Have We Stemmed The Tide Of Over-development?

Neighborhood pressure, political courage, community unity, a supportive local newspaper, a liberated downtown press corps all added up to help a neighborhood achieve the desired outcome at the Gate of Heaven School. Luxury condos out. Charter school option still on the table. Neighborhood preservation has a temporary victory.

Quoting a recent Boston Magazine article, “Nary a tear was shed in South Boston on Wednesday, May 14 when word came down that the Boston Redevelopment Authority had pulled from its agenda a vote on the controversial proposal to turn

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Memorial Day is a sacred holiday meant to pay homage to America’s soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines and Coast Guard, who gave their lives in service to our country. Upon reading several commentaries and past articles written in this and other local newspapers and media outlets, it occurred to this author that it would be useful to provide these 5 simple ways to observe Memorial Day, gleaned from this review.

1. Fly Your Flag at Half-Staff - Unlike other occasions when the American Flag is flown at half-staff, proper protocol for flying your flag on Memorial Day is to fly it at half-staff from sunrise to noon and then raise it quickly to full-staff.

2. National Moment of Remembrance - The White House Commission on Remembrance, established by Congress in 2000, encourages all Americans to remember those who paid the ultimate price in service to our nation. On Memorial Day at 3 p.m. take a moment and observe the National Moment of Remembrance by pausing for 60 seconds to remember the men and women who fought and died while serving our country. To help spread the word about the National Moment of Remembrance the organization suggests that each person tell three people and ask those individuals to tell three people and so on.

3. Placing Flags on Gravesites - Many cemeteries need volunteers to help place flags on military gravesites. If this is something that interests you, but you’re unsure how to get involved, simply call the cemetery or church of your choice and inquire. Most likely, they’ll welcome and appreciate your offer of assistance.

4. Educating Children About Memorial Day - Because the military is a significant part of their life, military kids often have a more comprehensive understanding of Memorial Day and what it represents. However, when asked about Memorial Day, many kids associate it as a day off from school, or the first day the pool opens. This mind-set presents an excellent opportunity to educate children – military and civilian alike about the true meaning of Memorial Day.

5. Attend a Ceremony Across the country, veteran’s organizations such as the VFW, American Legion and most, if not all, military installations will host a Memorial Day ceremony. For many, Memorial Day Weekend signals the unofficial kick-off to summer. Trips to the beach, camping and backyard barbecues will fill many agendas. However, we must never forget that the real reason behind the long holiday weekend is to honor, remember and show gratitude to America’s fallen heroes.

“Always do everything you ask of those you command” - General George S. Patton

This Week’s Poll

The South Boston Waterfront Sustainable Transportation Plan is being jointly sponsored, supported, and led by the MCCA, Massport, the City of Boston and MassDot

Do You Agree That South Boston Residents Should Have Representation At The Planning Table?

Here’s How South Boston Today readers Answered.

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May 22, 2014
A story in the press just a short time ago had millions of Americans fuming mad. But it just kind of disappeared save for some of the conservative news sources. On the other hand, the liberal press though killed it fast. I’m speaking, of course, about what one Republican Congressman called “the biggest prison break in American history”. Yes, you remember it now. It leaked out that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released 36,000 convicted illegal immigrant criminals from US prisons last year. That’s right, just released them into the general public. ICE did not deport them, they just let them go. Among the prisoners released were murderers, rapists, drug dealers, illegal gunrunners, bank robbers, home invaders, people convicted of assault and battery and a variety of other offenses.

Talk to residents of Arizona and Texas and other border states and they’ll tell you that our border patrol personnel, much to their dismay, are all but being told to ‘stand down’ as illegals are pouring in from Mexico. The 36,000 released from prison just add to the flood. Do you still think Obama, Pelosi and Harry Reid care about protecting the United States or about the safety of its citizens? If American citizens murder, rape, rob or deal drugs, and are caught, they go to prison, if convicted and then serve their time. But it seems illegal or undocumented aliens get a free pass out of jail to go back out and do it again.

This coming weekend as we celebrate Memorial Day and honor all American veterans from every one of our nation’s wars dating back to the Revolution, I wonder what would those warriors, American heroes who gave their lives for this country, think of today’s America, if they came back and saw what is happening to the nation they sacrificed for and helped build? I think they would be furious, as well as saddened, that a country as great as America has been for over 2 centuries could be so quickly and methodically torn down by this administration and some in Congress. It’s an administration filled with radicals, who have little respect for our Constitution and harbor what obviously is a dislike for the United States and all it stands for. With help and determination from American patriots, hopefully we’ll be able to hold on to this great country until we can toss them out on their tails in upcoming elections.

Moving on to local issues, the decision by the BRA to withdraw the proposal to make the Gate of Heaven into more luxury condos speaks volumes about what this neighborhood can still do when it unites. This was an issue that residents would not yield on in their passion in opposition as the battle cry went out loud and clear that “Enough is Enough!” Rather than crowd size diminishing with each meeting as is so often the case when a controversy drags on over a long period, it continued to increase. All of our elected officials got on board in support of their constituents and the message was unmistakable. People want and need a good school, not more condos.

After the decision to pull the proposal was announced, I spoke with Kevin Lally of the Gate of Heaven Civic Association, which has been very active in its opposition to the new condos. Kevin was elated and grateful for the support that was shown by so many in this battle. He stated: “The people of South Boston have spoken and finally we have a mayor willing to listen.” He went on to say that hopefully the Church will sit down with the residents and do what is not only best for them in the long term but more importantly what is best for the children of South Boston and their families.” And that really is the goal of all: A positive outcome for the families of South Boston and the Church as well.

In closing, the entire team here at South Boston Today wishes everyone a happy Memorial Day. Whether you plan to travel and get away for the weekend or spend your holiday local, please are safe, enjoy the good company of family and friends and of course remember to thank a veteran for making it all possible.
Councilor Linehan Calls for Resident Parking 7 Days a Week.

Council President Linehan met this week with Transportation Commissioner Gillooey to talk about district transportation issues including the possibility of a 7 day a week Resident Parking Program. Due to the continued population growth in South Boston, Councilor Linehan continues to work on the expansion of resident parking opportunities. Hundreds of new public resident parking spaces have been created over the past few years, but it is now time to expand the posted program to include weekends.

