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## FESTA DELLA REPUBBLICA



Left to Right: Lino Rullo, State Senator Sal DiDomenico, Consul General of Italy Boston, Liborio Stellino and a Carabinieri celebrate Italian Republic Day.

Italian Republic Day celebrations were held on May 30 and 31, 2010 in Boston's North End. On May 30<sup>th</sup> a bocce tournament was held at the bocce courts on Commercial Street and on May 31<sup>st</sup> Christopher Columbus Park was transformed into an Italian style "piazza" with Italian novelties, gelato, espresso served to the public along with entertainment throughout the day.

(Photos by Rosario Scabin of Ross Photography)

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## North End Post 144 — Veterans of Foreign War Commemorate Memorial Day 2010



North End Post 144 Veterans of Foreign War march through the streets of the North End on Memorial Day.

The North End Post 144 celebrated Memorial Day, May 31, 2010 with a parade through the streets of the North End and a celebratory Mass held at St. Stephen's on Hanover Street, Boston. After the Mass they laid a wreath at the War Memorial in the Prado (Paul Revere Park) and at the Iraqi/Afghani War Memorial at the Old North Church.



The plaque commemorating those who lost their lives for the freedom of the United States of America, located in the Prado (Paul Revere Park).

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## News Briefs

by Sal Giarratani

### America Has a New Face

The news story in a recent *Bay State Banner* on how African-Americans view themselves when it comes to self-identification on documents such as census forms was most revealing. What is a biracial person to do when given boxes to check? Are you African-American or are you white? What do people consider you? What do you consider yourself? In this commentary disguised as a news story, a viewpoint was being pushed, wasn't it? All those interviewed for the story said they only checked off the box marked African-American. There was a reference to President Obama who himself identifies as African-American seemingly forgetting about his white roots. Why has he done this? He had a choice and made it.

Too bad reporters are too timid to ask the president that question. Too bad the reporter in the *Banner* story didn't take the time to interview bi-racial folks who check off two boxes. It might have been informative to know why people check off multiple boxes. My own family is both multi-ethnic and multiracial. I couldn't "pass" for Irish except probably on the phone talking too much. Most of my friends see me as Italian because of my "looks" and name. They laugh when I say I'm Irish. I have always defined myself rather than letting others define me.

I have three nieces and one of them could easily "pass" for white. Most people think she's white but she isn't concerned what others think. She is herself. My nephew is proud of his Italian, Irish, African and Native American roots. Whenever given the choice of checking off boxes, he always refuses. He is Dominic III and he is

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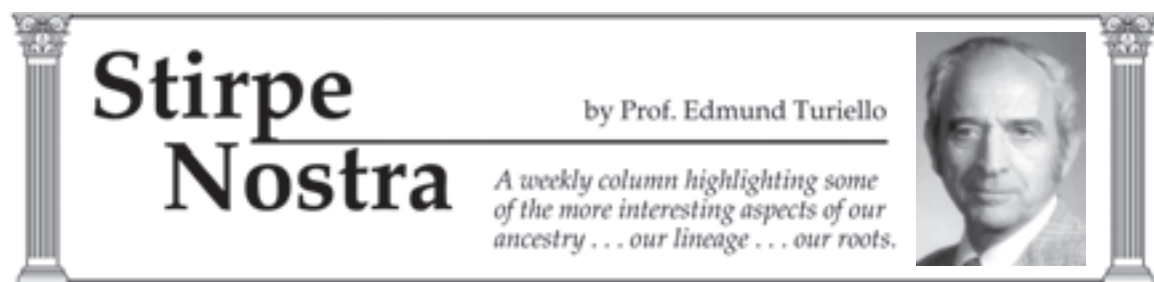


North End Post 144 Veterans of Foreign War members with friends and clergy outside St. Stephen's Church on Hanover Street, Boston. (Photos by Dom Campochiaro)

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# Stirpe Nostra

by Prof. Edmund Turiello

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## THE ROMAN AQUEDUCTS

An aqueduct is a pipe, conduit, canal or trough used to convey water from one place to another. At one time approximately 350 million gallons of water poured into Rome each day from as many as fourteen great aqueducts in order to serve their needs for thermae, public fountains and for domestic use.

One of the first of these aqueducts was the Aqua Appia which brought water from springs seven miles east of Rome and was completed about 312 B.C. The reservoir for the Aqua Appia was located near the Tiber and consequently only supplied a part of the city.

Forty years later in 272 B.C. they completed the second aqueduct by drawing from the Anio River on high ground near Tivoli about 20 miles from Rome.

The Aqua Marcia was third and came from springs in the upper valley of the Anio a distance of 38 miles but in order to avoid some low lands and to maintain the proper pitch, a circuitous route increased its length to 61 miles. The last seven miles entering Rome were supported on arches. It was completed in 144 B.C. and was built at a cost of approximately 8 million dollars.

The fourth was named the Aqua Tepula only 13 miles long, the last half of which was supported on the arches of the Marcia.

The Aqua Virgo served the Baths of Agrippa, so named because of the young maiden that pointed out the location of the originating springs. Water from these springs is still being brought to Rome in a newer aqueduct which is called the Trevi ... need I say more.

Next came the Aqua Claudia, built by Caligula and Claudius, it was completed about 50 A.D. ... It brought water from the Subiaco, a distance of 45 miles and in some places was carried on stone arches over 100 feet high.

One of the longest seems to have been the Anio Novus completed about 50 A.D. and ran about 62 miles. The first 49 miles were subterranean.

Some of the others had names like Aqua Felice, Aqua Paolo and Aqua Alexandrina.

Most importantly they all started in the surrounding hills and were brought into Rome on a gradual pitch, sometimes going miles off course in order to avoid steep grades too soon. The portion on the ground ran in concrete channels or pipes and above ground on beautiful stone arches. Some of these conduits supplied a stream of water entering the city 40 feet deep and two feet wide running at about five to six miles per hour in a continuous current. They coped with this by making sharp

changes in direction about every mile and also by providing reservoirs at strategic locations. Settling tanks had to be provided to remove much of the chalky matter with which the water was loaded.

A study of Roman antiquities made about 100 years ago stated that if all of the water from all of the aqueducts could be brought together at one point, it would create a stream 25 feet wide and 6 feet deep constantly running at a speed four or five times faster than most rivers. These aqueducts also furnished the water required to sustain the beautiful villas and the farms that covered the countryside during imperial times. Most of the water furnished to the inhabitants was free. There were about 600 open reservoirs in the city for use by anyone. The only requirement was that you bring your own "secchia." (MWRA Please Note).

Today, about 2,000 years later, one cannot speed through the Campania in an air-conditioned train, bus or car and view the standing remains of these majestic structures without some passing thought to the vision, daring and wisdom of those Roman engineers.

NEXT ISSUE:  
The Roman Theaters

## Nathan Swain Speaks to St. John Jr. High Students



Left to Right: Nate Swain and Jr. High teachers Ms. Claire Cassidy, Ms. Robin Horgan, and Ms. Cari-Ann Dufresne, also in attendance was teacher Ms. Margie Sarzana.

On Wednesday, May 26 local landscape architect and community artist Nathan Swain spoke to the St. John Jr. High students about his work in the North End which include the recent beautification project of the Edison building on the corner of Salem and Prince streets. The students were excited to hear his perspectives regarding the use of personalized banners and building wraps to accomplish his projects. They were interested to hear of his ideas to give buildings in the North End including the "vent building" on North St., a new look with this technique.

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## Res Publica

by David Trumbull



### Song of Freedom

Each year I see fewer and fewer men on the street wearing remembrance poppies on Memorial Day. This year I couldn't even find anyone selling "Buddy Poppies," the paper replica flowers that the Veterans of Foreign Wars sell to raise money for disabled veterans. I wore one saved from last year or the year before — I guess I'm getting used to not finding poppies, so I save one from year to year.

Poppies on days of remembrance and recognition—Memorial Day and Veterans Day — are a sort of secular sacramental — like the smudge of ash that Catholics bear on their foreheads on the first day of lent — an outward and visible sign. Such public displays are good and ought to be promoted, especially among the young. While we do not compel anyone to any particular observation, the man, or woman, who neglects such ritualized acts of honor ought to stand out from the norm.

This past weekend I saw no one else wearing a Memorial Day poppy. Perhaps I should have seen more poppies had I gone to some official Memorial Day event. I commend those who kept this Memorial Day by participating in or viewing a patriotic parade, attending to a fallen warrior's grave, or listening to patriotic speeches. Here in Boston the Trumbulls paused and re-

flected on the meaning of the day while we enjoyed a cook-out. We chose to celebrate the day as the opening of summer season at the Clubs at Charles River Park. Remember, our freedom — hard-won with the blood of patriots — is also the freedom to simply enjoy a summer day with loved ones however we choose.

In 1942, with America suffering set-backs in World War Two—our final victory was far from assured in the early, unsuccessful months of American participation in the war — Irving Berlin, in a song written for the movie *Holiday Inn*, summed up the meaning of American freedom:

*"Free to speak  
and free to hear  
Free from want  
and free from fear  
Sons of freedom far  
and near who agree  
Sing with me  
That all God's children  
shall be free"*

Thanks to the men and women who served, and sometimes died for, our nation, we are FREE!

David Trumbull is the chairman of the Boston Ward Three Republican Committee. Boston's Ward Three includes the North End, West End, part of Beacon Hill, downtown, waterfront, Chinatown, and part of the South End.

## Remember When?



This photo was taken in the mid 1950's of young North End boys hanging out.

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## GUEST EDITORIAL

### EARLY DELIVERABLES ARE GEARED TO TAXPAYERS

*by Edward P. Shallow*

This piece is from the Wall Street Journal's popular "Notable & Quotable" feature it was published in May and was authored by Joseph Rago. Realizing it will never be published in the mainstream media, I determined my readership be advised of its content.

I titled the piece.

White House payoffs to big labor are by now routine, though rarely are they this transparent: This week, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius rolled out a new program that, scrubbed down amounts to a slush fund for union health plans.

When Democrats realized that ObamaCare's approval numbers were sagging, they loaded the bill up with "early deliverables" — programs that would go into effect immediately, rather than the five or more years of delay used to hide the bill's true costs. One of those early deliverables was \$5 billion in subsidies to early retirees aged 55 to 64 who incur annual health costs over \$15,000.

Ms. Sebelius did her best to dress this reinsurance program up in public-interest blanket, but many of the 3.3 million eligible retirees are ex-union workers who extracted generous benefits from some of America's most hard pressed industries. Businesses that doled out these unaffordable promises will be delighted with the federal handout, taxpayers less so. And also eligible are retired state and local public employees, as well as certain health-care trusts like one recently set up by the United Auto Workers, which has an estimated 30 cents in cash for every dollar of expected claims.

The subsidies will be distributed at Ms. Sebelius's discretion — no prizes for guessing which groups will be "certified." Indeed, an explicit stipulation of GM's health care agreement with the UAW was that GM would join the union in lobbying for a nationalized health care system to eventually transfer its obligation to taxpayers.

The Sebelius giveaway will supposedly expire in 2014, but Democrats can be counted on to keep coming up with plans to put taxpayers on the hook for all the unaffordable promises made to unionized workers by their public and private employers. That political imperative has all along been the driving force behind initiatives like ObamaCare.

