According to a report in the Boston Herald, Mayor Martin J. Walsh plans to “shake things up” in the city school system with a new education czar to be filled by a retired Detroit teacher’s son who specializes in measuring how private foundation spending closes achievement gaps. “If we want to change the way we deliver education in Boston, we have to shake things up,” Walsh said. “At first, the advocates in the educational world will be curious about what this role is all about, but I know they’re going to be very pleased as we move. Doing business the same old way is something we cannot afford to do in education anymore. We’ve done it for

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EDITORIAL  Vote – It’s Your Civic Duty

To be frank there doesn’t appear to be enough difference among the primary candidates to become excited about any of them. Nevertheless, besides civic duty, it will be good practice for the main event in November. That, of course, is the opportunity to vote up or down on casino gambling. This past week three more Atlantic City casinos closed, bringing the number to 13 this past year including “Revel” a two year olds casino. Two more have already announced closing dates. 8,000 of the 32,000 casino workers have been laid off. The unemployment rate of Atlantic City is twice the national average. Unlike any proposed locations in Massachusetts, Atlantic City is a nice swimmable, walkable beach, where you can spend a cheap enjoyable day without gambling. Despite that amenity, their economy is collapsing. Trump Plaza may be auctioned for as little as fifty million dollars. Despite that amenity there economy is collapsing Trump Plaza may be auctioned for as little as $50 million. What are the odds the same could happen with gambling here?

“As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in school” - Jessica Grande

Last Week’s Poll

How Do You Feel About The Idea Of Hosting The Grand Prix On The South Boston Waterfront?

- It’s a great idea 32%
- Don’t like the idea at all 47%
- I’d like to hear more before deciding 21%

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Each year at this time, as many of our local young people head off to college I direct this column to those students, especially the freshmen, in an effort to give my best advice in helping them prepare for something that they won’t ever get in any university brochure or curriculum guide. And that is a heads-up about the very distinct possibility that they will run into what are often called ‘Nutty Professors’. Let me explain.

Surveys show that a large number of American colleges and universities; both public and private, have for years been overrun with professors, who are (and there really is no nice way to put this) America hating, left wing radicals. In some cases, the entire administration leans the same way. These are academics who feel it’s their duty not to teach the subject at hand, but to indoctrinate their young students. They have a political agenda and they intend to force feed it to their young captive audiences in their classrooms, often in a subtle way, but in the case of some, blatantly and in your face. Back in the Stone Age, when I went to college, it was starting to take hold. But now it has become so wide spread and predominant that to call it an infestation would be right on the mark. It’s not all of them, but there are quite a few of these Nutty Professors lurking about and they are in nearly every school now.

They will work hard to make you believe that all the evils of the world are somehow the fault of the United States of America. They will try their best to convince you that religion; especially Christianity and Judaism, patriotism, love of community and even close family ties are somehow ‘uncool’ and outdated. They will slowly and methodically attempt to revise and rewrite history to have it fit their own personal political beliefs and make it sound like our country’s Founding Fathers were evil tyrants and unenlightened bigots. They consider their classrooms their own personal captive audiences to mold into their leftwing image.

Does this sound kind of far-fetched? Just ask some of your older brothers and sisters and friends who went before you. Over the years, we have received many comments from South Boston students about some of these professors who aggressively put down everything most Americans cherish. If you disagree with them, you are ridiculed in front of the other students sometimes to the point that students are intimidated into not giving a differing opinion. In some of the more serious cases, a student who challenges a professor’s point of view will notice his or her grades suffer because of it. Left unchecked and unchallenged, it will probably get even worse in the 2014-2015 school years. These same complaints are common all across the nation now at many institutions of higher learning. Some students have even gone so far as to file law suits against these professors.

So who are these professors and why do they feel they can act this way? Some are actually real life leftover hippies; relics from days gone by with philosophies that were hatched back in the 1960’s and who never grew up or never outgrew their warped sense of values. Others are younger radicals who, for whatever reasons, have developed hatred and disdain for the traditional American way of life and want to pass on and force their beliefs onto a new generation. They would like nothing better than to use you, their students, to help them tear down and destroy America’s greatness. It’s who they are, it’s what they believe, and it’s what they live for.

The reason for this column and for this annual message to our local freshmen is not to try to mold your beliefs the way we feel they should be. No. The purpose is to make you aware that the odds are that you will come into contact with those who will try and help educate you as to what motivates them. All we ask is that you keep an open mind make your own decisions and form your opinions based on facts, not on what some self-serving, agenda driven, left wing radical ‘Nutty Professors’ feed you. Don’t allow yourselves to be manipulated or intimidated by them and you’ll do just fine. And it should be noted CONTINUED ON page 10
Meet Charlie Baker: Candidate for Governor

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

(SBT Staff Report)

(NOTE: As the primary and final elections get closer, South Boston Today will continue its series of profiling candidates for various elective offices. This series is not to endorse a particular office seeker, but to familiarize our readers with the people who are running and what their stands and positions are on the issues important to the voting public. We will include in the series Democrats, Republicans and Independents. This week, Charlie Baker, Republican candidate for governor of Massachusetts will be in the spotlight.)

