuteman Jones made his mark, earning Hockey East All-Rookie honors in his freshman season and then NCAA All-American (East) laurels in the national championship year.

And now he's gone — to attempt a career in the NHL, a move that carries no assurances since an assignment to the AHL always remains a possibility. If he succeeds, there will be substantial financial blessings.

And if not, what then? It turns out that not finishing a college degree program can have consequences for all student athletes who choose not to complete their academic studies.

How so? It could affect their potential affiliation with their chosen sport for life. That's because anyone wishing to become a head coach at the college level must be a college graduate. It doesn't matter whether we are talking about field hockey or ice hockey, baseball or softball or any other college sports. Lack of a degree will be a barrier.

One former athlete who experienced a form of this in recent times was Tony Granato, currently the head coach of the men's hockey team at the University of Wisconsin. He played all four years at UW but also enrolled in fewer classes in three consecutive spring semesters while playing for the U.S. national team. He even took summer classes to stay eligible. Still, that reduced schedule took its toll. When he left Wisconsin in 1987 he was 16 credits short of earning a degree.

He went on to play 13 years in the NHL followed by coaching positions with Colorado, Pittsburgh and Detroit.

When he was hired as the head coach at UW in March 2016, the university made an exception but still mandated that he finish his degree by May 2017. He found himself, at age 52, sitting in classes with students more than 30 years younger than himself. Three of his daughters had already graduated from the same school. But he finished, enabling him to keep his job while serving as a reminder to those who would contemplate leaving before completing their academic programs.

Out at UMass, coach Carvel is well aware of the benefits of taking care of the academic expectations. Those two trips to the Frozen Four, the 31-victory season, the winning of the 2019 Spencer Ross Award (National Coach of the Year) were wonderful experiences. But they would not have been possible had he not laid the foundation for it all at St. Lawrence University back in the early 1990s by earning his degree in political science and mathematics.

He finished his college career serving as team captain, playing all four years and having scored 38 goals to go with 85 assists for a total of 123 points in 131 games.

He was the first COSIDA Academic All-American in the university's history, the winner of the Brian McFarlane Award for excellence in academics and hockey and was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the national academic honorary society.

A superb hat trick that should serve as a model for all current and future UMass players.