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**William A. "Sonny"  
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 and Children*

*Lucille, Rose, Jody and Billy*



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## Margaret DeMarco

**M**argaret DeMarco 88, of Boston's North End, passed away on Sunday May 30, 2010. She was the cherished wife of the late William DeMarco. Loving mother of William DeMarco and his wife Marcia, Janis Mercadante and her husband Richard, Maria Peracchi-Smith and her fiancé Pablo Hernandez, and the late Marguerite Steriti. Beloved grandmother of seventeen grandchildren and great-grandmother of ten. Cherished



sister of Helen Hastings and Rita DiBenedetto, both of Florida and the late Pat, Freddy, Johnny, Arthur, Lillian, Mildred, and Filomena. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral was from the Boston Harborside Home, Commercial Street, Boston, Massachusetts on Thursday, June 3, 2010 at 9:00AM followed by a funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 12 North Square, Boston MA. Interment at Mount Auburn Cemetery. May she rest in Eternal Peace.

## ATTORNEY

### Francis J. "Frank" Larkin

Attorney Francis J. "Frank" Larkin age 70, of Belmont, MA and Rye, NH passed away unexpectedly on May 10, 2010. He was the son of the late Geraldine and Nicholas Larkin grew up in Brookline, MA. Husband of the late Mary (Cadigan) Larkin. He is survived by many dear friends and colleagues, his devoted friend and partner, Ms. Dyanne Cleary, of Belmont, MA; her two sons, three grandchildren, loving mother, sisters and brothers, their extended families and a brother Thomas Larkin of Florida all of whom love and will dearly miss him. Brother of the late Nicholas Larkin.



Judicial Court; a member of the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys (MATA); and the Massachusetts Trial Lawyers Association (MTLA). Mr. Larkin was a kind, generous and witty man. He was a true gentleman; an intellectual who had a passion for life and a unique curiosity of people and relationships. He enjoyed studying law; always exceeding efforts to delve into the

intricacies of a case so that he could serve his client with utmost integrity. He loved his homes and many friends in both communities of Belmont and Rye, NH where he enjoyed reading, conversation and taking long walks with his dog along the oceanside. He enjoyed traveling outside the country sharing good times with his MATA friends and colleagues. He was an avid golfer, tennis player and a member of the Belmont Tennis Club in Belmont, MA. Funeral was from the Stanton Funeral Home, 786 Mt. Auburn Street, (RT16), Watertown on Monday at 9 A.M. Funeral Mass in St. Ignatius Church, 140 Commonwealth Avenue, Chestnut Hill at 10 A.M. Contributions in Attorney Francis J. Larkin's name may be made to Boston College High School, 150 Morrissey Boulevard, Dorchester, MA 02125.

*May he rest in peace.*

## Coro-Dante's Spring Concert



Over 300 people had the great pleasure of attending the Dante Alighieri Cultural Center's Coro-Dante Spring concert on Sunday, April 25. Under the direction of Maestro Kevin Galie, the audience was enchanted by the music of Cali, Bellini, Verdi and Leopardi to the piano accompaniment of Emily Taylor. Solo performances were presented by Franco Vitiello and Holly Cameron. A new arrangement of "Arrivederci Roma" by Attilio Poto and Kevin Galie closed the concert to a standing ovation.

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# Financially Speaking

with Ben Doherty

## DEFICITS AND TAXES ON THE DRAWING BOARD

Democrats ok spending \$2 for each \$1 in long term taxes. As European governments take out their meat cleavers to spending and raise taxes across the board, Washington has adopted the path of austerity. Congress is ready to pick up the tab for a lot of the stimulus needed to get the economy moving again provided it can pay over 10 years. The lower the cost of a jobless society and tax credit extended and paying \$23 billion provisions in Medicare-physician costs passed as a "doc-fix" amendment. The bills have a \$112 billion short term cost, and could be partially paid for with \$60 billion in long term tax increases on investment funds, oil companies and multinational corporations. The Senate approved \$47 billion in deficit spending tied to Afghanistan and Iraq. The Democrats in Congress have only passed tax increases with a \$90 billion fee on banks. The Democrats may end up packaging the bank tax with extension of the middle-class tax cuts passed by President Bush that set to expire at year end. An extra \$47 billion in aid would close about 1/3 of the budget deficit faced by states at year end, said Nicholas Johnson state fiscal director

of Business & Policy Priorities. Senate negotiators are reported looking at a tax hike on investment fund managers. The increase could raise the tax on fund managers to 38.5% from 15%. The major Indexes fell Friday as a down grade in Spain's debt took center stage. The NASDAQ fell .9% and the S&P and Dow Jones fell 1.2% each as the NYSE fell 1.5% on the eve of the holiday weekend. The markets general health leaves a lot to be desired. Three of the four major Indexes are stuck under their 200 day moving averages. It wasn't that long ago that the Indexes were far above that line. A turnaround is necessary if we have patience. In four of the last 10 years a sustained rally historically started in August of those years, so patience is necessary as with the market in correction, stocks buys are risky. Stocks such as Comstar, Boston Beer, Overstock.com, Impax Labs, FS Networks, had posted gains in the 15% range. Consumer spending defied forecasts for a .3% gain. Incomes climbed and real disposable income rose by 1.5%, the most in a year. The savings rate rose to 3.6%, and the University of

Michigan Consumers Index rose vs. .5% from April. Apple rose 1% on Friday before Memorial Day. It sold 1 million of its Ipad in Australia, Canada, Italy, Spain and Switzerland. Apple sold 1 million of the devices in the U.S. in just 28 days. The Chicago Business Index fell 4.3 points in May. The jobs gauge dropped to 40.2% a sign that employers may be growing anxious amid European debt crisis and a slow down in China. The order backlog fell sharply with IBM's U.S. manufacturing index weak. Retailers did well! Shoe retailer DSW's EPS quadrupled to .67%, topping views by .18¢, driven by a 16.2% same store sales gain. Auto parts retailer, Auto Zone, topped views helped by new store openings. Cosco Wholesale, Rose 21, Dress Barn and JoAnne stores and American Eagle Outfitters all beat views. The week was weak on rivals that weighed on the market. Many rebounding stocks carry a heavy burden with overhead supply. The stock has traded higher and people who bought there are waiting to break even, and sell when the stock recovers, to their entry point. There are many stocks new in this position and it takes time to recover when they sell, the recovery stops. There is a lot of supply areas that are more than two years old, but you need to be concerned about recent over supply areas. Quality stock such as Apple were able to fight through over supply. One should buy stocks reaching new highs as they are not burdened by overhead supply. *It's time to call your financial advisor or call me at 617-261-7777.*



by Sal Giarratani

## Rand Paul Looks Like An Eye Doctor Who Needs His Head Examined

Tea Party favorite and well-known libertarian who takes after his father Ron Paul, a US Congressman from Texas recently won the Republican US Senate primary in Kentucky by some 23 points over his primary opponent. The Tea Partiers across America show his victory as a victory for them. He is the kind of Republican candidate the national GOP desires or is he? Back in the day when I was young and in college in the sixties and seventies, I met many libertarians and most of them lived in la la land. They were as bad as all those ivory tower liberals who also had no concept of how the real, world actually works off the pages of a book or outside the classroom. I, myself, have always been moderate to conservative hovering around the center. The world is never black or white. it is always grey and getting more grey as time goes on. Paul accepts an invitation to go on the Rachael Maddow Show on MSNBC. She is a notorious conservative head hunter. She loves destroying them on camera. She just lets them hang themselves. They do all the work and she sits there smiling as they self-destruct. Her opponents are blaming her for Paul's meltdown and call her a gotcha journalist. They're right but Paul knew this before accepting the chance to spar with her on cable.

the meaning of his landslide winning primary' nod. Why he even entertained an answer to her question on the Civil Rights Act of 1964 is beyond me. Was he being this stupid on purpose? Even the *Wall Street Journal* wondered what happened to him when he blundered on deeper and deeper into the bad lands of politics. I can't believe he actually said or stringly implied that private clubs had the right to deny African Americans a place at their lunch counter. I wonder what he thinks about bus companies that travel America? What is his position on where they sit on the bus if at all? I know this sounds silly but this is what happens when candidates allow themselves to get trapped by political journalist on cable or get trapped by their own delusions of what the US Constitution really is. When asked by Maddow about the 1964 Civil Rights Act he should have answered his own question about the significance's of his 2010 election and not a 1964 law. Falling into her hands, he made it seem that his primary victory just shows that Tea Partiers are nothing more than a bunch of racists wearing invisible hoods. He can still win the election but on his terms which are limited government, lower taxes and secure borders. Don't take on President Lyndon Baines Johnson and don't try to out Barry, Barry Goldwater.

His victory in Kentucky to replace retiring US Rep Jim Bunning took a turn for the worse post-Maddow but he's still on the road. However allowing Maddow to re-frame what his election meant in terms of racial politics did a disservice to all his supporters who worked hard for his victory. Race was never an issue in this Senate primary and he allowed Maddow the opportunity to throw race into the picture fogging up

In this year's apparent anti-incumbent election cycle both Republicans and Democrats run at risk as candidates like Rand Paul choose to run for vacant seats or take on incumbents. The Tea Party movement is separate from party politics. Many of those tea partiers are probably Republicans but the movement is beyond party politics. Republic

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## Pennies from Heaven

by Bennett Molinari and Richard Molinari

The title of the song, "Pennies from Heaven," sung by Bing Crosby in the 1930's very much expresses the sentiments of Barbara Maldero for the many contributions she collected, given to help sustain the program Pennies for the Unborn. Barbara, a lifelong resident of the North End is a member of the Catholic Daughters of America, Court Ausonia 781, which raises money in order to fund Cardinal Sean O'Malley's programs in support of the unborn.



Barbara Maldero

Barbara has been actively collecting pennies and other donations for this program over the past four years. Like a river that finds its source in miniscule streams increasing in mass as it

flows to the sea the pennies given to Barbara in tiny bags or chance encounters on the street have this year accumulated to a very generous \$1,100, exceeding last year's amount of \$700 and Barbara's target of \$1,000 for this year.

Barbara, who founded the Saint Damian Society in 1988, worked through Catholic Medical Mission to help supply roll bandages used to wrap the open sores of the lepers they served. As the Saint Damian Society adopted the motto, "Our work is a labor of love," so Barbara expresses her heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed to Pennies for the Unborn by simply saying "no contribution is too small in order to serve such a worthy cause."

Barbara was chosen this year's "Woman of the Year" by the North End Health Center in association with the Massachusetts General Hospital for her long standing commitment to community work.

## CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL 65<sup>th</sup> Commemoration

Dear Alumni,

Thank you for contributing to the success of the 65<sup>th</sup> Commemoration of the founding of Columbus High School. The committee was pleased to see so many graduates of various classes and their guests gathered together at St. Leonard's Church.

Many alumni indicated they had a wonderful time reconnecting with former classmates again after so many years. Although the school no longer exists it is evident the spirit of Columbus, instilled in our lives through Franciscan teaching, lives on.

As a result of your generosity we were able to present Pastor Antonio a donation of one thousand dollars to help support the preservation of historical St. Leonard's Church.

It was gratifying to me and members of my committee to be able to sponsor this event

and we pray that each of you remain in contact with your classmates on a regular basis.

May God grant you and your family health and happiness.

