



Mayoral Candidate Debate Indicates the Race Has Finally Started

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
Staff Report

With many more voters watching this week, the second round of the battle for City Hall was the opportunity for City Councilor John Connolly and State Representative Martin Walsh to stake

out the issues that distinguish them.

Connolly, with city government experience, presented as the independent candidate who can be trusted to make the tough choices, when it comes to protecting the fiscal health of the City. Walsh, with state government experience, presented as the candidate who is a working guy who's spent his life fighting for working people and who wears his union credentials proudly.

But from the first question by moderator Margery Eagan, Connolly went on the offensive. Connolly called out Walsh about the second consecutive inaccurate and negative campaign mailing from super PACs supporting Walsh sent to voters just days after Walsh asked them to stop.

Connolly then questioned Walsh's ability to control the very interest groups that he claims to be able to uniquely negotiate with stating, "Those are the exact group of people

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EDITORIAL *Tax Relief For Seniors?*

South Boston Today reporters and editors have frequently pointed out that while new real estate development projects are springing up all over town there is a dramatic increase in the contribution of this community's valuable land and property into the city coffers. We have editorialized that consideration should be given to putting a percentage of that revenue in reserve to pay for the increase in police resources and officers that have been promised. A good idea? Yes. Here is a better one.

Along with this high end development comes not only an increase in rent for the new apartments coming on line but tremendous pressure on other property owners to consider selling so they can cash in. But where does it leave the average worker who strives to reach middle class status. As importantly, where does it leave our seniors, whose principal asset, if any, are their homes.

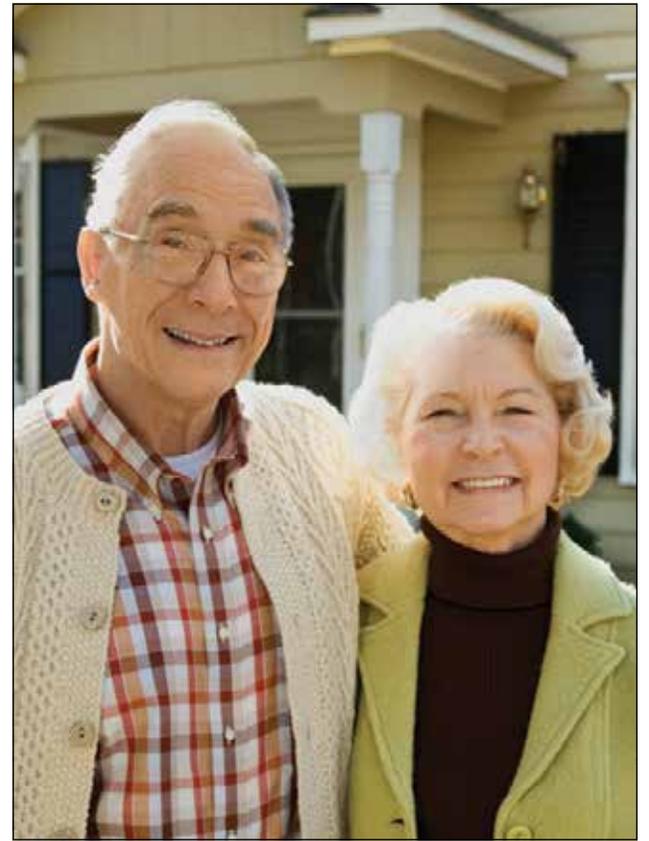
While it has been proposed before and in fact is a law in New Jersey, how about a freeze on

property taxes for seniors. For anyone over 65 who has lived in their home for 20 years, the property tax is frozen. For people who own multiple rental properties, that are buildings in which they do not reside, pay a per unit flat fee per year on top of what they pay in taxes.

To be sure, the devil is in the details, but the State of New Jersey's Senior Freeze (Property Tax Reimbursement) Program reimburses eligible New Jersey residents who are senior citizens or disabled persons for property tax increases on their principal residence (home). They have a questionnaire that you might take a look at just to see if you are eligible under their guidelines and perhaps we can start a petition.

Here is the link: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/questions/senior-freeze.shtml>

Take a few moments to complete this questionnaire to see if you may be eligible for a 2012 Senior Freeze.



"Little League Baseball is a very good thing because it keeps parents off the streets." -Yogi Berra

Last Week's Poll

**Last Week's Poll Asked SBT Readers The Following Question:
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- Revamp The BRA To Ensure Transparency 26%
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SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
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With so much talk of politics as the election approaches, combined with all the uncertainty facing the South Boston Community such as encroaching and what seems unrestrained development being rammed through often with little to no input from residents, it brings back memories of one of South Boston's greatest leaders and protectors of all times. His name was James M 'Jim' Kelly. Jim's Birthday, October 31st is fast approaching, which is another reason he is on the minds of so many lately.

Longtime residents remember Jim well. He surely left his mark and legacy on this neighborhood. But for the new residents who never got to meet this great man and may not have even heard of him, it's unfortunate. I really think if you got to know him, you would have admired, liked and respected him like so many others here did. Why? For those new to town, here's a little background on the man.

Jim Kelly was what would today be called an 'activist'. As an advocate for his beloved neighborhood of South Boston, there could be none stronger and more dedicated. His tireless efforts on behalf of this community came from the heart. He was passionate in his defense of the people he loved so much. Fearless beyond belief; he would take on and go toe to toe with any and all, no

matter how numerous or powerful who threatened the wellbeing of his neighbors. He did this at first as a volunteer with neighborhood groups such as the South Boston Information Center and the South Boston Resident's Group and later as a Boston City Councilor and that body's president.

Jim Kelly could not be intimidated. For years, the major media attacked him for his stands in defense of South Bostonians. He never let their slanted and biased reporting or editorials influence a thing he did. The courts in some cases would try to make him moderate or compromise what he believed in to no avail. He was a man who when he knew he was right, would draw a line not in the sand but in concrete and never back away from it even an inch, if he was standing his ground on behalf of his constituents.

The powers that be in this city, state and even in Washington DC, though often disagreeing with Jim Kelly on the issues, developed a respect for this man and knew that any plans that they had for South Boston had better be acceptable to him and this neighborhood or they would have one heck of a battle on their hands. Because of his courage and willingness to take them all on no matter what the odds, he was often able to hold this town's enemies at bay.

Though his detractors were many, it comes with the territory when

you stand up to bullies, and worked hard to paint him in a negative light, it was always said, once you actually got to meet Jimmy Kelly, it was difficult to dislike him. His attributes of courage, honesty and loyalty became legendary. If you were Jim Kelly's friend, you

had a friend for life and literally thousands proudly called him friend.

On Saturday, November 2nd, the annual blood drive to honor the memory of James M 'Jim' Kelly will be held at the South Boston

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It's time for real change in City Hall, and I genuinely believe John Connolly is our best hope in re-setting the foundation of excellence in our school system. My husband and I had the opportunity to meet with John in small groups nearly 3 years ago when he charged the "Quality Schools" Choice Plan. We were impressed with his ability to ask us BPS parents the right questions, listen intently, articulate his own rationale/objectives, and follow through! Since then, I've heard John say time and time again, great jobs and safer, healthier neighborhoods are rooted in a great education - the lynch pin that insures that the middle class is strong and that there will be more than one pathway out of poverty. Being able to walk to a school keeps families engaged and minimizes anxiety because I know that my child is safe. John's push to make school days longer would make extracurricular activities like arts, music and sports important again, as they should be.

The people that John has surrounded himself with speak volumes about his commitment to every neighborhood. He doesn't seem to me to be seeking the power of the Mayor's office for advancing his agenda. He sees it as a way to empower communities and very importantly, make the BRA process transparent. Now that I've experienced first-hand what a good listener and empathetic leader John is, I am confident he will listen to the residents first to be sure any new development is appropriate for the neighborhood. These traits, combined with John's proactive fiscal strategies could result in some profound urban development.

Finally, when others sat on the sidelines in deference to the reputation of Mayor Menino, John decided to challenge that power in the same way that he challenged the school department with his Quality Schools Choice Plan. It might sound trite but there is something to be said about that kind of political courage.

Respectfully, Donna Rans

Dear Editor,

On November 5th, Boston will hold an election for Mayor. When the results are final, for the first time in 30 years, the winner will not already hold the office of Mayor. It is, therefore, a significant election.

With this in mind, I cannot be more enthusiastic about the candidacy of Marty Walsh. It has been our family's distinct pleasure to have known Marty for well over a decade. In this time we have seen Marty come to realize his potential and watch as he has been able to channel his energies for the good of not only his district but also so many others. So, it is with great satisfaction and anticipation that we support his run for Mayor.

His early support for and vote in favor of gay marriage showed courage and principle, traits which should be the hallmark of all elected officials. Marty's work in the field of substance abuse is truly noteworthy. Many will attest that Marty's unflagging faith in them is a mainstay on their road to recovery. Behind the scenes and with little fanfare, Marty secured critical funding for the continuation of the All Dorchester Sports League for youth throughout Dorchester, providing necessary skills and educational opportunities that will allow its members to pursue a productive future.

As our national economic doldrums continue, it is increasingly clear that the next Mayor will be confronted with exceedingly difficult financial obligations and worrisome social issues. With his constant display of integrity and compassion, his unflinching commitment to decency and fairness, and through the breadth and depth of his experience and accomplishments, it is manifestly apparent that our daily newspapers could not have been more wrong. Anyone else but!? Quite the contrary—who else but Marty Walsh for Mayor of Boston!!?

The McCormick Family
Pattie, Rico, Maura, Greer, and Olivia

Dear Editor,

Over the last year, I have been asked the following question by many of my friends and neighbors: Why am I supporting John Connolly for mayor? I have known John Connolly for several years. I consider him a good and trusted friend. He is honest, a good family man, and will not be controlled by any powerful special interest group.

