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Members of the North End Youth Organization's Summer Camp at Canobie Lake Park.

#### NORTH END SUMMER CAMPERS VISIT CANOBIE LAKE PARK

By Phil Orlandella

A fantastic day of fun was enjoyed by members of the North End Youth Organization's Summer Camp was held at Canobie

Lake Park, in New Hampshire, with help from Ausonia Council Knights of Columbus #1513 of the North End.

The Knights picked up the cost of the bus that took the kids to and from the park.

"We are extremely grateful for the Knights continued support of our programs and the youth and families in the North End," Marlo D'Anna from the program's summer camp said.

#### THE 105TH ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST



Antonio Magno brings an offering to the statue of St. Anthony during the 105th St. Anthony's Feast. See Pages 6 and 7 for more photos.

# Stop Work Orders issued on North End construction site

To the surprise of many residents the Boston Inspectional Services (ISD) suddenly issued a "Stop Work Order" at the construction site at 190-190A Salem Street and 4 Snelling Place, being developed by George McCarthy Horrace Dodd House LLC and general contractor Anthony Bellanti a former ISD General Inspector.

The job was shut down for alleged violation of Massachusetts code 178cmr, failing to secure necessary permits.

Abutters have been saying this from the start of the job and have backed their claims up with photos and eyewitness accounts confirming work being done allegedly

without proper permitting.

Anthony Pepicelli, Michelangelo Street abutter said, "I don't know why ISD with all the information and actual photos of violations didn't close the job down much sooner."

He said, "If not for the Regional Review publishing articles about our endeavor to correct these illegal violations, no one else was willing to get involved. Why?

Residents also expressed concerns relating to obstructing the secondary means of emergency egress at 4 Snelling.

Residents also pointed out there were safety problems allowing access to the construction site from poorly secure areas. There

(Stop Work Pg. 5)



The Stop Work Orders for 190-190A and 4 Snelling place NE Boston.

# **NEWRA ZLC Committee** addresses five agenda items

By Phil Orlandella

It was a very busy evening on Tuesday, August 20 when the North End/Waterfront Residents' Association (NEWRA) Zoning and Licensing Committee heard five agenda items that focus on project proposals of interest to the North End.

Once the public meeting has been held, the ZLC Committee will report their findings to the

full NEWRA board for action at its Thursday, September 12 public meeting at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street at 6:30 PM.

The Martignetti Restaurant Group's application to the City of Boston Licensing Board for the transfer of the existing Wine and Malt Beverage License from Dolce Vita Restaurant, 221 Hanover Street, to operate a new restaurant (ZLC Pg. 4)

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# EDITORIAL

# ENJOY A GREAT -- AND SAFE -- LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Although the weatherman is not predicting a great Labor Day weekend (as we're writing this, Saturday and Sunday are forecast for some showers), we hope that all of our readers will have a chance to make the most of the final weekend of the summer season.

The Summer of '24 overall has been just the way we like it -- hot and humid -- with just enough rainfall that it also was great for our lawns and gardens. This has been a banner year for vegetables and flowers of all types.

This summer also has been an unusually calm one. We belong to a rowing club on the South Shore that ventures a couple of miles out into the ocean as far as Minot's Light (those of our readers who are boaters no doubt are familiar with it, as are those who have taken the ferry to Provincetown, which passes close to it) and we never have experienced as many "flat water" days as we have had this year -- great for us, though not so much for the surfers and sailors.

In particular, the weekends were generally sunny, providing us with plenty of perfect summer days that we hope created memories that will last a lifetime for our friends, families, and ourselves.

Although the coming Labor Day weekend may not be quite as nice as we might like, the final weekend of the summer season always gives us one final opportunity to enjoy the last taste of summer in whatever way we choose.

However, as always, we urge our readers to do so safely, not only for ourselves, but also for our family members, friends, and loved ones, whether we are on land or on the water.

None of us wants to be a tragic statistic, and that means making sure that both we ourselves and those around us do not overindulge in alcohol. Yes, accidents do happen, even under the best of circumstances, but generally speaking, no one ever becomes a victim by being sober. It's when two beers become four or more that the chances for a tragedy increase exponentially.

We wish all of our readers a happy -- and safe -- Labor Day weekend.

#### SCHOOL'S BACK --DRIVE WITH CARE

With schools going back into session this week and next after the summer vacation, morning rush-hour commuters need to readjust our driving habits to ensure that we take into account the thousands of children who will be filling our streets during our morning commute.

We'll admit that school buses, school crossing guards, etc. are a pain in the neck, especially if we're running a bit late on our way to work.

But that is no excuse for ANY sort of driving behavior that does not take into account the safety of the children in our communities.

Every morning commuter needs to be a patient and defensive driver, especially in the first few weeks of school, when children are walking and biking to school to take advantage of the early fall weather.

Each of us is responsible not only for our own safety, but also for the safety of others when we are behind the wheel of a motor vehicle -- and that is doubly true when school is back in session.

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# Wu announces grants available to support community-based sports organizations

Special to the Times

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Human Services Cabinet today announced applications are now open for the Community Sports Grant, a grant program totaling \$300,000 to support volunteer-led youth sports organizations that provide high-quality, engaging athletics programming for Boston youth ages 8-18. The goal of this grant is to increase the variety of youth sports programming in the City and provide a positive outlet for youth when they're not in school. Applications will be open until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 13, 2024. This initiative is aligned with the Mayor's Connect, Learn, Explore program, her commitment to Boston's youth by ensuring every child is empowered to explore and find their passions.

