Shootings increase across the city in 2013

As of July 9 of last year the City of Boston had experienced 116 shootings, compared to this year’s 140 in the same time period, which is 17% increase. Inner-city community leaders are outraged over the spike and are begging for help. City-Councilor Tito Jackson told the Boston Herald recently, “Enough is enough.” Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis admitted himself that he was concerned about the rise is the number of shootings.

All signs point to the large of shootings as gang related. Homicides, robberies and attempted robberies have also increased from last year. Universal Hub calls itself Boston’s community news and information site. On it you can find up to date information on A Great Beach Day! Become a Member and Leave the Driving to Us! SouthieShuttle.com

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There was a time when so much open space was on our waterfront that thousands upon thousands of newly delivered cars were parked bumper to bumper on that acreage. So, too, were many open and empty lots in the residential area. Since that time nearly every warehouse left standing has been rezoned for residential. The empty lots for 3-deckers are being built as 6 units or more. Yet there never seems to be enough room for longtime residents to stay. This is a sad tale that’s become all too familiar, but usually happens to the less powerful or influential.

Now, however, the same eradication of what was the familiar foundation of the town has completed its sweep through our waterfront. First, despite assurances of its return, Jimmy’s Harborside is gone. Now the most famous meeting place for the movie stars, world leaders, sport stars, politicians and regular folk is going. Anthony’s Pier 4 is closing. There is the probability the annual St. Patrick’s Boy’s and Girl’s Club has had its last event there. An event that typified how much a place like Anthony’s meant and did for so many. There is no room for a place that defined the waterfront. This is sad progress indeed.

If Tyranny and Oppression come to this land, it will be in the guise of fighting a foreign enemy” - James Madison

This Week’s Poll

Should the next Mayor of Boston continue to give millions of dollars in city tax breaks in order to “attract” large development investors to the South Boston Waterfront?
A Tale of Two Parades and its only July

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

John Ciccone

Note: talk back to John Ciccone by email at jcciccone@southbostontoday.com

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The Independence Day holiday has come and gone which of course means the summer of 2013 is now in full swing. The weather was hot and brutally humid which is how most early July’s should be. Al Gore will tell us it’s because of Global Warming. To Al Gore, everything is caused by Global Warming. If there is a flight delay at Reagan International Airport or Farmer Gabe’s goat won’t give milk on Tuesdays, these too must be caused by Global Warming. But in reality, as rational people know, it’s normal.

I hope all of you had a good holiday. I had the pleasure to spend mine with family and friends in the New Hampshire Mountains and was fortunate to have watched an annual Independence Day Parade – small town style. It was really quite good. It was of course a lot different than our own St. Patrick’s Day/Evacuation Day parade in South Boston. Our parade has easily more than 10,000 marchers; the small town parade had far fewer. We have more than a million spectators here in the home town. They had several thousand. There wasn’t much green showing up there among the crowd and rather than many bagpipe contingents in their line of March they had only one. But there were some similarities with both processions that are worth commenting on.

As we stood along the parade route up there it was apparent that there was a strong, almost universal feeling of patriotism among the members of the crowd. Red White and Blue was everywhere. At the head of the line as the marchers came down Main Street was a veteran’s color guard carrying the first of hundreds of American flags. Almost like ‘the wave’ at an NFL game, as the first flag passed, everyone who was sitting in chairs; no matter what their age rose and stood at attention as it passed and sat back down when it went by. Likewise did the hats come off. Everyone, and I mean EVERYONE who was wearing a hat which was practically everybody since the 90 degree sun was beating down, removed those hats as Old Glory passed. Mothers, fathers, seniors, teens and even little children instinctively took their ‘covers’ off out of a well-honed sign of respect. If you pay attention to spectators at South Boston’s parade, which many of us do, you’ll notice the same thing happen here; especially among the longtime residents and of course our many veterans; whether lifelong or newcomers. It’s good to see that some things are still held sacred and there are traditions that survive the passing of time whether here in the city or in small town America.

At the July 4th event, there were floats representing the area’s Churches, 4 H Clubs, local volunteer fire fighter companies etc. and most of them were on trailers being pulled by tractors driven by the county’s farmers. Ok, so here in South Boston we have flatbed truck carrying the floats. They both serve the same purpose. But the loudest and enthusiastic cheers, you could see the pride and happy expressions on the faces of these marchers as they knew how much their service to their country was appreciated. Even the troops dressed in Colonial garb firing their muskets got wild ovations. We see that here too.

But there were differences. There was a big difference. In the small town parade it was all positive. It was a clear celebration; the occasion of course being America’s independence. And there was no controversy created by would be parade crashers who would turn a happy event into a political protest. The people there would not
Letter to the Editor

City Parking Space Policy Needs Reconsideration

The City of Boston and the BRA need to reconsider their policy that discourages construction of parking spaces within new developments. As the District 2 City Councilor, I represent some of the most congested neighborhoods in Boston. I hear from constituents on a regular basis that lack of parking affects their quality of life more than other issues. As a resident of South Boston, I experience this difficulty on a nightly basis as I circle the blocks around my home looking for a parking spot.

BRA Director Meade cites US census data that the city has seen an increase in Boston residents between the ages of 20 to 35 and that this population is increasingly relying on public transportation and other modes of transportation to travel to and from work. While this is true and we should continue to encourage this practice, it has not translated into fewer cars on our streets. This demographic still have cars, they just don’t all take them to work or use them regularly. This creates less users of a particular space.