Councilor Linehan continues to work together to address this most pressing issue. Recently the Transportation Commissioner met with the South Boston elected officials to begin a dialogue and process to improve conditions.

“Tasked the Commissioner to consider a pilot program of 7 day resident parking in the most residential section of South Boston to give us a chance to see that it can work and improve this most pressing quality of life issue. Of course a community meeting would be held prior to implementation and after implementation to verify impacts and improvements.” – Council President Bill Linehan. Councilor Flaherty added, “It is clear the neighborhood continues to be overdeveloped to the point where parking is no longer just a weekday problem for residents, it’s now a 365 day problem! Residents across the town have asked us to consider a 7 day a week resident parking program similar to other densely populated neighborhoods, and as elected leaders we are listening and responding.” Representative Collins said, “I want to thank Council President Linehan for his leadership on this issue, working together we believe the City and State can find new ways to increase parking opportunities in South Boston.”

This is just one more step in the ongoing battle to deal with the impacts of density and its effects on our quality of life. Additional measures are to be explored which include angled parking as well as changes and amendments to the zoning code. If you have any suggestions on ways to increase resident parking or improve transportation issues, please contact Councilor Linehan’s office at (617) 635-3203 or email him at Bill.Linehan@boston.gov.

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the Gate of Heaven School into condominiums.” It went on to report that “The BRA was set to discuss the project at their monthly board meeting. But, without the support of residents or, apparently, the mayor, the vote is now off the table.” It continued, “Neighborhood opposition was fierce. (One poll - (South Boston Today’s incidentally) - had the plans losing by an 88-to-12 percent margin.) There were multiple public meetings hosted by the BRA attended by crowds of residents unhappy with the developer’s plans, who stood to express their displeasure. There were concerns over the density (the number of units), and that there wasn’t enough parking.” Interestingly enough the magazine reporter further stated that “Southie has done its fair share when it comes to building new apartment and condominium complexes. Over 1,000 units of housing are proposed, approved, or under construction right now—and that doesn’t include any of the buildings going up in the nearby Seaport District or Fort Point Channel. That’s pretty significant in a city that, in the past decade, built 2,000 units a year.”

There is a surprising confluence of factors referenced in the first sentence of this article. Neighborhood Pressure: the civic organization of residents most affected by

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REP. COLLINS VOTES TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR VETERANS AND HOMELESSNESS

BOSTON – State Representative Nick Collins joined his colleagues in the Massachusetts House of Representatives to pass a $144 million supplemental budget that maintains and extends state programs for housing and veteran services.

Most importantly, the supplemental budget includes $6.2 million to create new beds for homeless persons throughout the Commonwealth and provides more than $500,000 to improve caseloads and services for veterans within the state.

The bill also includes $10.4 million for the Department of Children & Families to help lower case loads and further the agency’s reform.

“Massachusetts currently enjoys an AA+ bond average, the highest in its history, and our unemployment rate continues to fall,” said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo. “This spending package reflects and extends the fiscally-prudent and targeted strategies that have helped us achieve that growth.”

“The supplemental budget provides for continued funding to support our veterans, our children and our homeless citizens,” said Rep. Collins. “We have a commitment to support those who have served and protect our most vulnerable citizens and this budget honors those obligations.”

The supplementary budget also provides: $11.3 million for the Department of Developmental Services; and Funding to cover new enrollment in the state’s Group Insurance Commission.
In addition to remembering our lost loved ones, Memorial Day is a time to pay homage to places, events and those we may know by their deeds or reputation. South Boston, in its own way, is its own memorial. The beaches were created by South Bostonians who demanded a better life. Southie Senator Johnny Powers created the Lagoon. The South Boston Citizen’s Association played a major role in honoring and preserving the memory of Evacuation Day. South Boston past leaders, defenders and stewards lived at all points of the compass. Russ Waterman tirelessly worked to successfully improve street and living conditions for over forty years in the Andrew Square area.

From Andrew Square we look all the way to Andy Donovan of City Point, who during the crises of the 1970’s was one of the town’s leading defenders. Around the Heights was Mary Binda whose activism is remembered every year with an annual fund raising harbor cruise. In the lower end, Helen Vaillencourt is remembered as the leader who fought blight, property abandonment and for the creation of housing.

The historian they all looked for remembrance as to how things got done was Charlie Fay from E and Bolton Streets. Charlie lived to 98 and at 97 still served as an usher during collections at St. Vinny’s. And Charlie did remember. His story of going to the bathhouse as a child, at D and Summer Streets opened a whole new window into Southie - its history and people.

The whole world today is familiar with the L Street bathhouse as it was the first. Back in 1895 the South Boston Alderman was named Collins and lived on E Street. Over the years he had seen the railroad trestle extend A Street from its terminus at A and 3rd Streets to the Fan Pier and docks on the waterfront. That led to landfill creating the Boston Wharf warehouses along A Street, which actually created the Fort Point Channel in 1840. In 1870 more fill created warehouse land to approximately C Street.

In 1895 Alderman Collins refused to support further creation of warehouse land without tangible benefits for South Boston residents. The businessmen agreed and thus Commonwealth Park was created. Forty-six acres with a concert/picnic area, 3 baseball diamonds, an oval running track, a football field and the bath house at D and Summer where Charlie took his first hot shower. This park extended nearly as far as today’s “E” Streets. Sadly in 1912, with WWI on the horizon, this area was reclaimed and extended past E Street to create the U. S. Navy Base at South Boston. Promises to return the park were lost with the outbreak of WWII and the entire area from L Street to A and First Streets to the waterfront became a military installation. While the base remained, at War’s end its boundaries were reduced to between E to L Streets.

Fifty years had dimmed folks’ memory and instead of returning our park, E to A Street became mostly warehouses. The most prominent feature was the 9 story Victor Coffee building smack in the middle of our D Street Commonwealth Park. In 1974, the U. S. downsized its military bases. The fence came down on Pappas Way, providing passage from First to Summer Streets through this former base. In November 1997, Chapter 152 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, authorizing the BCEC, was passed and the result is the development we see today.