As someone who is active and concerned about the people of our South Boston community, I have worked with Boston City Councilor John Connolly on many important issues over the years, including matters important to veterans and their families. Whenever I called him to help a veteran with a problem (myself included), John Connolly always did his best to help.

When the people of South Boston were ignored at City Hall by the Boston Redevelopment Authority, John Connolly had the courage to fight for the residents of our town and won't sell us out to unscrupulous developers.

John Connolly will help restore civic pride and will listen to the concerns of all Boston residents. John Connolly has pledged to restore community policing and fight the drug crisis we have in South Boston today.

We need an economy that also helps put people back to work, including our South Boston neighbors. We need a job training program that trains our young people for jobs on the South Boston Waterfront and in this changing and technology-based economy. We can't afford higher property taxes and fees that others have committed to while city services like public education, public safety, and youth programs continue to deteriorate.

Lastly, and on a deeply personal level, when I was serving in the U.S. Navy in the Persian Gulf and at Joint Task Force Guantanamo, John Connolly picked up the phone to call my wife Kristen to see how she and my two children were doing and asked if there was anything he could do for them. That's the kind of caring mayor the people of South Boston need and deserve. And that is why I am supporting John Connolly for Mayor of Boston. John Connolly cares about the people of Boston and I assure you that he cares about the people of South Boston.

Ed Flynn, lifelong and active resident of
South Boston

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Catholic Academy. It will be from 9:30am till 2:30pm. It will be in the school gym, enter from the O Street side. This will be the third year this drive has been held. It is being sponsored by the family of Jim Kelly and the American Red Cross and this year will include the memory of the late Joe Walsh who was the baseball coach at Harvard University and Jim's good friend.

This blood drive would make Jim proud. It's an effort that is for the sole purpose of helping others which is what Jim had dedicated his entire life to. Those of us who knew him personally have no doubt that Jim will be watching the whole thing take place from his special place in Heaven, on November 2nd with an ear to ear smile on his face, pleased that he is being remembered by such a positive event.





Reading Between The Lines

“The Final Days”

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
 Brian R. Mahoney

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In the final days of the Third Reich, with everything crumbling, the leader, the powerful and the hangers-on resembled passengers fighting to get in a lifeboat, more than the administration elite. The bunker, once governed by strict obedience and prohibition against smoking and drinking, was in chaos.

The leader sat in his office mumbling orders to subordinates, who no longer obeyed. The corridors were filled with half dressed, drunken (or both) secretaries and guards, while still others were scheming how to join up with the winners. While the politics and philosophy are completely different, the same “survivalist mentality” seems to be in play at the BRA.

Any veneer or mask of “community process” is being disregarded. Every proposal is on fast track city. The proposed hotel at Broadway Station is a prime example. The height limit is between 35-50 feet. The hotel is proposed for at least 150 feet. More to the point, hotels have been a “forbidden use”. The removal of the “hotel prohibition” is for the BCEC area and ends at First Street where the liquor license is coming from another question. Above all, while a true “boutique hotel” at about six stories is acceptable for most, a 14 story building at Broadway Station is taller than those allowed and proposed in the BCEC area itself.

At 11 Dorchester Street, (New England Auto Body) a condominium project containing a restaurant and bar has been proposed. For over four years

residents of this area besieged the Alcohol Licensing Commission to take action against a bar a half block away from this present proposal. The result was the bar was finally forced to close, the license sold and peace restored.

Now, with spotty community notification on this proposal, liquor will return? Again, where is the liquor license coming from? Residents also questioned why a meeting for a Lower End or West side proposal at 11 Dorchester Street was held seven blocks away at the Tynan School up the Point or East Side and why are the local community organizations no longer being informed by the Mayor’s office or the BRA of projects in their area? The practice for the last 20 years has been for your local organization to coordinate time and place with the city and the organization to host the public meeting. Obviously this process is proving to be too cumbersome for the “fast track” now being pushed.

Another example is a proposal for “D” and Broadway. There are all kinds of wild rumors. It’s going to be a bar. It’s going to be a restaurant. No one is sure because the meeting, (which didn’t notify the local organization) was held the same night as the primary election. This must be the “new transparency” we’re always hearing about. A neighbor asked “what building in the area is comparable?”

The answer is none.

New developments always bring hope for a change for the better. An empty lot in the neighborhood with a new three-decker is always

welcome. A new business on Broadway like “Neatly Nested” at E St. and Broadway improves the district. High-rise building in and around the BCEC belong. Trying to shoehorn high-rises and bars into areas they don’t belong, just because you bought a piece of

property at a ridiculous price, is not the community’s problem.

The problem is stopping the “everything must go” fire sale taking place in the final days to help those looking for a soft landing at the community’s expense.

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October Surprise! House Break-ins up in South Boston

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The month of October has seen uptick in house breaks primarily in the Lower End/West Side area of South Boston. As of this writing, there have been 10 B&E's reported so far this month; seven in just the last week with 16 arrests made in the last ten days. The break ins are taking place mostly in the day time hours during the week, when the thieves are more confident that occupants will not be home; most likely at work and there would be fewer neighbors to see them, call police or intervene personally. Surprise is happening on both ends. Surprise that the break ins have resumed, but with the result being 'surprised' suspects that are being swiftly arrested.

Police sources tell South Boston Today that these break-ins are done both by forced and non-forced entry, which means that some neighbors may be failing to lock and secure their houses when not at home. The thieves seem to be targeting mostly jewelry, computer

and electronics equipment, but all valuables are considered fair game.

Rep. Nick Collins stated, "Though the latest string of house breaks is concerning, the hard work of the new Dedicated Undercover Daytime Drug Unit in South Boston has been getting results as evidenced by the latest large number of arrests."

Area Capt. John Greland added to that stating, "A big help to the success of the New Dedicated daytime Drug Unit is the calls being made by local residents when they see suspicious activity. I want to thank the community for demanding the unit be brought in to South Boston."

As always, law enforcement officials urge all residents to keep their doors and windows locked; especially when out of the house. Residents are also urged to keep a sharp eye out for any suspicious or unusual activity in their areas and to call 911 if they have reason to believe there may be a crime in progress or the potential for one to take place.



Councilor Linehan Pulls Out of a South Boston Forum

The event organizer refused to cooperate with the Linehan campaign requests of having a South Boston moderator and a 6pm to 7:15pm time restriction due to a prior commitment for the Gavin Foundation's Annual Awards Dinner. Event organizer, Joanne McDevitt who is a known Lee supporter was handed this responsibility by fellow

group members but could not keep her politics and bias under control. The Linehan campaign will work with other neighborhood association members to reschedule something. "I'm appalled that a South Boston civic association leader would use this forum for her own political purposes and ignore not only my campaign, but the South Boston community" added Councilor Linehan.

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that you're going to be across the table from when you're mayor. They're not listening to you now. How do we know they are going to listen to you when you are actually mayor?"

Walsh tried to counter by saying that he sits on the board of a charter school, which the teachers union opposes, and pledged to take education reform issues to the State House if teachers won't agree to changes.

But, Connolly effectively made the case that the negative and inaccurate literature by Walsh's supporters despite his denouncement of them have compromised Walsh's claims and suggest that his word can't be counted on. Walsh's tone was noticeably different after that exchange and gave minimal answers to the rest of the questioning, even being advised by co-moderator Jim Braude that his short answers have given him less air time.

With the tone for the rest of the debate having been set, the questions covered topics ranging from corporate tax breaks to incentives and programs that could keep the 25-35 year old population in the City to transportation to the record of Mayor Menino and of course the schools. Among the post debate pundits, Connolly's performance was rated better than Walsh.

Each campaign has tried to stake the themes that will drive their message over the last two weeks. The battle for the minds of the remaining 20% undecided voters will be waged on television, on doorsteps, on radio, the internet and cell phones and any other means of communicating.

As stated before, the stakes are high and the question left to answer is who has the vision, the capacity and the best team to lead Boston during this next chapter of its story.

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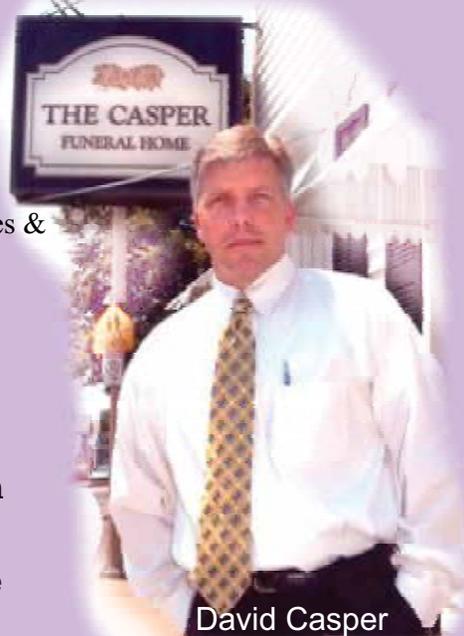
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John Connolly's Program For Seniors



Our senior citizens deserve the highest quality of life and our deepest respect and appreciation. We should provide the best possible services and support to them. John Connolly's priorities for supporting our seniors will include:

- Expanding a program that would allow seniors to volunteer across the city in exchange for property tax relief;

- Supporting retirement corps initiatives so that seniors can enjoy the rewards of connecting with our young people, and vice versa; and
- Developing and increasing the number of events and programs that caters to seniors.

Throughout his time in the City Council, he has made assisting our senior citizens a top priority. John's staff has put time and energy into

providing effective and prompt constituent services, helping seniors deal with a wide range of problems, and navigating city government to find solutions. He will continue to work to provide stable housing for senior citizens and protect the residential tax exemption so that seniors can stay in their homes. In addition to the tax exemption, John supports expanding a program that would allow seniors to volunteer across the city in exchange for property tax relief. Seniors could support our communities at our libraries, community centers, parks, and City Hall, sharing their expertise and enthusiasm, and we would show our appreciation by making it easier for them to stay in their homes.