Another demographic that finds it difficult to travel without a car is young families. I have six grandchildren who live in Boston. My children, and other young families in my district, tell me that getting the kids to and from school and all their other activities is not feasible on public transit itself. Lugging the kids alone is difficult enough, never mind all the sports equipment, carriages, lunch bags etc. that go along with each trip. Discouraging additional parking spaces is making it more difficult for families to stay in my district. This needs to change. We should be creating policies that attract and retain families, not drive them (literally) away.

Additionally, often seniors and retired members of the community do not move their cars after 3:30pm in fear of not finding a spot in a reasonable distance from their homes. Many of these folks are less mobile than they used to be.

Our policies need to be more holistic in nature and not just for target groups who at this present time are interested in living in our neighborhoods, as chair of the Council’s Economic Development Committee I will continue to push for just that. The demographics will change in just a few short years, but housing infrastructure will remain the same for decades.

Bill Linehan, District 2 Boston City Councilor

Rep. Collins Delivers Local Funds in State Budget

On Monday, July 1, 2013 the Massachusetts House of Representatives passed a $34 billion state budget for this coming fiscal year, as well as a supplemental budget for the rest of FY13. For the third straight year, State Representative Nick Collins was able to secure state funding for key South Boston programs and initiatives. Rep. Collins says his focus was on public safety, public health and youth development funding.

A lead sponsor since his time in the house, Rep. Collins was able to help secure $1.75 million in Hazardous Materials Training funding for the Boston Fire Department, $1 million for the Massachusetts State Police, including funding for dedicated patrols along the beach. Additionally, working with members of the Boston Delegation, of which he is Chairperson, Collins was able to help bring home $920 million in unrestricted local aid state-wide, which helps fund city services like the Boston Fire Department, the Boston Police Department, and the Boston Public Schools, among others. Additionally, $1 million was secured for Boston EMS services.

Collins was again able to secure funding for family and wellness programs such as $75,000 for Julie’s Family Learning Program and $1.5 million for teaching health centers such as the South Boston Community Health Center. In the area of public health and substance abuse, Collins fought for over $2 million in state funding for the substance abuse prevention and treatment programs such as the Gavin Foundation, the South Boston Collaborative Center, and the Answer House.

With youth development an increasingly important issue around the summertime, Rep. Collins, again working together with the Boston Delegation, was able to secure $10 million for youth summer jobs funding, as well as $350,000 for the Mass Mentoring Partnership of which the Laboure Center relies on funding for their T.E.A.M. program.

Collins stated, “I am pleased to report that, working with my colleagues in the House, we were able to secure the kind of badly needed funding in this year’s budget for critical programs in Boston and South Boston that deal head on with some of our most difficult challenges.”
Lately I’ve been afraid to open the paper to read the “Irish Sports Page”, which is an old-time name for the obituaries. This past month and a half has been particularly hard. Regardless of life’s station, death of a friend or loved one is painful. When the deceased’s life extends beyond family into the community, the loss can be greater and pain more widespread. Such has been the case over the recent past.

Pat McDonough of “Pat’s Trattoria” was known far and wide for his eatery business over the last decades. He was known for his generosity and community involvement since childhood. Georgie Egan, a Marine Corp Sergeant, basically spent the last 40 years doing whatever he could to remember veterans, as he did on the committee to build the South Boston Viet-Nam Memorial. He also did whatever he could to help returning veterans before and during his time as Deputy Commissioner of Boston Veterans Affairs.

Marie Errico, the wife of Steven and a sister of the famous Errico clan, showed everyone exactly what true courage means. For over 11 years, she fought against death. She never stopped being a wife, mother or involved member of the community. If she ever complained once, it would be the first time. Melissa Hardy, a victim of the dark plague that’s the underbelly of all the economic boom and flash and glitz this administration trumpets, while the young residents who actually live in “Boomtown” are shut out and find closed doors - not opportunity. Terry Spain, wife of Bill and mother of Billy. Anything Castle Island has

Castle Island Association (C.I.A.) input. No one has been at it longer than Bill Spain and the engine behind Bill’s drive was always Terry. If you knew the fun-loving, energetic woman, it is obvious that Bill’s community involvement was a 50-50 proposition between the two of them. Sean Nee is more of a personal remembrance. He, eventually, was the baby of the Nee clan from Ireland who moved next door to my “Nana” on East Third Street in the 1950’s. “Nana”, born in Galway 1867, was thrilled because the young Mrs. Nee could speak Gaelic. Each one is deserving of their own issue, let alone their own column, to scratch the surface of what they meant to their family and community. Reality, however, steps in and it is impossible.

The last of this mournful list is representative of qualities they all shared and gave. Mary Curran passed away at 93 years of age. For me, she has always been a fixture of my life. Many of her friends called her ‘Dubs’. The more than a couple of hundred kids who lived and grew up on West Third Street knew her as Aunt Mary. A neighbor, Sunday School teacher, community activist (before there was such a thing), she had the same authority as any parent. More than most parents, in fact. If a friend’s parent told your mother you had been fresh for something said or done, you would be given a talking to. If you were fresh to many you might have to forget the summer. You’d be in the house. That was something that never really happened. Why would it.

If an event were being held in the neighborhood, Mary would lead by example with her involvement. If you were up to no good, you didn’t get a long lecture. A few words or, more likely, just a look, was enough for you to reconsider what ever course you were thinking. The same house, the same reasoning figure on her daily walk on West Third. A truly good and pious woman, she went to Mass everyday up to 91 years old. She also didn’t “get religion” near the end. It was her example as an adult with moral convictions that helped teach all who knew her. Not to say, some of us haven’t strayed, but that was of our own doing.