South Boston Today met up with Charlie Baker, Republican candidate for Governor while he was having dinner with some of his staff at Mirisola’s Italian Restaurant at L and 8th Streets here in Southie. We got a chance to sit down and have an in depth interview with him which he was, of course, glad to do. He was asked about the main issues he wants to address should he be elected governor. He led in with the issues he was most passionate about and his solutions.

First among them was the economy.

A successful man himself, Baker stated that while the economy is working well for some, it is flat for many others and has been flat for going on 15 years. He says he wants to revamp the system for doing business in the Commonwealth so that it will bring more opportunities to a great many more people. He wants the citizens of this state to have the same opportunities that he had and for everyone to have a chance at the ‘good life’. Credited for turning around the once failing Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare System and other institutions, he has a solid foundation, based on years of experience, from which to bring prosperity where there was decline.

Simplifying the tax code and making it easier for business to open and prosper in Massachusetts will encourage more to locate here. He predicts that a healthier job market would naturally follow. He stressed that in addition to bringing spending under control, Massachusetts needs to stop raising taxes: “enough is enough”. “Working people just can’t afford anymore tax hikes.”

His record of accomplishments and employment history certainly show a hard worker. Growing up he worked just about every kind of job that he could get to earn a living. A partial list included having a paper route as a young boy, a theatre usher, pumping gas, painting houses, loading trucks and being a sports writer and bar tender just to list a few of things that gave Charlie Baker a diversified knowledge of how to succeed at a very young age. He worked long hours then and continues to do so now and says he wants to bring that ethic to the corner office at the Massachusetts State House. Much of the work he has done in his professional life has been in the private sector but he is proud of his work in the public sector and is a strong believer in public service.

Education is one of his key priorities. He feels schools need to work harder to provide the best education possible and should seek and respect input from the parents of the student who attend. Giving benefits and public assistance should continue for people with a legitimate need, but cutting abuse in the system definitely must be dealt with. Local aid should be increased for cities and towns so that those municipalities would have greater control over how funds are spent, since local officials know best what is needed for their residents. Baker was emphatic about working closely with City of Boston officials who care deeply about the neighborhoods. He says he wants Boston to succeed and will do whatever it takes to help make that happen.

On another topic, we asked him how he feels about giving driver’s licenses to illegal immigrants. He said he is opposed. Something else that was unmistakable from speaking with Charlie Baker was that he is very much a family oriented type of guy with a remarkable work ethic. In fact, he credits his parents for giving him the support at a young age to get ahead. He was the oldest of three boys and now is the father of three. Giving parents of the student who attend. Giving benefits and public assistance should continue for people with a legitimate need, but cutting abuse in the system definitely must be dealt with. Local aid should be increased for cities and towns so that those municipalities would have greater control over how funds are spent, since local officials know best what is needed for their residents. Baker was emphatic about working closely with City of Boston officials who care deeply about the neighborhoods. He says he wants Boston to succeed and will do whatever it takes to help make that happen.

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Charlie Baker says he wants to make Massachusetts a better place for all to live and feels strongly that he has the experience and the ability to do it. He’s hoping to get as many voters to give him that chance first in the primary next Tuesday, September 9th and if successful then, in the final election in November.

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Reading Between The Lines

“The Cowardly Caucasian”

Let’s talk. Both the President and his Attorney General have gone on record saying America needs to have a frank and open discussion on race. The Attorney General going so far he stated “America is a nation of cowards afraid to have an honest conversation on race”. Speaking for one cowardly Caucasian let the conversation begin, especially the part about “honest”. Where to begin? To be honest the Atty. General’s side of the conversation is pretty well known.

The founders knew from the beginning that slavery was wrong. It was there the main obstacle to agreement on the Declaration. Primarily voiced by South Carolina who’s economy more than any other colony was dependent on slavery, so the delegates wrongfully turned a blind eye in order to get an agreement. A wrong the festered until abruption into the Civil War, a war that killed more than all of our other wars combined. Still discrimination and lack of opportunity continued until passage of the civil rights act of 1964. At that point and until passage of the civil rights and the culture that creates they’re voices. If a black person speaks in favor of marriage before parenthood they’re called “House Negroes”.

If a black person condemn’s the lyrics like “F the B or kill the cops” and the culture that creates they’re “traitors to their race”. Let’s continue to be honest and admit none of the black leaders have done much to change those perceptions. Maybe they believe them. More likely though playing the angry race card keeps them in power. The ongoing narrative continues to be “only white people are evil enough to engage in racial discrimination”.