John will continue to work to protect seniors from financial predators by informing them of these schemes and working with law enforcement to prevent such criminals from taking advantage of residents. He will develop and increase the number of events and programs focused on seniors in every neighborhood so that they can continue to participate in all aspects of our civic life. The quality of life for our senior citizens is improved

when we increase the availability and reliability of transportation services. And, John strongly supports programs that engage seniors as tutors to public school students. I will work to expand retirement corps initiatives so that seniors can enjoy the rewards of connecting with our young people, and vice versa.

Some of John's other programs for seniors will include:

- Continuing great programs like the Summer Concert Series, breakfasts and luncheons honoring our seniors, the Mayor's Garden Party, and neighborhood holiday events.
- Working with local businesses to create a program that provides eligible seniors with discounts on groceries and other necessities.
- Advocating for the creation of a tiered price structure for the T's Ride program (which doubled in price in 2012) so that seniors on a fixed income can benefit from this service.
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Representative Collins Receives Public Safety Award



At their annual Recognition and Honor Banquet dedicated to first responders and public safety professionals, the Urban Public Safety Alliance presented an Appreciation Award to Rep. Nick Collins, recognizing Collins “for continually and consistently striving to effect positive change in the community regarding the quality of life issues and demonstrating the untiring and selfless dedication to improving opportunities for the greater public good and benefit. In making the presentation on behalf of the Alliance, Larry Ellison stated that, “Rep. Collins is a valued partner of the Alliance and its member organizations and believes, as we do, that public safety

resources are fundamental to improving a neighborhood’s quality of life”.

“I am honored by this recognition”, Collins stated. “I have had the opportunity to work with the Alliance and its members on law enforcement, community programs and economic development issues. I look forward to continuing the partnership.”

Founded in 1969, the Urban Public Safety Alliance is an organization of public safety officers including the MA Association of Minority Law Enforcement Officers, Boston Vulcan Society of Firefighters, MA Minority State Police Officers’ Association and the Benevolent Asian Jade Society of New England.

Councilor Bill Linehan Produces Education Results

City Councilor Bill Linehan is proud to announce that some of his highest educational priorities have recently been adopted by the Boston Public Schools as part of their “Grow with Boston” initiative. Projections are showing a 19% increase in the number of kids for BPS kindergarten enrollment over the next four years. More K-8 pathway schools are needed in order to not only accommodate this growth, but to allow for more stability for parents and students. Currently many students must change schools after 5th grade only to have to do the same after 8th grade. Providing more K-8 options promotes stability which fosters more parental involvement and positive school culture. Three schools in Councilor Linehan’s District 2 are currently proposed to increase to grade 8, the Condon, the Tynan and the Blackstone. The need for these changes is immediate and Councilor Linehan will be working with the School Department to make these changes as soon as possible.

The incorporation of these recommendations from Councilor Linehan add to the other recent educational achievements he has been able to push forward, the restored funding for the Perry

School during this year’s budget negotiations and the announcement of the Josiah Quincy School / Boston Arts Academy’s needed relocation. A new \$260 Million dollar facility has passed the first round of approvals. Councilor Linehan has pushed this issue for years because of the lack of local school options afforded to families in the Chinatown, South End and downtown areas of his district.

“When the Clapp School was proposed for closure, I worked with the parents, principal and School Department to prevent that from happening. It not only remained open, but it is now the city’s first and only Innovation School,” added Councilor Linehan. “I advocated for a return to neighborhood schools during the recent reassignment process and now have successfully lobbied for more K-8 options for our kids. These are the type of results that we need to keep families within the neighborhoods close to downtown and I look forward to continuing this progress.”

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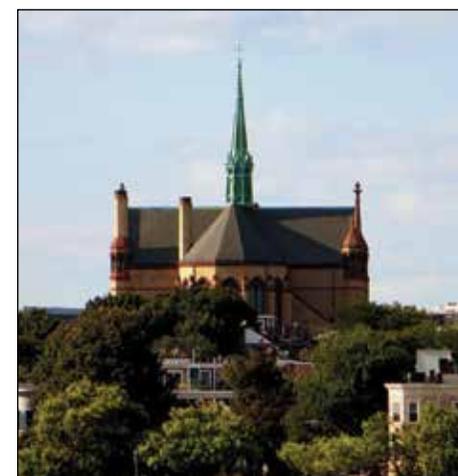
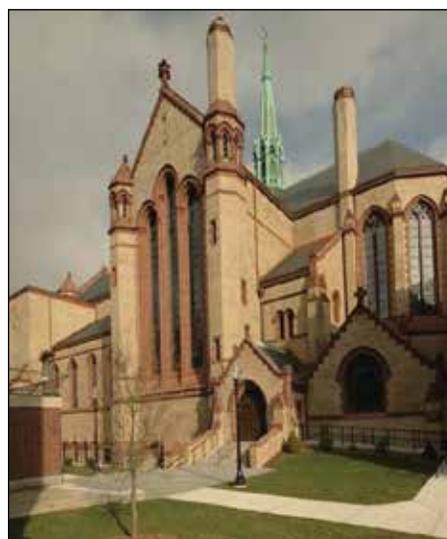
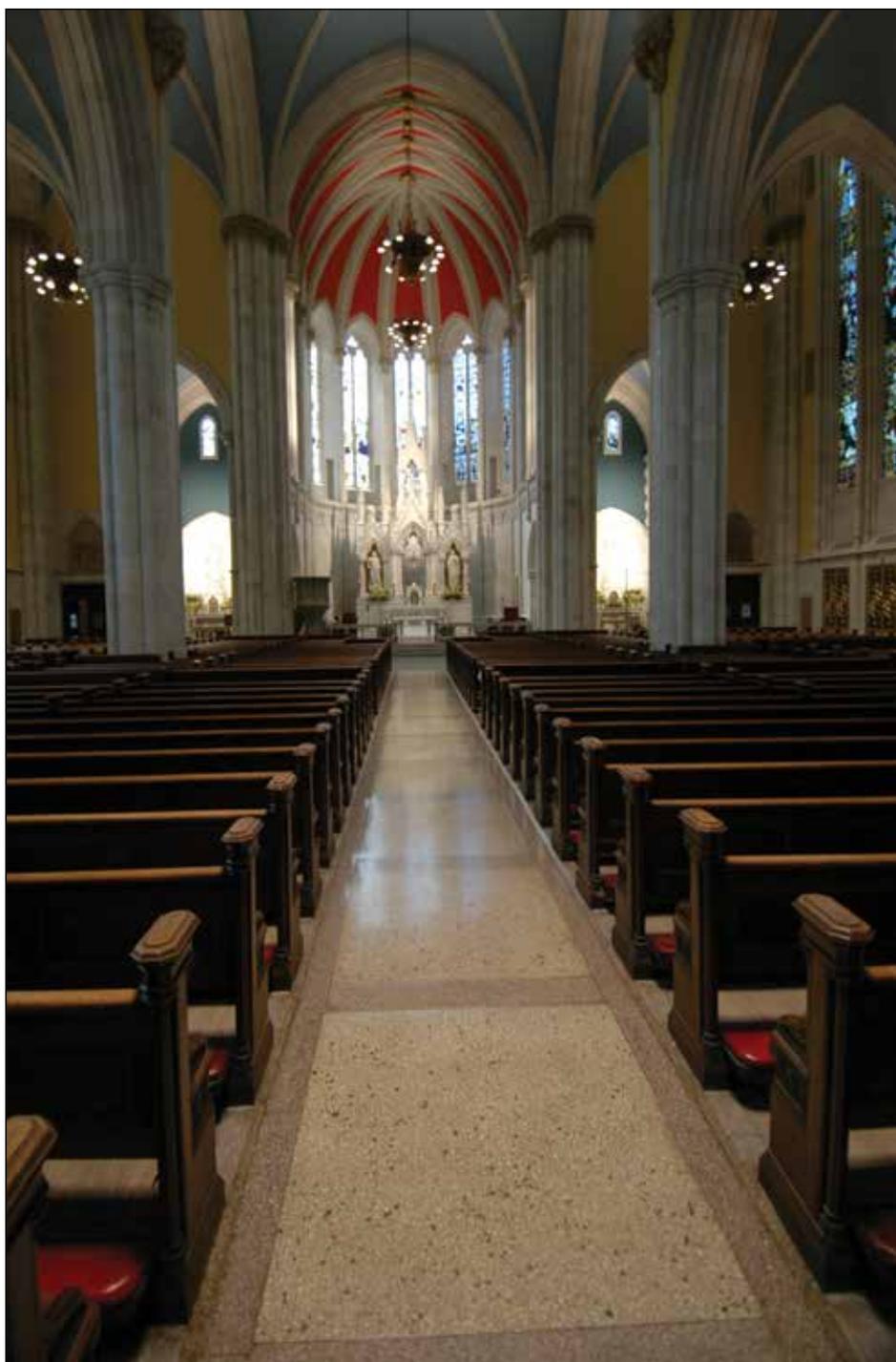
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GATE OF HEAVEN PARISH CELEBRATES 150th ANNIVERSARY

The Gate of Heaven Parish in South Boston celebrates its 150th anniversary this week.

The Church first opened its doors in 1863 in response to the influx of Catholic families who arrived in the City Point neighborhood of South Boston. The largely immigrant population was brought to the peninsula by newly available work at the burgeoning shipyards, foundries, and the Bay State Iron Works of South Boston.

Gate of Heaven has a long and storied past. In its early years, the Church was known as a haven for protest against the city's strongly anti-Catholic policy. A devastating fire in 1895 decimated the original

interior, and caused community members to rally for the cause of a new Church dedicated to Our Lady of Gate of Heaven in 1912. Gate of Heaven has sent parishioners to two world wars, weathered the depression, and continues to thrive.