The good that we all might do is the result of what we have been taught. Aunt Mary exemplified all of those traits shared by all those recently mourned. If you’ve always lived here, you’ve benefited by knowing and learning from them. If you’ve recently arrived, and think how great South Boston is, you benefit from what they’ve created and left behind. A community is found more in its people than its bricks and mortar. Our community is poorer for them having left us but infinitely richer for their lives.

Take care till next week

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It’s Official, now all 50 States allow the Concealed Carrying of Handguns

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
staff report

It’s now official. All 50 states allow the carrying of concealed handguns by law abiding citizens. Illinois, the last holdout on the issue saw it’s state legislature over whelmingly vote to end the ban on concealed carry last Tuesday. So lopsided was the vote to lift the gun ban that a veto by the state’s Democratic governor was easily over ridden in both houses of that state’s legislature and with bipartisan support.

In recent years, there has been a steady movement in the direction of gun rights activists; led by the National Rifle Association all across the country that brought the 49 other states in line with the pro Second Amendment values of millions of Americans. Massachusetts is also in line with the rest of the country as it too allows concealed carry. Tuesday’s vote in Illinois made it unanimous. Chicago, Illinois largest city has been plagued by horrendous gun crime while having up until now the nation’s toughest gun laws. Critics of the tough gun laws point to how ineffective those tough laws have been in that city’s efforts to stem the gun violence. Pro-gun rights groups continued to advocate overturning Chicago’s ban so that innocent and law abiding citizens could possess the means to protect themselves. Those voices have apparently won the day in Illinois as they have in the other 49 states.

Last week’s gun violence in Chicago reached levels that have not been seen in quite a while. The recorded count was 8 dead and 48 wounded over the weekend prompting residents to further urge their state’s lawmakers to overturn the gun ban laws that obviously were not working and seemed to be having the opposite effect.

The new Illinois law mandates that state officials make preparations and have in place a data base and system to allow firearms permit applicants to begin the process of applying for a carry permit within six months or less. Those who wish to apply for a concealed carry permit must first undergo 16 hours of firearms training at an NRA certified course or other officially sanctioned organizations, go through a background check and pay a fee of $150 to get the permit.

Over the last several years, gun ownership in the United States has been climbing at record rates. Millions of new purchases are being made in every part of the country. So great is the demand for firearms by American citizens that gun manufacturers are hard pressed to keep up with the demand. In many cases, the manufactures are so backlogged with orders that it takes several weeks to meet the demand of all the new customers. The supply of ammunition is also tight. In many cases, it is bought up as soon as it hits the shelves.

The most recent polls clearly show that a growing majority of Americans value their Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms and consider it to be one of the most important parts of the U.S. Constitution. Pro Second Amendment organizations such as NRA, Gun Owners of America and The Second Amendment Foundation have seen their memberships soar in recent years. These organizations have become skilled in mobilizing their vast memberships; numbering in the millions in grassroots organizing to get voters to the polls as well as being able to effectively lobby elected officials on the local, state and national levels. Their influence and power is now a major factor in the political process. This explains in large degree the success these groups are having in getting laws they push for passed all over the country. They clearly have the momentum and the fact that the last holdout state, Illinois has just flipped shows that momentum is getting stronger.
New Mayor should mean a new way of governing

South Boston Today Editorial

Last week, the Boston Globe’s Andrew Ryan wrote an article about the opportunity the next mayor has to enter in a new era for the city of Boston - a new way of doing things, with new people in charge. A few weeks ago, current Suffolk County District Attorney and mayoral candidate, Dan Conley, called on the mayor not to appoint a new superintendent, (Superintendent Carol Johnson retired effective July 1), believing that the next mayor should not have to deal with a “forced marriage.” Although, also in June, he vowed to keep Boston Police Commissioner Edward F. Davis and a Globe columnist called that vow “an elopement that Boston can do without”. Whatever one’s opinion is of Johnson’s or Davis’ tenures isn’t it time for wholesale change?

The next mayor will also have the opportunity to choose the next Executive Director of the BRA, and possibly other major department heads including Police Commissioner or Fire Commissioner. BRA Executive Director, Peter Meade, has said he will not stay on for the next administration, and Commissioner Davis has not expressed his desires either way.

This cycle also will see the election of at least two new city-wide city councilors, as the two incumbents will have to earn their spots back. Former City-Councillor At-Large Michael Flaherty is seeking to make a comeback to the council. All of this could spark a change in how things are done in the city.

Not so fast. Look below the surface. The Menino political organization is said to be splintered among a handful of candidate camps. It seems the key operatives are trying to hedge their bets, in order to keep their hand on the power and control of city hall. Will this strategy prove to be effective? Will they spread themselves too thin? Depending on who sides with whom, will this adversely affect the candidates? More importantly, is the Menino administration’s hand in the next administration a good thing? Should the city have to endure a forced marriage or an elopement?

The citizens of Boston have to pay attention. Too much is at stake – and not just making the rich richer, but raising the aspirations of our young by keeping streets safe, bringing resources to our schools and creating economic and social justice across all boundaries. This should be the Boston of the future.
This past Monday, representatives from Norwich Partners Management, a hotel development and investment company, along with Mayor Thomas M. Menino and others, cut the ribbon at the opening of a new Marriott hotel located at 370 Congress Street in South Boston’s Waterfront District. This comes as the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center is preparing to build two more new hotels.

The Boston Globe reported that the new Marriott intends to serve as an extended stay hotel for travelling business professionals. In total, the project is estimated as having cost $50 million. The opening also comes as it was recently announced that long-time South Boston staple, Anthony’s Pier 4 restaurant, is officially seeing its last days this summer. It was announced this week that it will close its doors in August, as developers prepare to build a 21-story tower made up of apartments and retail tenants.