Why change a winning formula? That’s probably why the Atty. General allegedly instructed the Justice Department that there is no such thing as Racial Discrimination by a Black toward a White under his administration, which in turn explains even further why the Atty. General elected not to prosecute the two Black Panther members in full uniform, including batons filmed and audio taped intimidating voters outside a Philadelphia Voter Precinct.

Not only a coward but a confused Caucasian, Confused because all those grievances back to the Constitution have been owned up to not hidden, but in view for the world to see. It’s the honest conversation that’s been missing. This coward has always wondered how the slaves got her. Ships, yes, but how did they get on the ships? Did they swim out to the ships and put on chains because there were no recorded incidences of white Westerners going to shore and capturing Africans. None ever.

Golly Gee does that mean fellow Africans captured and sold other Africans into slavery? How could that be? After all, only whites are so evil. Isn’t that what’s keeping the race game gravy train going? An honest conversation that all of humanity is capable and guilty of every sin under the sun is just what the race hustlers don’t want.

They would rather have an 18 year old Michael Brown being taught from birth “don’t conform white people are evil, the police are the enemy” then act outraged and surprised when the kid turns out just like they knew he would.

To be honest it’s not surprising the kid blocked traffic by walking down the middle of the street. He doesn’t care functioning society is impacted by his actions. He doesn’t care to listen to the cop representing order and society and especially not a white cop.

He’s been taught not to care. How’s that for an honest conversation? Take care till next week.

Vote Tuesday, September 9th

Deb Goldberg

Labor’s Choice for Treasurer:
AFSCME Council #93
AFT Massachusetts
Boston Carmen’s Union #589
Boston Teachers Union
IBEW Local 103
IBEW Local 2222
Ironworkers Local 7
Mass C.O.P.
MA Laborers District Council
MassRetirees
NE Police Benevolent Assoc.
Painters and Allied Trades DC #35
Professional Fire Fighters of MA
Teamsters Local 25
UFCW
Unite HERE Local 26
Utility Workers Local 369
Cong. Stephen Lynch Endorses Steve Tompkins for Suffolk County Sheriff

Congressman Stephen Lynch announced that he will support Steve Tompkins in the race for Sheriff of Suffolk County.

“As an advocate for working families and under-served populations, I trust Steve Tompkins to keep all communities in Suffolk County safe,” said Congressman Lynch. “Specifically, I know he will continue to promote programs that encourage at-risk youth to become positive members of society.”

“I am very pleased to have earned the support of Congressman Lynch. He is a dedicated public official who uses his influence to advocate for the less affluent,” said Sheriff Tompkins. “As a member of the House Committee on Financial Services, Congressman Lynch works to pass legislation that will benefit the average worker back home in his district.”

Steven W. Tompkins, a member of the Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department since 2002, was appointed to serve as the Sheriff of Suffolk County on January 22nd, 2013 by Governor of Massachusetts, Deval Patrick. As the Sheriff of Suffolk County, Tompkins manages all operations at the Suffolk County House of Correction, the Nashua Street Jail and the Civil Process Division. In addition to providing care, custody and rehabilitative support for inmates and pre-trial detainees, Tompkins also oversees a management, security and administrative staff of over 1,000. Sheriff Tompkins holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Communications from Boston College and a Master’s Degree in Public Affairs from the University of Massachusetts.
Lessons Learned Have Deep Meaning For Deb Goldberg

From the time I was a small child I learned that everything in life is opportunity. Economic empowerment, economic security, economic stability are not just buzzwords, but a personal mission for me and my whole family.

I was raised understanding the importance of community, beginning with my mother’s great grandmother. Yente came, with her 11 children, to the North End of Boston and opened a small grocery store. Every friend or relative who arrived was given a job and a roof over their heads. Those families worked together growing the food business, which eventually became Stop and Shop.

Stop and Shop was a company where thousands of hardworking families for generations could have good paying union jobs and build careers with excellent benefits. I worked there as a retail clerk in Local 1445 then later on as an executive after college, after getting my law degree from Boston College, and my MBA from Harvard. At the same time every one of us was involved in the community, in politics, at non-profits; we were activists.

But it is as President of an adoption agency that I have learned the most. My two wonderful children are adopted. Through them I have learned so much and they too have chosen paths where they are making a difference in others lives also.

I am running for Treasurer to give every woman, man, family the financial power they need to get ahead in today’s tough economy. The Treasurer’s job is running a large office with many departments. And I can do that job but I will also be a Treasurer who invests in people.

I have the skills to do the job of Treasurer and the values, passion, and commitment to make a difference in people’s lives. It would be an honor to be your Treasurer - Deb Goldberg.

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decades, and we haven’t made the advances we need to make.”

Turahn “Rahn” Dorsey, a 43-year-old Dorchester resident who will start later this month as the city’s chief of education, leaves a job as evaluation director at the Barr Foundation, where he developed ways to measure the effectiveness of the foundation’s investments in public schools and after-school programs.