The Parish has also demonstrated a strong commitment to education since 1863, educating over 100,000 South Boston children, which continues today in the combined South Boston Catholic Academy. In the same year that Gate of Heaven was dedicated, a school staffed by Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur was opened, enrolling 270 girls in its first year of operation in the church basement. In the 1870's, the

Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston began teaching at Gate of Heaven Parish. Mother Regis, with magnificent courage emanating from a great love of God, opened a grammar school for girls, known as St. Agnes School, in September, 1879. On the opening day, Sister M. Clare, the Superior, enrolled 379 girls. In the 1920's, the present school building was built and the school became co-educational. The parish also operated a high school from 1934-1975, enrolling some 1200 students

at its height in the 1960's. In 2009, Gate of Heaven School joined with nearby St. Brigid's School to form South Boston Catholic Academy.

"We are honored to celebrate this historic milestone," said Gate of Heaven Pastor, Rev. Robert E. Casey. "The parish's longevity is a testament to the strength and faith of the community that has always been at the heart of this Church."

Casey, who has been pastor since 2002, has overseen a \$6 million dollar restoration of the Gothic Church located at the corners of 4th

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Stepping Up and Stepping Out:

Your Guide to the Southie Scene and the “Southie Senses”

South Boston Today begins a regular series about life in South Boston and all that it has to offer. Southie is a vibrant and growing community and there are so many ways for residents to become connected and involved. Here are some of the best ways to see, hear, taste, touch and smell all that is Southie. From City Point to Fort Point to the South Boston Waterfront, there are so many opportunities to put your senses to good use!

Stepping Up: Election Notice

Elections! These days, they are a dime a dozen. Preliminaries, standouts, canvassing, calls, literature, meet and greets & primaries. Issues, endorsements, debates, Q & A's and articles. It's all so overwhelming and taxing; many of us would rather watch paint dry than listen/watch/hear another political pundit's opinion on who is the best candidate for the job. But, it's our responsibility AND our right to take some time out of our busy schedules to better understand the who/what/when/where/why/how of the upcoming elections. Though we are inundated with information we sometimes end up more confused than educated. With the mayoral and city council elections less than 2 weeks away,

there are a few more chances to become more of the latter than the former. Don't take this privilege for granted-voting gives us a voice, so let's make sure it's heard loud and clear.

What You Don't Know CAN Hurt You
Big shot. Head honcho. The Boss. Becoming the Mayor of Boston is a no small feat nor is it a fete. Campaigning is a 25 an hour a day job. And though we see their faces, hear their voices, and read their words, we may not ingest all the details pertaining to the issues and concerns we have. One way to indulge in and digest the data is to get a firsthand account. On Friday October 25th, BostInno and New

England Venture Capital Association are inviting us to coffee with the candidates (Connolly & Walsh) at the SB Waterfront's District Hall, 10-11:30am. Also, this Monday October 28th, John Connolly and Marty Walsh will be at Space with a Soul's ideaLounge, from 7-8pm, fielding questions from Jon Keller with Professor Ed Glaeser moderating. Whether you are a morning person or night owl, the choice is yours. Just make one.

nextbosmayor.eventbrite.com

(October 25th)

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(October 28th)

connollyforboston.com

martywalsh.org



*** If you cannot attend either of these events, tune into the third and final Boston mayoral debate Tuesday October 29th @ 7pm. Election Day is Tuesday November 5th- polls are open 7am-8pm. ***

Stepping Out: Creepy Crawlers

Keep ya candy kids, we've got treats of our own! Sure, trick or treating at age 29, unless accompanying little princesses and firemen, is kind of creepy. Holiday candy will be on sale November 1- for a ¼ of the price and the effort. Instead, why not play dress up with those your own age, substitute with some cocktail confections and celebrate All Hallows Eve all week long? Troll South Boston's streets in search of spooky sights and scenes. From the Seaport to the City Point, Southie won't be a ghost town. Watch out for witches, wet your whistles and wage war on you wallets for the wenches! Fear not- here are some festive fun fetes sure to satisfy and spook you!

Monster Mash

Some things go bump in the night; in this case- it's some-ones. Creep on down to the Stadium Southie Saturday October 26th and rattle your bones from 8pm-1am, with a \$10 cover charge. On October 31st starting at

9pm, spend some “dead presidents” at the aforementioned themed party at Lincoln: costumes are encouraged and it's free to get in. And Local 149 takes Halloween into the wee hours of the Day of the Dead with their celebration 10pm-1am. Wherever you go, get down and boogey-man!

stadiumbars.com

lincolnsouthboston.com (RSVP:

deadpresidents.eventbrite.com)

local149.com

Ghost Ship

It's said that the devil is in the details. One way to find out- sneak on the ship and sail away on the Sinners and Saints Haunted Halloween Cruise. On Thursday October 31st, bring your broomsticks and board the Provincetown II, which is decked out in ghoulish gear. The greatest garbed sweet souls and sexy scamps will win a prize. Raise some hell or enjoy your slice of heaven from 7-11pm.

bostoneventguide.com



Fright Night

Why not stroll along the boulevard in search of spirits of the liquid kind? The 4th annual Halloween on the Harbor is happening Friday October 25th, 7-10pm, on the South Boston Waterfront. Stop and pay your respects by ingesting mysterious mouthfuls of mead and witches brews at one or all of the ten scary stops. The \$5 cost will be donated to the Friends of Fort Point

Channel. If Halloween has you quakin' in your Dolce Vita booties, don't be twisted in fright, instead terrorize some local haunts (Lincoln, Barlow's, Lucky's to name a few) on the Southie Shuttle Bar Crawl, October 31st, 6:30pm -12am. Either way, both will take you to your witching hour.

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Southie Senses: *Things to touch, see, taste, smell and hear in Southie*



Touch: *All Hands on Deck*

Our beloved Red Sox have made it to the 2013 World Series and are once again facing the St. Louis Cardinals in the race for the trophy, or as Mayor Menino said, World Series Cup. Catch the Sox all weekend long with games Thursday 10/24, Saturday 10/26, Sunday 10/27 and Monday 10/28. Sure enough Southie’s sports bars and eateries will show the games on their flat screens. And remember, when facing the National League, everyone will be up to bat, so swing (not too) early and often.



See: *The Light of Dusk*

Bask in the beauty of the Northern Avenue footbridge on Tuesday October 29th at approximately 6:15pm. The Boston Harbor Association and the Boston Department of Public Works are illuminating the Northern Avenue Bridge in conjunction with Light Boston Inc.; Light Boston is a non-profit organization that promotes exterior lighting of city property to “enlighten” citizens of the beauty of our great metropolis and “enhance” the visual look of the buildings and spaces. It’ll be like seeing it in a new light.



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Taste: *Mouth to Feed*

With the holiday season upon us, one cannot help but think of all the excitement and merriment that comes along with it, like feasts with family and friends. There are some of us however, who are just focused on what and when their next meal will be. One way we can help- bostonCANshare. The City of Boston is accepting donations of canned goods in South Boston at the SB Branch Public Library and Boston Fire Station located on East 4th street, starting Monday October 21st-Friday December 6th. If you would like to make a monetary donation, do so via the web, and the site shows you what your donation can buy. We CAN make a difference.



cityofboston.gov/food/canshare



Smell: *Nose in a Book*

Though it seems as if paperbacks and hardcovers are a thing of the past, many covet the smell and feeling of a book. My book collection is a reflection of the many stages of my life: novels that have inspired, saved and encouraged me. A personal history lined up neatly on a shelf, unlike the real thing. The friends of the South Boston Branch of the Boston Public Library are holding another fall book sale Saturday October 26th, 10am-3pm. Get on down and add to your collection; if you wear a Halloween costume, you get 10 books for FREE. Age requirement not stated- take a page from their book.



bpl.org/branches/southboston.htm



Hear: *Ears will be Ringing*

Southie residents reconvene and shriek, snort and snicker their Thursday night away on October 24th courtesy of LAUGH Boston. LAUGH extends an initiation to experience a gratuitous get-together and guffaw to the comedy stylings of Jeff Dye. If you cannot make that particular show, South Bostonians can use code “SOUTHIE” and receive a \$10 discount towards another show through November. Thanks for giving us the last laugh.



laughboston.com • laughsouthie.eventbrite.com • jeffdye.com

Embrace All Of The Southie Senses:



Fun for the Family AND Our Furry Friends

TEven though it can, should and is celebrated by all, Halloween is much cuter pint-sized. When you Google kids costumes, the possibilities are endless; one awesome example was an ice cream truck driver, fashioned over the young boy’s wheelchair. Same for your pooch; I just saw a pug dressed to spoof Miley Cyrus’ “Wrecking Ball”. Costuming children and Chihuahuas, consenting to the consumption of candy and endlessly circling the confines of your community, will happen on October 31st. Southie is sharing the spirit of the season in some other ways. The South Boston Bark Park is hosting a Pooch Party, Saturday October 26th, 11am-12:30pm, with tricks and treats for your furry friend. If you and your hound are more high-brow, the Seaport Hotel is hosting “Howl-o-Ween” where master and man’s best friend can mix and mingle on Saturday October 26th, 1-3 pm. Haunted happenings will occur this Saturday (10/26) and Sunday (10/27) from 12-4pm at the 31st Annual Children’s Magical Halloween Castle in Fort Independence located at Castle Island. The South Boston Boys & Girls Club will have you shrieking and shaking with their Haunted House

on Saturday October 26th, 5-8pm; tickets are \$5 and all ages are welcome (anyone under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult). And at the height of the holiday, October 31st, the Boston Children’s Museum will hold their Pumpkin Pageant, 12-4pm, where pumpkins that have been creatively carved, colored or covered will be judged by the public and picked for a prize.

Trick or Treat.