This continues to highlight the popularity investors see in South Boston’s Waterfront. With four months left to go in Mayor Menino’s tenure it begs the question, “How will the next mayor envision planning for the waterfront?” Will it include the same massive tax credits, in the hundreds of millions, that the city, state, and the Boston Redevelopment Authority provided developers as “incentives”? Or will the next mayor see South Boston’s Waterfront as attractive enough to investors without such “incentives.” Check this week’s poll to see what South Boston Today’s readers think.
Fire can be used to melt or to harden steel. The same is sometimes true to test a person’s mettle. Jim Podolske, Jr. was tested at an early age when a senior at South Boston High. He was subjected to the ill-conceived and disastrous social experiment of school busing. He was a member of the last all Southie resident graduating class of 1975. The son of Carl and James, young James was born on Mercer Street and grew up later on Orton-Marotta Way joined by three brothers and a sister.

Good memories might remember Don Gillis and “Candle Pins for Cash”. Jim Sr. was three time New England Candle Pin Champion. Whatever gene to excel that Jim, Jr. inherited, he multiplied it with his own drive to succeed.

After graduating in June 1975, James began basic training for the U. S. Air Force in July 1975 at the Lackland Air Base in Texas. This began a 28 year career that included stops for training and operations in Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, Massachusetts, Alaska, Korea a couple of times and then Florida. In a 17 year stretch from 1981-2003, he recorded 23 separate awards and commendations including 4 times the Major General Ahearn Enlisted Leadership Award, as well as Meritorious Service and Air Force Commendation Medals each with 2 oak clusters. He has been a Crew Chief twice, Assistant Chief of Training three times, Assistant Chief of Technical Services, Fire Inspector and Deputy Chief. He has served on the Air Force Logistics Command Inspector General Team and as Base Fire Chief. He also has a Bachelors Degree from the University of Cincinnati where he graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Bear in mind, this is the condensed version of his achievements. His first attempt at retirement was thwarted when he was retained after 9-11. He officially retired as Chief Master Sergeant February 1, 2004.

His proudest achievement of his long career was marrying his wife Lucy and raising his three daughters Jody, Judy and Cathy as well as six grandchildren. Judy is herself a firefighter. At the Chief’s retirement dinner in 2003, a program contained a tribute poem with the lines, “uncertain what the future may hold, still if I’m needed before too old, I’ll keep my uniform ready, one never knows when, a call might come to don it again.”

The call didn’t take long. The Air Force has a new top firefighter. Jim Podolske has been named Chief of Fire Emergency Services. As the Air Force Fire Chief, Podolske will manage a force of 9,400 military and civilian firefighters. He will command from Tyndall Air Force Base in Panama City, Florida. “It is an honor and privilege to serve as their chief.”

Chief Podolske, by the way, played goalie at Southie High and was asked what effect growing up in South Boston had on his career. “The South Boston I grew up in was a tight knit community where we were taught to try our hardest, stick together, and always help those who need help. When I joined the Air Force I was still searching for my future and when I became a firefighter I knew I found my calling. I was determined to become the Chief of Firefighters and set that position as my goal. That, combined with the ultimate reward of helping people, brought my early Southie upbringing and lesson learned full circle allowing me to appreciate where I came from and where I am today.”

South Boston Today thanks Chief Podolske for his service to the nation and continued success as the “Air Force Top Firefighter”.
July 4th in South Boston: Hot, Sunny and Festive

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
staff report

The Independence Day/4th of July Holiday has come and gone for 2013, but what a weekend it was in South Boston. It was hot, humid, sticky, sunny; hazy at times with a few thunder showers mixed in to give it that typical early summer feel. To paraphrase the lyrics from a well-known old song “It was a hot time in the old town last week”. And that it was, but it wasn’t just the weather that kept things hot. There were a lot of people, who decided to stay local, enjoying themselves doing any number of fun and entertaining things. The extra-long weekend for many began on Wednesday Night and didn’t end until Sunday evening. Area beaches at times were jammed with swimmers and sun worshipers alike. Off shore, the water was filled with all kinds of watercraft from the silent sail boats to the noisy and fast powerboats – and the Queen Mary II cruise ship. There were wind surfers, kite surfers, paddle boarders and kayakers. Even the occasional Jet Ski was seen rocketing among the choppy waters of Boston Harbor. The tradition of jumping and diving off the fences at K Street Beach lives on, as local kids took advantage of the cool refreshing water when the tide was high.

Along the Causeway and the sidewalks around Day Blvd, hundreds of walkers and joggers and even a lone roller-blader could be seen making good use of the smooth paved walkways. Restaurants were doing a bustling business both in South Boston proper, and along the waterfront where ice cold beer and mixed drinks (sodas for the kids) were being consumed at a brisk rate as the hot weather brought on that extra level of thirst and the desire to quench it.

Crowds flocked to Castle Island to view the annual turnaround of the USS Constitution; America’s oldest warship and vintage treasure from the days of the American Revolution. This is an event that brings in tourists from thousands of miles away from not only the United States but even
from other countries. And of course, on the night of the 4th itself, one of the most impressive fireworks displays that Boston has ever put on could be seen from many areas of South Boston. If you were fortunate to be on one of the many roof decks, you had a great view. But there was also the option of heading to the Esplanade itself where you got to see and hear the Boston Pops play their annual concert to the delight of thousands.