However, today’s reality wasn’t created in a vacuum. The residents of South Boston didn’t abandon their town or their oversight responsibilities. In record numbers they jammed the Gavin, Tynan and Condon Schools to discuss how to create the new without destroying the old. Those in attendance made it crystal clear a 16-20 foot fence or a kind of “Berlin Wall” proposed for First Street was a non-starter. We would not accept denied access to our waterfront with an ‘us against them’ wall of separation. Nor would we accept a relocation of the industrial area from the area created by humans for industrial use to the area created by natures God for the habitation of people and their homes.

We promised not to make an issue of the fact that the charter, which created Massport in 1954, specifically states they can only develop uses that “enhance the working port”. ICA

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The good news is, the Boston Police have been working hard and keeping their promises to the residents of South Boston as well as to our elected officials. After some violent crimes, among them at least 2 murders over the past couple of years in this community and an epidemic of drug dealing and drug abuse that is wreaking havoc in nearly every neighborhood in the city, police patrols and good undercover work have increased and improved. At community meetings, law enforcement officials stated that they would make improving the safety on our streets an even bigger priority and they have done so. Witness the arrest made last week at 71 B Street of a suspect police say was in possession of narcotics and some top of the line fire power. A handgun was retrieved as well as a semi-automatic rifle at that address.

Boston Police spokespeople reported that members of the Drug Control Unit gave chase to the male suspect on May 14th who was said to have been in possession of the handgun which the suspect was said to admit accidentally went off when it fell from his pocket during that chase. He was later arrested at his B Street residence where a search was conducted later which turned up the rifle and drugs. Charges against 18 year old Levant Wheeler include unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition, discharging a firearm within 500 feet of dwellings, possession with intent to sell class B narcotics, receiving stolen property and a variety of other offenses for which he was scheduled to be arraigned at South Boston District Court. As was stated - this was the good news. This suspect was caught and arrested, 2 illegal guns were taken off the streets and our police officers are having ever increasing success in their efforts to bring this type of crime under control.

The bad news is there are still many other offenders committing crimes of this nature which puts the citizens of Boston in some locations at risk. As always, for the police to continue to have success in taking violent criminals off the streets, they ask for the cooperation of average citizens to make those calls when they see suspicious activities. It is because of the willingness of residents to get involved by calling 911 and providing those helpful tips that so much progress is being made. That and of course some excellent police work.

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James T. Brett, President and CEO of the New England Council served as Rivier University’s Commencement speaker and was awarded an honorary doctorate of humane letters in recognition of his collaborative efforts to bring people and resources together to improve the New England region. Brett is a longtime advocate for people with intellectual disabilities,
CITY OF BOSTON MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department have announced Memorial Day observances taking place in City-owned parks and cemeteries.

On Thursday, May 22, the Massachusetts Military Heroes Fund, a non-profit dedicated to the families of military service personnel from Massachusetts fallen in service to the United States, will host a service at 10:30 a.m. at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument on Boston Common.

The event will include the reading of the names of Bay State service members who have died as a result of active duty post 9/11. The reading will take place among a flag garden with 37,000 miniature American flags honoring the sacrifices of all fallen Massachusetts service men and women dating back to the Revolutionary War.

Every year for the past 68 years, the City of Boston’s Veterans Services, in conjunction with the American Legion, AMVETS, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and other veterans’ organizations, hosts a commemorative Memorial Day Service.

This year’s Presentation of the Colors will be held on Friday, May 23, at 9:30 a.m. at the Sgt. Charles A. MacGillivary Veterans Memorial Park located in the Back Bay Fens opposite the rear of the Museum of Fine Arts and adjacent to Roberto Clemente Stadium. The event is free and open to the public.

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On Sunday, May 25, a Memorial Day ceremony will be held at Mount Hope Cemetery, 355 Walk Hill St., Mattapan, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will include a short parade from inside the cemetery gate up to the WWI and WWII Monument where the ceremony will be held. For more information, please contact Arthur Smith of the American Legion at (617) 298-7509.

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, services will be held at Fairview Cemetery, 45 Fairview Avenue, Hyde Park, at 11 a.m. The day’s activities begin with an 8 a.m. service at the Fogg-Roberts American Legion Post 78 located at 56 Harvard Avenue in Hyde Park.

From there participants will march to a Mass at Most Precious Blood Parish at 43 Maple Street and then return to the Post for the start of a tour of local veteran’s squares. The procession will end up at the Civil War Memorial at Fairview Cemetery for the closing ceremony at 11 a.m. For more information, please contact Andy Murphy of the Fogg Post at (617) 364-1636.

In addition, a Memorial Day observance will also be held on May 26 at Evergreen Cemetery, 2060 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton, at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For further information, please call the City of Boston’s Cemetery Division at (617) 635-7361.

Veterans Remembered in ‘America’s Hometown’

Ray Flynn

Saturday morning in Dorchester, I listened to Dan Stack, chapter adjutant, at the installation of the Boston officers and members of Disabled American Veterans very articulately, but passionately, make a compelling presentation for timely and decent health care services for our veterans. The Obama administration has come under criticism for the long delays many veterans have faced to receive critical health care at VA Hospitals throughout the country. It is alleged that veterans’ hospitals are manipulating waiting lists to hide long delays. The DAV has not called for the resignation of the Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shineski, but veterans’ organizations across the country have called for an investigation into why the facts about the long delays have been manipulated. Most national politicians have very little understanding the sacrifices and challenges that our returning veterans continue to face, and neither does the public.

Last Saturday in Dorchester, a scholarship benefit was held for deceased U.S. Navy Corpsman Timothy Cook from South Boston who honorably served in Iraq. Tim was awarded the Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal for unselfish service when our country needed him. Tim returned home to his loving family and friends, but like many warriors he faced personal challenges including post-traumatic stress. He struggled with those demons, but ultimately lost the battle. It was heart warming to see so many supportive and patriotic South Boston people on hand at the teachers’ union hall. As usual our political leaders were there, Bill Linehan, Nick Collins and Mike Flaherty. No community has a stronger commitment to our veterans than South Boston.

Tim graduated from Boston College High School and last night, thanks to his family and his many friends, his memory will live on through a scholarship for a deserving student in his honor. Joe Cook, Tim’s dad, said it best at the State House the other day when he told 50 lawmakers that we must all recommit ourselves to be vigilant and mindful of the challenges that our veterans face when they return home. Joe Cook greeted everyone at the door with a big hug and made us all proud to be there.