The mayor said the Cabinet post — which eventually will have a staff of two to four people — will focus on getting Boston’s public, charter and parochial schools, as well as its colleges and universities, on the same page in launching programs that have the best chance of improving student performance. Dorsey said more can be done to measure whether preschoolers have developed the requisite reading and social skills to enter the school system. The hire comes after the departure of Walsh’s top school aide George Perry, who left in May after three months on the job. Funding will also come from the unfilled post held by Martha Pierce, who served as former Mayor Thomas M. Menino’s education liaison for years.

Walsh said Dorsey’s duties will differ from the superintendent’s because he won’t deal with day-to-day school operations, like curriculum and discipline. Dorsey instead will focus on “new ways of delivering education to our kids,” the mayor said. It appears Dorsey’s job will revolve in large part around studying metrics that measure a student’s development.

“What we can’t be afraid of is change,” Dorsey said, “because we’re going to get some feedback back that says we’re not doing as well as we need to be doing.”

Flaherty, Donovan, and Collins Endorse Deb Goldberg for Treasurer

Today, City Councilor Michael Flaherty, Suffolk County Clerk of Court for Civil Business Michael Donovan, and State Representative Nick Collins announced their endorsement of Deb Goldberg for Treasurer.

In his announcement, City Councilor Flaherty stated, “Deb will be an excellent Treasurer because she will strongly advocate for issues that matter to the people of Boston: good public schools, local economic development, and financial literacy programs. We need a Treasurer who will invest in people, and Deb will do just that, which is why I am supporting her.”

Clerk of Court Donovan added, “I am supporting Deb because she is the most qualified out of all of the candidates for Treasurer. Deb will bring the necessary mix of business experience, public service, and financial expertise to the Treasurer’s office. She is best suited to meet the needs of the Commonwealth, and I am proud to support her.”

In his endorsement, State Representative Collins said, “Once a union member herself, Deb’s strong support for working families makes her the best candidate to be our next Treasurer. She will work hard to provide the residents of our state with the skills and opportunities they need to get ahead in today’s tough economy. Deb’s business experience will allow her to bring great value to the Treasurer’s office.”

With less than a week before the Democratic Primary on Tuesday September 9th, Goldberg has received the support of numerous elected officials, unions, and organizations across the Commonwealth. Today’s announcement comes on the heels of a new Suffolk-Herald poll, putting Goldberg ahead of her two Democratic Primary opponents by double digits.
Union Tradesmen Make Generous Donation Of Time And Skills

"Thank God for the generosity of District Council 35 Painters and Allied Trades, stated Maryann Crush, who heads the board of directors at Saint Peter Academy, which is about to celebrate its 10th year of service to the families of South Boston.

St. Peter Academy has a core group of volunteers and parents that help to maintain the building and playground on West Fourth Street. There is one part time person on staff to maintain the building and the school community relies on volunteers to help with painting, cleaning, gardening, and general maintenance of the building. Volunteers do what they can, which is much appreciated, but not everything can be done as the building is overwhelming large.

South Boston resident and union representative Ray Pickup and his team came into the school and completely made the classrooms and hallways on the first level look brand new. All the walls are flat again and beautifully painted. Maryann Crush, who was completely overwhelmed with joy and according to Ray, shed a tear as she gazed into the remodeled rooms. "These guys are truly masters of their trade", she said.

"District Council 35 Painters and Allied trades are all about giving back to the communities that have raised our members. St. Peter Academy is doing everything in their power to offer affordable exemplary education opportunities to the families in South Boston and surrounding communities. We heard that they might need some assistance so we were there to do what we could," said Mr. Pickup.

"A special Thank You goes out to Mayor Martin J. Walsh and his Office of Neighborhood Services for getting the proper channels aligned to get this project together", Ms. Crush added. All money raised goes to keeping tuition low and affordable, which presents a problem for upgrading the structure. "Everything that we do is for the children and the families that attend our school. We keep tuition
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The Boston Redevelopment Authority will host a public meeting regarding

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Wednesday, September 10, 2014
6:00PM

James Condon School
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Brian P. Golden
Executive Director/Secretary
South Boston History – The Connection

Pro. Bob Allison is the president of the South Boston Historical Society. As such he is friendly with Jim Fahey of the Braintree Historical Society. Jim, retired from a career in the US Coast Guard, is also a renowned historian. In fact, a report on his exploration of World War I trenches appeared in the July 1989 issue of National Geographic. In his research, Jim walked the same trenches where Mickey Perkins trained.

At one point, Jim found, scratched into a trench wall, the name private of a “Walter Brennan”. Brennan, who would become famous as “Grandpa” in the real McCoy’s and also played the part of the Reverend Preacher in the WWI movie “Sgt. York”. He was an 18 year-old from Swampscott.

Jim’s historical explorations returned him home to Braintree, where he continued to work with the Historical Society on the life of Braintree’s most famous citizen Thomas Watson. This is the famous partner of Alexander Graham Bell in the creation of the telephone. More specifically in our area, Watson is the founder of the Fore River Shipyard. Watson himself specialized in marine engines.