Many a South Boston back yard turned into family and neighbor friendly barbeques where the food and drink was plentiful, the atmosphere was festive and the music and laughter were loud and happy with people just enjoying this, the biggest and most celebrated uniquely American holiday of the year. All things considered, just as it is all over America, Independence Day and the long weekend that came with it was celebrated in South Boston in a big way with enthusiasm and high energy and a big dose of patriotism. And judging by the reaction and reviews by area residents, it was all just one big, fun filled extra-long bash and a great way to mark the founding of our country.
In Your Corner

While development has slowed for the summer, some important projects and events are continuing. SVLENA at the June meeting hosted mayoral candidates Bill Walczak, Marty Walsh, John Connolly and Dan Conley who each gave a ten minute overview of their platforms and answered a few questions. SVLENA Vice President Gary Murad sent out the following invitation.

Hi Everyone,
Hope you all had a great 4th of July!
SVLENA is hosting several of the Mayors candidates at our next meeting, Wed July 17 at 6:30 pm at the Lith Club 368 West Broadway - Mike Ross, Rob Consalvo, Felix Arroyo and Charlotte Golar Richie. This is NOT a candidates’ forum. It is simply an opportunity for some candidates to introduce themselves to South Boston residents. Each will appear for 15 minutes when they will introduce themselves, their bio, and their platform and take a few prepared questions.
We welcome all South Boston residents to hear from these candidates, so please share with your members if you think they would be interested.
Thanks, Gary

In Fort Point residents were supportive of two proposals to allow seasonal outdoor seating for dining. Finally City Point residents met Tuesday to discuss development plans for 928 East Broadway, otherwise known as the Collins Mansion or the White House. Details were not available at press time.
## Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

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Jim Brett Receives Honorary Degree From Suffolk University

John Nucci, vice president of government and community affairs at Suffolk University, James T. Brett, president and CEO of The New England Council, Karen Kaplan, chief executive officer at Hill Holliday, and Bill Brett, an award-winning photojournalist and the brother of James Brett, attend a commencement dinner at The Ritz Carlton, Boston Common following Suffolk University graduation exercises at the Bank of America Pavilion. During the commencement ceremonies, Kaplan and James Brett received honorary degrees, joining more than 2,700 students that received degrees representing Suffolk’s College of Arts and Sciences, Sawyer Business School, and Law School.

Councilor Linehan Congratulates Jenna Fitzgerald on Retirement

City Councilor Bill Linehan recently congratulated the always stunning Jenna Fitzgerald at Venezia’s Restaurant on her forty-plus years of service to the City of Boston. Jenna entered the Boston Public School Department on a part-time basis which turned into a full-time career as an outstanding union leader and advocate for paraprofessionals in her school district and across the state of Massachusetts. Jenna was recently awarded the Albert Shanker Pioneer Award from the American Federation of Teachers in Washington D.C. this past April. This award is presented each year to an outstanding paraprofessional who demonstrates leadership skills in the union, on the job and in the community.

Councilor Linehan stated, “My mother Edie was a paraprofessional at the Gavin under Principal Joe Lee. Jenna was always diligent in making sure paraprofessionals were represented as well as teachers.”

Jenna, the loving wife of fifty-two years to the late Gerard V. Fitzgerald, is the cherished mother of six children, grandmother of fifteen and great grandmother of five. This beautiful South Boston Gal, who can still turn heads with her dazzling hats and that mischievous look, is most proud of her family and the friends she has acquired over the years in her special life in South Boston. If you see Jenna around the neighborhood make sure to congratulate her.

The event was a great success with numerous family, friends and Boston Teachers Union brothers and sisters in attendance.
Young South Boston actors in PIPPIN at Boston Children’s Theatre.

‘WE’VE GOT MAGIC TO DO…. JUST FOR YOU!’ ALESSANDRA ANTONELLI, ERICA JURUS AND BRENDAN O’BRIEN OF SOUTH BOSTON ARE APPEARING IN THE TONY® AWARD WINNING MUSICAL ‘PIPPIN’ AT BOSTON CHILDREN’S THEATRE

Three public performances only! July 18 – July 21 Tickets On Sale Now -- July 8, 2013-- The winner of four 2013 Tony® Awards, including Best Revival of a Musical, PIPPIN is truly magical and extraordinary!

Boston Children’s Theatre (BCT) is proud to present this thrilling musical to showcase the talents of 13-year old Alessandra Antonelli, 13-year old Erica Jurus and 6-year old Brendan O’Brien of South Boston. PIPPIN will be performed July 18, 19, 20, and 21 at The Governor’s Academy in Byfield, MA.

Alessandra has been cast in the role of Pippin’s stepmother ‘Fastrada.’

Alessandra was most recently seen in BCT’s production of Legally Blonde and has performed as ‘Annie’ in Annie and in Enchanted with Soul Possibilities in South Boston. She also sang The National Anthem at a Boston Celtics game at the TD Banknorth Garden. Alessandra is a student at the Boston Latin School.

Also a student at the Boston Latin School, Erica has been cast in the ensemble as ‘Player.’ With BCT, she has appeared as ‘Leilani’ in Legally Blonde and well as in Lilly’s Purple Plastic Purse and Seussical Jr. She has performed in numerous productions with the Fourth Presbyterian Church Theater Workshop, including Little Shop of Horrors, Les Miserables Concert Version, Godspell, The Wiz, Annie, You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown, The Sound of Music and Once On This Island Jr.