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bostonfortindependence.com • SBBGC event : [facebook.com/events/169659563227464](https://www.facebook.com/events/169659563227464)

friendsoffortpointchannel.org/pumpkin-pageant



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CASTLE ISLAND ASSOCIATION SENIOR SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
JUNE 15 - NOVEMBER 2, 2013

WEATHER PERMITTING

- 10:00a - 24 Bellflower St.
- 10:10a - Devine @ Old Colony Ave. (Task Force Building)
- 10:15a - 185 West Ninth St.
- 10:20a - Telegraph St. @ Dorchester St.
- 10:30a - Farragut Rd. @ East Broadway
- 10:35a - Drop off Castle Island
- 10:50a - Castle Cove (Bolton St. Side)
- 11:00a - 200 D St. (Condon School)
- 11:10a - 120 H St.
- 11:20a - 199 H St.
- 11:25a - Farragut Rd. @ East Broadway
- 11:30a - Drop off @ Castle Island
- 11:45a - 1380 Columbia Rd. (Compass Bay)
- 11:55a - 120 L St.
- 12:05p - Farragut Rd. @ East Broadway
- 12:15p - Drop off @ Castle Island

12:30p-2:00p Shuttle from residential locations in South Boston to Castle Island (seniors may call the shuttle company 617-268-4110 the day prior to schedule a ride during this time period).

Return Trips: 2:30p-4:00p. Shuttle from Castle Island to various drop off locations in South Boston. Shuttle vehicle will return every 20 minutes. Departure times are as follows (subject to traffic delays at the Island) 2:30p, 2:50p, 3:10p, 3:40p, 4:00p. THE LAST DEPARTURE FROM CASTLE ISLAND WILL BE AT 4p.

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and I Streets in South Boston.

“As a new immigrant at the turn of the century, my great-grandfather served as an usher at Gate of Heaven,” continued Rev. Casey. “For me, for my family, and for our larger church family, Gate of Heaven has long been a place where the outsider could seek refuge, find solace, faith, and a welcoming community. Our parishioners are proud to be a part of that continuing legacy.”

Former U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican, Mayor of Boston, and a lifelong Gate of Heaven parishioner, Ray Flynn, said of the Church, “In challenging times and good days, Gate of Heaven parish has always been at the center of our proud South Boston

community. A place where we came to celebrate new life, see our children develop into fine citizens, search for answers to our problems, meet wonderful neighbors and yes, return a loved one back home to God, in the presence of family, parishioners, and clergy. It is who we are and what we believe. Some people moved, served abroad or stayed away, but we never really left. Lifelong resident or new comer, this is our parish and this is our home.”

The Parish will mark the occasion of its 150th Anniversary with a noontime mass on Sunday, October 27, 2013, celebrated by Cardinal Séan O'Malley. A luncheon will follow in the Parish Hall.

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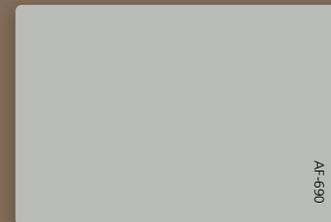
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Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

	Price	Sale Date	Rooms	Baths	Sq Ft
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452 East Third Street Two Family	\$855,000	9/27/13	10	2	2500
150 Dorchester Ave Unit 302 Condo	\$569,000	10/4/13	4	1	998
1-11 Hamlin St Unit 4 Condo	\$719,000	9/27/13	4	2	1479
525 East Second St Unit 1 Condo	\$649,000	9/30/13	6	3	1833
12 Carpenter St Unit 3 Condo	\$470,000	10/11/13	4	2	1100
124-D West Seventh St UNIT 14 Condo	\$550,000	9/27/13	6	2.5	1455
360 West Second St UNIT 10 Condo	\$549,000	9/30/13	4	2	1206
12 Carpenter St Unit 4 Condo	\$455,000	10/15/13	4	2	1100
214-216 West Seventh St UNIT 2L Condo	\$510,000	9/30/13	5	2	1050
435 East Seventh St UNIT 3 Condo	\$506,000	10/1/13	5	2	1115
412 East Third St Unit 3 Condo	\$448,000	10/4/13	4	1.5	778
138-142 West Ninth St UNIT 8 Condo	\$475,000	10/7/13	5	2	1258
529 East Broadway UNIT 8 Condo	\$365,000	9/27/13	3	1	525
66 Telegraph St UNIT 4 Condo	\$351,000	10/2/13	4	1	655
124 D Street UNIT 1 Condo	\$335,000	10/2/13	4	1	791
102 Dorchester St UNIT R3 Condo	\$325,000	9/30/13	3	1	720
118 Tudor St Unit C Condo	\$376,500	10/7/13	4	1	884
205 Athens St Unit 2 Condo	\$555,000	10/11/13	5	2	1289
350 West Second Unit 5 Condo	\$500,000	10/9/13	4	2	1083
637 East First St Unit 203 Condo	\$622,500	10/15/13	4	2	1306
102 Old Harbor St Unit 1 Condo	\$490,000	10/15/13	4	2	1118
339 E Street Unit 3 Condo	\$452,000	10/4/13	4	1	809
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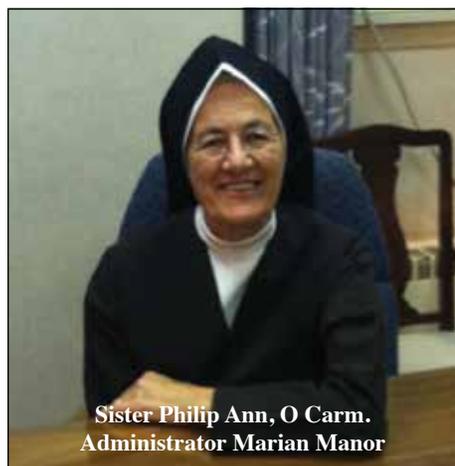


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Around Town...



Sister Philip Ann, O.Carm.
Administrator Marian Manor

Marian Manor's 60th Anniversary Gala November 14th

It's doubtful that there is anyone in South Boston and even the surrounding area who has not heard of the Marian Manor. The odds are too that most people have either had a loved one reside there or know someone who has, either on a temporary basis or even fulltime. Residents there receive the benefit of some of the finest care available anywhere. While it's true, good care can be found in many places, 'The Manor' is famous for that warm personal touch that is a comfort to both those receiving that care as well as concerned family members who can take comfort in knowing their family members are in good hands.

The first thing you notice when you walk through the main entrance located on Dorchester St. is a feeling that this is a very special place. The décor is tasteful and welcoming and the staff at the front desk is not only professional but friendly, helpful and very personable. As you sign the guest book to enter, you can feel that this is a place filled warmth and caring, and warm and caring are probably the two words that best describe the atmosphere within.

It's coming up on 60 years that South Bostonians along with people from so many other communities have entrusted the wellbeing of family members to the competent care of Marian Manor. This is a place

as much a part of South Boston as the high school on the hill was for so many years and Castle Island. It has served literally thousands of local residents well for 3 generations and on Thursday Night, November 14th at the Fairmont Copley Plaza; Marian Manor will commemorate its service, its dedication and its closeness to a grateful community with a Gala that will be a celebration to remember.

Sr. Phillip Ann, O.Carm, the Administrator at Marian Manor, along with her hardworking and dedicated committee has been planning this event for some time. Sister wants everyone to know that all are invited to attend this Anniversary Gala of Marian Manor and of the Carmelite Sisters' arrival in Boston.

The night itself will start off with a cocktail reception followed by a wonderful dinner bound to please everyone. There will be music as well and here, honorees will be recognized for the great work they have been doing so long to help others in need. The honorees will be renowned novelist Mary Higgins Clark and Mother M. Mark Louis Anne Randall, O.Carm. Mother Mark Louis once served at the Marian Manor and Mary Higgins Clark's fine novels are famous nationwide and beyond as well as being a Catholic layperson herself.

The Marian Manor and the Carmelite Sisters along with the large dedicated staff truly do Gods work in the South Boston Community and will continue to serve residents here well into the future. It is a labor of love for these wonderful people, trained professionals all. Attending the 60 Anniversary Gala is one way for the community; whether you currently have family members there, you did at one time or may have some time down the road of life to help support this unique resource South Boston is so fortunate to have located here.

If you want more information about the upcoming Gala on November 14th, you can contact Maryellen Brown by phone at 617-701-1329 or by email at mbrown@marianmanor.org . As the date approaches, South Boston Today will give updates on what promises to be a fantastic event; perhaps even the 'social event of the year' and its all for a truly worthwhile cause.

Military Appreciation Night For Councilor Linehan Huge Success

They came from all branches of the Service. They came from different wars and different conflicts. They shared that in common. They also shared that they were all from South Boston and that they all supported Bill Linehan. Councilor Linehan gave a moving speech to the sixty something veterans who came by Shenagins to talk about their shared experiences and their friendship. Many hadn't seen in other in years and were delighted that Councilor Linehan recognized them for their service to our Country, and talked about the unparalleled record of service that South Boston residents have given in all wars and conflicts. "When we were growing up just about all of our fathers served in World War II and our grandfathers served in World War I. After high school it was our friends who went off and fought in Vietnam and we welcomed them

back like no other community before and set a precedent across a fractured nation which began the nation's healing process. That happened here and you were responsible for it. Since then every conflict that our country has been involved in South Boston men and women have made their presence known and felt and we thank you for that as well," Linehan said.

City of Boston Veteran Commissioner Francisco Urena, who was in attendance, echoed Councilor Linehan's remarks and also told the veterans, who were in attendance, to make sure they take advantage of the many services that are offered by his department. "Many veterans return home and are not familiar with the myriad of programs that are designed to help them from grants to education programs and health care," Commissioner Urena state.