Over in South Boston, the George Lawley Shipyard, first at P and later at O and First Streets, was building a packet ship named ‘Columbia’ for use on Lake Winnipesaukee. They contracted with Watson to build a custom engine for the ship.

Today, the ship is gone, but, amazingly, the engine was preserved and has been placed on permanent loan to the Braintree Historical Society. Even more amazing, Dr. Robert Meller of Hingham is the great grandson of Thomas Watson and this Saturday September 6 at 1:00pm in Braintree the good doctor will press the ignition bringing this 150-year-old engine to life. Those interested should make plans to witness this unique event in its connection to South Boston’s industrial beginnings.

Finally, it must be noted that Jim Fahey is the brother of Officer Walter Fahey, one of South Boston’s most beloved police officers, who famously declined the detectives gold badge to remain a foot patrolman in Southie.

Hail Mary Prayer
Pray 9 Hail Marys
For 9 days. Ask for 3 wishes, 1 involving business and 2 impossible.
On the 9th day publish this article and your wishes will be answered, even though you may not believe it.

Thank you.

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again that there are many good professors, who sincerely have your best interests at heart and will work hard to give you the best education possible. These are good teachers who are dedicated to seeing you succeed. But it’s important to be aware that some of them are not. It’s just that simple.

College isn’t for everyone, there is much to be said for those who choose other trades, but for those who choose to take the college and university road, it can be a wonderful experience. To all of our locals entering college this year, South Boston, your community, wishes you the best of luck, all the success in the world and we hope you even find time for some fun while you’re there.
South Boston will celebrate the 33rd Anniversary of the South Boston Vietnam Memorial located in Medal of Honor Park on Sunday, Sept. 14, 2014.

A Memorial Mass will be held in St. Brigids Church, 841 East Broadway, South Boston, at 10:30 a.m., followed by an 11:30 a.m. rededication ceremony at the South Boston Vietnam Memorial in Medal of Honor Park. Our keynote speaker will be Brigadier General Francis M. McGinn, Assistant Adjutant General U. S. Army, Massachusetts National Guard.

Also attending the rededication ceremony Sunday will be the families of the 25 men from South Boston who were killed in action during the Vietnam War, along with many of the South Boston Vietnam Veterans. We are dedicating this year’s ceremony in memory of Major General Harold Greene, our 2010 Guest Speaker, who was killed in Afghanistan on August 5, 2014.

The South Boston Vietnam Memorial was among America’s first formal memorial for Vietnam Veterans – predating the dedication of the national Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. by 13 months - and honors 25 men from South Boston who gave their lives during the Vietnam War. South Boston suffered the highest loss of KIA for a community of its size in the country.

The South Boston Vietnam Memorial was dedicated on Sept. 13, 1981, and a rededication ceremony is held every September. The 25 men honored on the South Boston Vietnam Memorial are: Joseph J. Agri, LCpl USMC; Charles A. Bazzinotti, 1stLt USA; Richard J. Borovick, SP4 USA; John C. Calhoun, LCpl USMC; John H. Cole, PFC USMC; Paul M. Daley, SP6 USA; Ronald L. Delverde, PFC USMC; Joseph F. Desmond, PFC USMC; Joseph
With Labor Day now in the past the finals are set to begin this Tuesday at M Street Park. In the Larry Lucas division (A), the Southside Tavern squares off against Shenannigans, who will be vying for their record sixth straight championship. Over in the Buckey Feeney division, league history will be made when we crown our first “B” champion as The Playwright takes on STATS Bar & Grille.

This will be the 44th year of championship play in the M Street Softball League. These are both a best of five series that will begin play on Tuesday (Sep 2) with games starting at 6:30 and 8:15 pm. The finals will continue on Wednesday, and Thursday and then, if necessary, will pick back up on Monday (Sep 8) and Thursday and then, if necessary, will continue on Wednesday, and Tuesday (Sep 2) with games starting at 8:15 pm. The finals will go the full distance.

Lucas Final preview - Shenannigans vs. Southside Tavern

After the first couple of weeks of the season were completed, most league observers would have predicted that the Southside Tavern would be in the finals. What they didn’t know was who their opponent would be. Lincoln Tavern was rolling, the Warehouse looked very good, and the defending champions were struggling out of the gate. However, the dynamic pitching duo of Mike Hoadley and Nick French carried the squad when needed and now Shenannigans is back looking to repeat, again.