"Part of our responsibility for keeping Boston's young people healthy and happy is ensuring each of them has access to enriching experiences outside of the classroom," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "It is a joy to partner with youth sports programs across the City to keep our kids in motion."

Neighborhood sports leagues

are often the place where the city's youngest athletes are first exposed to sports. As the foundation of youth sports programming in the City of Boston, volunteer-led sports organizations involve a diverse range of young people in their community, providing them with the opportunity to stay active, bond with friends, and develop character.

"We look forward to continuing our partnership with neighborhood-based sports organizations," said Chief of Human Services José F. Massó. "As a youth basketball coach, I know these programs are a labor of love for the many volunteers that keep them going and I'm glad that we're able to offer this infusion of resources to make their work easier."

The Human Services Cabinet will distribute grants of up to \$10,000 to support increasing access to sports opportunities for Boston youth. Applicants must intend to use funds to (1) reduce the registration fee, (2) purchase new equipment or uniforms, and/or (3) cover rental space costs. The grant funding will support fall, winter, and spring sports and must be used by June 30, 2025.

"Access to quality youth sports experiences that eliminate barriers to participation is critical for the health and wellness of our young people," said David Shapiro, CEO of YMCA of Greater Boston. "It offers them the opportunity for meaningful relationships, development, discovery, teamwork, and joy."

Creating easier access to athletic opportunities is a part of Connect, Learn, Explore, Mayor Wu's initiative to ensure Boston's youth are empowered to find and pursue their passions. In May, the Mayor announced the launch of the Boston Youth Sports Hub, a one-stop website that offers a directory of Boston's neighborhood sports leagues for families, links to cityrun programs, and stories of athletic achievements by Boston youth sports teams. In addition to providing grant support to youth sports providers, the Youth Sports Initiative aims to increase participation of youth who have been historically underrepresented in youth sports, improve the quality of coaching in the city, and enhance the variety and quality of sports offered by city departments.

### North End Cares scholarships/gift cards awarded

By Phil Orlandella

North End Cares received almost 60 applications for this year's successful scholarship drive for North End residents.

"This year, North End Cares was able to name ten winners for scholarships and ten \$100 gift cards to purchase school supplies," President John Pregmon said.

He thanked all the applicants and all their generous sponsors.

Scholarship Winners -

- In Loving Memory of Anna & Mario Ventresca, donated by Sandra and Lisa Ventresca - Marielle Nicholas
  - In Loving Memory of

Dominic Ventresca, donated by Sandra and Lisa Ventresca - Evelyn Jean McBride

- In Loving Memory of James Barry, donated by the Barry Family - Adrian Patel
- In Loving Memory of Annette & George Bova, donated by the Bova Family - Margaret Koenigsaman
- In Loving Memory of Salvatore & Victoria Albano, donated by Nancy Fratarolli - Sophia Joyce
- In Loving Memory of Salvatore & Victoria Albano, donated by Nancy Fratarolli - Donovan Fisher
- In Loving Memory of Salvatore E. Albano, donated by Nancy Fratarolli - Mia Vaughn

- In Loving Memory of Robert H. Rines, donated by Joanne Havnes-Rines - Sofia Gil
- In Loving Memory of Robert H. Rines, donated by Joanne Haynes-Rines - Shaan Sujanani
- North End Cares, donated by NEC Board - Zeeyad Belahcen
   100 Amazon Gift Card

\$100 Amazon Gift Card Winners -

- Hanna Gentile
- Hudson Walker
- Gianluca DeMarco
- Amelia Goggin
- Avalina Fabbo
- Madeline Kim
- Anna Carey
- DAniel Fabbo Gibbons
- Kate O'Riordan
- Victor Lochiatto

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### Annual San Gennaro Feast sponsored by Pastene returns to the North End

The Saint Gennaro Foundation of Boston, founded by Frank DePasquale, Nick Varano, Angelo Vigliotta, and Pasquale Trotta, along with the North End founded Pastene brands, is bringing back the much-acclaimed San Gennaro Feast in Boston's historic North End on Friday, August 30 through Sunday, September 1, at the Paul Revere Mall, Hanover Street, North End.

San Gennaro Feast is returning this summer and features delicious food and drink from North End restaurants and vendors, live music and dancing, and culminates with a mass and procession with the statue of San Gennaro.

The three-day feast will take place in the Paul Revere Mall on Hanover Street in the North End and will conclude on Sunday with a procession of Saint Gennaro followed by an outdoor mass performed by the priests at St. Stephens.

There will be more than two dozen booths featuring North End restaurants that include: Strega, Bricco, Mare, Trattoria il Panino, Assaggio, Cini, Forcella and Umbria.

There will also be a Beer Garden, Espresso Martini Bar sponsored by DrinkThat Espresso Martini, a dozen North End restaurants, live DJs, musical performances by Sal The Voice, France Joli, and the Midtown Men along with many more. The emcees for the weekend will be Hot 96.9's Melissa Eannuzzo and Kiss 108 personality Gianna Gravelese.