With a score by Stephen Schwartz, composer of Godspell and Wicked, and book by Roger O. Hirson, PIPPIN follows a young man on his journey to find meaning in his life. Will he choose a happy, simple existence or risk everything for a moment of glory? Featuring such songs as “Corner of the Sky,” “Magic to Do,” “Glory,” and “Morning Glow,” PIPPIN is directed by Lisa Yuen, director of BCT’s 2012 Studio 3 production of Legally Blonde, with choreography by Blair Beasley and Brianna Fallon, and music direction by Jaime Castellanos.

PIPPIN will be performed with 2 casts totaling 58 students between the ages of 9 and 14 at The Governor’s Academy, 1 Elm Street, Byfield, MA. Performances are Thursday, July 18 at 7:30 pm; Friday, July 19 at 7:30 pm, Saturday, July 20 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm and Sunday, July 21 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm. Tickets are $20 and $15 for adults and $15 and $10 for students.

For tickets and information, visit www.bostonchildrenstheatre.org or call 617-424-6634, x222.

About Boston Children’s Theatre For over 60 years, Boston Children’s Theatre has served as one of the regions premier not-for-profit theaters. Named Best of Boston® 2012 by Boston Magazine for Best Children’s Theatre, BCT’s mission is to provide access to exceptional theatrical experiences dedicated to fostering the artistic and personal development of diverse youth, with a focus on professional training and the development of new works. Programs at Boston Children’s Theatre provide a unique chance for self-discovery and individual expression in a supportive and productive environment. At BCT, talented and motivated students gather from across traditional boundaries and nationalities to learn about themselves, each other and the world as they create some of the finest theatrical productions in New England.
St. Peter Academy Summer Program Is In Full Swing And Available To All Community Children

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
staff report

The JJA summer program is in full swing at St. Peter Academy. Our first week was based on the theme “Father’s Day” as campers designed various art projects for their very special dads. The second week’s theme was “Monsters”. The children created all kinds of monsters at camp including monster costumes from paper bags and life size monster creations. The week culminated with a trip to see “Monsters University” at the Boston Common Loews Theater. Last week’s theme, “Reptiles and Amphibians” culminated with a presentation from “Rainforest Reptiles” held right at the school. Please join us for a fun and enriching summer experience.

You do not have to attend St Peter Academy to send your child to our summer program. For more information please email the school at spacademy2004@yahoo.com.

St Peter Academy, South Boston, is an independent private school with a Catholic focus offering unique programs enhancing the educational experience for all of its students in grades Pre K through 8.
Sophia, Sarah and Erin had fun playing in the sand table at JJA.

Nyla, Molly, Rocco, Finn, Sophia, Abby, Mario, Elizabeth, and Logan wait for the bus on our way to see “Monsters University.”

Gavin, Thomas and Nyla show off their neckties.
To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of the marriage pursuant to G.L. c. 208 Sec 1B.
The Complaint is on file at the Court. 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:
Betanya Polanco Rivera
2 Bent Court
South Boston, MA 02127-0003

your answer, if any, on or before 08/08/2013. 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. Joan P Armstrong,
First Justice of this Court
Patricia M. Campatelli,
Register of Probate
July 11, 2013

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU12P2398EA
Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Estate of:
Veronica P. Noren
Also known as: Vera Noren
Date of Death: 08/17/2012
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by:
Albertina Cerveira-Hajjar of Brookline MA
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that:
Albertina Cerveira-Hajjar
of Brookline MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety
on the bond.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. To do so, or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 07/25/2013. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong,
First Justice of this Court
Patricia M. Campatelli,
Register of Probate
July 11, 2013

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU13P1557EA
Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Estate of:
Marcelle Hansotte Miller
Also known as: Marcelle H. Miller
Date of Death: 01/31/2006
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by:
Christl L. Ellis of Sherman Oaks CA
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that:
Christl L. Ellis of Sherman Oaks CA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety
on the bond.

You have the right to object to this Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 08/08/2013. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong,
First Justice of this Court
Patricia M. Campatelli,
Register of Probate
July 11, 2013

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
Docket No. SU13P0614
Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Estate of:
John T. Carter of Walpole, MA
requesting that an Order of Complete Settlement of the estate issue an order to approve accounting and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition. For the First and Final Account.
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 08/01/2013. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong,
First Justice of this Court
Patricia M. Campatelli,
Register of Probate
July 11, 2013

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No. SU13C0199CA
Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

In the matter of:
Lehi Lawrence McDonnell-Healy
Of: South Boston, MA
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To all persons interested in petition described:
A Petition has been presented by Lehi Lawrence McDonnell-Healy requesting that: Lehi Lawrence McDonnell-Healy be allowed to change his name as follows: Lee Lawrence Healy
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERE TO, 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 08/01/2013

WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong,
First Justice of this Court
Patricia M. Campatelli,
Register of Probate
July 11, 2013

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“CONCERTO”

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
Brian Mahoney

Before relating the 4th Annual End of Spring Recital, a description of the setting is a must. South Boston “Music Ma’am” Donna Rand first began this annual showcase of her students’ talent in the very spacious parlor of her home. The “spacious parlor” quickly became a broom closet due to the response of local musical youth, so a bigger home was needed. In a moment of serendipity, the search ended at her front door. Directly across the street is the beautiful St. Georges Cathedral. Its host couldn’t have a more perfect background. Pastor Arthur Liolin is not only a man of God but a man of music. He grew up surrounded by the music academy his mother operated teaching piano. He naturally went on to study music at Julliard and Princeton. As the Pastor of 42 years at St. George, he has always been a source of support for the community. He was happy to be “a gracious host and proud of his beautiful church”, in Donna’s words.

Besides its obvious beauty, St. George has architectural distinction of having the support columns which line the main aisle being constructed of cannons mounted one atop the another creating over thirty 70 Ft. long support columns. It’s an amazing thing.