Hoadley and French will need to be at their best in this series as Southside features a very solid hitting lineup. Charlie Conners is at the top of the order and is one of M Street’s all-time great hitters. He gets on base and scores runs…plenty of them. Right behind Conners is Steven Couturier who is the perfect type of hitter to bat behind Conners. Couturier is a contact hitter with speed on the bases and plenty of gap power. Slugger Pat Dolbeare follows in the order and right there you have three of the league’s best hitters. Rob Rogers is the senior citizen of the group but still is a feared slugger. The lineup also carries some of the league’s most talented up and coming stars in Garrett Hauck, Marc Montesano, Josh Neely, and Pat Wilson. Joel Kershner, Brad Cole, and Pat Pickup have years of playoff experience and will play a key role in the outcome of the series. Brian Pacheco is the coach and a very good role player as well. He will be pressed to make all the right moves while getting the most out of his pitchers; Jimmy McNiff and Jim Innocent.

On the other side, Shenannigans will not have to be perfect in all facets of their game as Hoadley and French are more than capable of making up the difference. Instead, they will need to do what they do best – pitch well and play superb defense. With Dan Brown, Dennis Hajjar, Steve Stalcup and Luis Colon patrolling the infield Southside will find it very difficult to get a ball past them. The outfielders are all serviceable championship caliber players in Greg Trudell, Dave Conti, and John Hoadley. Al Martin is one of the best signal callers and will take on most of the catching duty while Bryan Erwin and Nate Meyl fill the roles of first base and DH.

In the season series, Shenannigans took two of three games including a 6-5 win in their last meeting on July 17th. Southside scored twenty more runs than Shenannigans and had a higher team batting average but I think this series, like most, will be decided on the mound and Shenannigans has a distinct advantage.

Feeney Final preview - STATS vs. The Playwright

Unlike the Lucas division, the landscape in the Feeney division changed many times during the course of the season. Several teams took ownership of first place and it was pretty much a four team race all along. However, once the month of June rolled around it was The Playwright who slowly emerged as the top contender. It seemed like it didn’t matter who they inserted in their lineup or what position they played. They just kept winning games. In fact, they have not lost since June 4th, that’s eleven straight victories. While they coasted along, STATS had to work hard at finding the best lineup and most efficient pitcher who was going to give them their best chance to win. In the end they figured it out and will now turn it loose in the finals.

After getting relegated to mop up duties, pitcher Jack Atton appeared in relief for the STATS on July 21st and hasn’t given up the ball since. He has elevated his overall game and his teammates have rallied around him. Player/manager Bill Davis calls the shots and will look to Atton to continue leading by example. STATS has a very deep hitting lineup that features one of the league’s best all around hitters in Mark Preziosi. Pat Donovon, Matt Clifford, Eric MacDonald, Mike Preziosi, Mike Blanchard will challenge The Playwright pitchers to stay away from the middle of the plate. While Mark Campbell, Mike Connell, Dave Nutter, and John Pels will look to give their team the added boost when called upon.

Across the mound from Atton but dressed in the gray uniform of The Playwright will be another M Street veteran, Jack Rogers. Rogers was a late edition to the roster but has fit in perfectly. It would be fair to say that The Playwright would not have enjoyed the success if it were not for Rogers (7-1 with a 5.50 ERA).

The veteran Playwright squad will not get too high over a win or too low over a loss. This is a team that will not be rattled easily in this series as they are truly enjoying getting together and playing softball. Rogers can count on their very talented outfield of Billy McDougall, Mark Hindman, and Joey Broderick to chase down any fly balls. Scott Tarentino, Sean Morgan, and Shane Knowles have each enjoyed a great season at the plate while rookies Jordan Depenbick and Robbie Modano have each contributed in the field and at the plate.

In the season series, The Playwright won all three games including a 12-5 win in their last meeting on June 18th. However, STATS have matured since June and are an overall better team today. I see STATS taking the crown in what will be a memorable series that will go the full distance.

As always, supporting fans can get more league news through our website (www.sbsports.com), on Facebook (M Street Softball), right here in the South Boston Today, or experience the league up front and personal by taking in a game or two. Have a great week everyone!
HDSA’S TEAM HOPE WALK BOSTON (“MARTY’S PARTY”) 

The Massachusetts Chapter of the Huntington’s Disease Society of America (HDSA) announced today the Team Hope Boston Walk is being held, rain or shine, on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at DCR’s Castle Island in South Boston. The Team Hope Walk program is HDSA’s largest grassroots event and is being held in over 85 cities across the country throughout the year. All proceeds support HDSA’s fight to improve the lives of people affected by Huntington’s disease (HD) and their families.

The Team Hope Boston (THB) Walk was dubbed “Marty’s Party” in 2012 in honor of 61-year-old South Boston native, Braintree resident, and Fenway Park Greeter, Marty McCarthy. Despite his HD diagnosis, he enjoyed a dream role at Fenway for the last ten years after his retirement from Verizon. Unfortunately, the progression of his disease forced him to retire from Fenway earlier this summer, but he is so grateful for the amazing support of his Fenway colleagues and friends and for being able to witness 3 World Series wins, the first being thesweetest in his first year at Fenway in 2004!