The feast is put on by the Saint Gennaro Foundation, which is a



A scene from a previous San Gennaro Feast.

nonprofit foundation named for the patron saint of Naples, Italy. Proceeds from the feast will benefit the Flutie Foundation. For more information, please visit: www.sangennaroboston.org.

The schedule entails:

Friday, August 30:

5:00p- The Feast Opens to the public

6:00p- Hot 96.9 Morning Show Host Melissa Eannuzzo welcomes guests

6:15p- Vinyl Groove performs 8:00p- Italian Connection performs

11:00p- Feast closes for the night

Saturday, August 31:

12:00p- The Feast Opens to the Public

6:00p- Kiss 108 Personality Gianna Gravalese introduces performers

6:15-7:15- Virgil the DJ

7:30-8:15- Canadian singer and disco great France Joli

8:30-10:00p- The Midtown Men (Jersey Boys original cast)

11:00p- The Feast closes for the night

Sunday, September 1:

11:00a- Procession of San Gennaro

12:00p- Outdoor Mass performed by the priests of Saint Stephens

6:00p- Kiss 108 Personality Gianna Gravelese presents Flutie Foundation with check

6:30-7:30- Virgil the DJ

8:00p- 9:30p- Sal The Voice from America's Got Talent

11:00p- The feast concludes

The Saint Gennaro Foundation of Boston is an IRS approved 501 C3 non-profit organization. All current and future donations will be used to help autistic children. Our mission is to build a structure that houses an educational center that will comprise of about thirty furnished rooms, a cafeteria, a laundry, and a chapel for prayer. Outside will include a farm-like space with pets that serve as excellent therapy for children. This center will give hospitality to families who come from within and outside our region without means to take care of their children. That is the goal we have set ourselves and this we will do thanks to the generous support we have received.

Pastene is a legacy brand that has been bringing family and friends to the table with premium specialty foods for 150 years. The company got its start back in 1848 when founder, Luigi Pastene, emigrated from Italy to the United States and started a modest pushcart operation in Boston, Massachusetts. His entrepreneurial spirit laid the foundation for what would become one of North America's oldest family-run businesses. In 1874, Luigi's son, Pietro began importing Italian ingredients and products to Fulton Street in Boston's historic Italian North End neighborhood and Pastene & Co. was born. Now, 150 years later, Pastene continues to be known for its unrivaled quality and taste, carrying nearly 150 specialty products including premium canned tomatoes, pasta, sauces, grated cheese, oil and vinegar, beans, breadcrumbs, condiments, fish products, rice, polenta, gourmet vegetables and peppers, as well as hard-to-find varieties of olives and artichokes. It remains a family-run business and is owned by brothers Mark

and Christopher Tosi, fifth generation family members of Pietro Pastene. More information can be found at Pastene.com and on Instagram and Facebook.

Former NFL Quarterback, Doug Flutie, and his wife Laurie started the Doug Flutie, Jr. Flutie Foundation for Autism in 1998 after their son, Dougie, was diagnosed with autism at the age of three. Their personal experience of raising a son on the autism spectrum inspired them to help others on an equally long and challenging journey. Over its 25-year history, the Flutie Foundation has distributed over \$25 million to schools and organizations who provide clinical therapies, respite services, recreational programs, social skills training, job supports and more for people affected by autism. The Flutie Foundation also provides education technology tools, adaptive camp scholarships, safety equipment, and direct family support through its partnerships and special initiatives.

#### NEWS, NOTES AND WHATEVER By Phil Orlandella

# MCGOVERN PERFORMS RENDITION OF NATIONAL ANTHEM

Once the players were announced for the 33rd Annual LaFesta Baseball Exchange played at Puopolo Park, Tate McGovern of the North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC), did a great job with the rendition of the National Anthem.

She received a terrific ovation from everyone at the park. NEMPAC singers always provide an awesome presentation of America's song.

#### 12TH ANNUAL BUONA SERA OCT. 10

ABCD North End/West End Neighborhood Services Center's (NSC) 12th annual Buona Sera, an evening with friends will be held on Thursday, October 10 with a wine reception from 5:30-7:30pm at the University of Massachusetts Club, One Beacon Street, Boston, 32 floor

Join the NSC fundraiser for wine and amazing views and enjoy your very own table for 10 at a premiere North End restaurant paired with a celebrity.

Visit www.bostonabcd,org/buonasera for more details.

#### WEEKLY MOVEMENT AND WALKING MEDITATION CLASSES

Each Tuesday at 5:30pm Movement and Walking Meditation Classes are held at the Meditation Labyrinth Walk at Armenian Heritage Park on The Greenway in celebration with Living from Center, The Greenway Conservancy, Boston Public Health Commission and Friends of the Park.

The Qigong class is a simple body-mind practice that weave together gentle stretching, mindful breathing and flowing movements, followed by a Meditative Labyrinth Walk.

#### PICKEL BALL TOURNAMENT AT DEFILIPPO PARK (GASSY) SEPT. 14

DeFilippo Park (Gassy) on Prince Street will be the site of a benefit Pickel Ball Tournament on Sunday, September 14.

Coordinated by Al Skinner and hosted by the Friends of DeFilippo Playground, will be held at 8am with the tournament play beginning at 9am.

Registration fee is \$50 per team

and \$25 for individuals that will be paired with other players. There is a prize for the winning team.

Three courts will be setup for the event. Players need to take their own rackets, balls and nets will be provided by the event host.

Organizers expect 100 players and just as many spectators.