The recital itself was held June 11 and attended by over a 100 music lovers. Concerto is probably a better word, more fitting for what was heard. The 30 students ranging from 6-15 and split about 50/50 girls and boys showed an equal range of selections and endurance. Quick snappy patriotic and pop songs ran the gamut to moody jazz and full classical overtures. One of the more memorable moments was the young student who secretly learned the “Rocky” theme and played and dedicated it to her brother.

The event ends this year’s session and rather than tell students to begin a rigorous schedule of summer practice, Donna believes in allowing “passion and attitude” to direct summer practice and advises her students to “rest as the mood fits”.

A philosophy that must be working as next years session beginning in September has only limited spaces left. Interested students can contact Donna at 617-208-7717.
Three Red Sox named to All-Star team

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
staff report

The Red Sox have the best record in Major League Baseball. At 55-37, the Sox are up 3.5 games to the second place Tampa Bay Rays in the American League East. Much of the Red Sox success has to do with the consistent top level play of Dustin Pedroia, David Ortiz, and Clay Buchholz. All were named to this year’s 2013 All-Star team.

Pedroia is hitting .321 with 53 RBIs, 55 runs scored and 24 doubles. Ortiz is hitting .327 with 62 RBIs, 18 HRs, 21 doubles and 45 runs scored. Buchholz is 9-0 with a 1.71 ERA and 81 Ks in 84.1 innings. Buchholz has spent the last few weeks on the disabled list, but is expected to return to the rotation sometime after the All-Star break. This marks the second All-Star appearance for Buchholz in his MLB career. It is Pedroia’s fourth and Ortiz’ ninth.

Having the best record in baseball, one would wonder why the Red Sox only had three players named to the All-Star team. Is the Red Sox success this season a result of these three players carrying the load by themselves? No, it’s actually the opposite. Players up and down the Red Sox line up have consistently contributed in meaningful ways.

While only the three have been all-star material, the steady play all around has allowed them to avoid any major losing streaks. This has however forced the bullpen to log many innings. As the team turns the corner after the all-star break let’s hope this effort continues.
Bruins sign Jerome Iginla

Jerome Iginla, who spent most of his 16 year career with the Calgary Flames, with a short post season stint with the Pittsburg Penguins this year, has signed a one-year contract as a free agent with the Boston Bruins. Iginla highlighted the Bruins style of play, attractiveness of the city and its aura, as well as their ability to win as main reasons for his desire to come from Boston. Late in March of this year it was rumored that Iginla would be coming to Boston. Instead in a last minute move, it was announced that he had been traded to the Penguins. The Bruins would go on to sweep the Penguins in the Eastern Conference finals.

Drafted in 1995 by the Dallas Stars, Iginla was then traded to the Calgary Flames where he made his NHL debut. In the 2003-2004 season Iginla was named the 18th Captain in Calgary Flames’ history. He has scored over 500 goals and 1000 points in his career to date.

No doubt a welcomed addition, Iginla will fit right in as his style of play will mold seamlessly with the Bruins club’s style of aggressive hockey. It is likely that he will take the place of Nathan Horton, who chose to take the free agency route, on the first line with David Krejci and Milan Lucic, two players sure to welcome the accomplished veteran. Having picked up Loui Eriksson in a trade for Tyler Seguin last week, the Bruins seem to be on a mission to put together the additional pieces to take them back to the Stanley Cup finals.
DANNY PICARD: Red Sox principal owner John Henry said something interesting to Sean McAdam over the weekend, talking about money and the trade deadline. He said, “I can’t see money being an issue.” He continued, “I suppose there might be some larger salaries that we couldn’t take on, but it just doesn’t come up as an issue.” So Bri, what is Henry saying? Is he saying money is an issue, or money isn’t an issue?

BRIAN MACPHERSON: Well I don’t think that he’s going to categorically say that they can take on any money that they want. It’s not unlimited there, but they’ve got quite a bit of breathing room. And they’re okay with going over the competitive balanced tax threshold, that luxury tax threshold, because they went under it last year. So, whether Cliff Lee, at $25 million a year, is one of those larger salaries to not, maybe they’re being a little bit coy about it. But I think with just about everybody else, there wouldn’t be an issue.

DP: What’s Cliff Lee, $25, 26-million for the next couple years? I mean, because that’s the guy that I think about when I hear the words “money” and “trade deadline.” Let’s just get it right out there. With this comment from John Henry, do you believe that a Cliff Lee trade to the Red Sox is not a possible trade for the Red Sox, given the fact that John Henry said there are some larger salaries they couldn’t take on? Is that one of them, at $25 million?

BM: I don’t think think that comment -- I mean, obviously John Henry’s a smart guy, and he’s going to choose his words carefully. But I don’t know that that comment was designed to rule anybody out. If anything, it’s probably a little negotiating leverage with the Phillies, or maybe a message to the Phillies just a little bit, about the money situation. Because obviously all of that can be negotiated. And this is all predicated with the Phillies putting him on the market to begin with. That’s something the Phillies have not been inclined to do at this point. Judge it how you want, and it seems maybe a little bit delusional, but the Phillies see themselves as contenders. And Cliff Lee’s a guy they’ve got under contract for the next three years. And whether they’re a contender this year, or whether they see themselves bouncing back next year, Cliff Lee’s one of their core players. And it’s not a simple matter to convince them to trade Cliff Lee.