Monday at Gate of Heaven Church a memorial Mass was held for Kevin Dorion who recently passed away - a great kid from a wonderful family who lived on East Fourth Street. I saw so many wonderful neighbors, but I also saw many Vietnam Nam veterans who courageously served our country and hung at the corner of H Street and Fourth. Some of them did not return home, but I know that many of the people in church on Monday were like me, not only thinking about them with love and admiration, but crying a little too. That’s the real movie that should be made about South Boston. I’d call it America’s Hometown.

This Memorial Day when we honor all those who died serving our country, we must also reflect and honor the sacrifices all our military veterans made to our country.

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What special meaning and significance does the Memorial Day weekend hold for people would probably depend on who you asked. Surely, it signals what many consider the unofficial start to the summer season. Weather permitting, many folks look forward to it as a time to maybe get away for the long weekend on a trip to the beach or the mountains. Back yard family barbecues and cookouts are always popular as are gatherings with friends for parties etc. Perhaps you’ll stay local and relax at home and catch a game or two on TV and enjoy that much deserved day off on Monday. To so many South Bostonians it could be one or more of the above. But to us and many other people who live in other traditional, what most would consider patriotic communities around the country it means all of the above, but something else as well. It means something far more important than our own personal creature comforts and fun.

Memorial Day is set aside to remember and to honor America’s heroes who served in our country’s armed forces and put their lives on the line and often lost those lives so that all of us could enjoy the freedom and liberty that our Nation’s Founding Fathers envisioned for us when they drew up that amazing document called the Constitution of the United States. South Boston has many sons and daughters who never returned from fighting our country’s battles. On a per capita scale, there may not be another community who had more.

Many people will this weekend make that solemn journey to a cemetery where a family member is buried and lay a wreath or flowers at a grave site. Others will attend a special Church Service, proudly display Old Glory or maybe even attend a Memorial Day dedication or parade. All the other activities that come with warm weather and sunshine are part of the tradition as well of course. But as Americans, at least in the opinion of so many of our neighbors, remembering and honoring our veterans; especially those who are no longer among us should always remain the most important reason for this holiday. We owe it to those heroes to never forget the sacrifices made on our behalf. It makes us proud that so many of our neighbors never have and never will.

The following is a schedule of the traditional Memorial Day exercises being put on by our veterans organizations for this weekend:

On Sunday, May 25th, The Thomas Fitzgerald Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet at the post on E. Fourth Street between L and K Streets at 9:am. At exactly 9:30am, they will march to Medal of Honor Park at M Street and lay a wreath at the South Boston Vietnam Memorial. The public is invited and encouraged to join our veterans in this annual event.

On Monday, May 26th on Memorial Day itself, the South Boston Allied War Veterans will hold their annual outdoor Mass at Dorchester Heights. This starts promptly at 9am. Here again, the public is asked to be part of this traditional ceremony to honor all veterans.

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After the community agreed to lift the “hotel prohibition”, now the BCEC expansion is just about a done deal. Is this what passed for thoughtful strategic planning through the community process in government today? Do people think they’re clever because they lied to people who trusted them? Is this what passed for democracy today? None of us knew General Washington and few were at places like Pearl Harbor or Iwo Jima, but they are part of our collective memorial remembrances.

Very few of today’s residents knew of Alderman Collins, Russ Waterman, Mary Binda, Andy Donovan or Helen Vaillencourt but we can all honor, memorialize, remember and carry on the work and dedication they and many others have done to protect, defend and make this great community an even greater place. In their memory and for your own quality of life, speak out against industrializing residential South Boston. Imagine if, at the beginning, the charlatans had proposed turning the industrial area into Wally World and moving the remaining industry to residential South Boston. We wouldn’t even be having this conversation.

Don’t reward lies and deceit. Take care till next week.
"I am thankful for the dedication of our community's veterans and appreciate the sacrifices they have made for all of us as we honor them on this Memorial Day."
- Rep. Nick Collins

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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: Seas the Day

Wow- how did we get here? It just feels like yesterday I was wearing fleece-lined leggings; wait- I was. The unofficial kickoff to summer, Memorial Day Weekend, has arrived, swiftly and quietly. This holiday crept up on me like a seagull plotting to steal my onion rings at Sully’s. It has shaken me into overdrive and I am scrambling to get a tan, buy white pants and do anything at all by the water, though I can smell the ocean from my bedroom every day. Go figure. Since some of the weather seems iffy, the browning of my skin looks unlikely, therefore throwing the idea of white pants out the window.

That leaves ocean side pursuits. Get your toes wet by the water’s edge with these events by the sea and do some good for you and me!

Sea Legs:
With the Best Buddies Ride just under two weeks away, many volunteers are gearing up and ridin’ around to stay in motion. On Thursday May 22, Best Buddies is hosting a “Special Ladies’ Edition Rush Hour Ramble”, a training ride leaving from and ending at the World Trade Center, at 5:30pm. Firefly Adventure Team will host the after-event, an all women riding team, and light refreshments will be served. eventbrite.com/e/special-ladies-ramble-and-firefly-open-house-tickets-11487853479

Bestbuddieschallenge.org

Coast is Clear
Don’t you love living just blocks from the beach? All the open space to play games, take long walks and leisurely bike rides? We all need to pitch in to keep our beaches and water walkways clean and safe for all to enjoy. This Thursday, stop by the Friends of Boston Harborwalk monthly meeting, 5:30-7:00 pm. Make sure that your beach is ready when you are! eventbrite.com/e/friends-of-the-boston-harborwalk-monthly-meeting-tickets-10843267505

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Rai$e the Sails
What better way to take in all South Boston and Boston has to offer than to see it from the sea? The beautiful Roseway schooner is ready to undock and show you the way! The World Ocean School offers a variety of programs to underserved local youth to learn valuable skills that can be used at home and at sea. Join volunteers and benefactors on Wednesday May 28th for a schooner sunset sail; refreshments will be served. Ahoy, mates! worldoceanschool.org/upcoming-events/upcoming-events

Stepping Out: Southie StayCation

While many of us will follow through with a very Boston-y tradition: packing up the car and hitting the road to sit in hours of Cape traffic, I will be here, in the good, ole S.B. I, like many of you, am in need of three, full days and nights of freedom. I will be exercising three of my favorite rights: eating, drinking and being all merry. Whether you are hosting a casual fete or bringing the party to the bar, there are plenty of chances to decree FUN. With butchers marinating mouthwatering steak tips, fishermen full of fresh catch, breweries ready to fill growlers and seaside taverns pouring pints, it’s all you need to EDBM. Southie is the place to stock up before you set out, wherever the days make take you. But please do not forget: these freedoms have been fought for you and brought to you by brave men and women who have/do serve our country. Please say thank you to those who keep this the land of the free and home of the brave.