Tournament sponsor \$150 per person or business are being

accepted (with logo and/or code) on an 18x24 foam core board displayed at the event.

Send logo as a jpeg to Friends of DeFilippo@gmail.com. Payments by Venmo or cash.

Funds from the tournament will help keep the Gassy well-maintained, clean and full of plants.

Foe more information email Friends of DeFilippo @gmail.com.

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#### Gregory Wyman named to Wealth Advisors Best-in-State list

Gregory Wyman, a wealth advisor at Merrill Lynch Wealth Management in Boston, has been named to the Forbes 2024 "Top Next-Generation Wealth Advisors Best-in-State" list. Wyman, who lives in the North End with his wife and three daughters, successfully advises high net worth families on how to grow and manage their wealth. To qualify for the list, advisors under the age of 40 were evaluated on industry experience, best practices, compliance records and assets under management. Wyman is a graduate of Boston University and has worked at Merrill Lynch since 2011. He is also active in the community, as a baseball coach for the North End Athletic Association, a volunteer for the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park and as a member of the Maritime Society of



Gregory Wyman.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help of Sciacca, which sponsors the annual Fisherman's Fe

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#### On the Campaign Trail

# Erin Murphy announces her candidacy for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court

Boston City Councilor At-Large Erin Murphy has announced her candidacy for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court. The following is her statement:

"I am Erin Murphy, and I am humbly seeking your support in the upcoming Primary Election on Tuesday, September 3. Over the past three years, it has been both an honor and a privilege to serve the vibrant and diverse communities of our great City as your At-Large City Councilor. I want to share with you why I am the best choice for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.

- A Record of Results: During my time as a legislator on the Boston City Council, I have been dedicated to delivering tangible results for our neighborhoods. I have consistently lifted the voices of my neighbors and championed important causes that directly impact our community. From advocating for better schools, more services for our seniors and veterans, safer streets, the cost of housing, and delivering on constituent services. I have demonstrated my commitment to improving the quality of life for all Bostonian's.
- Proven Leadership and Integrity: My successful career in public service and education underscores my leadership abilities and commitment to ethical standards. These qualities are crucial for a role that demands impartiality, transparency, and reliability. The Clerk's role is to ensure the smooth operation of the court system by managing documents, scheduling, and ensuring proce-

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dural compliance. This is a neutral, administrative function that does not require legal interpretation. Combining these factors, I offer a blend of practical experience, a deep understanding of public service, and a personal commitment to fairness and community.

- Extensive Public Service Experience: My tenure as a Boston City Councilor, my decades as a public-school educator, and my lifelong community advocacy demonstrates my expertise and capability to handle complex administrative tasks, manage substantial amounts of information, and interact with a diverse range of people. This experience, combined with my strong work ethic, shows that I am more than capable of managing complex responsibilities and advocating effectively for the community.
- Education Expertise: My twenty-four years as a Boston Public School teacher and special education coordinator highlight my deep understanding of education and administrative processes. Managing over 150 IEPs each year reflects my organizational skills and experience managing extensive records and coordinating services. It also highlights my attention to detail, and dedication to ensuring fair and equitable treatment for all students. These skills are transferable and valuable in the administrative role of Clerk for the Supreme Judicial Court.
- Accessibility and Transparency: Your voice matters. I have always made it a priority to be accessible to residents, attending community meetings in every neighborhood and listening to your concerns. It is a priority of mine to make sure everyone feels welcome when they access the court. I will continue to champion transparency and speak my mind to stand up for you.

- Local Knowledge Network: As a citywide elected official, I have a comprehensive understanding of Boston, Winthrop, Chelsea and Revere, and its residents, which will be beneficial in a role that requires close interaction with the public and various legal stakeholders. My existing relationships and network in the community will help facilitate smoother operations and improved communication.
- Single Parent perspective: My experience as a single mom adds a unique and empathetic perspective. It demonstrates my resilience, ability to balance multiple responsibilities, and commitment to making decisions that positively impact families and individuals.
- Bostonian Through and Through: I love our city, and I am deeply committed to its future. As a lifelong Bostonian, Boston Public School teacher, former BPS student, BPS parent, and a single mom who raised her four children here, I understand our unique challenges and opportunities, and I will continue to be dedicated to making not just Boston, but all of Suffolk County a better place for all of us!

On September 3, I ask for your vote for Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court. I believe you; the people of Boston, Chelsea, Winthrop, and Revere deserve an elected official who is committed to providing access to justice and will bring transparency and accountability to the role. When you vote for me, you know exactly what you are getting. I will bring the same work ethic and integrity that marked my time in the classroom as a Boston Public School teacher, and as a legislator on the Boston City Council. Together, we can achieve remarkable things for Suffolk County. Thank you for your trust and support."

#### **ZLC** (from pg. 1)

at the same location.

Mother Anna Restaurant, 211 Hanover Street, is requesting a Wine and Malt beverage with Liqueurs License, to replace a former all alcohol license for the reopening of the restaurant (closing hour 12 AM) and a private 84 seat outdoor patio.