For the Committee,  
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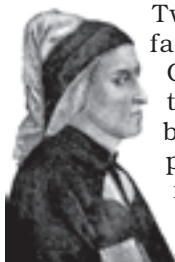
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## DANTE ALIGHIERI, Part III

### Florence's Political Parties from 1200-1302

by Dominic Avellani, Director of the East Boston Adult Ed. Center



Two German families (the Guelphs and the Ghibellines) became very powerful in Europe. The followers of these two families fought each other all over Italy and Europe. The Guelphs Party felt the Pope should have spiritual and worldly power. The Ghibellines felt the Holy Roman emperor should have worldly power and the Pope should have only spiritual power.

Italy had some small city-states (Florence, Genova, Venice, Verona, Naples, Sicily, and more. Rather than unite, they would wage war on each other and many times because they belonged to the Guelphs or the Ghibellines Party. Pisa favored the Ghibellines at one time so Florence waged war on Pisa because Florence favored the Guelphs and so on. The last major battle between these two parties took place in Benevenuto (near Napoli) in 1265 (the Guelphs won over the Ghibellines), and as a result Florence became totally Guelphs Party.

Dante's family flourished under the Guelphs from 1200's to 1300. Dante loved to be Florentine and would write poetry to other

literaturi, he would spend time with his family (had three boys and one girl), would enjoy riding his horse, and at times, he would go around Florence hoping to catch a glance of Beatrice Portinari. Besides meeting her when he was nine, he did meet her again when he was 17 and as they passed each other she spoke one word to him: "Salute" (which can mean "hi" or "good health to you.") That evening he dreamed about her and all her beauty and splendor and his endless love for her.

Since he had fought in the Florentine cavalry and had fought valiantly in the Battle of Campaldino (in 1289), he entered politics in 1295. He was elected City Councillor and took part in taking wealth and property from the Ghibellines party that lost in many battles in Tuscany, etc. As it often happens, when they were not fighting enemies, they began to fight among each other. The Guelphs divided into two factions: the White Guelphs and the Black Guelphs. Dante remained with the White Guelphs and became very important and became a troubleshooter all over Italy for Florence (something like Henry Kissinger was during the good Nixon era). Unfortunately, when he was sent on an assignment to

Rome in the 1300, Pope Boniface VIII put him under house arrest for 3 months and as he was returning to Florence, a friend in Siena warned him not to return to his beloved Florence for he and his sons would be tried and executed because the Black Guelphs Party (with the help of Pope Boniface and French troops) had taken over Florence and were killing, exiling, taking the wealth and property of the White Guelphs. And thus begins Dante's exile away from the city he loved, cherished, adored, and admired so much.

The White Guelphs and the Black Guelphs were not races of black or white people but were two political parties like Republicans and Democrats. Because of the bad Black Guelph political leaders (like Corso) and the nasty way Dante was treated by them, Dante will refer to Florence's neighborhoods, politicians, places and individuals in over 30 occasions in Dante's epic poem "Dante's Inferno." Florence continued to flourish under the Black Guelphs party but for Dante and his White Guelphs party members, it meant only exile and hardship.

In Dante, Part IV (1300-1321) we will look into Dante's Life in Exile.

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## FRIENDS OF THE NORTH END BRANCH LIBRARY BOOK SALE



The Friends of the North End Branch Library's current Vice-President Paula Luccio and young friend sell books in the outside garden of the North End Branch Library.

On Saturday, May 22, 2010, the Friends of the North End Branch Library held their Annual Book Sale. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the North End Branch Library. If you are interested in joining the Friends, stop by the Branch and pick up an application. For further information about the branch or upcoming programs, please call 617-227-8135.



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## ALL THAT ZAZZ

by Mary N. DiZazzo



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Ciao bella,

Reiki was developed by Natural Healer and Buddhist Mikao Usai. He opened his first commercial Reiki clinic in 1922 in Japan. Many followers adapted this meditation technique so that the body can heal itself naturally. Reiki is considered to be complementary and an alternative medicine.

In 1922 while Usai was performing a 21-day Buddhist training course held on Mount Kurama in Japan he had this mystical revelation! The training course which probably consisted of meditation, fasting, chanting and prayer provided Usai the gained knowledge and spiritual power to apply and teach others what he called Reiki.

He lived to be 61 years young and on the inscription on his memorial stone read how he taught over 2,000 people in his lifetime and 16 of his students continued their training to reach a level of being a natural healer!

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Today Reiki is considered an important part of taking charge of your body's inner ability to heal itself. Its philosophies and healing applications have gained world wide attention.

I do believe the body has its own energy and the life energy surrounding us to turn a situation around for the better with this healing process.

Whenever Reiki is performed on me by Zoe, whether it is "distant" Reiki or in person I always feel a warmth enveloping me. Give Reiki a try, you have only to gain a sense of healing.



Zoe is a Certified Reflexologist. Her other interdisciplinary interests include Reiki, Thai bodywork, journaling, color and visual techniques for overall healing and spiritual growth. You can find Zoe at 857-919-4278, [info@toe2heal.com](mailto:info@toe2heal.com).

She is conveniently located on Beacon Hill by appointment only and also does house calls. This is a 2 part series on healing — stay tuned for part 3!

Remember to feel good is to feel beautiful.

*Buona giornata*, and God bless the United States of America!

— Mary N. DiZazzo-Trumbull

PS. Stay tuned for "Healing Part 3 of a 3-part series."

Read prior weeks' "All That Zazz" columns at [www.mary4nails.com](http://www.mary4nails.com). Mary is a third-generation cosmetologist and a Massachusetts distributor of Kosmea brand rose hip oil products. She may be contacted at (978) 470-8183 or [mary@mary4nails.com](mailto:mary@mary4nails.com)

## EAST BOSTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE \$10,000 Dinner a Big Success



The Winners and representatives of winners not in attendance. From left to right: Scott Warren, John Dudley, Jean Arroyo, Joe Ruggiero, Lillian Conti and Kathy Todisco.



EBCC President Neffo Cappuccio, EBCC 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President Diane Modica, Executive Director John Dudley, EBCC Past President, Angelo Vigliotta Jr. and EBCC Board of Director, Marisa DiPietro busy at the raffle drum.

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Pat Todisco, Jr. ready to drop in his hopeful winning ticket.

The East Boston Chamber of Commerce brought back the "Original" 10,000 Dinner on May 27, 2010 at Spinelli's in East Boston. The usual excitement filled the air as 218 people vied for a chance to win \$10,000! Guests were treated to a delicious multi course dinner including a surf and turf main course. Event chairperson and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, Diane Modica thanked everyone for supporting the 10,000 Dinner which benefits the East Boston Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber's mission is to promote East Boston businesses and encourage local economic growth.

Master of Ceremony EBCC Past President Joe Ruggiero did a great job hosting the event and conducting the live auction with assistance from Past President Angelo Vigliotta, Jr.

EBCC President, Neffo Cappuccio thanked the board and committee members who volunteer their time and resources each year to keep the East Boston Chamber of Commerce flourishing.



Master of Ceremony Joe Ruggiero pauses to read off the names of the remaining ten tickets.

A celebratory cake was presented to Todisco Towing for 10 years of business in the East Boston community. The Todisco family has and continues to support the East Boston Chamber of Commerce and the East Boston community.

The winners consisted of five individuals who split the grand prize of \$10,000.

(Photos by Lisa Cappuccio)

# "Gravy Wars"

## Descends Upon Boston

Author Lorraine Ranalli to Appear in Eastie



Author Lorraine Ranalli

Philly brings way more than just baseball to Boston the weekend of June 11-13 when Philadelphia media personality Lorraine Ranalli tours the city to tout her humorous narrative/cookbook, *Gravy Wars, South Philly Foods, Feuds & Attitudes*.

*Gravy Wars* is a light-hearted depiction of the Italian-American culture — a culture whose persona has captivated America, as evidenced by the success of *Rocky*, *Invincible*, and many similar large and small screen productions.

"What makes this project great," Ranalli explains, "is that readers of all backgrounds frequently comment on the book's nostalgia, saying things like, 'This was my family growing up and I'm not even Italian!' I hear that all the time."

Ranalli will be at Bertucci's Kenmore Square for a book signing and food sampling party Friday afternoon, June 11, from 3:00-5:00 prior to the Red Sox-Phillies series opener. "We'll be tailgating at Bertucci's!" Ranalli said. "It just so happens that the Phillies are visiting the Red

Sox that weekend. I didn't plan on this but the match-up makes my promotion that much more fun!"  
On Saturday, June 12,



Ranalli, the self-proclaimed "Cook Next Door," will demonstrate her home-style Italian-American cooking for students and guests at The Cambridge School of Culinary Arts. Advance registration is required for the 10:00 am class and seating is limited. Admission includes a copy of *Gravy Wars*. Register online at [www.CambridgeCulinary.com](http://www.CambridgeCulinary.com) or by calling the school at (617) 354-2020.

**Italia Unita, a non-profit cultural organization, will host Ranalli and Gravy Wars at 3:00 pm, June 12 for what Ranalli describes as "an afternoon of camaraderie and comedy" at The Cultural Exchange Center, 80 Border Street (Atlantic Works Building), East Boston. Italia Unita can be reached by calling 617-561-3201 or log on to [www.Italiaunita.org](http://www.Italiaunita.org).**

# TODISCO TOWING

## Celebrates 10 Year Anniversary



Pat Todisco, Jr. and Pat Todisco III hold one of many proclamations giving by the Boston City Council.

Pat Todisco, Jr. recently celebrated 10 years in business with Todisco Towing. Todisco Towing is a full service towing, recovery and road service company located on Condor Street, East Boston. On Thursday, May 20, 2010 a celebration was held at their location. Local public officials pre-



Pat Todisco III and his wife Melissa Todisco.

sented Pat Todisco, Jr. with proclamations commemorating their 10 year anniversary.

The Todisco family has been an integral part of the East Boston community for many years. Starting with Pat Todisco, Jr., he and his family have dedicated many hours of volunteer service in the community through the East Boston Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations. For many years the Todisco family donated Christmas trees to needy families in East Boston. Pat Todisco III, followed in his Dad's footsteps in many ways starting with his positive work ethic and community involvement. In fact Pat III now serves on the East Boston Chamber of Commerce Board and continues to serve the community in East Boston in many charitable ways. Best wishes to the Todisco family and Todisco Towing on their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for their contributions in making East Boston a wonderful community to live and work in.



Pat Todisco IV and Adrianna Todisco celebrating at their Dad's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at Todisco Towing.



## Freeway Says ...

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

This is something for all human companions to think about in the future. Pet Trusts. Does your estate planning include your pets? Sometimes you hear in the news that a wealthy celebrity has left millions of dollars of his or her estate to a pet. While that seems extreme or even outrageous, the spirit of it is actually very responsible. As pet owners we should think about what would happen if our pets were to outlive us. It may be over the top to leave your house or your entire estate to your pooch or cat, but it makes perfect sense to decide who you'd want to care for your pet. And it's not unreasonable to leave that person money, as part of your estate planning, to pay for your pet's expenses.

If you have plenty of family and close friends who would be more than willing to care for your pet, and whom you trust to do it, you may not need a pet trust. But, if you know your family and friends are not the best people to care for your pet (even if they're willing) or if you live

alone, you are older, ill, or have multiple pets, you should consider it. A pet trust is where you choose a caretaker, and designate funds from the estate to go that person, to provide care for your pets. There are several types of legal trusts you can set up, which you can

discuss with your lawyer. My next article will also be interesting. Who would you choose to care for your pets? Love your pet and remember "pick up after your pet" I don't want anyone getting mad at my pooch friends. That's all for now ... Life is terrific!