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Things to touch, see, taste, smell and hear in Southie

**Touch:** Head, Shoulders, Knees & Toes
Check out the Boston’s Run to Remember, an event that will include a fun run and half marathon through Boston and a health and wellness expo for all the family to check out. This Saturday and Sunday at the Seaport World Trade Center. Don’t worry, it won’t stretch the budget! bostonsrunforemember.com/boston/sports--fitness-expo.html

**See:** Seeing Stars
LAUGH Boston does it again with a star-studded laugh-a-thon this weekend. Bobby Slayton of “Get Shorty” fame and Joe Torry from “House Party” are hot on the mike this weekend. laughboston.com

**Taste:** Crunch Time
May is National Salad Month and sweetgreen is fully functioning for the summer season. Try some of their preplanned veggie vittles or mix it up and toss in what you like. sweetgreen.com

**Smell:** Mug a Joe with Marty
A little early to be so serious? Bring your cup of coffee and voice your concerns at the Sweeney Playground, 180 West 5th Street, Thursday May 29, 9:30-10:30am. I am sure you will be happy had your joe-to-go. sbanp.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/CoffeeHour2014.pdf

**Hear:** Sounds of Summer
The Friday night DJ series is happening again across the bridge at the Intercontinental Boston. Fridays, 8pm to midnight, enjoy dancing, drinks and delight in the open-air, at the Intercontinental. Summer winds will be enjoyed by all. eintercontinentalboston.com

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‘The Paramount’ Restaurant: A Unique Dining Experience

The first things you notice when you walk into the Paramount Restaurant located at 667 East Broadway here in South Boston is the tasteful décor, its bright and welcoming atmosphere and of course the incredible aroma of fine food being prepared fresh. It’s a blend of so many tantalizing smells it’s hard to explain with words. You are instantly greeted with friendly and professional staff, who are genuinely glad that you walked through their door to experience their wonderful cuisine and right away you are happy you came.

This is a 7 days and 7 nights a week eating establishment; with a full beer, wine and liquor license that is owned by the same family that owns The Paramount on Beacon Hill, which has been in operation there since 1937. Joe and Eleanor Greene decided to bring their Paramount Restaurant success story to South Boston and the ever growing number of pleased customers is happy they did. In fact, they will be celebrating the 2 year mark for South Boston this July.

The Paramount is a unique type of restaurant featuring a creative style of service, especially if you arrive for breakfast or lunch. You go to the counter, place your order and are seated right away. Though there is often a heavy volume of patrons, there is no wait for a table in the early hours of the day. They have this great system and it works well.

This is a family oriented business that is a big favorite of mothers with new babies. Young moms wheeling baby carriages come in at a steady pace. In fact, Tuesdays is always ‘new mothers’ day at the Paramount and it’s a big hit.

The evening hours brings in the dinner crowd to dine on what can only be classified as some of the finest quality, most sumptuous entrées served anywhere. Among the many specialties created by the Paramount’s executive Chef Gabriel Cheung are the Teriyaki Salmon, which comes with an amazing stir fry (all their seafood is purchased from the highly acclaimed Foley Fish Company) and of course their incredibly popular tenderloin beef Steak Tips marinated in homemade barbecue sauce served with mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables and the Paramount’s hand cut, special textured sweet and crunchy onion rings. Add their melted cheddar over the onion rings and you are in for a memorable taste treat. All the many other entrees are delicious as are the burgers and other sandwiches too. And for dessert, you’ll want to try the almost decadent Happy Hour special – gluten-free flourless chocolate fondant cake. It’s a classic, rich, fudgy chocolate sweets lover’s dream topped with The Paramount’s homemade whipped cream. In fact The Paramount specializes in homemade baked goods and foods
South Boston Today spoke with Bonnie Owens, the hard working and enthusiastic Marketing Manager for The Paramount and new Mom to 4 month old Emmet, Bonnie and her husband’s first child, regarding the good things about having The Paramount come to South Boston. We asked her what some of the highlights of running a business in the neighborhood are. Right away she said the customers. She enjoys meeting and having The Paramount serve all of the great people in such a wonderful community. She also had high praise for all of the staff among them The Paramount’s wine experts, Claire and Sebastian. Bonnie went on to tell SBT about the unique and creative ideas they would be introducing at the restaurant.

The Paramount is currently running its ‘after work, before the crowds’ Happy Hour Special between the hours of 5pm - 6:30pm available every day, including weekends, where they serve 3 courses for the price of 1 which includes a free salad and dessert with the purchase of a full priced entrée when you dine in. This special will be available through July 9th. This is just one of the great offerings that The Paramount has.

But the most impressive of what it has to offer is the food, the service and the satisfaction and pleasure it provides in a truly pleasant environment. If you have not tried it yet make it a destination soon. You’ll be glad you did. The Paramount is located at 667 E. Broadway, South Boston. For takeout (you can pick up or they will deliver) call 617-269-9999. Check out their website at www.paramountboston.com/southboston. They are also on Facebook and Twitter.
Southie Artist Deb Putnam Needs Your Vote

I f you’ve lived in South Boston more than a couple of days the odds are you’ve seen some of the fantastic art work by local artist Deb Putnam. Her work is stunning and creative and it has been recognized in positive and complimentary ways by some top rated art critics. Well, Deb Putnam has once again had her talent recognized as one of her paintings has been selected to be among the top 5 finalists in the Boston Arts Commission’s Portrait of a City contest. Her excellent painting titled “Copley Winter” is very much in the running.

Deb Putnam is a South Boston resident and could use the votes of her neighbors to help put her over the top. To see who the other finalists are and also view the artwork you can log onto http://publicartboston.com/content/portrait-city-semi-finalists. Hopefully while there you’ll give Deb Putnam and her ‘Copley Winter’ painting your vote.