Locale, 351 Hanover Street, holder of a malt, wine and liqueurs license has applied for an all-alco-

hol license. North End Lobster, 204

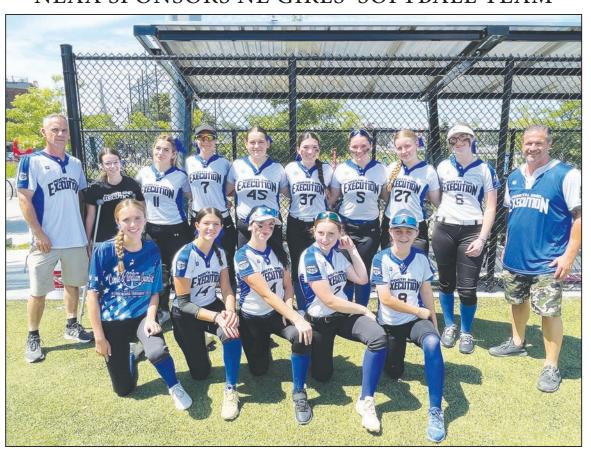
Hanover Street, has applied for

zoning relief to change use of a new restaurant in the basement and first floor.

DePasquale Ventures has applied for zoning relief to combined three parcels (60-70 Cross Street) into one area at the former site of Martignetti Liquors block.

Plans call for a two-story addition and a change use to a culinary arts educational school, retail restaurant, outdoor seating on a private rood-deck and three apartments.

#### NEAA SPONSORS NE GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM



The North End Girls' Softball team

By Phil Orlandella

The North End Athletic Association (NEAA) is sponsoring

a young ladies softball team that will travel all over New England playing in tournaments.

They played an exhibition

game at Puopolo Park to keep sharp for their first tournament game in Somerset.

# Old North Church & Historic Site presents 'Cradle to Revolution' a digital speaker series

When we think about Americans who changed the course of history, we rarely think about children. However, children have played a vital part in American politics and culture since the colonial era. On Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7 p.m. join Dr. Anna Mae Duane of the University of Connecticut to learn about the often-overlooked role of children in shaping early American history. From the Salem Witch Trials to the Revolutionary War and the fight against slavery, Dr. Duane will reveal how young voices and actions influenced pivotal moments in our nation's past, including revolutionary changes in social and political structures. This virtual event is accessible with a donation of any amount to support Old North Illuminated, the nonprofit that stewards Old North Church. The 2024 Speaker Series is brought to you in part by HUB Town Tours. To register, please visit: https://www.oldnorth.com/ events/

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#### STOP WORK (from pg. 1)

have been numerous breaches two of them on the same day covered by the Boston media and police response.

One breach was by a large group of youth that entered the site from a secure area on Hull Street.

The other was a break in to an

abutting home at Snelling Place where a man was arrested while naked, wheeling a hammer.

Pepicelli has already filed legal action involving air and light issues. The Snelling Place victim is contemplating doing the same relating to the break in.

### **VOTE Tuesday, September 3rd**



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#### THE 105TH ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST HELD IN THE NORTH END



tee brings an offering to St. Anthony.



Lisa Lavallve, Paula Clancy, Mary Modugno, and Dianna



Jo-Ella's Catering chefs Ann Marie and Marlin Gray with chef David Lentini (center) of New England Food get ready for coming demonstrations for Stella brand cheese.



Captain Anthony Fellano and Anthony Pellegrini Jr. are ready to dish out the best raw clams, calamari, and fried shrimp at the Feast.

The statue of St. Anthony Of Padila was brought throughout the North End neighborhood where the Feast was held. As members of the St. Anthony Society carried the statue, devotees would place offerings of money on it while saying a prayer and leaving a kiss. It is the largest Italian religious festival in New England and draws many visitors to witness the ritual and celebrate with the North End.





Aine Dwyer and her mom Jackie Lewandowski watch as St. Anthony is brought through the North End.





A vendor hurries some riceballs to his stand.



Ralph Verrocchi brings an offering to St. Anthony.



Devotees throw confetti from their apartments above on North Margin Street.



The statue of St. Anthony is raised for a devotee to place an offering on it.



The streets of the North End are filled with visitors and revelry.



Wishing All of Our Residents, friends, and families a spectacular Labor Day! Celebrate safely, responsibly, and have fun!

Representative Aaron Michlewitz



#### THE 105TH ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST HELD IN THE NORTH END

The 105th St. Anthony's Feast is a weekend religious ceremony and celebration of St Anthony Of Padula. The streets of the North End are alive with visitors coming to enjoy the food, music, spectacle, and community.



The Main Stage draws a crowd as Joey Canzano and Lola Domino sing many favorite classic rock songs and more.



The corner of Thatcher and Endicott Streets was an intersection filled with visitors to St. Anthony's Feast.



The team at Wise Guys Cannolis And Pasta are stirring up some excellent sauce and other foods.



Sarah with Jenna's Cucina is proud to be The Little Pasta Girl.



St. Anthony's Feast Committee Member David Capodilupo and VP Michael Bonetti.



Lisa Wilder celebrates her Italian heritage as her grandmother was from Sicily.



At Boston Fried Calamari Dante Valarese feasts on a plate of littlenecks with Dante Jr. happy with his lemonade.



Not far from the festivities, some North End residents celebrate the St Anthony's Feast in a more quiet, but satisfying way.