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# Pirandello Lyceum Annual Scholarship Program

On Sunday May 16, 2010 the Pirandello Lyceum conducted its annual scholarship program at the Hilton Boston Logan Airport. The Pirandello Lyceum awarded seven \$1,500.00 scholarships to outstanding Massachusetts high school students. Vincent Fazzolari, Chairman of the Scholarship committee, and his committee did a wonderful job in choosing these recipients. We would also like to thank Dr. Carlo Cipollone, Educational Director, Italian Consulate Office, for his generosity to the Pirandello friends and members, the board was able to accomplish this goal.



**THE SAM AND LUCY CRISAFULLI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** — Left to right: Dr. Dean Saluti, Marjorie Cahn, Yara Tercero-Parker, scholarship recipient and Vincent Fazzolari, scholarship chairman.



Left to right: Dr. Carlo Cipollone, Italian Consulate Office, Director of Education, Rosario Cascio, Pirandello Lyceum's President, Adam Vitale, Andrew Cavicchi, Yara Tercero-Parker, Ashley Duda, Patrick Abberton, Anna Frappaolo, Catherine Ternes, Scholarship recipients, and Vincent Fazzolari, Scholarship Chairman.



**THE AL NATALE SCHOLARSHIP** — Left to right: Salvatore Bramante, Nicole Demond, Dorothy Maio, Judith Bessette, Catherine Ternes, scholarship recipient and Vincent Fazzolari, Scholarship Chairman.



**THE MARK FRATTAROLI SCHOLARSHIP** — Left to Right: Nina Cipollone, Josephine Parella, Lola Lombardo, Mary Vitiello, Franco Vitiello, Anna Frappaolo, scholarship recipient, Vincent Fazzolari, Filippo Frattaroli, donor and Dr. Carlo Cipollone.

## 2010 NORTH END FESTIVAL DIRECTORY

### JUNE

- SANTA MARIA DIANZANO** June 6  
*Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts.* 2 pm
- ST. ANTHONY'S of PADULA** June 13  
*Procession Only – Hanover – Prince Sts.* 2 pm
- PADRE PIO PROCESSION** June 27  
TBA

### JULY

- MADONNA DEL GRAZIE** July 11  
*Procession Only - North Sq.* 2 pm
- ST. ROCCO** July 18  
*Procession Only - Prince St.* 1 pm
- ST. JOSEPH** July 23, 24, 25  
*Hanover & Battery Sts.*  
*Sunday Procession* 1 pm
- ST. AGRIPPINA** July 30, 31 - August 1  
*Hanover & Battery Sts.*  
*Sunday Procession* 1 pm

### AUGUST

- MADONNA DELLA CAVA** August 6, 7, 8  
*Hanover & Battery Sts.*  
*Sunday Procession* 1 pm
- MADONNA del SOCCORSO** August 12, 13, 14, 15  
*North, Fleet & Lewis Sts. (Fisherman's)*  
*Sunday Procession* 1 pm
- ST. DOMENIC** August 22  
*Procession Only - North Square* 2 pm
- ST. ANTHONY** August 27, 28, 29  
*Endicott & Thacher Sts.*  
*Sunday Procession* 12 pm
- ST. LUCY** August 30  
*Monday Procession - Endicott St.* 5 pm

### SEPTEMBER

- ST. ROSALIE** September 12  
*Procession Only - North Square* 1 pm

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# The Socially Set

by Hilda M. Morrill



Pictured at the "Medicine that Matters" gala hosted by the Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program are, left to right, BHCHP Executive Director Bob Taube, Honoree Mary Richardson, Barbara Akins and Dr. Cary Akins. (Photo by Roger Farrington)

The Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program recently hosted its 25th anniversary "Medicine that Matters" gala at the Seaport Hotel.

Attended by more than 350 guests and supporters, the event raised more than \$430,000 to fund BHCHP initiatives delivering care to more than 11,000 homeless men, women and children every year.

Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program presented its first annual "Tim Russert Award" to Mary Richardson who, through her reporting and advocacy, has given a voice to people who have no voice. The award honors a person who raises public consciousness on issues of health and homelessness.

BHCHP also awarded Laurence Ronan, MD, an MGH internist who cares for patients in war torn coun-

tries throughout the world, its first annual "Dr. Jim O'Connell Award." The award honors a person who embodies the spirit of BHCHP in providing medical services to the most vulnerable members of our society.

Among the many distinguished guests were Jennifer and Dennis Eckersley, Stacey and Larry Lucchino, Jim Brett, Lenny Clarke, Mike Barnicle, Chronicle's Anthony Everett, Partners CEO Gary Gottlieb, MD, MGH President Peter Slavin, MD, and WBUR General Manager Paul LaCamera, to name a few.

Since its founding in 1985, Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program has bridged the distance between mainstream health care and Boston's homeless individuals and families by providing comprehensive health care services in sites as diverse as Mass General

Hospital and the crawl space under the Longfellow "Salt & Pepper" Bridge.

Congratulations and best wishes to all! To learn more about the work of the Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program, visit [bhchp.org](http://bhchp.org).

..... Archbishop Williams High School will hold its "Summer Social and Man/Woman of the Year Celebration" on Monday, June 7 at the new Raffael's at the South Shore Country Club in Hingham beginning at 6 p.m. This year's honorees are Dennis K. Burke '55 and Kathie Ford Lewis '95.

The annual year-end reception is billed as "A wonderful night for faculty, alumni and parents to celebrate the end of the school year while honoring special guests."

For tickets and more information, call 781-843-3636 or visit [www.awhs.org](http://www.awhs.org).

..... Old Sturbridge Village will celebrate an old-fashioned military "Muster Day" on Saturday, June 12, with a special appearance by the 1812 Marines from Boston's *U.S.S. Constitution*, who will march, drill, and demonstrate field maneuvers alongside the Sturbridge militia. Active military personnel get a 50-percent admission discount, and members of their party get 25 percent off admission.

Fifers and drummers will play martial music, and children can "join the militia," learn to march and drill, and make a militia hat to wear and take home. Visitors can enjoy early 19th-century "base ball," French & English (tug of war), and crafts demonstrations, and head to the farm to meet the baby oxen, lambs, and piglets and help the farmers with late spring work. For details and more information, call 1-800-733-1830 or visit [www.osv.org](http://www.osv.org).

In early New England, the militia was somewhat similar to today's volunteer firefighters, and its ranks were filled by farmers, craftsmen, and other male citizens in town. At least once a year, these folks were "called to muster," and spent a day in training.

"The 1830s were peaceful years in New England," notes OSV curator Tom Kelleher, adding that muster days also offered festive recreation, including a way to skirt the temperance laws banning the sale of alcohol in the 1830s.

Those thirsting for liquor could pay a few cents to enter a tent to see a "striped pig," and also get a "free" shot of rum. Muster Day visitors to Old Sturbridge Village can see a real pig, striped just for the occasion,



Tiffany Ortiz, center, is pictured with BHCHP honoree Dr. Laurence "Larry" Ronan and Katie Ronan, right. (Photo by Roger Farrington)

and get a free glass of lemonade as a stand-in for the rum.

Old Sturbridge Village celebrates New England life in the 1830s and is one of the largest living history museums in the country. The museum is open daily 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., and offers free parking and a free return visit within 10 days.

..... Roses will be in full bloom for Boston's annual Rose Garden Party on Thursday, June 24, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Kelleher Rose Garden at the Back Bay Fens.

Hosted by Boston's First Lady, Angela Menino, and Boston Parks Commissioner Antonia M. Pollak, the event, made possible through generous support from Bank of America, benefits ParkARTS, Mayor Menino's initiative presenting a wide variety of cultural offerings and participatory arts workshops in Boston's parks.

Now in its 14th year, the Party is sponsored by a wide variety of local companies and organizations and offers guests an evening of great company, delicious food and refreshments, entertainment and the *Hats Galore!* contest.

Located directly behind the Museum of Fine Arts in Frederick Law Olmsted's renowned Emerald Necklace park system, the Rose Garden is the largest of its kind in Boston and the ideal location for this summer garden party. More than 250 guests representing Boston's business, political, legal, medical, and arts world will converge on the park for this unique event surrounded by 1,000 rose bushes of more than 150 varieties.

ParkARTS is a multifaceted arts program incorporating the visual, performing, and participatory arts. The 2010 ParkARTS concerts in Boston's neighborhood parks will range from jazz to symphonic music. More than 80 participatory arts programs will be offered including arts and crafts workshops, landscape watercolor painting classes, and photography workshops.

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Sandy and Joe Avellone smile for the camera at the "Medicine that Matters" gala. (Photo by Roger Farrington)

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Cumming Properties, LLC (Cummings), owns an office park in Beverly (complex). Dr. Beverly (Shafer) leases a suite for her medical office at the complex. Shafer and Cummings entered into a commercial lease for the medical office premises on July 1, 2006. Per the terms of the lease, the leased premises consist of approximately 3,996 square feet, plus a 15.4% share of the common areas. Shafer's liability insurer is Norfolk & Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Company (Norfolk). Cummings's liability insurer is OneBeacon Insurance Group (OneBeacon).

On July 19, 2007, Ellen Morrison (Morrison), Shafer's patient, arrived at the complex for an appointment with Shafer. She parked her vehicle in the parking lot located on the east side of the complex, near the main entrance. The entrance to Shafer's office, where there is also a parking lot, is located on the west side of the complex. After getting out of her automobile and approaching the complex, Morrison alleges that she tripped and fell on a newly-constructed cement curb. Morrison brought a personal injury law suit in the Peabody Division of the District Court Department on

February 15, 2008, alleging negligence on the part of Cummings and Shafer. The lawsuit remains pending.

Cummings demanded that Dr. Shafer's insurance company (Norfolk) defend the suit. Norfolk refused to claim Cummings insurance Company (OneBeacon) is responsible for defending the suit.

There is a Massachusetts statute which states as follows:

Any provision of a lease or other rental agreement relating to real property whereby a lessee or tenant enters into a covenant, agreement or contact, by the use of any words whatsoever, the effect of which is to indemnify the lessor or landlord or hold the lessor or landlord harmless, or preclude or exonerate the lessor or landlord from any or all liability to the lessee or tenant, or to any other person, for any injury, loss, damage or liability arising from any omission, fault, negligence or other misconduct of the lessor or landlord on or about the leased or rented premises or on or about any elevators, stairways, hallways or other appurtenance used in connection therewith, shall be deemed to be against public policy and void."

The trial judge decided that the lease providing

that the landlord could escape liability was void because it violated the statute above.

*The case was appealed to the Supreme Judicial Court.*

The Supreme Court decided that the statute providing that the landlord could escape liability was void. But it also said that an agreement between a tenant and a landlord providing that the tenant is required to include the landlord in the policy as being and additional insured is valid.

*The court said:*

In this case, the insurance provision of the lease required that Dr. Shafer purchase liability insurance protecting both herself and Cummings in the event of injury and that Cummings be added as an additional insured on her policy. This distinguishes it from those cases in which there is an indemnification provision in a contract, and the indemnitor is required to procure insurance to insure his indemnification obligation.

So a landlord can require you to include his name as an additional insured in your policy but he cannot escape liability by including him as the insured he is covered. So if you are a landlord have a tenant include you in the policy.