The Massachusetts Legislature's Joint Committee on Housing held a meeting at the Old Colony public housing development in South Boston on October 11 with private property managers of affordable housing and other affordable housing advocates to learn about private sector models for managing affordable housing on multiple sites. . Rep. Nick Collins, a committee member, was joined by, from left to right, Co-Chair Kevin Honan, Sen. Linda Dorcea Forry, Rep. David Rogers of Cambridge and Co-chair Sen. Jamie Eldridge

Trick-or-Treat on Broadway

The South Boston Chamber of Commerce members and many other local participating businesses invite the neighborhood children in costumes to “Trick or Treat on Broadway” on Thursday, October 31, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Participating establishments will be clearly marked with an orange and black poster inviting the children to stop in for a treat. The South

Boston Chamber of Commerce has been hosting this event that allows families with children to stroll safely along Broadway for a fun and enjoyable Halloween and to meet the local neighborhood business owners. Businesses wishing to participate should contact the Chamber at 857-350-9460 for more information and for a poster to display in their window if they have not already received one.



31st Annual Halloween Celebration at Castle Island

The Castle Island Association is holding its 31st Halloween celebration at Fort Independence on Castle Island this Saturday and Sunday, October 26 & 27, 2013, between 12:00 and 4:00 PM, weather permitting. All children from South Boston are cordially invited to come to the “Children’s Magical Halloween Castle”. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Costumes are optional. **ADMISSION IS FREE!**

Over the past thirty years tens of thousands of children and adults have attended this celebration. The event offers enjoyments of all kinds from outdoor entertainers, magicians, storytellers to our “magical castle” - complete with sound effects - and free refreshments. Judging by its continuing popularity, a fun time is had by all!

The Castle Island Association firmly believes that the earlier we introduce our youngsters to Castle Island and its forts which span the entire spectrum of American history, the better it will

be for the future of our nation. We hope their enjoyment and memories of the “Children’s Magical Halloween Castle” celebration as youngsters will result in a life-long interest in Castle Island and Fort Independence as historical sites. This Halloween celebration is the Castle Island Association’s way of saying “Thank You” to all who support us, especially the South Boston community. We are proud to serve our community, state and nation by giving guided tours of Fort Independence without charge and without any cost to the taxpayer.

In the case of inclement weather on either day, call 617-268-8870 or check our web site, www.bostonfortindependence.com, to get an update on the status of the celebration for that day.

Contact:
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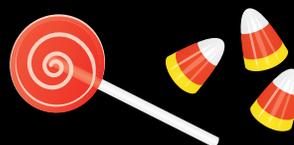
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Floss daily. Flossing removes food particles from between your teeth and under the gum line, where a toothbrush cannot always reach.

Rinse your mouth after every meal, especially after you eat sticky foods/candy.



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South Boston Catholic Academy Sixth Grade News

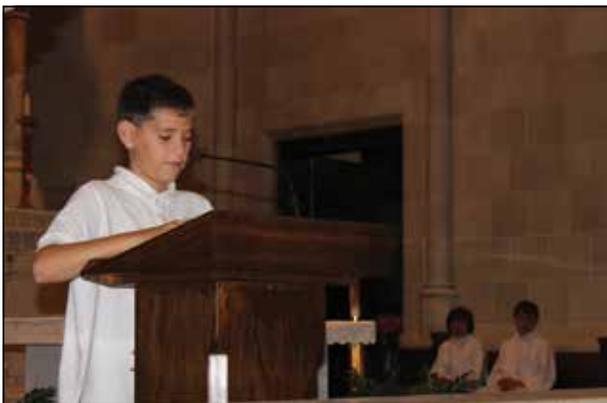
The sixth graders at South Boston Catholic Academy have been very busy. They took part in this month's First Friday Mass at Gate of Heaven Church and did a great job as greeters, singing

along with the wonderful children's choir, doing the readings and bringing up the gifts. Father Robert Casey, Pastor, was the celebrant and Deacon Matt Janeczko, OFM, said the homily.

Also, as part of the school's commitment to service and community students visit with the Harborlight residents once a month. The visit is always enjoyable. Grade 6 recently visited and then celebrated

Mass with Father Gregory Vozzo, Parochial Vicar.

To learn more about educational opportunities at South Boston Catholic Academy contact Barbara Keohane at b.keohane@sbcatholicacademy.org.





The SBYHL, currently in its 53rd season, unveiled their new team uniforms for the travel hockey program. It's sure to be a great year with a new league, new uniforms and all new Learn to Skate program launching on November 3rd! After the debut, the children of the program participated in a Kids vs. Parents scrimmage game that resulted in a tie.



South Boston Flag Football – Friday Night Lights

We will be holding registrations at the Pop Warner field, next to the Murphy rink, this Friday, October 25th at 5:00 PM. Games will start this Friday night under the lights at 6:00 PM. Each game should last 1 hour.

There will be three divisions:

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South Boston Takes 2 of 3 Home Games on Sunday

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

by David Pollard

Talk back to David at DPollard@SouthBostonToday.com



The Southie Shamrocks took to the ice at Murphy Rink on Sunday, as the U-14, U-16, and U-18 teams faced off twice against the Walpole Express, and once against the Springfield Rifles - two Massachusetts Premier Development Hockey League opponents. It was a good day for South Boston teams, as they won two of the three matchups. The U-16 Shamrocks beat the Walpole Express, 3-0; the U-18 team had a tough outing against Walpole, falling 12-2; and Southie's U-14 group defeated Springfield in a tight game, 4-3.

Check SBT's video highlights of the games at SouthBostonToday.com
U-16 South Boston Shamrocks vs. U-16 Walpole Express - 2:00pm:

Southie's U-16 team took the ice against Walpole in a low scoring affair. South Boston got ahead on an early goal, and never looked back - they would add two goals late in the 3rd period to win the game by a final of 3-0.

Early in the 1st period the Shamrocks came streaking down the left wing, firing a shot on the Walpole goaltender. After a scramble in front, Griffin Connolly was able to jam the loose puck home, to put Southie up 1-0.

That one goal would prove to be all Southie needed in this one, but it was a close match for the duration. Southie had good pressure in the offensive zone, and controlled play

for most of the game. The Shamrocks dinged two posts in the 2nd period which would have given them a more comfortable lead.

Walpole also had their chances, but Southie's defense and goaltending stood tall when it mattered most - including a late penalty kill in the 3rd period; with Walpole still down by just one goal, the Shamrock PK didn't allow a single shot on net.

When there were shots on net, both Southie net-minders answered the bell, as Jonathan O'Donnell and Sean Hickey each stopped every puck shot their way for the combined shutout.

With just over a minute left in the game, Jake O'Laughlin scored an empty netter. Then, with about six seconds left on the clock, Shane Piotti flew down the left wing and whipped one last wrister between the goalie's pad and the post.

U-18 South Boston Shamrocks vs. U-18 Walpole Express - 3:30pm:

In the second match of the day against Walpole, it was all Express early and often. Walpole scored not 20 seconds into the game, and would keep lighting the lamp throughout the match, as they skated passed the boys in green by a final of 12-2.

Southie wasn't completely out of it in the first period. After giving up the first three goals, Shamrocks forward Ben Bickford ripped a wrist-shot from the high slot past the glove of the Express goaltender. But Walpole

would net one late in the first to regain their three goal edge.

The Express came out buzzing in the 2nd period, frequently testing South Boston goaltender Sean Hickey. Down 5-1, Southie came flying down the right wing, and after a tic-tac-toe passing play got the puck to the front of the net, Nick Downey was able to whack a bouncing puck into the twine, to put the Shamrocks within three.

From there, Walpole took over. They peppered the Southie net relentlessly, and put up five more goals late in the 2nd period. The Express continued to outplay Southie in the 3rd, adding two more goals - for a final score of 12-2.

U-14 South Boston Shamrocks vs. U-14 Springfield Rifles - 5:00pm:

The final game on Sunday had more theatrical elements to it than the first two games; mainly because of how close it was right up to the final buzzer. Despite Springfield taking an early 1-0 lead, Southie came back to tie the game. Eventually, the Shamrocks would go up by two goals, but Springfield would roar back to tie it - all before Southie reclaimed the lead in the 3rd period, and kept it, beating the Rifles by a score of 4-3.

After surrendering an early goal to Springfield, Ryan Bothwell managed to snap a wrister past the Rifle goalie on a break-away. That would end the scoring in the frame and the 1st period ended 1-1.

About three minutes into the 2nd period, a broken play had players jamming in front of the Springfield net - the net drive would pay off as Jimmy Sullivan slammed one home past the near post to put Southie up 2-1.

Thomas Casper then added a shorthanded goal to put the Shamrocks up 3-1. Springfield would not go down without a fight though, before the end of the 2nd period the Rifles would capitalize on two plays in the low slot, tying the game 3-3 as we headed to the 3rd period.

In the 3rd, Shamrock goaltender Kyle Chute would not allow a goal, making multiple game-changing saves to give Southie a chance to take the lead, which they would. Off a 2-on-1 play, Thomas Casper had the goalie down and out; he pulled off a dazzling toe-drag deke and made no mistake staring at an open net for his second goal of the day, putting Southie up 4-3.

It became a game of "hold-your-breath" moments from there, Springfield hit a post with just over two minutes remaining in the game, and had a 6-on-4 advantage in the final minute, but Southie's defense held strong until the final buzzer to get the victory.

For full scores and Massachusetts Premier Development Hockey League standings you can check out their website at mpdhl.com. For video highlights from this Sunday visit this article at southbostontoday.com

SOUTH BOSTON YOUTH SOCCER

Another successful weekend of soccer is over. Before we get started with a recap of the games just a few reminders:

PARENTS: The weather is beginning to change and it is getting chillier at the field. Please dress kids accordingly. Maybe put a sweatshirt, long sleeve jersey or sweater under their soccer shirts. I know they stay pretty warm when running around, however, when they are on the sidelines they are cold. Remember all children need to wear shin guards. If your child does not have them, they cannot play. No hats, or jewelry can be worn while playing – this is for the safety of the children. Also, if you have any problems at the field, please see one of the officers of the league and we will take care of all concerns immediately. And remember to stay away from the goalie while they are playing as it is a distraction. All parents should be on one side of the field and the players on the opposite side. If you have not turned in a concussion certificate, please do so as soon as possible. In order to receive your certificate you can log on to: <http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/headsup/training/headsupconclusion.html>. For children ages 3 to 10 years old you can access another site <http://brain101.orcasinc/5000.com>. It is a cartoon site and should hold their attention. After you have gone through this info you can go to the other site (see above) and fill out the info saying you and your child have completed this class.