# August 30, 2025 - September 1, 2024



Mass & Procession
Sunday, September 1, 12:00 p.m.
at the Paul Revere Mall



#### 33RD ANNUAL LAFESTA BASEBALL EXCHANGE PROGRAM



North End Dodgers and North Adams Allstars for LaFesta Baseball Exchange August 10th and 11th Puopolo Park

By John Romano

The North End Dodgers and the North Adams Allstars played in the Annual LaFesta Baseball Exchange program the weekends of July 20th and 21st in North Adams Mass and then the follow up weekend in the North End in August 10th and 11th. This annual baseball exchange has been going on for over 33 years. Over 1000 players between the two cities have been involved and probably over 50 coaches and volunteers over the years have participated in some way, shape or form to ensure it has continued. There have been stretches where one or the other have been better but over the series it has been almost quite even. As with this past year each weekend, both teams split one game each at the others home field. The fun, friendship and camaraderie was prevalent throughout both weekends.

During last weekend in the North End, the whole event was sponsored by State Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Ausonia Council Knights of Columbus #1513 and the North End Athletic Association. Lunch was donated and provided by Pauli's North End.

Special Note: Representative Michlewitz played in the Exchange for 3 years, coached the team for 5 years and is now a major sponsor



Tate McGivern Singing the National Anthem.

The 13th Annual Johnny Paolo Bocce Tournament

Sunday, September 22nd, 2024, 11-7pm



Registration at 11:00, Game starts at 12:00

Early registration - soxgirl32@hotmail.com

\$ 10.00 per person, \$ 20.00 per team

Food, Ice Cream, Prizes, Music

THIS YEARS PROCEEDS GO TO ST. JUDES RESEARCH HOSPITAL of the event. We are extremely grateful for his commitment to the program over the years!

The first game was played

on Saturday evening at 5:30pm, before the game was played, the team players were announced on the field, an awesome rendition of the National Anthem was sung by Tate McGivern of the North End Music and Performing Arts Center. Representative Michlewitz threw out the first pitch and each player from both teams was given a friendship coin commemorating the 33rd Annual games!

Before the First pitch Ceremonies, Mr. George Canales of North Adams was given a plaque by John Romano of the N.E.A.A. that commemorated him receiving the Hero of the month award for July 2024 for his work in North Adams for the LaFesta Exchange. George has been organizing the event in North Adams since its inception along with his family.

After the game on Saturday, which was won by North Adams 13-6, the players and coaches and volunteers headed over to the Nazzaro Center for a family style Italian dinner. Dinner was served by volunteers Patricia Romano and Ann Fitzgerald. When din-



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# Flynn files hearing order on BHA elevator systems

At this week's City Council Meeting, Councilor Ed Flynn filed a hearing order to discuss the current status of the elevator systems across Boston Housing Authority (BHA) developments. The elevator systems in many BHA developments are aging and frequent reports of breakdowns have negatively impacted the quality of life and raised public safety concerns for many residents, including seniors and persons with

disabilities. The hearing will seek to address the ongoing safety and reliability of the elevator system across BHA developments and discuss a financial and maintenance

Over the last few years, tenants in BHA developments such as the Ruth Barkley Apartments in the South End, Torre Unidad at West Dedham Street, and St. Botolph BHA in District 2 have complained of recurring elevator breakdowns and prolonged periods of maintenance and repair. Tenants have complained of getting stuck in elevators, elevators skipping floors, and elevator repair parts taking a long time to arrive. Seniors and persons with disabilities have been particularly impacted and have expressed frustration at not being able to leave their apartments for prolonged periods of time, resulting in missed medical appointments and not being able to pick

up groceries.

"It is critical for the BHA to have a financial and maintenance plan to address our aging elevator systems across BHA developments," said Councilor Flynn. "This is a public safety and quality of life issue - when elevators are constantly in disrepair, it is virtually impossible for tenants, especially those who live on higher floors, and for our seniors and persons with disabilities to get out

of their building. It is imperative that the BHA conducts a comprehensive review and inspection on the status of every elevator in BHA developments, including the repair history of each elevator, the frequency it has been shut down, and how often first responders have had to visit."

For more information, please contact Councilor Flynn's office at 617-635-3203 and Ed.Flynn@

# The Friends of the North End 52nd annual reunion Sept. 21

The 52nd annual reunion will be held on Saturday, September 21, from 12 p.m. until 5 p.m. at Spinelli's, 10 Newbury Street, Rte. One South on the Lynnfield/ Peabody line.

\$100.00 per man will cover the cost of a 6-course meal, and hall expenses. There will be a cash bar available.

If you plan to attend, please send a \$100 Check by September 14, payable to:

Sam Viscione 80 Haystack Road Reading, MA 01867 Anthology of North End stories"

Written by North Enders relating to the reader what it was like to grow up in the North End during the 40s, 50s, and 60s will be available for purchase for \$23.95, payable by check or cash. The checks are to made out to:

Victor Passacantilli or Dom Capossela or the Magic of the North End.

Coppola's challenge, submitted by Vito Aluia: the Iacopucci family had an Italian grocery store at 16 fleet street, and a second one in the North End. Give a brief descrip-"Do you believe in Magic, an tion of where its second store was

located. The people who correctly answer its location will have their names put in a hat and a winner will be drawn and awarded the 2024 WOZ award.

For many years the Friends of the North End has been making contributions to many worthy north end organizations and will continue to do so because of the generosity of its members during its fundraising efforts.

Reserve tables to accommodate seating for a group of 10 will be available upon request.