**DEBI NOVA — LUNA NUEVA**  
*Sucro-Decca*

Debi Nova, the Costa Rican sensation that opened the eyes and ears of thousands, singing the first single "Drummer Boy" included on her debut album Luna Nueva. Debi delivers ten tracks in both Spanish and English, along with having composed them. Utilizing an electrifying combination of irresistible Latin rhythms and potent pop smarts that showcases this artist's many talents — she plays piano, guitar, bass, timbales and more. Nova opens with the rhythmic "Need 2 B Loved," lowering the decibels with "We Were Young," the romantic "Corazón Abierto," and the gem "Ashes & Pearls." Second half has "Calle Sin Salida," the energetic "Rather Be Your Lover," the melodic "Don't Wanna Forget," plus the pretty "Something To Believe In" featuring Citizen Cope, and the haunting "Vete De Mi." Nova is a treat in any language!

**DEFTONES —**  
**DIAMOND EYES**  
*Reprise*

The Deftones polished off their long-awaited sixth studio album, Diamond Eyes — with eleven hard rock slices. The 'tones show the stones with the powerful title cut and first single "Diamond Eyes," trailed by "Royal," the assertive "Cmnd/Ctrl," the cutting threat of "You've Seen The Butcher," earning the grade with "Beauty School," and the regal "Prince." The emotional roller-coaster continues with the edgy "Rocket Skates," submerging your mind via "Sextape," taking it to the next level with "Risk," tripping with "976-Evil," and finish with the all-encompassing tune "This Place Is Death." Definitely a sound that fits several genres — Heavy Metal, Hard Rock, and Alternative — but in reality the genre is Deftones! Don't miss the chance to catch them live at the Agganis Arena September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**STONE TEMPLE PILOTS**  
*Atlantic*

The Stone Temple Pilots, a dominant force in rock music since early in the '90s, with their first all-new collection in a decade. Seizing the opportunity, STP fashions their big rock riffs, classic pop hooks, and a dash of glam, punk, and psychedelia — on a dozen outstanding tracks. Pilots taking off with, "Between the Lines," "Take a Load Off," the tasty "Huckleberry Crumble," the rhyming "Hickory Dichotomy," the challenging "Dare If You Dare," and the tempting "Cinnamon." The second flight of STP's journey was born following their reuniting in 2008 for a massive 2008 concert tour of more than 65 dates across North America. On time flights have, "Hazy Daze," the dashing "Bagman," plus the well-worn "Peacoat," the non-turbulence trip "Fast As I Can,"

the out-of-this-world "First Kiss on Mars," and land right on time with "Maver." Superb!

**DIERKS BENTLEY —**  
**UP ON THE RIDGE**  
*Capitol Nashville*

Country music's Dierks Bentley makes a couple of daring moves with his new album Up on the Ridge. Moves that include an acoustic album effort, along with a return to his bluegrass roots, surrounding himself with a host of top country artists on background vocals. Dierks opens with the title cut "Up On the Ridge," (Alison Kraus on background vocals), plus the pain of "Fallin' For You," then takes a page from Bob Dylan's songbook, "Senor (Tales of Yankee Power)" with The Punch Brothers helping out, then staying on for Dierks' banjo beauty "Rovin' Gambler," Kraus' background vocals grace the pretty "Draw Me a Map," and Miranda Lambert and Jamey Johnson join in on the heavenly "Bad Angel." Vince Gill lends his vocals to "Fiddlin' Around," trailed by "You're Dead to Me," the Punch Brothers with Del McCourty help out on a cover of U2's "Pride (In The Name of Love)," the bonding "Love Grows Wild," plus a duet featuring Kris Kristofferson performing his tune "Bottle to the Bottom," and it all ends with the lament of "Down in the Mine." A bluegrass beauty!

**VALENTINES DAY —**  
**SOUNDTRACK**  
*WaterTower-Big Machine*

The soundtrack album from the film Valentine's Day contains an eclectic soundtrack lineup of 18 songs and features several acclaimed artists. Taylor Swift graces the album with a pair of songs, "Today Was a Fairy Tale" and "Jump Then Fall," as well as making her acting debut in the film. Veteran country artist Willie Nelson covers the Lerner/Loewe classic "On the Street Where You Live," Jewel serves up her new single, the catchy "Stay Here Forever," trailed by Ben E. King's vintage hit "Amor," while the inimitable Amy Winehouse dusts off Sam Cooke's 'winner' "Cupid." Maroon 5 does a credible job with the Great American Songbook's "The Way You Look Tonight," while Joss Stone summarizes with "4 and 20," the late Nat King Cole rolls back the years for "Te Quiero Dijiste," and the immensely popular "Keep On Lovin' You" from CMT's Can You Duet winners Steel Magnolia. The light hearted "Somebody to Love" from Leighton Meester featuring Robin Thicke continues the 18-song collection, along with "I'm Into Something Good" from The Bird and The Bee," sealing it all with a kiss from Anju Ramapriyan, delivering "Signed Sealed Delivered I'm Yours." A complete collection of love songs written for, and meant to be delivered on Valentine's Day. You just gotta love it!



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## Ray Barron's 11 O'CLOCK NEWS

My love, Julie Andrews collapsed in tears after her comeback concert in London bombed so badly that her fans wanted their money back. Well, it was Andrews' the 74-year-old Sound of Music star, first singing engagement since botched throat surgery silenced her legendary voice 13 years ago. Andrews sang just two songs — in a noticeably lower range than in her famous movies — during the heavily hyped May 9 gig. She left most of the show to five backup singers. Andrews, who hoped her concert would mark a glorious return to the stage, was said to be left devastated.

For the record, since her professional singing debut at the London Hippodrome in 1947 — at the age of 12 — Julie Andrews has been a star. At age 13, Julie gave a command performance for the Queen of England, at 19 she became a Broadway star in *The Boyfriend*, and she became a theatrical legend before she was 21, as Elizabeth Doolittle in *My Fair Lady*. By the time she was 31, Julie was the best-paid and most beloved actress in the world, with an Academy Award for her first movie, *Mary Poppins*, and an international box-office leader with her third movie, *The Sound of Music*. Her birth name is Julia Elizabeth Wells. Her mom was a pianist and her father Edward was a teacher of wood-working and metal crafting in a state school. The great Julie Andrews is married to Blake Edwards. Yes, we are hoping to meet with Julie and Blake to discuss a screenplay we have been working on. Enough said!

Scooping news! A Baltimore condominium board wants to collect DNA from all residents' dogs to identify the culprit behind a recent spat of unscooped dog poop. Under the proposal, residents of the upscale Scarlett Place complex would pay a \$500 fine if DNA tests reveal their dog as the source of illicit feces.

The brilliant Kyle Waters of Swampscott, says, "Every boy who has a dog should also have a mother, so the dog can be fed regularly." Kyle Waters, is a member of the Swampscott Little League and a noted scholar. Yes, his report cards prove he is no dummy!

Huh? The more time children spend in front of TV, the less skill they have in math, a new study reveals. Researchers discovered that for every hour kids watched the tube between ages 2 and 5, their math success at age 10 dropped 6 percent. "We see negatives across the board," says study leader Linda Pagani of Sainte-Justine Hospital Research Center the University of Montreal. "Social isolation is an effect of watching TV."

Attention! Seniors! Seniors need more than twice as much vitamin D — necessary for healthy bones — as is recommended for younger people, says the International Osteoporosis Foundation. Currently, the daily recommended allowance for Americans ages 51 to 70 is 400 IU. But the group believes healthy bone growth requires 1,000 IU. Dr. Bess Dawson-Hughes of Boston's Tufts University says deficiency of Vitamin D, which is available as a supplement, may be causing broken bones in older people.

Bag job! A drive-through worker at a Dayton, Ohio at a Taco Bell accidentally handed a customer a bag containing \$2,000, the restaurant's morning bank deposit, instead of tacos. The customer has yet to be tracked down.

Honesty, after researchers at Toronto University found that the earlier a child starts telling convincing lies, the more likely he is to be a success later in life. "Those who have better cognitive development lie better, because they can cover up their tracks," said researcher Dr. Kang Lee.

Carlo Scostumato, says, it is not considered lying if you lie only when complimenting a woman.

Bella Culo of Chestnut Hill thinks much of the lying done by men should be blamed on women: they insist on asking questions.

The pious Tom Analetto of Medford, thinks some women find it hard to tell a lie; others can tell it as soon as their husbands

open their mouths.

The astute Rosalie Cunio of Waltham, says, "The man who says he tells no lies is telling one."

Sleepy news! About 40 members of Congress sleep on cots or mattresses in their Capitol Hill offices. "I think that this reinforces the fact that I live in the district," said Rep. Mike Quigley (D-Ill.). Office sleepers say they also save more than \$50,000 a year on Washington rents.

The wide-awake Mona-Lisa Cappuccio of East Boston, claims people never find fault with others except when they're awake and never find fault with themselves except when they're asleep.

Recent poll revealed 55% of U.S. voters say they want their own state to follow Arizona's lead and pass a law requiring police to check the immigration status of anyone suspected of being in the country illegally.

Mother Superior Frances Fitzgerald reminds us, many an American whose ancestors came over on the Mayflower is lucky — there were no immigration laws then. It was Franklin D. Roosevelt who once said; "Remember always that all of us are descended from immigrants."

Hey guys! Walnuts fight prostate cancer! Scientists say the shelled snack — which already has a reputation for battling cardiovascular disease — can also stave off prostate cancer. Eating 14 walnuts a day helps cut the size of tumors and slow their growth by as much as 40 percent, reports the University of California Davis Center. Experts note the nuts are rich in omega-3, polyunsaturated fats and antioxidants.

Why dust is good for you! Tired of sneezing this allergy season? Experts say the cause of your itchy eyes and tickly nose could be ... too much cleanliness! People are so obsessed with hygiene these days that kids are growing up in increasingly sterile environments, says a report from the University of Montreal. This means they are less exposed to pollen, dust and cat dander — so don't build up a natural resistance to bacteria.

Does spanking kids turn them into bullies? Next time you swat your toddler on the butt for misbehaving, be warned — it could come back to haunt you. A slap may make a kid do as they're told in the short term, but it can have a negative impact as they grow older, reports Tulane University. Researchers found spanked 3-year-olds were twice as likely to get into fights and be aggressive by the time they reached 5.

Wee bit of show business reminiscing with the stately musicologist Albert Natale. The post big-band era years were good ones for Russ Morgan. At one time, he had four recordings among the top ten: "So Tired," "Cruising down the River," "Sunflower," and "Forever and Ever" (1948-49) Pianist/bandleader/ arranger/songwriter Ray Noble was popular on both sides of the Atlantic, some of his songs have become standards. Songs include "The Very Thought of You" (1934), "The Touch Of Your Lips" (1936), and "I Hadn't Anyone Till You" (1938). Just before leaping out on her own successful solo career, Patti Page sang with the Benny Goodman Septet in the Spring of 1948. Her first big hit came in midyear, "Confess." Since then Patti has had sixteen top-ten hits, including three recordings that went all the way to #1 nationwide! Before scoring on his own, tenor sax/vocalist and bandleader Tony Pastor, an Italian-American, was a vital part of the Artie Shaw band. Pastor had many hits such as "Indian Love Call" in 1938. And Glenn Miller's 1940 band included the likes of Billy May, Hal McIntyre, Tex Beneke, and Ray Anthony; each of which later had successful bands of their own. And Tony Bennett's "I Left My Heart in San Francisco" is the song most requested of Tony, it barely made the top 20 in the national music popularity charts.

