



TELL ME A STORY: SEASON ONE (3-DVD)

CBS Home Ent. + Paramount Home Ent.

This is no fairy. From creator and executive producer Kevin Williamson comes *Tell Me a Story*, which takes the world's most beloved fairy tales and reimagines them as a dark and twisted psychological thriller. Set in modern-day New York City, the first season of this serialized drama interweaves *The Three Little Pigs*, *Little Red Riding Hood*, and *Hansel and Gretel* into an epic and subversive tale of love, loss, greed, revenge, and murder. A three-disc collection that features all 10 episodes from the dark and thrilling premiere season.

CHARMED: SEASON ONE (5-DVD)

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This reboot of the original series centers around sister Mel and Maggie Vera dealing with the sudden death of their mother. Before they have time to heal from their loss, a surprise shows up on their doorstep in the shape of an older sister — brilliant geneticist Macy whom their mother never told them existed. The emotional stress takes its toll and the girls begin to exhibit impossible new abilities. An explanation comes from an unexpected place: the chair of the women's studies department. Harry Greenwood reveals that the three are powerful witches and he is their white lighter, there to advise and guide them as they battle dark forces, vanquish supernatural demons, and tear down patriarchy, all while maintaining familial bonds. A five-disc collection includes all 22 episodes from the enchanting first season.

LIGHT OF MY LIFE (Blu-ray)

CBS Paramount Home Ent.

Oscar winner Casey Affleck writes directs and delivers an excellent performance, alongside Golden Globe winner Elisabeth Moss. A decade after a plague has wiped out nearly all of the world's female population, a father (Affleck) and daughter live on the outskirts of what's left of civilization, as they once knew it. Disguising his daughter as a boy, the father struggles to protect her from newfound threats as they are forced from their home into dangerous territory. Prepared to defend his daughter at all costs, their bond and the character of humanity is tested. *Light of My Life* is an edge-of-your-seat suspense thriller.

LIFE WITH LUCY: THE COMPLETE SERIES (2-DVD)

CBS Home Ent. + Paramount Home Ent.

Lucille Ball as Lucy Barker, in her final sitcom is here in its entirety for the first time ever on DVD. *Life with Lucy: The Complete Series*, stars everyone's favorite redhead as a widowed grandmother who has inherited half of her husband's hardware store, and she decides to "help" her late husband's partner run their family's hardware store. Things take a turn for the hilarious as Barker insists on helping out in the store despite knowing nothing about the hardware business. Guest appearances from TV legends, John Ritter and Audrey Meadows.

THE ICE KING (DVD) Film Movement

John Curry transformed ice skating from a dated sport into an exalted art form. Coming out on the night of his Olympic win in 1976, he became the first openly gay Olympian in a time when homosexuality was not even fully legal. Toxic yet charming; rebellious yet elitist; emotionally aloof yet spectacularly needy; ferociously ambitious yet bent on self-destruction, this is a man forever on the run: from his father's ghost, his country, and even his own self. Above all, an artist and an athlete whose body time and time again — sometimes against his will — becomes a political battlefield. Curry's life was important to competitive ice skating and the gay movement of the '70s and '80s that culminated in the onslaught of AIDS, which he was diagnosed with in 1987 and which contributed to his death in 1994.

MALEVOLENCE 2 + MALEVOLENCE 3: KILLER (Blu-ray)

Mena Films

For those whose cup of tea is horror, you can quench your thirst with *Malevolence*, three videos that take terror to the extreme. **Malevolence:** Taken from the backyard swing at the age of six, Martin Bristol was forced to witness and participate in the horrific crimes of a deranged madman. For years, Martin's whereabouts were a mystery...until bank robbers, on the run from the law, meet up at an abandoned house to split the loot. They chose the WRONG house. **Malevolence 2:** Martin Bristol was imprisoned on a psychotic recluse's farm and forced to witness and participate in unspeakable horrors. When teen Allison Miller comes to live with her Uncle and his 9-year-old daughter, she notices things are not right at the pig farm down the road. Her curiosity disturbs a hornet's nest of evil and despair, and utter horror. **Malevolence 3:** The hunt continues for Martin Bristol. Tortured and abused at the hands of his psychotic captor, Graham Sutter, Martin is damaged beyond repair. Lurking in the shadows of suburbia, he stalks and kills without remorse, leading authorities no choice but to use excessive force to bring him down.

ULYSSES & MONA (DVD) Film Movement

Ulysses & Mona is a deadpan road trip dramedy about a lonely artist and his young admirer, and how they both find a new lease on life. Ulysses is a 55-year-old contemporary artist who ran away from his family and ended his career four years earlier. Now, he spends his days in seclusion hitting tennis balls or listening to horror movie soundtracks. Mona is a 20-year-old art student. Between nude drawing workshops and boring theory classes, her life couldn't be more uneventful. But everything changes when Mona decides to meet Ulysses. After a failed first attempt and some misfortune, both set out on a journey that will change their lives forever.