Marty and his 4 younger sisters grew up in South Boston, and 2 of them are still happy to call it home. His love of baseball had its start when he became a Little League star. He went on to coach and become the South Boston Little League Commissioner for 4 years in the 1970’s. He was also known for his outstanding basketball skills—playing for the old Gate of Heaven High School and coaching Gatey CYO.

Marty’s sister Terry finally found the courage to be tested for HD a few years ago, and tested negative. In thanks, she joined Marty’s wife, Kathy Hackett, on the HDSA Mass Chapter Board and they co-chaired the 2012 Boston Walk and moved it to Castle Island to help showcase one of their favorite hometown treasures. It was important to them not to inconvenience local residents, and the Walk does not close any roads and is approximately a 3-mile loop from Castle Island out to Head Island (“Sugarbowl”), around Day Blvd., and back to Castle Island for a post-Walk luncheon inside the Fort. Sponsors and volunteers of the Castle Island Association, and especially President Bill Spain, have been instrumental in making these Walks so successful, raising much-needed funds for research and family services and creating awareness of this rare, horrific disease.

Due to Marty and Barbie’s diagnoses, 4 beautiful young women are at risk, but happily, one just tested negative, and they are praying for 3 more negative test results. The family deals with the stress by using humor and recently came up with the following slogan: “Huntington’s Disease... When Negative is Positive!”

Walk registration begins at 9 a.m. near the McDonough Sailing Program on Castle Island, and the kickoff is at 10 a.m. Music, children’s activities, raffles, and Fort roaming will ensure a fun-filled day for all!


Huntington’s disease (HD) is a devastating, hereditary, degenerative brain disorder that results in a loss of cognitive, behavioral and physical control, and for which, presently, there is no cure and only one FDA-approved treatment for a symptom of HD. For Walk Information or Registration: visit www.hdsa.org/thwboston
The 2014 NFL season promises to provide many interesting storylines. Heck, even in the preseason, we already have plenty of noise throughout the league that’s kept football atop the headlines, even as baseball’s playoff races begin to heat up. But let’s get something out of the way right now. Here in New England, we’re spoiled. We know that our team will once again be a contender for the Lombardi Trophy. We know this because Tom Brady is the quarterback, because Bill Belichick is the coach, and because Darrelle Revis is the best cornerback in the NFL.

It’s a league in which winners are built on star quarterbacks and shutdown defensive backs. I know what you’re thinking after reading that statement: “But the Seattle Seahawks won the Super Bowl last year with Russell Wilson as their QB.” Perhaps you don’t consider Wilson a star quarterback like I do. That’s fine. We disagree on that then. But nobody can disagree with the fact that the Seahawks had the most physical secondary in the league. And the defending Super Bowl champs will most certainly have a chance to repeat this year. But to play spoiler with you, I’m not going to put my money on that to happen. Here in New England, even as baseball’s playoff headlines all year.

Here are my official 2014 NFL Predictions:

**DIVISION WINNERS**

**AFC EAST: New England Patriots**
- I actually think the Miami Dolphins should be taken seriously this year. But at the same time, the Pats will win 12 games again. Ultimately, the Dolphins’ 10 wins won’t be enough to overcome the kings of the AFC East. Expect the Patriots to be dominant on both sides of the ball. Brady is playing with a little extra motivation this year. Might as well give him the regular-season MVP trophy now.

**AFC NORTH: Baltimore Ravens**
- My reasoning for this pick will be controversial, mainly because every time we see Ray Rice run the football, we’ll be reminded of the fact that he knocked out his girlfriend in an elevator and is only facing a two-game suspension for it. Well, as brutal as that is, when Rice returns, expect him to bounce back from his worst pro season in 2013. Rice is only 27. Last year he ran for 660 yards in 15 games, marking the first time he didn’t rush for 1,000 yards since his rookie season in 2008. Fantasy football know-it-alls can study their draft rankings all they want, but when Rice returns from his suspension, he’s still young enough and talented enough to help the Ravens get back to the playoffs.

**AFC SOUTH: Indianapolis Colts**
- Andrew Luck got a taste of the postseason last year, but unfortunately for him, he ran into the Patriots in the Divisional Round. The Colts should win the division again, and it might only take 10 wins to do so. The Houston Texans will improve on their 2-14 record in 2013, but even after trading for Ryan Mallett, they still won’t have a good enough passing attack to grab a Wild Card spot. Expect the Luck-to-Reggie-Wayne connection to steal the AFC South’s headlines all year.

**AFC WEST: Denver Broncos**
- It won’t be a walk in the park, but do you really expect the Broncos to not win the division? Kansas City had 11 wins last year, and I think the Chiefs are good for at least 10 wins this season. And San Diego seems to always find itself in the Wild Card hunt. This division had three playoff teams in 2013. That could very well be the case once again in 2014. But there’s no way that either of those two teams will knock off the Broncos.