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## Recipes from the Homeland

by Vita Orlando Sinopoli



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### ALMOND-FLAVORED BUTTER COOKIES

3 eggs  
1/2 cup sugar  
2 sticks softened butter (1/2 pound)  
3 cups flour  
1 1/2 cups flour — separate  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
Cookie cutters of choice  
\*1 teaspoon almond flavoring (optional)

#### ICING:

1/3 cup melted butter  
1 box Confectioners sugar  
"Jimmies" (sweet toppings) or nonpareils  
\*1/2 teaspoon almond flavoring (optional)

In a bowl add cream sugar and softened butter. Add beaten eggs and mix thoroughly. Measure out three cups flour and place in a separate bowl. Add baking powder to flour and stir. Gradually add this to the sugar, butter and egg batter. This will become soft dough. Spray two cookie sheets with vegetable or butter spray and set aside.

Spread some flour on a pastry board. Spoon a portion of pastry dough onto floured pastry board. Sprinkle some flour over dough. With your hand or rolling pin spread dough out to about 1/4 inch thickness. Before cutting each cookie, dip cookie cutter into flour. Then place cut out cookie onto greased baking sheet. Continue until all dough has been used. Bake in preheated 350°F oven. Baking time is about ten minutes. Bottoms will brown slightly. Remove from oven and place baked cookies on a tray to cool. Makes about four dozen.

**ICING:** Melt butter in top pot of a double boiler. Add almond flavoring. Gradually add confectioner's sugar to mixture until you have soft icing. Using a pastry brush, spread icing on one cookie at a time. Immediately sprinkle your choice of "Jimmies" or nonpareils over the icing. Set cookie aside on a tray. Continue icing in this manner.

\*Use you own favorite flavoring in the cookie dough and icing.

*NOTE: This is an easy recipe to prepare for a holiday or birthday party. The colorful cookies are a favorite of my children and grandchildren. They store well in a canister.*

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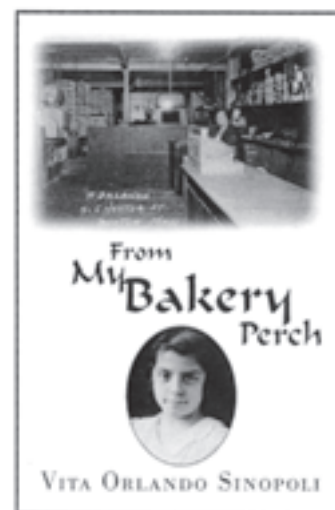
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# Nanna & Babbononno

by John Christoforo

A Nostalgic Remembrance



It was time for a new car. Dad had been driving a 1938 Plymouth two door sedan since the car was a year old. It was now 1949, and the car had seen better days. There was no rear bumper and the trunk wouldn't close. The inside smelled like a cigar ash-tray and was just as drab. The only options, after market add-ons were a heater and a radio. The engine was on its way out and Dad, one afternoon, was standing across the street looking at a new 1949 Chevy that a neighbor had bought. It was a two door deluxe fast back with white walls, full wheel covers and a coat of the shiniest black you ever saw. Looking inside, the seat covers were patterned and the steering wheel was a marblized off white color. I looked up at my father's face and could instantly tell that he had fallen love.

Tony, the neighbor said that he had just picked up the car at Reese Chevrolet, a long gone dealership that existed in the Day Square area of East Boston. Dad asked if Tony could accompany him on a trip to the dealership and he agreed. I jumped into the back seat of the old Plymouth, Tony took the co-pilot's seat and Dad climbed in behind the wheel. We were off on a five minute journey that would take us to Day Square and the car dealership.

As we walked inside, the salesman who had handled Tony's transaction, spotted him and approached us. He was introduced to Dad with the added information that we were neighbors and that Dad was looking for a car. There were several that were in the show room, a convertible, a couple of four door sedans and 2 two door models-one a fast back and the other a squared top coupe. As Dad and the salesman conversed, Dad remembered a problem he might have purchasing a car and explained it to the salesman. Dad played bass violin and his instrument was quite large. If the instrument couldn't fit into the car, then the vehicle would be useless to my father.

Now, Dad liked the fast back that our neighbor, Tony, had bought, but wasn't too sure about the room inside. He examined the one on display and it was almost identical to the one Tony had purchased. Plush interior, black in color, white walls, full hub caps, and a marbleized off-white steering wheel. Seeing the

look on Dad's face, the salesman told him that he could give him a deal on the new car, and part of the deal depended on the car my father was trading in.

Well, Dad brought the salesman out to see the old Plymouth and his reply after seeing the car was, "Mister, you must be kidding." Dad knew what he meant. The old tin Lizzy wasn't worth anything. Dad sort of knew this and didn't expect much for it. He then asked the salesman if he could try to fit his bass violin in the new fast back that he liked.

Seeing there was no negative comment, Dad manipulated the bass out of the old Plymouth, brought it into the showroom and attempted to fit it in the display car that he liked.

To fit a bass violin in cars of old, you had to turn the instrument on its side, slide it on the front seat until all but the neck was inside. You then had to lift the instrument so the back could rest on the top of the vertical part of the seat, while making sure that the bridge didn't hit the courtesy light on the ceiling. The peg or tail stock had to be facing the rear window and the scroll atop the neck pointing toward the dash or front wind shield. There had to be enough room so the parts of the instrument weren't hitting the glass, front or rear. Unfortunately, the fast back didn't work out, as the slant of the car prevented the thickness of the lower part of the body of the bass to fit all the way back. As a result, the neck and scroll atop the bass didn't make it in past the right front door opening. If this sounds complicated, a simplified answer would be, "Dad couldn't buy the car."

Disappointed, Dad tried to fit the bass inside the two door coupe. It fit beautifully. He then climbed in behind the wheel and was able to grasp the wheel and shift with no problem. By the look on Dad's face, the salesman knew that a sale was in the works. The salesman then asked why Dad didn't consider a four-door model seeing he had specific needs in terms of size, space and shape. My father's reply was to point at me saying, "Not until he's grown up, no four door cars."

Dad swung the neck of the bass closer to the steering wheel and told me to get in. I climbed into the front seat

and was able to sit comfortably. His comment was, "Your mother is just a little bigger than you and I can see there is plenty of room." We got out of the car and Dad asked, "How much?" The salesman and Dad bargained back and forth for several minutes and when Dad thought that no possible deal was at hand, he took his bass violin out of the show room car, thanked the salesman and said to Tony the neighbor and me, "Ok, we'll try somewhere else. Those 49 Fords look good to me."

With that, the salesman almost blocked the doorway and continued to talk about money with my father. When they finally finished, they shook hands and Dad put the bass down and headed for the salesman's desk to sign papers. They had struck a bargain. Dad gave the man a hundred dollar deposit and was told that the car would be ready the next day. When the bass, Tony, Dad and I were back in the Plymouth, we headed the few blocks to Eutaw Street. When we were inside the house, Dad made a couple of phone calls and said, "Sold." Mom and I looked at him waiting for more information. He then replied that he had sold the old Plymouth to a hot rodder who wanted the car for the demolition derby events that they held at the Foxboro Raceway during the warm weather.

The next day, we went to pick up Dad's new car. Of course, Babbononno wanted all the particulars. When Dad told him that the car cost \$1200 total, my grandfather said, "Tu sei pazzo!" (You're crazy.) Babbononno remembered hearing the price of cars in the 1920s when they were around \$400, but not being a driver or car owner, had no idea what they were worth or cost in 1949. Dad paid the remainder of the bill in cash and we headed for the car. Dad opened the right front door, and pulled the seat forward to allow Babbononno to enter the back seat on the right. As he sat back, he grabbed the loop handle that was hanging from the window post that separated the door and the right side window. As he became more comfortable, he looked around and said, "Hey, dissa nizza, I likka, wadda you buy." With Babbononno situated in the back, Dad started the car, I jumped in on the right and we headed home. When we got there, Mom and Nanna were there waiting on the sidewalk. Nanna and I got in the back seat with Babbononno and Mom became the co-pilot. Even though we hadn't had supper as of yet, Dad took us for ice cream to celebrate the new car. A few years later, that's the car I learned to drive when it was that time in my life. Oh, by the way I had chocolate chip ice cream.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

## Treating the Whole Person

by Kristine Bahr



I will be offering nutritional advice to our community. I welcome all nutritional questions that you would like to have addressed in this column. You can write your question to: [kristine@nutritional-balance.com](mailto:kristine@nutritional-balance.com).

As a nutritional licensed consultant, I take a closer look at individualized solutions and explore a person's mind/body interaction. I utilize modalities an individual can engage with and benefit from. There are many non-drug solutions to chronic, degenerative disease

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Enjoying the "Medicine that Matters" gala at the Seaport Hotel are, left to right, Stacey Lucchino, Dr. James Dineen, Eileen Connors and Dolly Dineen. (Photo by Roger Farrington)

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## The Bilingual Corner

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### LO SAPEVATE CHE ...

Papa Ratzinger continua una tradizione che era stata iniziata da Papa Montini (Paul VI-1964): invitare gli artisti in Vaticano, esperti in vari campi. E così, nella stupenda cornice della Cappella Sistina, il Papa diede il benvenuto, alcune settimane fa, a Giuseppe Tornatore, ai fratelli Taviani, a Nanni Moretti, ed a molti altri, in tutto 260 esponenti del mondo della cultura, del cinema, dell'architettura, della poesia, della danza, della musica, del teatro e della fotografia. Al caloroso discorso del Papa, Giuseppe Tornatore, il regista di 'Cinema Paradiso', commentò: "Quello fu come una carezza alla cultura in un periodo in cui si ricevono solo schiaffi".

Un richiamo alla realtà internazionale giunse dallo scrittore iraniano Kader Abdolah, che ha partecipato all'incontro, con al collo una sciarpa verde in omaggio al popolo iraniano che chiede libertà, sperando che la sua voce venga ascoltata anche nelle stanze del potere temporale (dei Papi). Erano presenti anche tre israeliani tra cui Samuel Maoz, Leone d'Oro quest'anno (2009) a Venezia per il film "Lebanon". Maoz ha osservato che le parole del Papa hanno significato un solenne 'NO' all'odio ed alla guerra, ed un grande 'SI' all'amore ed all'arte. L'incontro alla Cappella Sistina ha significato l'apoteosi del rapporto tra 'arte' e 'religione', rendendo possibile, come fu osservato da alcuni intervenuti, che l'alleanza tra la fede e l'arte è possibile. C'è stato unanime consenso che il messaggio del Papa fu semplice e profondo, quindi particolarmente molto efficace, specialmente nel punto in cui il Papa invita gli artisti ad essere "mediatori di speranza".

### DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

Pope Ratzinger has continued the tradition begun by Pope Montini (Paul VI-1964) to invite artists to the Vatican, prominent in many fields. And so, inside the beautiful surroundings of the Sistine Chapel, the Pope welcomed Giuseppe Tornatore, the brothers 'Taviani', Nanni Moretti and many others, 260 in all, representing the world of culture, of cinematography, architecture, poetry, dance, music, theatre, and photography. To the Pope's warm welcoming address, Giuseppe Tornatore, the director of the celebrated "Cinema Paradiso" observed: "the Pope's address was a sweet touch to culture at a time when we get only slaps on the face".