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

**EAST BOSTON'S
NEW POLICE STATION**

City officials recently broke ground on a new \$30 million Area 7 police station down in Eagle Square next to Channel Fish. The old station at 69 Paris Street has been around since 1859 which means East Boston was far overdue for a new police station. You knew this ribbon cutting was a big deal when you saw all those politicians all over the place. I can even put up with them as long as the police station is coming and it is a 21st century building. Good Bye to the 19th century.

**THE DRIFTERS
WERE GREAT THIS
SUMMER ON HANOVER ST.**



L-R: Bonnie Torkko and Anna Frattaroli

The San Gennaro Feast had some great music on stage at their late summer feast. I caught up with Bonnie Torkko and Anna Frattaroli on Hanover Street dancing to the music like everyone else.

**FLYNN REMEMBERED
AS MAYOR OF
EVERYDAY PEOPLE**

Former Mayor Ray Flynn and I have been friends since the early '70s before, during and after busing. He became known as the mayor of the neighborhoods. Prior to being Mayor he was a City Councilor and his priorities back in the late '70s and early '80s was gentrification and condo conversions. He always supported the neighborhood and folks who loved them and feared the changes everyone saw coming.

On October 16th, Mayor Marty Walsh presented Flynn with the Norman B. Leventhal Excellence in City Building Lifetime Achievement Award. The fight over housing costs continues to this day as Flynn reminded everyone that night, it is always!

**POLITIO MEETS UP
AT THE "TABLE"**



Lt. Gov. Karyn Politio meets up at the "Table"

Back during the San Gennaro Feast, Lt. Gov. Politio met up with Jen Royle owner of the "Table," one of the North End's new and exciting eating spots.

RAISING VOICES FOR HOPE

There will be a free musical fundraiser featuring the Boston Archdiocese Black Catholic Choir to support the Ignatian Spirituality Project: Spiritual Retreats to End Homelessness.

It will be held at St. Joseph Church in Boston's West End on November 9th beginning at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call 508-596-2387.

**IS MIDDLETON
TRUMP COUNTRY?**



Here's Ross Henderson hawking his Trump items.

Driving along Route 114W last week, I passed by a roadside stand selling everything Trump. Cars were honking and folks driving into the tent area. Must be lots of Trump supporters up there.

**HANDS FREE DRIVING BILL
NOW BEING HELD UP**

Racial data is now holding up passage of a hands free driving bill on Beacon Hill. When I first heard about this piece of legislation, I thought it was a no-brainer. However, the idea of not holding onto your phone while talking and driving on the road. Opponents of this bill think it could be used by police to profile Black drivers. According to some, we need bias-free policing as much as we need hands-free driving. Hey, I want every driver on the road to be treated equally, but I really want drivers not holding on to their mobile devices in one hand and the steering wheel in the other.

**ROC TEEN SATURDAY
14TH ANNUAL NORTH END
HALLOWEEN PARTY**

It will be held October 31st starting at 3:00 p.m. at the Nazzaro Center. Costumes, pizza, games, crafts, music and more!

**DON'T FORGET FLAHERTY
ON ELECTION DAY**

I will be voting to re-elect City Council At Large Michael Flaherty on Election Day, Boston needs his leadership

and experience. He's my kind of politician.

**MARINA WALKING HER
PUBBLIES ALONG
N. BENNET STREET**



Marina with "Boss" and "Marshall"

Recently, while standing next to the Nazzaro Center parking lot, I started talking with a dog walker and North End resident named Marina who has two playful puppies on their leashes. "Boss" and "Marshall" were ready to pose as soon as they saw my little camera.

**ANOTHER WELL ATTENDED
FLAHERTY GATHERING
LAST WEEK**

Boston City Councilor Michael Flaherty recently held his Fall Reception over at Coppersmith in Southie. The place was mobbed, the food was great and the mayor was there too. Flaherty is a winner. Don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 5th.

**ERIN MURPHY
ENDORSED BY THE COPS**

City Councilor Erin Murphy was recently endorsed by the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association. She will be Number 5 on the November ballot. Don't forget to vote on Tuesday, November 5th. I proudly endorse her candidacy for city council at large

(Photos by Sal Giarratani)



URBAN COWBOYS WITH GREAT HATS — Boston Police Commissioner William Gross with Sergeant Sal Giarratani (ret) wearing hats cowboys would envy.

(Photo by Frank Mancini)