MAYOR WALSH REOPENS SWEENEY PLAYGROUND

M ayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will celebrate the reopening of Sweeney Playground at 180 West Fifth Street in South Boston with a Neighborhood Coffee Hour sponsored by Dunkin’ Donuts on Thursday, May 29, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

The celebration marks the completion of a construction project with a design and construction budget of $583,050 funded by the City’s Capital Improvement Plan.

Improvements include new play equipment with poured-in-place safety surfacing, basketball court renovation, water play updates, new benches, a drinking fountain, site lighting upgraded to LED fixtures, court lighting upgraded to more energy efficient fixtures, improvements to the drainage system including the installation of infiltration basins to allow for groundwater recharge during storm events, as well as planting of trees and fence work.

The Neighborhood Coffee Hours give residents a unique opportunity to speak directly with Mayor Walsh about open space and other needs in their neighborhoods. Through these one-on-one discussions and a suggestion box at each site, Mayor Walsh looks forward to hearing how the City of Boston can improve upon local parks, public areas, and city services.

All participants will enjoy coffee and breakfast treats provided by Dunkin’ Donuts, fresh fruit from Whole Foods Market, and chocolate milk from H.P. Hood LLC, the official dairy sponsor for the Boston Parks and Recreation Department’s 2014 park openings.

In addition, each family in attendance will receive a flowering plant grown in the city’s greenhouses as a gift from Mayor Walsh. Residents at the event will also be eligible to win a raffle prize package including a Dunkin’ Donuts gift basket.

The Mayor’s Office of Food Initiatives will be giving away seeds to promote and educate constituents about urban gardening and farming in Boston and the Office of Emergency Preparedness will provide additional giveaways. Further information will be available on City programs from the Boston Public Library, Boston Public Schools, Boston Police Department, and Boston Centers for Youth & Families.

Dates for the full schedule of Mayor Walsh’s 2014 Neighborhood Coffee Hours are available online at www.cityofboston.gov/parks.
### Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

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As seen in the accompanying photos the “FriendRaiser” held at the Lincoln Tavern Tuesday May 13 was a great success. About 150 supporters attended the event hosted by “Julie’s Family Learning Program” and the “Social Southie” network. The purpose was twofold: to raise funds for a special South Boston institution and, as importantly, introduce new friends and remain close to the old. Thus the play on words- “FriendRaiser”. Great work by some very good people.

To learn more about Julie’s visit www.JuliesFamily.org.

Julie’s Family Learning Program “FriendRaiser”
Carrie Coughlin and Bob Monahan of the Development office at Julie's

Bob Monahan with former board member and volunteer Deb Krasnow, and current board members Ellen Segal and Matt Karlyn

Christina Costello, Jen Tracey, Kristen Dearden, Allison Hughan, Keri Baskiewicz and Emily Condon (Alison is moms club current president, all the rest are St. Peter Academy parents)

Carrie Coughlin and Bob Monahan of the Development office at Julie's

Elyse Ryan of Social Southie with Jen Ryan

New friends of Julie's Chris Woolston and Tommy Arrigg of Huxley Associates

BPD's Officer Brian Tracey with his wife Jennifer, director of the State of MA Office of Youth and Young Adult Services
Neighbors Turnout Out To Honor Tim Cook, US Navy

All the planning certainly paid off as hundreds jammed the Teacher’s Union Hall last Saturday night to honor the memory of Tim Cook. Tim as most know was a young US Navy veteran hero who passed away much too soon and is missed by his family, friends and an entire neighborhood grateful for his service to our country.

The doors opened at 7pm and the crowd just kept flowing through till the end of the night. The solemn and moving Flag Ceremony’ was one of the highlights of the evening bringing patriotic emotions to those in attendance. This ceremony was organized and conducted by Paul LeBlanc who came all the way down from Kittery Point, Maine and it held the crowd silent and spell bound all the way through. As the color guard marched out to the sound of Kenny Tallent’s bagpipes, the crowd got into party mode and the night turned into a lively and celebratory Southie ‘Time’; which according to Tim Cook’s family members and friends is exactly how Tim would have wanted it.

Funds raised will go to start a foundation that will provide scholarships to students for Boston College High School in memory of Tim Cook. Tim Cook’s work on behalf of others; both in and out of the military is well documented. So much of his life was dedicated to helping those in need that there will always be a special place in the hearts of the many who’s lives he touched. Without a doubt, this night was right up there with some of the all-time biggest and best gatherings that South Boston has ever had and it was all to honor this great man.

Congratulations to the committee who put it all together, to the members of the Cook Family, who also worked hard on the event and
could not have been more pleased at the large and enthusiastic turnout and to all those who came out to honor the memory of this great young veteran and to support such a good cause. Said old friend and neighbor Connie Murphy: “It was impressive, it was all well done and it was a good time.”
Plain and simple, the 2013-14 season was nothing short of brutal for the Boston Celtics. An injured Rajon Rondo, coupled with a downright offensive go-to option in Jeff Green and a multitude of ineffective role-players (Looking at you, Gerald Wallace) created a Molotov cocktail of mediocrity for the C’s that blew up in the faces of Danny Ainge and Co.

Granted, a poor effort was expected, and probably encouraged from Boston’s top brass. Regardless, seeing the Celtics, a franchise that averaged 52 wins over the past six seasons, routinely struggle to protect the rim and establish a rhythm on offense was nauseating to watch.

Sad as it is to admit, the Celtics joined a sad fraternity of NBA franchises that are now stuck on the outside looking in when it comes to playoff contention. While there are multiple avenues for teams to use in order to improve and make the jump to respectability, most of these methods can be shaky or downright slanted in favor of certain franchises.

Free agency is a viable option, as teams such as the Lakers and Heat have used this method to insert superstars such as LeBron James and Shaquille O’Neal into their starting five. Free agency is a viable option, as teams such as the Lakers and Heat have used this method to insert superstars such as LeBron James and Shaquille O’Neal into their starting five.

However, the Celtics rarely have this luxury, as the harsh New England winter and lack of the bright lights and entertainment of a city such as Los Angeles or Miami often scare potential suitors away from Boston. After all, when was the last time the Celtics wooed a notable free agent? Rasheed Wallace? A 600-year-old Shaq? Exactly.