A call to international events came an Iranian writer, Kader Abdolah, who attended the meeting wearing a green scarf in homage to the Iranian people who are looking for freedom hoping that their voice will be heard even inside the hall of the temporal power (of the Popes). In attendance were also three Israelis, among whom Samuel Maoz, the recipient of the Venice Film festival's (2009) "Golden Lion" (Leone d'Oro) for the movie "Lebanon". Maoz felt that the Pope's words expressed a definite "NO" to hate and to war, and a resounding "YES" to love and to the Arts. The meeting in the Sistine Chapel appeared to signify the apotheosis in the relation between Art and Religion, making it possible, as voiced by some of the participants, that an alliance between faith and art can be achieved.

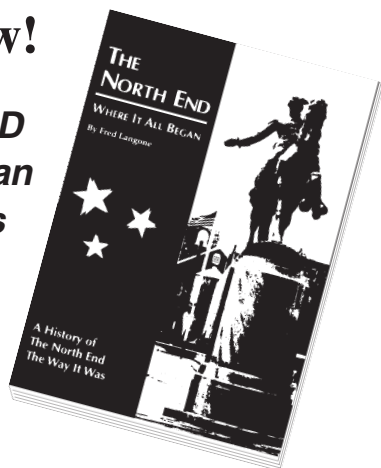
There was unanimous consent that the Pope's message was simple but profound, thus quite effective too, particularly when the Pope invited the artists to be the "Mediators of Hope."

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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

### TOP CHEF TOURS CITY HALL PLAZA

Top Chefs Ashley Merriman and Hector Santiago took *THE TOP CHEF: The Tour to Boston* last week. The hit show on the BRAVO Network set up shop on City Hall Plaza on Tuesday, May 26. Both Merriman and Santiago spent hours signing photos and cook books for the show's many Boston area fans.

### PADRE PIO HONORED IN EASTIE

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in East Boston celebrated the birth of Padre Pio with a short procession from the church to the beautiful garden statue across the street. A better than usual Sunday crowd showed up, Padre Pio is a big favorite in the Italian-American community.

### WHERE'S THE REST OF ME?

Over on North Square, the statue of St. Anthony is still headless thanks to a recent act of vandalism. The statue was decapitated by person or persons unknown. Someone found the head and turned it into St. John School. According to Richard and Ben Molinari from Sacred Heart Church, the head is in safe keeping and church members will be re-attaching the head back on St. Anthony's shoulders as soon as possible.

Everyone is glad the head was found but after all, isn't St. Anthony the patron saint of finding lost things. How could his head remain lost for long, eh?

### PATRICK COULD ACTUALLY WIN

Thanks to lackluster campaigns by Republican Charlie Baker and Independent Tim Cahill, it could actually happen. You ask what? Patrick's re-election. Polls now show Deval Patrick on top in the polls against his two opponent. Recently, Patrick has gone on the offense. Now, both Baker and

Cahill are on the defense. Personally, I know Patrick has been a lousy governor. He campaigns as a liberal Democrat and governs as a conservative Republican. As a state worker, I want someone else but Cahill just isn't getting out there among independent voters and Baker is your usually Yankee Republican with no chance of pulling off a Scott Brown.

### OBAMA PROTECTED BY MEDIA OVER BP SPILL

If George W. Bush were still in the White House, you can bet the Democrats on Capitol Hill would be bashing him over his inaction on the BP oil spill but the Democrats remain quiet as the Obama Administration stays both quiet and inactive on this environmental disaster. Everyone is excusing the White House for doing nothing. Amazing, isn't it?

### FINANCING HIGHER EDUCATION BY HIMSELF?

While attending my daughter's graduation at Northeastern where she earned her master's degree, I sat next to a gentleman who came from Medford but now lives with his wife and family in Hanover, Virginia.

Ken Gibson and his wife Juanita have fourteen children, six girls and eight boys. Ten have graduated from college, the latest was one of his sons that very day. Two others are still in college and two are in high school. He's planning on going 14 for 14 with college educations.

Personally, I think Ken should be getting an honorary doctorate for personally financing higher education in America.

### WE WILL SERVE NO WINE UNTIL IT'S TIME

Hey, if you're down on Route 1, say, Foxboro, you should check out The RESERVE BIN wine company. It will be having its grand opening on Thursday, June 10. Ribbon cutting at 9am

with the Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce. Grand Opening with Grand Tasting at 6pm. First hundred people get a personalized Reserve Bin wine glass. Mix 98.5 The Sports Hub will be onsite. The Reserve Bin is located at 373 Central Street in Foxboro. For more info visit [info@thereservebin.com](mailto:info@thereservebin.com). If you end up there, tell Kristin Braga, the *Post-Gazette* sent you.

### OVER IN CHARLESTOWN'S CITY SQUARE THEY'LL BE PARTY-ING ON JUNE 6

The Kennedy Center is hosting a Picnic in the Park on Sunday, June 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at City Square Park. All are welcome. There will be something for everyone — dancing, food, drinks and lots of fun for the whole family and it's free.

### WINTHROP TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

The Winthrop Town-Wide Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, June 19, 2010 between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. There will be 50+ participating homes. For further information, please call The Winthrop Chamber of Commerce at 617-846-9898 or visit the website at [www.winthropchamber.com](http://www.winthropchamber.com).

### FIRST ANNUAL FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Chelsea Fire Local 937 is sponsoring the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Flag Football Tournament on Saturday, June 12 at 8:45AM at Veterans Field on Everett Avenue in Chelsea. This is a double elimination tournament. It is a 7 on 7, 30 minute game with running clock. Each team will have 10 players to be rotated into the game. Space is limited to 20 teams. Call Anthony Salvucci at 781-443-3184. All proceeds benefit the Local 937 charity account used to donate to various organizations or individuals in need.

### • Thinking Out Loud (Continued from Page 4)

licans want to ride the Tea Party wave and Democrats just don't want to drown. The election of Scott Brown in the January 19 US Senate race right here started the tea bag rolling. Even in the Bluest of Blue State a Republican can win the seat held for nearly 50 years by Ted Kennedy.

The uprising out in the grassroots nationwide was fueled by opposition to Obamacare but it was and remains much more than that one issue. Many voters while not libertarian actually believe our government

is getting too centralized. Too much power concentrated in the hands of too few in the Nation's Capital. People still believe in the Bill of Rights and a government that listens to rather than order around the people.

Government to them, means of, for and by the people. It is our business. Either we run it or it runs us. Our federal government today has strayed from what our founders actually wanted to happen. We have a government that now looks more like King George rather than Jefferson, Adams, Madison, Franklin and Co. We sit helplessly watching government grow more powerful. Thirty four years ago the American people celebrated the Bicentennial of this Nation. Thirty-four years later, our leaders seem to have forgotten all the principles enshrined in that national birthday celebration.

Apparently, after all the

fireworks went out, our employees in government decided to make us serve them.

Today, the Tea Party Movement is about the people taking back their government and trying to make it work for them again.

Elections can uproot things. Scott Brown proved that. Nothing is impossible. However, Tea Party Nation must live in real time, saying real things and fighting for real justice. I hope Rand Paul learned a good lesson the way he let Rachael Maddow push him around. Our leaders must be stronger than that. If Maddow can put words in your mouth, we're all doomed.

Democrats and Republicans are both running scared. We've got them on the run. This is one of those pivotal moments in a nation's history. It is ours to lose. We don't want to lose. We can't afford to lose. Our only option is to send out a message that the people are, back in power.

### ST. JUDE AND ST. ANTHONY NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. St. Anthony, most loving protector and wonder worker, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day and by the 8th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. My prayers have been answered. Favor received.

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• **Memorial Day 2010** (Continued from Page 1)



Memorial located at the Old North Church on Salem Street, Boston to honor the fallen of the Iraqi and Afghani Wars.



Memorial Sign located at the Memorial Garden at the Old North Church on Salem Street, Boston to honor the fallen of the Iraqi and Afghani Wars.

• **Festa Della Repubblica** (Continued from Page 1)



Consul General of Italy Boston Liborio Stellino addresses the audience at the Italian Republic Day event. Looking on from left to right is Alberto Mustone and Maurizio Pasquale.



C.A.S.IT displays Italian books for children.



**EXTRA Innings**

by Sal Giarratani



**Wake In, Beckett Ko'ed Again**

Tim Wakefield has moved back into the starting rotation now that Josh Beckett has, 'surprise, surprise gone out on the D.L. again. Usually, he waits until late July but this year decided to go a bit earlier in mid-May. I knew signing him up again before the end of the season wasn't smart and I'm right as usual ... However, getting back to Wakefield, his May 23 victory over the Phillies was number 200 for Wake's career and number 176 as a Red Sox pitcher. Only Roger Clemens (191) and Cy Young (192) have more Sox victories

**The Core Four**

Cover story in *Sports Illustrated* in the May 3 issue was the above headline on the heart of the present Yankee Dynasty that broke in together 16 seasons ago. The core four? None other than Mariano Rivera, Derek Jeter, Jorge Posada and Andy Pettitte and the writer of the story is none other than Tom Verducci. The best

sports writer around this town or any town USA. Also, inside a great breaking story on The Next Big Thing in Baseball. Braves rookie phenom 20-year-old Jason Heyward. He's being compared to the likes of Willie McCovey, Willie Stargell and Ken Griffey Jr. He remains unfazed saying, "I don't have any expectations. I just take what the game gives me." But scouts and sports writers are going ga-ga over him as is his manager Bobby Cox. This kid looks like a comer in the game. A rising star.

**Mike Lowell Number 25 Has No Place on the 2010 Sox**

Mike Lowell doesn't get into the lineup often. He's become a player on the wrong team at the wrong time! He is frustrated big time. Recently, he stated, "I just don't really know what my role is ... When I hit, I get pinch-run for. I don't play defense ... I think sometimes you feel like the team might be better off if you're not on it. I just eat up

a roster spot. I really do." Yes, a roster spot and a \$12 million contract. Not a bad bag of change for a dugout seat warmer, is it?

Didn't he see this coming when the deal with Texas fell through when he didn't pass his medical with the Rangers? The Sox thought he was gone to Texas, and then the deal collapsed. He loves playing baseball but Fenway now looks like baseball past to him. He will have to survive the season and hope the grass will be greener in someone else's baseball field. Once again though, when you get big bucks to sit there, who wants to hear you complain?

**May is Jon Lester Month**

Jon Lester on May 26 won his fifth game in six starts with a six inning, one hit performance. In his last seven starts, he is 5-0 with a 1.45 ERA. Overall, he is 5-2 with a 3.15 ERA ... Meanwhile; Clay Buchholz is 6-3 with a 3.07 ERA. These two young pitchers are without a doubt the team's future.

• **News Briefs** (Continued from Page 1)

many parts and proud of all.

By the way, most folks think I'm Italian when I'm really Sicilian. Every Italian and Sicilian knows the difference and proudly so. Also, the region of Sicily my forebears come from once was occupied by Spain, does that make me Latino too. Poor Tiger Woods needs every box on the page plus a few more.

What the United States government needs to do is add a box labeled "More than one." Or better, how about no boxes at all. In the end, the only box necessary is the one labeled "American."

America has a new face in the 21<sup>st</sup> century,

**O'Malley Really Can't Have it Both Ways**

Cardinal Sean O'Malley in his latest blog talks about Hingham Catholic school that rescinded the accep-

tance of a student based on the fact that his parents were a lesbian couple. The Catholic group of businessmen that raises funds for Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese said that it would award no monies to Catholic schools that followed the example of St. Paul's Parish in Hingham.