DP: Jon Lester is not the Red Sox’ ace. And with Buchholz injured, you don’t know what you’re going to get from him when he does come back. And when he does come back, is he going to stay healthy for the entire second half? You don’t know that. This team needs to make a move in their rotation. But now the other question, with Andrew Miller going down for the season, what’s more important for the Red Sox at the July 31 trade deadline? Is it getting a guy in that rotation, or is it going to get someone in the bullpen?

BM: If you’re going to judge what’s more important, that depends on Buchholz’ health, I think. Because if you’re going to get a healthy Buchholz down the stretch, you’re probably okay in the rotation. Because Lester hasn’t been good, but he’s probably not going to be this bad going forward. If you just sort of look at it like everybody else has been pitching like a number two starter as of late, if Lester’s the back-end guy, that’s okay. If you have a healthy Clay Buchholz pitching like an All-Star, you’re probably okay. But the loss of Miller is a big loss, it really is. He’s been a key guy in this bullpen. He’s really flourished in this role. He’s not just a lefty specialist. He’s getting lefties and righties out. That’s a big loss. But the problem is, trading for relievers in general has never been good. Everyone remembers the Eric Gagne trade, the Melancon trade didn’t work, the Bailey trade hasn’t worked, the Hanrahan trade hasn’t worked. All those trades, and giving up young prospects for relievers has been a disaster. The Texas Rangers traded for Koji Uehara a couple years ago, and they gave up Chris Davis, who could be the AL MVP this year for Baltimore. So it’s one of those things, if you need a reliever, on the one hand, there’s lots of relievers to be had and all the names look good. But on the other hand, usually it doesn’t end up well for the team going after those relievers.

DP: What is realistic for this Red Sox team actually acquiring, in that bullpen?

BM: There’s a lot of names, and there’s going to be more names as the trade deadline approaches, because there’s going to be a handful of teams that decide that they’re out of it. Matt Thornton is going to be the popular name because he’s a lefty. But, I mean, he’s 36 years old. He’s been good in the league for a while now, but you just wonder, at what point does it catch up to him, all those appearances, all those warm-ups. All these guys had track records. And that’s the scary thing about trading for relievers, they can go away so fast. Gagne was good, Bailey was good, Hanrahan was good. These guys had track records. And one red flag with Matt Thornton, his strikeout-to-walk ratio, his strikeout rate has plummeted. He’s striking guys out at half the rate he did three years ago. His home run rate is up. I don’t know that he’s a guy you really should feel like is going to come in and make a big difference just because he’s a lefty whose name everybody knows. It’s tough. There’s going to be a lot of names out there. Jonathan Papelbon’s the high end. I don’t think that’s going to happen. There’s just too much salary. Jesse Crain’s a name, from Chicago, also. But he’s going to be pricey, in the way of prospects, and you still don’t get any guarantees with...
any of them.

**DP:** As for some other issues, when are we going to see Will Middlebrooks back up with the big league club? John Farrell pointed out that this isn’t a rehab stint for him in Triple-A Pawtucket, so it’s not like if he has two good games you’re going to call him right back up. Middlebrooks has played well down there. You have Stephen Drew on the DL. If this Red Sox team had to go into a playoff series tomorrow, and let’s say everybody was healthy, they want Middlebrooks at third and Drew at shortstop? Is that what they’re looking for the lineup to be when they get closer to the playoffs?

**BM:** Well, if it was starting tomorrow, no, I think it would be Jose Iglesias at third and Drew at shortstop. Middlebrooks has been playing well at Triple-A, but they want him to get on a roll. If we’re looking ahead to October, I think, ideally, still, it’s probably Middlebrooks at third and Drew at shortstop, and then Iglesias doing all sorts of valuable things in a reserve role off the bench. That’s with Middlebrooks getting it back together. That’s with Middlebrooks getting his swing back, and he’s certainly starting to do that in Pawtucket. But I think the concerning thing is, when they sent him down for what was a rehab stint, his swing looked good and they said they were going to leave him down there to get on a bit of a roll, and he stayed for like an extra game, maybe two because it seemed like he was on a roll. He came back, and he was scuffled again. So I think they really want him to stay down there. I can see him staying for a month. It’s ben about two weeks now. I could see him staying for a little while longer, just to basically keep getting on a roll to keep getting his swing right. And the more confidence he builds, the more comfort he builds, the more repetition with that swing. Then when he comes back, he’ll be able to make an impact and not try to figure it out at the Major League level. But I think their preference would be for him to be an impact in the middle of the lineup and playing third base when the playoffs start.

**DP:** And full circle back to the opening conversation we had about the trade deadline. Is Iglesias going to be used as a trading chip? And if he is, how big of a piece and how valuable of a piece is he to other teams?

**BM:** He’d be pretty valuable. I don’t think you can use him as a trade chip though, because I think at this point, given that Drew is a free agent, I mean, as much as the Red Sox like Drew, they’d have to make a decision on a qualifying offer. I think the Red Sox would be plenty comfortable with Iglesias going into next season as the starting shortstop. You just can’t hand the job to Xander Bogaerts right off the bat, at least at this stage. You can’t make the decision now that it’s going to be Bogaerts’ job. At this point, if somebody blows you away, like if somebody comes to you and says, “We’ll pick up most of Cliff Lee’s money and you can have Cliff Lee for Jose Iglesias.” Okay, fine, you do it, you trade Jose Iglesias. But that’s the case for anybody. In that case, everybody’s a trade chip. I don’t think the Red Sox are going to actively look to trade Iglesias. Also, because of the depth issue. Right now, the infield doesn’t look real good. You don’t want Brock Holt playing third base long-term. You still don’t necessarily know about Stephen Drew’s health going forward. You can’t trade away your depth, especially talented players, unless you’re really getting something back for it.
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