The Celtics could attempt to pick up the next great prospect in the NBA Draft, but, as the draft lottery has proven time and time again, the entire ordeal is a crapshoot. Look no further than the 1997 NBA Draft: Despite having a 37 percent chance of snagging the first overall pick, the Celtics received the third pick in the lottery, loosing out on a lanky power forward out of the U.S. Virgin Islands by the name of Timothy Theodore Duncan.

Fair to say, losing out on a franchise player such as Duncan to something as preposterous as a couple of ping-pong balls is an idea that Ainge would not like to have on his conscious.

With those two options exhausted, there seems to be one remaining choice for the Celtics: Trade. It’s an option that the Celtics have used multiple times to construct championship-caliber squads, as Kevin Garnett, Ray Allen, Robert Parish and yes, even Bill Russell all donned Celtic green thanks to trades.

With nine draft picks in the next five seasons and blue-chip players such as Jared Sullinger and Kelly Olynyk on the roster, the Celtics
are in prime position to make a major move this offseason. It only takes a quick scan of the rest of the league to determine that the crown jewel of the summer for many NBA teams is Timberwolves power forward Kevin Love.

A three-time All Star, Kevin Love is a double-double machine thanks to his varied scoring ability and tenacity in the paint when it comes to pulling down rebounds. Last season, the 25-year-old big man recorded 65 double-doubles, more than the entire Celtics roster posted during the same stretch.

When paired with an All-Star point guard in Rajon Rondo, Love could become a franchise player with the Celtics for years to come. When it comes to acquiring Love, the Celtics are in a great spot with multiple pieces, including a potential top-five pick in a talent-rich 2014 draft. Boston also has great history working with Love’s agent, Jeff Schwartz, as both parties successfully mediated a deal to send another of Schwartz’s clients, Paul Pierce, to Brooklyn.

The challenge lies in Brad Stevens, Ainge and others convincing Love to sign a max contract with Boston after the 2014-15 season when the UCLA product hits the open market. YahooSports’ Adrian Wojnarowski reported that Love wants to play for a contender, meaning that Ainge will need to work hard to sell Love the idea of teaming up with Rondo in a feeble Eastern Conference.

That being said, Ainge could roll the dice and acquire Love without the guarantee of a new contract in hopes that a season in green will convince the power forward to stay in the Hub.

It certainly is a risky move, especially given the amount of talent that would have to be sent to Minnesota, but in order to the Celtics to even think about returning to prominence, a superstar such as Love needs to become a regular on the parquet floor.

The move could blow up in his face, but Ainge has a chance to acquire one of, if not the best power forward in the game today. And for a risk taker like Ainge, that move is sure as hell is worth a shot.

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the development was relentless. Political Courage: elected officials Mike Donovan, Linda Dorcena Forry, Nick Collins, Bill Linehan and Mike Flaherty stood in opposition and were ultimately joined by Mayor Marty Walsh. Community Unity: all of the civic organizations were united in opposition, considered a first by many observers. A supportive local newspaper: South Boston Today provided extensive coverage of the neighborhood effort. A liberated downtown press corps: With Tom Menino gone the major dailies are no longer afraid to challenge City Hall.

During the Menino administration, his developer friends and allies knew that all they had to do was hold a public meeting, listen to the neighbors, and promise them whatever and then just head to 1010 Mass. Ave and do what they darn well pleased with their project. The zoning board and the BRA interpreted the regulations as they saw fit to do what the Mayor’s office wanted done.

The bottom line for the neighborhood is that there be no more back room deals; no more manipulation of the permitting process or zoning interpretations to benefit favored developers. No more abject plundering of neighborhood institutions and assets in the name of perceived progress, fueled by some notion of the inevitability that the South Boston we’ve cherished will be ‘manhattanized’.

It should be said that the community is not anti-development. The benefits of the desirability of South Boston as a place to live is enlivened by the number of shops and restaurants, artists and professional, newborns and beach-goers, and a sense that the neighborhood if preserved can bridge the traditions of the past with the promise of the future. This may sound utopian but it should be worth pursuing. The drawback is affordability and here is where the decision on the Gate of Heaven School marks a turning point in the unfettered overdevelopment pace of the last ten years under Menino.

This effort to stop the Gate of Heaven luxury condo development is a case study in patience, persistence and purpose. Let’s see if the new Mayor continues to listen to the neighborhoods and balances growth and preservation.

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Rafael Rojas

VS.
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WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong
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DANNY PICARD: You mentioned that the Boston Bruins didn’t play Bruins-style hockey against the Montreal Canadiens. And I think the one thing that I looked at in the Montreal series, or at least in Games 6 and 7, was something that I never thought I’d be saying at the end of the series, which was, the Montreal Canadiens played Bruins-style hockey. When I break down how this series ended in the last two games, with the Bruins having led the series 3-games-to-2, and then Montreal winning the last two, I know that the Canadiens missed opportunities and they had a couple defensive breakdowns, but for a 60-minute effort in games 6 and 7, I don’t think the Bruins played that bad. In fact, I look at those final two games and say, Montreal played great. And I never thought I’d be saying that they could have played the way they played: blocking shots, being the more physical team. So how do you look at the last two games of that series, and basically, the season ending? Do you agree that Montreal stepped into those two games and played great, or are you sort of saying that the Bruins missed opportunities and they kind of lost it for themselves?