This is not the rules of the South Boston Youth Soccer League. It is mandatory for any youth who are involved in activities on City of Boston properties to take the class. So please make sure you go to this website.

SNACK BAR: Please patronize the snack bar. All monies that are brought in at the snack bar go right back to the local sports teams that use the park, which helps defray some of the expenses to the league.

NEW SOCCER BANQUET DATES & TIMES: The Banquet will be held on Saturday, November 23rd at the South Boston Boys & Girls Club, 230 W. 6th Street, South Boston. Parents are asked to bring desserts. See times and age groups below:

UNDER 4: 12 noon

UNDER 6: 1:00 p.m.

UNDER 8 & UNDER 10: 2:00 p.m.

UNDER 12 & UNDER 18: 3:00 p.m.

And now on to a recap of the games:

UNDER 4 DIVISIONS:

GREEN NINJAS / SHARKS

The Green Ninjas sponsored by Councilor Bill Linehan kicked in one better than their opponent for the victory. All four goals were scored by Liam Colton. Joaquin Murillo, Ben Vaccaro, Caroline Baker and Callan Deane played an outstanding game. The Sharks sponsored by FNISports just came up short with goals by Jeremy Baldwin, Estelle Corbitt and Cameron Holyoke with an assist going to Jake Greeley. Jacob Baldwin made some great saves in net. Maggie Jones and Nicholas Sherburne did a terrific job bringing the ball up and down the field.

SCOOPS / GREEN LIGHTNING

The Scoops sponsored by South Boston Today played to a tie with a goal by Nora Banks. All the players did an outstanding job kicking the ball and bringing it up and down the field. The Green Lightning sponsored by Congressman Stephen Lynch kept the game even with a goal by Noraih Depina. Sean Bianchi did a great job in net. Arianna Shepherd and Charlotte Barrett showed some great teamwork.

PAL / SMALL FRIES

The team sponsored by the PAL was victorious this week. All the players did a superb job. The Small Fries sponsored by Sullivan's had four goals scored off the foot of Zion Sequeira. Grant Sullivan, Savannah Smith and Keagan Somers were terrific out on the field. At the time of print no score sheets were available for the John Hancock Insurance Wolfpack and the Happy Green Monsters from Massport.

UNDER 6 DIVISION:

HEAT / MOOSE

The Heat Sponsored by Metro Energy kept up their winning ways with two goals by Aidan and single goals by Dimitri and Ben with assists going to Michael, Robbie, Jack and Vasi. Griffin, Ben and Leila did a super job sharing the goaltending duties. Ian and Aaron were awesome on offense and Audrey and Clara showed some great teamwork. The Moose sponsored by the McDonough Post Ladies Auxiliary had a goal kicked in by Harry Minnucci assisted by Michael Clark and Rocco Blasi. Outstanding saves in net by Katie Kelly and Vivian Allen. Deacon Evriviades played with great energy. Dakota Herbert and Tessa Doyle played great defense. Way to go Moose on a well-played game.

DOLPHINS / RED ROCKETS

The Dolphins sponsored by Marian Manor beat out their opponent when

Evan Pierce and Ryan Alexander each scored goals. Derek Austin, Rory Shields, Christopher Allan, Cole Rattican, Peter Sullivan and Bryan Barry showed that great teamwork gets victories. The Red Rockets sponsored by Massport was grounded today. All the players turned in an outstanding performance.

UNDER 8 DIVISION:

SILVER HAWKS / FLYERS

The Silver Hawks sponsored by O'Connell Insurance soared to a victory with two goals by Dylan Picard and a single goal by Ryan Shields with assists going to Maeve Applegate, Kearn Wilbanks and Riley Joyce. Benjamin Fennelly did a terrific job in net not letting anything get by him. Grainne Conlon and Jahloni George did a superb job on offense. Marguerite Greene and Joseph Greene were fantastic on defense. The Massport Flyers did not score but it was not from lack of trying. Maddie Anastas, Lucas Cappellano, Stephen Flynn and Aiden Martin played an outstanding game. Sarah Tracey made some nice saves while manning the net.

HOT SHOTS / NINJAS

The Hot Shots sponsored by Boston Home Inspectors beat out their opponents with goals by Aidan Garcia, Derek Martinelli and Darin Grady. All the players turned in an awesome performance. The Ninjas sponsored by Donahue & Associates played a tough opponent. All the players did a good job on the field. At the time of print no score sheets were available for the Blue Devils sponsored by Joe Pace & Sons and the The Gang sponsored by the Billy Flaherty Gang.

UNDER 10 DIVISION:

SOUTHIE STRONG LIGHTNING 1

At the time of print no score sheet was available for the Southie Strong sponsored by Stapleton Florist. The Massport Lightning scored a single goal off the foot of Patrick Harnan. Dylan Murtagh, Caitlin Fitzgerald, Jack Swartz, Andrew Menjin, Fiona Gilmartin, Grainne McBride, Finbar Kyne and Tyler Morrill played a great game.

FLAMES 4 / HORNETS 3

The Flames sponsored by Boston Firefighters Credit Union kicked in one better than their opponent for the win. Henry Pulake and Aiden Young each scored a pair of goals. Aidan Fitzgerald was outstanding in net. Lilly Austin, Owen Donovan and Madison Rull showed some great teamwork. The Kickers sponsored

by Jeffrey Chubb Associates just came up short with Jake Harrison scoring two goals and Brandon Clark with a single goal with assists going to Patrick Steele. Thomas Conlon made some great saves while in net. Mike Lentini, Samantha Bowen and Henry Gailunas were dynamite on defense. At the time of print no score sheets were available for the Shamrocks sponsored by Mt. Washington Bank and the Kickers sponsored by the Jimmy Cahill Club.

UNDER 12 DIVISION:

JETS 2 / HOT TOTTIES 2

The Jets sponsored by the Michael J. Perkins A.L. Post #67 played to a tie with goals by Brennan Schallmo. Eric Pance and Aaron Mulligan did a great job sharing the goaltending duties. James O'Brien, Laura Wallace, Sophie Long and Kaia Goncalves turned in a superb performance. The Hot Totties sponsored by Massport had single goals scored by Chloe Connors and Declan Walsh. Elizabeth Powers, James Arlauskas and Anna Lysakowski played an outstanding game.

LIONS 4 / MONSTERS 1

The Lions sponsored by O'Brien Funeral Home were victorious this week with two goals by Ani Pulake and single goals by Patrick Gjoka and Abigail Seero. Linda Stefanov, Rachel Rans, Drew Garcia, Kanyiah Ganga and Brigid Rooney did a great job on the field and showed some great teamwork. The Monsters sponsored by Eastern Bank had a single goal kicked in by Tyler Errico. Rose Harnan, Andrew Devlin, Grace Tinlin and Rebecca Donovan all turned in a super performance.

UNDER 18 DIVISION:

YANKEE BUS LINE 6 DECO LEASING 4

The team sponsored by Yankee Bus Line was victorious this week with three goals scored by Patrick Forde, two goals by Justin Novicki and a single goal by Coleman O'Toole. Mark Lysakowski did a great job manning the net. Rose Forde and Jesse Miller were awesome on offense and Connor O'Toole and Shamus Flaherty dominated the defense. The team sponsored by Deco Leasing played a great game but came up short. Mohammed scored two goals and Katelyn and David each scored a goal. Anna made some great saved in net. Joe did awesome on offense and David and Sabella played a good defensive game. At the time of print no score sheets were available for the teams sponsored by Massport and Iron Workers Local #7.



High-Five City: Dominant Uehara Deserving of ALCS MVP

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY
By Conor Ryan

It's official, Red Sox Nation. Boston is heading back to its third World Series in less than 10 years. The Red Sox will kick off the final chapter of their worst-to-first season on Wednesday, as Boston will host the St. Louis Cardinals in Game 1 of the World Series at Fenway Park. It's been a grueling, emotional, but ultimately thrilling season, and there seems to be an endless amount of players responsible for getting Boston to where it is right now.

Even looking back at the hard-fought ALCS series between Boston and the Detroit Tigers, it seems like every member of the Sox roster had their moment to shine in the six-game series: David Ortiz's grand slam in Game 2, John Lackey outpitching Justin Verlander in Game 3 and Shane Victorino's go-ahead grand slam in Game 6 are just a couple of the Sox players that stepped up in crunch time and helped lead Boston over a very talented Tigers team.

Yes, there are many players to thank for getting the Red Sox to the Fall Classic, but the biggest culprit for the Red Sox's incredible postseason run

has to be their closer, 38-year-old Koji Uehara. Uehara was lights out in ALCS, finishing the series with a 1-0 record with three saves in three opportunities, striking out nine and only allowing four hits over six scoreless innings. For his efforts, Uehara was named the ALCS MVP at the end of Boston's 5-2 series-clinching win over Detroit on Saturday night. "All I can say is that I'm extremely, extremely happy right now," Uehara said after the game.

Uehara is just the third relief pitcher ever to win the ALCS MVP award. He's certainly in good company, as the other two relievers to earn the honor were Dennis Eckersley in 1988 and Mariano Rivera in 2003. Yes, while it may seem out of the ordinary for a reliever to win the MVP for a playoff series, most Red Sox fans seem to whole-heartedly agree with the call, as Uehara has been anything but ordinary this season, and not only deserves the ALCS MVP, but also the MVP of the regular season for the Sox.

It's been a whirlwind of a year for Uehara, as he wasn't even expected to pitch in the eighth inning of games

when he first arrived in Boston during the 2012 offseason.