The Cardinal in his blog decided to talk out of both sides of his mouth at once. It is a hard trick to do but apparently the Catholic hierarchy has had years of practice at it. How do you support the decision by the pastor and the lesbian couple at the same time? I would think it impossible but not so. Cardinal Sean on this posting certainly is not in line for a Profile in Courage Award because he left both sides wondering about his actions.

O'Malley says he will now help the couple find another Catholic school for their child while praising the action of the Hingham pastor. What he should have done is reversed the action by the

pastor to bar the child from his parochial school but it really isn't "his" parochial school, is it? I expect so much more and get so little in return.

It is time for the Archdiocese's parochial schools to have one policy covering every single Catholic school. Nothing less will do.

**Motorists Actually Helped Instead of Being Innocent Bystanders**

On May 19, something terrible happened and then something good happened. Motorists jumped from their cars to kick open doors and help two dozen third graders out of a blazing school bus on Highway 101 in Los Angeles. The school bus had stalled and quickly erupted into flames on the way to a field trip. The fire happened near Universal Studios Hollywood. The fire started upfront and gutted the bus. No injuries reported thanks to the quick action of motorists.

Kids in California must be real tough. The field trip resumed on another bus. I guess the field trip must go on despite hell, high water and a bus fire.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
P.O. Box 9667  
Boston, MA 02114  
Docket No. SU10P1118EA

In the Estate of  
DANIEL AQUILINO

Late of BOSTON, MA 02113  
Date of Death April 18, 2010

**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be the last will and first codicil of said decedent be proved and allowed and that MICHAEL D. AQUILINO of Boston, MA be appointed executor, named in the will to serve Without Surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT BOSTON ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON JUNE 24, 2010.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN M. SMOOT, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 24, 2010

Richard Iannella, Register of Probate

Run date: 6/4/10

**LEGAL NOTICE**

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Run date: 5/21, 5/28, 6/4/10

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
P.O. Box 9667  
Boston, MA 02114  
Docket No. SU10P1096  
SUFFOLK, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of MARIE DEROSE late of Boston in said County of Suffolk.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that ROBERT J. JORDAN of Boston in the County of Suffolk, public administrator, be appointed administrator of said estate.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY SHOULD FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT BOSTON BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON ON THE 5TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2010, the return day of this citation.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN M. SMOOT, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 27th day of May, 2010.

Richard Iannella, Register of Probate

Run date: 6/4/10



## CORNER TALK

by Reinaldo Oliveira, Jr.



At Durgin Park, in Boston with Gerard Ottaviano, Tim Cahill, Tony Pimentel, Time Warner Cable Executive Brian Kelly, and Richard Torsney Partner with National Cable Security.

A gathering of fighters took place at Durgin Park in Boston. One of the oldest restaurants in the country is good friends **Rich Torsney** and his wonderful family. There's **Rick Marinick** too. Rich, Rick and I trained together some years back. Speaking is Boston University Collegiate Wrestler and State Treasurer **Tim P. Cahill**. Athletes and Politicians. **High Intensity Competition**. Competition where preparation, endurance, decision making, facing fear, overcoming obstacles and adversity, all come together. The assembling of teams, such as: trainers, medical personal, and strategist. Massachusetts State Auditor and **World Boxing Title Contender Joseph A. DeNucci**, is perhaps the greatest Auditor the State of Massachusetts has ever had. One of our Greatest Presidents, an accomplished wrestler is President **Abraham Lincoln**.

"He's **Baaacck!**" and looking good. Boxer **Peter Manfredo Jr.**, 35-6, 19 KO's, The Pride of Providence is back, and looking good. At the Mohegan Sun, he won the vacant IBO middleweight title, when he defeated **Angel "El Toro" Hernandez** 30-8, 17 KO's of Chicago. Peter Manfredo won this fight, over tough aggressive El Toro. Toro means "**Bull.**" Hernandez fights, in an unconventional bull-like style. Peter Manfredo Jr. fought back, and won the fight. He fought back as the Matador. "**Ole!**" and **won**. Referee Steve Smoger, stopped the fight at 1:19 of the tenth. Crowning the new IBO Middleweight Champion **Peter Manfredo Jr.**. Congratulations in victory and winning the title. You're back. He has fought a list of tough fighters: Tommy Attardo, Sergio Mora, Scott Pemberton, Joe Spina, Joe Calzaghe, Jeff Lacy, Sakio Bika, and Matt Vanda, to name a few. It appears he's ready for action. Fantastic Framingham fighter **Danny O'Connor** 21-0, 13 KO's, demonstrated his desire for victory. He's continuing along the path of victory. He defeated Broderick Antoine 10-10-1, 5 KO's, and won a six round unanimous decision, and is now 22-0, 13 KO's. In a **Shootout at The Mohegan Sun**, **Matt "The Sharpshooter" Remillard** of Hartford 22-0, 13 KO's, out-gunned and out-shot opponent, Carlos Rivera. Keeping his undefeated record intact. He stopped fighter Carlos Rivera 16-5-2, 5 KO's. Carlos Rivera is a good fighter who lost to a good fighter. My brother **Sucra Ray Oliveira** says? That he is impressed with Matt Remillard and sees Remillard as being a **Legit World Champion**. In other bouts: Logan McGuinness fought a 6 round Draw with Walter Estrada, Joseph Perez won a 4 rounder over Joal Aliacon, Adelita Irizarry defeated Kita Watkins in a 4 rounder, J'Leon Love won 4 over Fernando Calleros, Joseph



Danny O'Connor and Broderick Antoine. (Photo by Emily Harney)

Elagele KO'd John DeJohn in one, Reinaldo Graceski won a 4 round victory over Paul Gonzales, and Ron Scott TKO'd Derrick Krantz in three. This fight was promoted by **TKO Boxing Promotions**.

**Manny Pacquiao "Won!"** He defeated Political Opponent, Roy Chiongbian. Now he's elected to office and representing Hawaii. In a convincing win, Pacquiao received 120,000 votes. Congressman Pacquiao, now agrees to blood testing, 14 days prior to fighting Floyd Mayweather. Floyd has not yet responded. What's up? Is this kind of like a "**Filibuster**" **Floyd?** Lots of talk, and not getting to the point?

**Boxing Writers Association of America**, 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner is on Friday, June 4, 2010 in New York at the Roosevelt Hotel. This prestigious event is attended by big name boxing writers. **Ron Borges, George Kimball**, as was by RIP **Charlie Punchlines Ross**. Around the World, this great organization is Highly regarded. The **BWAA** will present "The Eddie Futch Award" honoring 2010 Trainer of the Year **Freddie Roach**. **Manny Paquiao** will be receiving The Sugar Ray Robinson Award, as Fighter of the Year **Mills Lane** the James A. Farley Award for **Honesty and Integrity in Boxing**. Many other great names in Boxing, will be at the BWAA the day of June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Boxers**, who serve in Uniform: **Tom Conlon** Marine, **Ronnie Gerstel** Navy, RIP **Jimmy Beau** Air Force, **Tony Petronelli** Naval Reserves, **Earnie Manelli** Army, **Nick Previti**.



Boxing Writers Association of America "The Eddie Futch Award" winner, as Trainer of the Year **Freddie Roach**.

## HOOPS and HOCKEY in the HUB

by Richard Preiss



History should be on their side. After all, the Celtics have played in 20 previous NBA Finals over the course of the decades. They have won 17 of those series and only lost three. That's a sterling .850 winning percentage.

One year that might be relevant to the current matchup is the 1984 series against L.A. that featured the Celtics having the home court advantage in the last version of the Finals that was scheduled in a 2-2-1-1-1 format.

The series opened with the Lakers earning a 115-109 victory at the Garden. It was in game 2 that a play somewhat lost in history turned out to be the series saver for the Celtics.

With 16 seconds left on the clock the C's Gerald Henderson stole a pass from L.A.'s James Worthy and scored a layup, sending the game into overtime where the Celtics prevailed 124-121.

The teams traded wins in games 3 and 4 before returning to the Garden for a contest played in the 97-degree heat of the non-air conditioned Garden. NBA history was made that night. The Green came away with a 121-103 win to take a 3-2 series lead. It would be the last time a team with the home court advantage would play a game 5 on its home floor.

The Lakers evened the series with 119-108 a win in L.A. but the Celtics prevailed 111-102 in the somewhat cooler conditions at the Garden where temporary fans brought the temperature down to 91 degrees.

When it was all over and the Celtics had the NBA Championship Trophy and an era was about to close.

C's coach Red Auerbach complained about all the traveling so starting in 1985 the Finals went to a 2-3-2 format with the team not having the home court advantage playing the middle three games on its home court.

That's the situation that the Celtics will have when they return from L.A. for games 3, 4 and 5 at the Garden. And the pressure will really be on the Green.

For if history is any indication, it would be best if the Celtics could close out the Lakers within a five-game span.

Here's why: Ever since NBA commissioner David Stern took Red's suggestion and changed the Finals to the current 2-3-2 format, no team trailing 3-2 has ever come back to win the last two games on the road. In fact, since 1984, the team with the home court advantage has won the Finals on 20 occasions—approximately 77 percent of the time.

The Celtics have only three options — only two of which are realistic.

The first is to sweep L.A. — something that is not going to happen—so cross that out.

The second is to win one of the two games in L.A. — and

then sweep all three games at the Garden. That's the best scenario for Celtics fans since they would get to enjoy once again the euphoria of experiencing another Celtics championship captured on the parquet and the ensuing celebration that would result. Only one thing tops winning and that's winning at home where a true celebration can take place.

Still, it would be a tough order for the Celtics to close out the series in five games. Most people think it will go to game 6 or possibly game 7.

Thus, the third option comes into play. The Celtics need to build a 3-2 lead after five games so that when they head back to L.A. they have two chances to win, even though L.A. would have the home court advantage. And yes, it is possible to clinch on the road. The Lakers did that just last year against Orlando in the Finals.

One thing to look for is how the two teams respond to having only one day off plus a cross country flight and three hour time zone difference between games 2 and 3. When the teams play at the Garden on Tuesday, June 8, they will have had only one day off since Game 2 in L.A. which will probably end around midnight, Eastern Time. Throw in the cross country flight, the probable lack of practice time on Monday, and one or both teams may not be quite fully prepared for Game 3. Thus, that contest could be a pivotal one in the series.

The Celtics took a different route to this year's Finals, resting veterans during the regular season when they felt it was needed, even if it increased the possibility of losing some games. The goal was really to finish no lower than fourth in the Conference so as to maintain a home court advantage at least in the first round.

It was a hard policy to live with (remember the loss to the Nets?) but it paid off. A healthy C's team was ready for the Second Season. The Green dispatched Miami and then proceeded to take out Cleveland and Orlando — a pair of teams that had better regular season records and who entered their respective series with the C's with the home court advantage.

The fact that the Celtics did not sweep Orlando after leading 3-0 may have had a silver lining. If the Celtics had won four in a row, they would have had a 10-day layoff until the Finals began. With the two additional games played that span was whittled down to six days off — a much more reasonable number.

Now the Celtics are facing their third consecutive play-off foe that has the home court advantage. Once again, it's an uphill climb. Once again, the odds seem to be against them. Once again, many say "No." Once again the Celtics may well say "Yes."