JOE MCDONALD: Ya know, Danny, I agree with you. I think Montreal just basically took it to the Bruins, and it all started in Game 6. Once the Canadiens got that lead in Game 6, that’s when you saw them starting to play a more physical game. They weren’t hesitant, they didn’t sit back and say, “Let’s protect this lead.” They said, “Let’s set the tone right now for Game 7 in Boston, and this is the style of hockey we’re going to play. We’re not going to let you play your style of hockey. We’re going to bring it to you.” And that’s exactly what happened in Game 6. In that third period, the hits that they were putting on the Bruins, I was baffled. And I was thinking, “They’re going to run out of gas here, they’re going to totally wipe themselves out, and in Game 7 they’re not going to be able to sustain that kind of pressure in that type of game in Game 7. No way, that’s not going to happen.” And they did, they did it. And you have to give them credit. They’re a good team, and even at the start of the playoffs, nevermind the start of the series, I was asked, “Who’s the one team that you’re really worried about facing?” And right there I said, “It’s the Montreal Canadiens.” They were the one team in the East that I thought would match up well against the Bruins. And then if you threw a solid goaltender performance in there by Carey Price, I knew the Canadiens could win the series. But going into Game 7, I still thought the Bruins were going to wake up, figure out what the Canadiens were doing against them, and win that game. And they didn’t, because the Canadiens were just the better team. And you have to give them credit. The one thing that I was just totally blown away by, was the whole disrespect thing. Look, the Canadiens used that as a motivational factor to win that series. And hey, it worked for them, good, but, some of the comments that were coming out of that room postgame were just ridiculous. It’s Bruins and Canadiens, one of the best rivalries in all of sports. Of course that gamesmanship stuff is going to happen. So, hey, you won, tip your cap, call it a day, and good luck against New York.

DP: Dale Weise was talking about the handshake line after Game 7. And he basically tells the media about Milan Lucic. I don’t know that we would have even been looking back at the video if he hadn’t opened his mouth about it. But since he did, and since we did look back at the video, Joe, I don’t fault a player for being upset in the handshake line. And you know that some bad things have been said, probably all the time, that we don’t know about because they don’t look like Lucic looked when he was saying it. There’s a way to go up and down the handshake line and tell the guy, “Bleep you, this and that, and I’m going to get you next year,” but it’s done in a manner in which nobody would know about it because they’re not trying to rip the guy’s arm off. What did you think about the way Milan Lucic went about the handshake line. I think it looked terrible. I’m somebody that doesn’t usually get fired up about these types of things, and I have no problem with what Lucic said, but I think you’ve got to find a way to keep your composure and not sort of lose it the way he did, knowing that the cameras are going to be on him.

JM: I agree with you. The one thing that I will say though, is that, I’m sure that happens more often than not. Going through a handshake line, things are said that just never get out. But I think the Canadiens were so fired up about this series, about beating the Bruins, that they’ve probably spilled their guts when they probably shouldn’t have. The water bottle thing with Subban and Thornton, I’m sure that happens all the time throughout the season, but it’s never brought up, because the opposing player never complains about it. It just so happens that these issues came up in this series, because the Montreal Canadiens were bitching about it, basically. Now, as far as the handshake is concerned, it’s a weird dynamic, because this is a great tradition that hockey has, that other sports don’t have. The series is over and you’re shaking hands, but you have to remember that these guys play an entire season and then get to the second round against a storied rival, and they should win, they’re the odds-on favorite to win the Stanley Cup, and then they lose to the Montreal Canadiens on home ice. If I was a player, I would be fired up too. Yes, you have to try and keep your composure. But the game is over, and you’re seeing the Canadiens celebrate on your ice. And you know what, it got the best of him. But I’m sure it happens all the time. I don’t think it’s just, “Hey, tell the wife and kids I said hi. Send me a text and we’ll go play golf.” I don’t think it’s like that. I think it’s a bunch of f-bombs. I think it’s a weird dynamic, and unfortunately, there’s so many camera angles now, that, any time a player mentions something, you can easily go back and find it. But, yes, Lucic should have kept his composure, no doubt about it. But I also don’t blame him for being fired up in that situation.

DP: When I look back at this series, I think the one game that pisses me off the most, is Game 3, and the way the Bruins came out for Game 3. After that game, I can remember looking back at the end of Game 2 and asking, “Why was Claude Julien talking about officials or anything officiating-related after a big win in which you even the series at 1-1?” And I think the Bruins in Game 3, they lost that game off the opening face-off because it was like they didn’t even want to lay a body on a Canadiens player because they didn’t want to get a penalty. And
I thought that Julien’s comments about officiating sort of stayed in the room and stayed in the Bruins players’ heads. And all the talk about the officials in Montreal giving the Canadiens an advantage, I think that played a role in the Canadiens taking an advantage, I think that the officials in Montreal giving the players’ heads. And all the talk about the room and stayed in the Bruins about officiating sort of stayed in further notice to you.

Objections within thirty (30) days of the objection followed by an Affidavit of timely written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 06/12/2014.

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. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 06/12/2014.

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I didn’t agree with you more, as far as the physicality part of it in Game 3, because, the Bruins knew, going up to Montreal, that they were going to have to be a more disciplined team. They needed to stay out of the box because the Montreal power play was effective in the first couple of games. Now, you go into that building, you have to shut up that crowd as quickly as you can. And they didn’t do that, because they weren’t using the body. And they stayed out of the box. When you’re looking at a Bruins/Canadiens playoff series, and there’s a total of two penalties in an entire game, that does not bode well for the Boston Bruins.

I’m not saying you’ve got to go out and get penalties, but they relied on their penalty kill for so long, that, if you’re in that type of situation, take the body, throw somebody around. And if you get a penalty, rely on your penalty kill to kill it off, which they’ve done plenty of times in the past. But I think you’re right. I think that took a little something out of the Bruins by trying to play a more disciplined style of hockey. And then, it almost backfired on them in Game 7, because the first goal came after Gregory Campbell went in to take the body at a time where he should have taken his man. But he didn’t. He went in, and Briere took the puck, throws it out front, and Weise is standing at the far post, and goal. Bartkowski is standing there watching the puck. I mean, he had an awful series. He had an awful playoffs. But I think you’re right. I think that just maybe having that in the back of their minds, going up to Montreal, that they have to be extremely disciplined or they’re going to end up in the box, I think that could have had an effect on the way they played that game.

DP: Did you think that we were really going to see Dennis Seidenberg if the Bruins had advanced to the Eastern Conference Finals?

JM: Absolutely. I think he was right on the verge of coming back. I’m not surprised that he did not play Game 7 against the Canadiens, because he’s not completely healed yet. He just started taking light contact at the end of practices and morning skates [in the Canadiens series]. But I believe that, if the Bruins reached the Eastern Conference Finals, I think we would have seen Dennis Seidenberg back in the lineup, which is unbelievable to think of, given the fact that he had surgery on January 7 to repair a torn MCL and ACL, and then this guy is back a few months later. So, unfortunately, we’re not going to see that. It just means he gets a longer offseason to really heal up and strengthen that knee and be ready for training camp.

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