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#### Out with the Old and Unloved

Home cooks should begin by evaluating their supply of herbs and spices. Gather all the jars, tins, packets, and containers hiding around the kitchen and test each. How old is it? Does it still have good flavor? Do you have duplicates? Do you still use it, and do you like it? We all have things we bought to try, only to discover they're not to our taste.

Next, choose items you use frequently and plan to keep those near your prep area. For us, this includes three types of whole pepper in grinders: flakey and Kosher

salt, Aleppo pepper, and an Italian herb blend for a favorite salad. The rest can be tucked away in cupboards until we need them.

Finally, pull out a trash bag and a giveaway box. Products that are old and lacking aroma and flavor go in the trash bag. Share items you won't use quickly with friends and family who love to cook and experiment, especially those just starting to build their flavor col-

#### Masala Dabba

One of the greatest gifts to the world's cooks from Indian culture is the masala dabba or spice box found in most Indian kitchens and often handed down from generation to generation.

Priyadarshini Chatterjee, writing for www.diasporaco.com, said, "On most days, in an ordinary Indian kitchen, the aesthetics of the masala dabba go unnoticed. Its treatment is unceremonious, almost offhand. This apparent nonchalance, however, stems not from irreverence, but instead a deep sense of intimacy and comfort bred by familiarity. The masala dabba is, after all, the sine qua non of everyday cooking in kitchens across the country. Lifting the lid off the masala dabba is often the starting point for every meal turned out of an Indian kitchen —



Here are some items from our flavoring collection: small packets of herbs, spices, and blends, salt containers, pepper mills, and a masala dabba filled with Indian food essentials.

whether mundane or memorable."

#### Use More, More Often

Another lesson from Indian food is to use spices and herbs with abandon and generosity. If you watch YouTube videos of Indian home cook Chetna Makan, you'll see her add spoonfuls of flavors from her spice collection to a pan to create the base for her dish.

Chetna wakes up the flavor and brings out the essential oils in her spice mix by dry toasting in a skillet or adding a selection of spices to a small pan of hot oil and pouring it over a finished dish. This technique is called a tadka or

Share the Bounty

We share spices and herbs

we don't use in large quantities with other cooks. In return, they share exciting finds or items they purchased for a specific recipe. Sharing the recipe is a great bonus

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# Bay Staters warned to brace for rodent surge following heatwaves, expert says

By Smith's Pest Management

Bay Staters have had to grapple with heatwaves this summer, and while these extreme weather patterns have obvious consequences, such as water shortages and increased wildfire risk, there's another, less visible threat lurking in the shadows: a surge in rodent

Zachary Smith, of Smith's Pest Management, warns that "the summer heatwaves we've experienced have created the perfect storm for a surge in rodent activity. When the environment becomes too hostile for rodents in the wild, they turn to our homes for food and shelter. Unfortunately, that means an invasion is likely."

Here, he breaks down the

#### Why Drought Leads to Increased **Rodent Activity**

"When droughts hit, the land-

scape undergoes significant changes," explains Smith. "Vegetation withers, water sources dry up, and ecosystems become stressed. These conditions drive rodents to seek out new environments where they can find the resources they need to survive—namely, food and water. Your home, with its reliable water supply and food sources, becomes an attractive target." Rodents, particularly rats and mice, are incredibly resourceful. "In times of scarcity, they will invade homes, garages, and outbuildings, searching for sustenance," Smith adds. "The lack of natural food sources and diminishing populations of predators, such as birds of prey, exacerbate the problem, allowing rodent populations to grow unchecked."

#### Signs of a Rodent Infestation

and recognize the early signs of a

rodent infestation. Smith notes, "The sooner you identify a rodent problem, the easier it is to handle it before it becomes a full-blown infestation." Here are some common indicators:

- Droppings: Rodent droppings are a telltale sign of an infestation. These are often found near food sources, in cupboards, or along baseboards.
- Gnaw Marks: Rats and mice constantly gnaw on objects to keep their teeth sharp. Look for gnaw marks on food packaging, furniture, and wires.
- Nests: Rodents build nests from shredded paper, fabric, and other soft materials. These nests are usually hidden in dark, secluded areas like attics, basements, or behind appliances.
- Scurrying Sounds: You might It's important to be vigilant hear scratching or scurrying sounds in the walls, especially

at night when rodents are most

• Footprints: In dusty areas, you may notice small footprints or tail

#### Protecting Your Home from **Rodent Infestations**

"Preventing a rodent infestation is always easier than dealing with one after it's taken hold," advises Smith. Here are some steps you can take to protect your home:

- Seal Entry Points: Inspect your home for any gaps or cracks that rodents could use to enter. Pay special attention to areas around doors, windows, and pipes. Even a small opening can be an entryway for mice or rats.
- Remove Food Sources: Store food in airtight containers, clean up spills immediately, and ensure that garbage is properly sealed and disposed of regularly.
- Eliminate Water Sources: Fix

- leaky pipes, dripping faucets, and remove standing water where rodents could drink.
- Trim Vegetation: Keep shrubs, trees, and other vegetation trimmed back from your home. This reduces the number of hiding places for rodents near your house.
- Use Rodent Traps: Set traps in areas where you've noticed rodent activity. This can help to control populations before they become unmanageable.

"The combination of heatwaves and drought is likely to lead to a rise in rodent activity across the country. By taking proactive steps now, you can reduce the risk of an infestation and protect your home," adds Smith. "Don't wait until it's too late. The time to act

This article is courtesy of Smith Pest management. smithspestmanagement.com.