**AFC WILD CARD: Kansas City Chiefs**

**Cincinnati Bengals**

**NFC EAST: New York Giants**
- This would be the moment in which I pick the G-Men to bounce back from their 7-9 record last season. It’s funny, all that talk about Eli Manning being “elite” not too long ago, and here we are with a New York Giants team that’s missed the playoffs the last two seasons. Of course, that comes after they won a Super Bowl three years ago, but still. The Eagles won 10 games last year, and he obsession with Chip Kelly’s offense will make them the popular pick to once again win the East. But I do think Eli is much better than the 18 touchdowns and 27 interceptions that he threw last season. At least, I expect him to be good enough to get the Giants back to the top of the division this year.

**NFC NORTH: Green Bay Packers**
- It’s kind of crazy to think that the Packers won the division last year with only eight wins. An injured Aaron Rodgers missed most of the second half, but returned for the last regular season game and the playoffs. If Rodgers can stay healthy for the entire season, the Packers will be one of the best teams in the NFC, if not the entire NFL.

**NFC SOUTH: New Orleans Saints**
- Had Cam Newton not suffered a hairline fracture in his ribs during the preseason, my pick here would be the Carolina Panthers. But if I can’t put my money on Newton’s health now, I can’t put my money on the Panthers. So I’ll go with the Saints, who lost to the Seahawks in the Divisional Round last year. Brees has thrown for 5,000 yards his last three seasons, and I don’t expect him to fall off in 2014. Expect New Orleans to make some serious noise.

**NFC WEST: Seattle Seahawks**
- As long as Seattle remains the toughest place to play in professional sports, then the Seahawks are my pick here. And remember how I feel about Russell Wilson. I believe he’s one of the elite quarterbacks in the game. The kid is only 25 years old, and entering his third season, he’s only...
A Will has been admitted to Informal probate. Robert C Doherty of Braintree MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond. The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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getting better. Strong arm, accurate when throwing on the run, and as smart as they come, Wilson is the real deal, even if your fantasy football draft guide doesn’t say so. The San Francisco 49ers obviously get a serious look here, but at the end of the day, I don’t see the Seahawks taking a step back in the 2014 regular season.

NFL WILD CARD:
- San Francisco 49ers
- Atlanta Falcons

NFL PLAYOFFS

AFC WILD CARD ROUND:
- Indianapolis Colts over Cincinnati Bengals
- Baltimore Ravens over Kansas City Chiefs

NFC WILD CARD ROUND:
- New Orleans Saints over Atlanta Falcons
- San Francisco 49ers over New York Giants

AFC DIVISIONAL ROUND:
- New England Patriots over Baltimore Ravens
- Denver Broncos over Indianapolis Colts

NFC DIVISIONAL ROUND:
- Green Bay Packers over San Francisco 49ers
- Seattle Seahawks over New Orleans Saints

AFC CHAMPIONSHIP:
- New England Patriots over Denver Broncos

NFC CHAMPIONSHIP:
- Green Bay Packers over Seattle Seahawks

SUPER BOWL XLIX:
- New England Patriots over Green Bay Packers
See you in Arizona.

Soccer Parade
September 4th, 6pm at Moakley Park

On Thursday, September 4th at 6:00 p.m. the South Boston Youth Soccer League will be holding its 30th annual “Parade of Champions” at Moakley Park in the Paul Saunders Stadium.

This is the official kickoff for the fall season in which over 800 of Southie’s finest; the kids, will participate in a fun filled opening night parade. Brian Wallace will once again be the Master of Ceremonies and as usual he will provide all of us with a fun filled night of merriment with his wit. The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will be providing the marching music for the kids once again. The Boston Police Honor Guard will lead the slowest parade in Town, as they lead the kids on their route around the track. Some of the officers have been involved with this parade for over 30 years and say that this is the one event that they look forward to every year; where they get to be right up close with all the kids.

All players should be at the stadium by 5:30pm and line up with their team for the start of the parade. Look for the age group and team number on the signs on the fence outside the stadium. Any player who registered but has not been contacted by a coach and does not know their team should go to the clubhouse at 4:30pm where an information table has been set up.

If there any parents who may have forgotten to register their child for this season, there will be a waiting list registration with no guarantee that there will be a place for the child on a team. This waiting list registration will be held on Saturday, September 6th from 9:00am to 10:00am at the clubhouse at Saunders Stadium in Moakley Park.

Please do not come on the night of the parade to register your child as we will not be taking any applications at all for any reason. Coaches should be at the clubhouse at 5:00 pm to pick up their jerseys and line up with their teams and have their team sign all set and hopefully have great costumes on the kids.

So if you want to have some fun and cheer on the kids then make it a point to be at the stadium Thursday September 4th at 6:00 pm for the “PARADE OF CHAMPIONS”
Please join us for a

Community Appreciation Party

Hosted by Rep. Nick Collins

Sunday, September 7, 2014
Beginning at 1:00PM

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