Uehara, who came over to the United States in 2009 after a successful stint in the Nippon Professional Baseball league in Japan, found success as a reliever with the Orioles and Rangers, making him a solid pickup at the time for the Red Sox, who desperately needed bullpen depth. While Uehara's excellent control and downright filthy splitter made him a valuable part of the Boston bullpen coming into the

season, no one expected him to even be a candidate for the team's closer role.

Newly acquired Joel Hanrahan was tabbed the Sox closer at the start of the season, with former AL Rookie of the Year Andrew Bailey earning the role as setup man. Unfortunately, the Red Sox's plan for their bullpen crumbled quickly, as Hanrahan was placed on the disabled list on May 7 with a damaged flexor tendon in his elbow and missed the rest of the season. Bailey took on the role of Sox closer in the aftermath, but would also miss the rest of the season after undergoing surgery for a torn labrum in his throwing shoulder on July 24. With both Bailey and Hanrahan down for the count, Uehara, who had only recorded 14 saves in his career before this season, was forced into the role. The rest, as they say, was history.

Uehara put together one of the greatest seasons ever for a relief pitcher, as he finished the year with 21 saves and a 1.09 ERA. In 74 1/3 innings pitched, Uehara struck out 101 batters and only surrendered an astonishing nine walks. Overall, Uehara posted an 11.22 strikeout-to-walk ratio. Uehara has been as advertised during postseason play. In eight playoff games, Uehara has five saves and has struck out 13 batters over nine innings of work. Needless to say, Uehara has definitely been a vital piece of Boston's pennant-winning team, perhaps the most vital of any of the 25 players on the roster. Now, we go on to the World Series. As it's been all year, I can't even predict what players will step up and make their presence felt in this best-of-seven series, but I know Koji will be in the mix. Here's hoping for a few more high-fives in October. Let's seal the deal, Red Sox.

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Red Sox take on Cardinals in 2004 World Series Rematch

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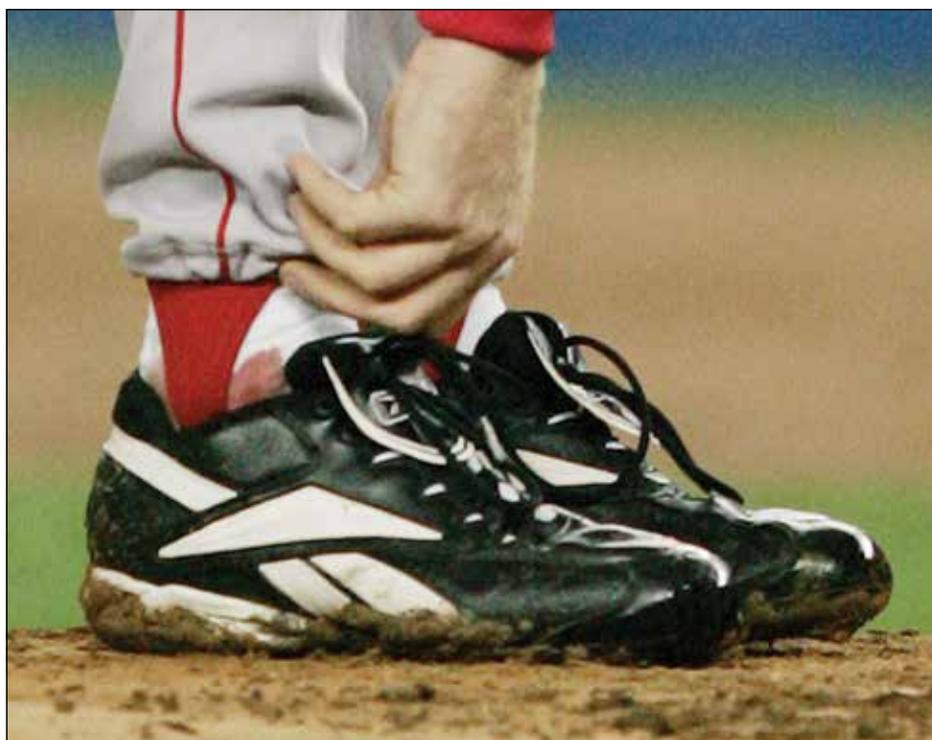
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The 2013 MLB Postseason has been a thrill to watch, particularly if you are a fan of the Boston Red Sox or St. Louis Cardinals. The last time these two teams met in the postseason, the Red Sox swept the Cardinals in the 2004 World Series, and were MLB Champions for the first time in 86 long years.

It may not seem like it's been nine years since the Red Sox broke the Curse of the Bambino, but it has been nearly a decade and a lot has changed for both teams since they last went head to head for baseball's ultimate prize.

Starting with St. Louis, since losing to the Sox 2004, the Cards have won two World Series Championships. They beat the Detroit Tigers 4-1 in the 2006 World Series, and more recently they beat the Texas Rangers 4-3 in 2011. The Cardinals made it to the postseason in 2012 as the National League Wild Card victor, and lost to the eventual World Series Champion San Francisco Giants in the NLCS. St. Louis has made it to the postseason 6 out of the last 9 seasons since 2004.

The Red Sox, after beating the Cardinals in 2004, have won another World Series in 2007 when they swept the Colorado Rockies in four straight



games. Since, it's been somewhat disappointing for the Red Sox, who have been to the postseason 5 out of the last 9 seasons since 2004. After 2007 the Red Sox largely underachieved, after losing in the ALCS to Tampa Bay in 2008, they were swept away by the Anaheim Angels in the 2009 Division Series. The downward trend would continue, as the Sox did not make the postseason in 2010 or 2011. Then in 2012, the franchise had its worst season since 1965, going 69-93 for a dismal .426 winning percentage.

2013 has been a good year for both teams. The Cardinals continue to be a model of consistency in the NL Central, they came in 1st place in their division with a 97-65 record under Mike Matheny, now in his second year as the St. Louis manager (Matheny was a catcher for the Cards in 2004). The Red Sox went from worst to first in their road to the American League pennant. The Sox also went 97-65 this season, and came in 1st place in the AL East.

For the Cardinals, the road to the World Series ran through the

Pittsburgh Pirates and Los Angeles Dodgers. The Pirates gave St. Louis a run for their money but ultimately lost to a more experienced Cardinals team in the Division Series, 3-2. St. Louis then outplayed the Dodgers for the majority of their six game series, and beat Los Angeles handily, 4-2 in the NLCS.

Good pitching and timely hitting has put the Cardinals where they are. Much like Boston, St. Louis is a team that can expect a big hit from practically anyone in their line-up. They've gotten solid pitching from starters Adam Wainwright, Jake Westbrook, and Michael Wacha.

Boston is similar; they've gotten strong pitching from Jon Lester, John Lackey, and Clay Buchholz. Both teams haven't had the "lights out" pitching that many expect to see in the postseason, but both squads have pitchers that grind through tough innings and keep the scores low enough for their offense to do some damage.

The road to the World Series has been a bit more dramatic for Boston. They beat Tampa Bay 3-1 in the ALDS, and had several intense bouts in a spectacular series against the Detroit Tigers; two grand slams drove Boston to two vital wins in the ALCS, as the Sox went on to beat the Tigers

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in that series, 4-2.

The Sox score more runs than the Cardinals, but the Cardinals give up fewer runs than the Red Sox. In 2013, the Red Sox lead the majors with 853 runs scored; the Cardinals scored 783. However, the Sox allowed 656 runs to be scored, where the Cardinals only allowed 596.

Thinking back to 2004, these two teams were entirely different. In fact, the only player who remains (for either team), as part of the roster from 2004, is Red Sox DH David Ortiz. For the Sox fan, the 2004 World Series victory reminds you of Curt Schilling and the bloody sock, David Roberts and the steal that saved the Red Sox season, Manny Ramirez was the World Series MVP. It was a Red Sox team that featured Keith Foulke as the closer, Mark Bellhorn was your Mike Napoli, Pedro Martinez and Derek Lowe started and won two games in the World Series. 2004 was Terry Francona's first year as the Red Sox manager.

For the Cardinals, they had slugger Albert Pujols in 2004, their starters were Chris Carpenter, Jason Marquis, Matt Morris and Jeff Suppan. Their closer was Jason Isringhausen, and they had perennial All-Star candidates in third-baseman Scott Rolen and center fielder Jim Edmonds. Tony LaRussa was managing the Cards in 2004.

Prior to the Red Sox beating the Cardinals in 2004, the two teams had met twice before in the

World Series, once in 1946 and again in 1967; St. Louis won both of those series in seven games.

This World Series will likely be more like the 1946 and 1967 meetings that went the distance than the '04 World Series victory for the Sox. In 2004 they were destiny's team, after coming back to complete the greatest comeback in the history of the sport being down 3-0 to the Yankees in the ALCS, nothing was going to stop that train from rolling, and nothing did.

The 2013 World Series features baseball's best two teams in terms of both wins (97 apiece) and run differential (+197 for the Sox, +187 for the Cards). Both John Farrell and Mike Matheny are stepping into the spotlight now in their young managerial careers. The team who wins this series will win their third World Series title in under a decade - which would be just the third time in MLB history that a single franchise has won a championship three times over a ten year span.

It doesn't happen often in baseball or professional sports in general, where the two best teams in the league go at it with one another for all the marbles, but it will happen this year. Expect these teams to grind, expect to be holding your breath on every pitch, and if you are a Red Sox or Cardinals fan, strap yourselves in, it's going to be a long series.

Game 1 of the 2013 World Series will be played at Fenway Park on Wednesday, October 23; first pitch is at 8:07PM.

SOUTHIE HALLOWEEN PUB CRAWL

Join the frightening fun on Southie's first ever Halloween restaurant & pub crawl on All Hallow's Eve, Thursday October 31, 2013 featuring some of the best pub and restaurant venues in Southie.

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