# Over 250 schools and playgrounds near gas leaks in Boston area

In order to protect our children and ensure all schools and playgrounds are safe from methane gas leaks, Mothers Out Front, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF), Boston Parks Advocates, GreenRoots, and eight individuals have announced plans to sue National Grid for both federal and state law violations on gas leaks and tree protections.

"Dangerous and potentially explosive gas is actively leaking near 258 schools and playgrounds in Boston and Chelsea,"

shared Tania Castro-Daunais. Castro-Daunais is a Mothers Out Front Member Leader who lives in East Boston, where active leaks are occurring near Excel Academy Charter School and eight parks and playgrounds. "We cannot continue to put our children and communities at risk. National Grid can't continue putting Band-Aids on its aging pipelines. They must take action to protect our kids and invest in electric energy, an energy source that is cleaner and safer for our kids and

communities."

As of June 30, 2024, 46 of the 195 schools in Boston and Chelsea were within 350 feet of gas leaks. Additionally, 212 of 537 parks and playgrounds in Boston were within 350 feet of a gas leak, and one park in Chelsea was also within this distance of a gas leak. "Utility companies advise people to move at least 350 feet away from any suspected gas leak, so it is unconscionable to see this many gas leaks near places where our children spend so much

time," said Sonja Tengblad, an East Boston mom whose 6-yearold son often plays at six of the eight East Boston parks near gas leaks. Tengblad is also the Founder and Co-Coordinator of Mothers Out Front's East Boston Team. "By allowing gas to continue leaking this close to where our children learn and play, National Grid is creating unnecessary risks to our community's health, safety and well-being. We all need and deserve cleaner energy in our communities."

"Mothers Out Front was founded in Massachusetts on the conviction that there is no more powerful force for change than mothers mobilizing to protect their children," said Beth Shipp, Executive Director of Mothers Out Front. "Our moms have been fighting gas leaks in the Boston-area since 2015. It is time for National Grid to join us and commit to no longer exposing children to toxic and explosive

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

been filed by Ana Stankovic of

Boston, MA requesting that the

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Suffolk Probate **And Family Court** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 **DIVORCE SUMMONS** BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING Docket No. SU24D1094DR Shih Hsiu Lo Plaintiff

Jun Qi Liu Defendant To the Defendant: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown The Complaint is on file at the

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Christopher P Walsh, Esq. Blumsack and Canzano, 112 Water St. Boston, MA 02109 your answer, if any, on or before 10/31/2024. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 02, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett Register of Probate

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED** PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B,

Section 5-304

Docket No. SU24P1715GD Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA, 02114 In the matter of: Richard Dermody of: Boston, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and

all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Richard Dermody is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

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

this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of 9/12/2024. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the

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appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn,

First Justice of this Court.

Date: August 15, 2024

Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate 8/29/24

#### **LEGAL NOTICE** COMMONWEALTH

OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT Suffolk Division** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU24P1358EA Estate of: Srdian Ratko Stankovic

Date of Death:

12/29/2023

To all interested persons:

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of Personal Representative has

Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition The Petitioner requests that: Ana Stankovic of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in unsupervised administration. IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/02/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty days (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION **UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS** 

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First Justice of this Court. Date: August 21, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett, Esq. Register of Probate 08/29/24

appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR** INCAPACITATED

PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, Section 5-304 Docket No. SU24P1661GD Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA. 02114 In the matter of: Steven Stacy of:

Boston, MA **RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitat**ed Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of

Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Steven Stacy is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

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

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matter without further notice

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The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The abovenamed person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 9, 2024 Stephanie Everett, Register of Probate

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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

SU14P0630GD Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Suffolk Probate** and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston MA, 02114 In the interests of: Steven T Stacy Of: Boston, MA RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Department of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above

captioned matter requesting that the court: Remove the Guardian of the respondent. The petition asks the court to make a determination that the

Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court. You have the right to object to

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BASEBALL (from pg. 8)



Rep. Aaron Michlewitz with Dodgers Catcher Owen Flanagan.



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ner was finished the group proceed to Hanover Street to enjoy the Madonna Della Cava Feast. On Sunday morning both teams enjoyed a continental breakfast on the field before game number 2. A much tighter game that went into extra innings with the North End Dodgers winning in a walk off in the bottom of the 8th inning.

Each team chose an MVP for the other squad. The North Adams MVP was Brandon Durant

and the North End MVP was Owen Flanagan. The MVP Awards are named after Mr. George Canales. When we were up in North Adams the awards are named after our good friend Mr. Robert DeCristoforo.

Special thank you also to Traci Griffith of the Eliot School, Allison Singer & Carlo DiRenzo of the Nazzaro Center, Ralph Martignetti, John Romano jr, and Catherine Martin.

As I think back to earlier in the week, the forecast was for torrential downpours all weekend, instead it was a sun soaked glorious weekend for a fabulous 33rd Annual LaFesta Baseball Exchange that has lasted a lot longer than what anyone could have ever imagined and has provided so much fun for so many! Here's looking to next year and #34!



Rep. Aaron Michlewitz throws out the first pitch.



John Romano (N.E.A.A.), George Canales (North Adams) Rep. Aaron Michlewitz with the Score Plaque.