

A collage of five circular images on a yellow background. The images are: 1. A close-up of a goat's head with large, floppy ears. 2. A blue car that has been crushed in a crash. 3. A person in a cow costume with a straw hat. 4. A person in a ghost costume standing in front of flowers. 5. A roller coaster car at the top of a track against a blue sky.

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PRICE CHECK ON PRIVACY

MA bill would ban ‘surveillance pricing’ in grocery stores

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STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Massachusetts grocery stores could be banned from adjusting prices or sending targeted advertisements based on customers' biometric data under proposals gaining momentum in the Legislature.

A Rep. Lindsay Sabadosa bill that looks to proactively block supermarkets from deploying surveillance pricing and surveillance advertising secured initial approval from the House on Monday, Aug. 18.

The first-time filing aims to prevent grocery stores from jacking up their prices while more than 1 million Bay Sta-

ters are already grappling with food insecurity, according to the Northampton Democrat. It also installs guardrails on collecting and using insights gleaned from customers' biometric data, such as their fingerprint, voiceprint, eye retinas, gait or "other unique

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Montesino leaves Daniel's Table

Tom Benoit
The MetroWest Daily News
USA TODAY NETWORK

Sandra Montesino and two others are out at Daniel's Table as the nonprofit's co-founder is set to take the reins, again.

Montesino, the now-former executive director of the Framingham nonprofit, confirmed to the Daily News on Monday, Aug. 18, that she was no longer with the organization.

She wrote in a letter to Daniel's Table supporters that none of the work completed could have been done without their support.

“Serving this community and building Daniel’s Table alongside so many compassionate, dedicated individuals has been the honor of my professional life. Together, we’ve created innovative programs, forged powerful partnerships and most importantly, ensured thousands of neighbors have access to the healthy food and dignity they deserve,” Montesino wrote.

She continued, "Change is never easy, but it often opens the door to new possibilities. I remain deeply committed to the cause of food security and will carry the values and experiences of my time at Daniel's Table into whatever comes next."

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MASSACHUSETTS FOOD SHOWDOWN

Flavorful Four: Vote for your favorite brands in Round 4

The MetroWest Daily News
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The grocery store staples that have made it into the final flavorful four are certainly iconic in the Bay State and nationwide. These favorites from our initial list of 32 foods made in or founded in Massachusetts all garnered more than a little acclaim.

We have the iconic cookie first made at an inn in Whitman. We have a kettle-cooked chip first made on Cape Cod. We have a salad dressing that has expanded from its Framingham steakhouse roots.

We have hot dogs still being made by a family-owned business in Chelsea.

Here are the final four matchups: the state cookie, Toll House Chocolate Chip, will take on the crunchy and salt Cape Cod Potato Chip, while Ken's Salad Dressing will take on the official hot dog of Fenway Park, Kayem Hot Dogs.

To recap for those readers who have and have not voted before: The 11 USA TODAY Network newspapers in Massachusetts came together to ask you what your favorite and most iconic brand of food in the Bay State has produced. Over five weeks, we're narrowing our brack-

ets of foods found in the produce section, the bakery, freezers, shelves, and the deli counter of grocery stores nationwide to decide the most iconic/best foods made or developed in Massachusetts.

Voting will start every Tuesday at 4 a.m. and be open until 11:59 p.m. Sunday. You can vote in each pairing once every hour. Most of these foods are still made or grown in the state, but we acknowledge some are made elsewhere while retaining their Bay State charm.

So here's your excuse (as if you need one to try any of these) to eat some

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your votes.

cookies and snack on some chips, to create a dipping pile for your veggies and to grill up some hot dogs. Actually, that sounds like the perfect summer meal.

Polls are now open for our semifinal matchups. Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/MAfoods-r4 to cast your votes.



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