



What's Good For The Goose?

Archdiocese Apparently Thinks Gate Of Heaven Lease Alternative Option Is A Smart Move For Holy Cross Cathedral.

66 C teady income to support the church, as well as important faith and community-based programs, is an important ingredient in keeping intact the fabric of a community like South Boston and the one served by the Cathedral in the South End", said lifelong CYO and Parish leader Touchie McDonough. He added, "The fight to keep Gatey School as a working asset that generates income for parish activities and expenses has long been the option presented by the neighbors and supporters of this parish, and the Archdiocese knows that. Now that the Cathedral is talking the same language, CONTINUED ON page 15

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lack Hawk Down revisited? Is that what the President is proposing? Boots on the ground? This has to be a joke. For those with short memories, our 18 Delta and Ranger Soldiers, who died in Somalia, died because Defense Secretary Les Aspen refused military requests for heavy armored vehicles, because it would convey a "militant image".

Fast forward to Benghazi, where despite requests for more security forces, our Ambassador was murdered. Murdered, because the administration was campaigning that "terrorists were on the run" and an increase in security personnel would contradict that position. So, the Ambassador was abandoned for "image"

Now we're supposed to believe the world's number one ISIS supporter, a man who won't even call them radical Islamists, will move Heaven and Earth to save troops in peril? Recently, 300 Marines were attacked at their base in Anbar Province. We had no, repeat, no plan to come to their aid, if overrun. None. No bombers or strike standby. Nothing.

Of all things, it was Iraqi troops that repulsed the attack and saved the day. Any parent with a military age child should lock that kid in the cellar until this so-called Commander in Chief is gone. Do not allow your son or daughter to become a "boot on the ground" for this administration to be sacrificed on the altar of politically correct "image".



"No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn" - Hal Borland

Last Week's Poll

Do you think that the State legislation filed to form a 2024 Olympics Oversight Committee is a good idea?

Yes 78% / No 22%



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Freaky Winter/Reality Challenged Students/Terrorism Hype?

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et's start with what's currently when people other than hardcore recent blizzard slammed us, took skiers, snowboarders and snowmobile their shovels and without being riders even utter the word, it's often behind clenched teeth. Snow mounds are now piled so high that one neighbors on the street. They didn't enterprising locals said he's thinking want any compensation, they didn't about grooming them and selling lift even ask for a thank you; although tickets to the top.

battering Boston in almost a freakish kind of way (does the city have some it because they felt like being good sort of target hanging over it?), and at the slightest provocation, there letting us know about this; although are still quite a few acts of kindness with neighbors helping neighbors taking place. One was brought to our attention on E. Seventh Street.

Two well-known locals, Paul the biggest topic around town McDonough and Jim Cox and - Still! Yup, the snow. Lately, their families just after the most asked, cleared the walk ways, cars and sidewalks for dozens of their there were many given as people But, with all the storms that keep woke up to find their shoveling had been done for them, they just did neighbors and apparently had energy with so many people set to explode to spare. Thank you Jack Donahue for knowing both the McDonough and Cox families for many years, it came as no surprise. They have always been good Samaritans around town.

How cold has it been? It's been so students at liberal colleges, we go over cold that a bunch of loony students from Yale had to postpone their pampered, precious little snowflakes protest against "Global Warming", because the temps were so frigid. Some things are just too hilarious to not mention. The students were also going to protest 'fossil fuels'. When of their America hating professors, the asked by a reporter if they realized US military is made up of 'criminals'. that without fossil fuels to heat their The parents of these kids who are dorm rooms that night, they could probably freeze to death, two of the student spokespeople, apparently stunned by the question, hesitated for a time and then responded by calling the reporter a 'racist'. This word is the kids might answer that he hosted now the slander of choice used by all the lefties when someone, anyone questions them or disagrees with them on any and all issues.

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to Brown University. Here, some of the were demanding that the ROTC be immediately banned from recruiting on the campus. Why? Because according to the students; at the urging paying through the nose to send them to Brown must be so proud of the education they are receiving. Ask some of these students and Profs who George Washington was and some of the Jeopardy game show back in the 1900's and the Profs of course will tell you he was worse than Attila the Hun. Ask them who the Castro Brothers

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Window Into The State House

Window Into The State House provides our readers a synopsis of important issues of interest, past and current, that are being proposed, debated or acted upon by the Massachusetts Legislature. Many issues that are not related to local city government services are acted upon and have a direct impact on daily life. They are tax policy, transportation infrastructure, judicial appointments, social services and health, as well as higher education. We will excerpt reports from the gavel-to-gavel coverage of House and Senate sessions by news sources focused on this important aspect of our lives. These sources include a look ahead at the coming week in state government and summaries and analyses of the past week, re-caps of a range of state

FISCAL ALLIANCE BACKS MBTA RECEIVERSHIP

A think tank's call for emergency legislation to place the MBTA into receivership received support Wednesday from the right-of-center Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance. In a statement, the alliance said it backed temporary receivership and elimination of the board of the transit authority, which has been unable to deliver basic services in the face of a historic stretch of snow and cold that began in late January. "The MBTA doesn't need more cowbell or theatrical press conferences from their outgoing general manager. Rather, the MBTA needs to focus on gaining the public's trust and performing

basic services like ensuring the trains run on time, all while looking toward the future by implementing basic performance based metrics," alliance executive director Paul Craney said in a statement. "A clear path toward these remedies would be through receivership. As has been done successfully with other Massachusetts entities before, receivership should be implemented so that necessary reforms can get underway as soon as possible." Debt relief and strict controls on hiring should accompany a receivership for the T, according to the Pioneer Institute. The institute wants the state to immediately assume 25 percent of MBTA debt associated with Big Dig mitigation

projects, and called for a full audit and ranking of MBTA assets and the development of an estimate of the cost to bring assets into a state of good repair. - Michael Norton/SHNS

MBTA LIMPING ALONG AMID SNOW, COLD SNAP

The MBTA system built to serve tens of thousands of people in eastern Massachusetts continues to be plagued by cancellations and delays that are making it difficult for the region to recover from four major snowstorms. Faced with snow-packed rail lines and equipment that can't function in cold temperatures, the MBTA is providing "limited" rail and bus service Tuesday and "reduced" commuter rail trips through its private-sector system operator Keolis. The T announced just before 8 a.m. that it was suspending service on its Greenbush line that serves the South Shore. Residents along that rail corridor also don't have access to another option for travel into Boston as T boat service out of Hingham has been shut down due to ice in the harbor. At Quincy Center commuter rail station, people surged toward the train as it rolled in. One commuter rail employee yelled, "Back up!" The crowd surged again toward the doors. The train filled up, and as it pulled away and picked up speed, passengers struggled to close the doors. - Michael Norton, Gintautas Dumcius/SHNS

STATE EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE APPLICATIONS

Two state agencies are extending the deadline for individuals in need of health insurance to complete an application and pick a plan. Citing severe winter weather, the Massachusetts Health Connector and MassHealth on Friday extended the Feb. 15 deadline to Feb. 23,

partly due to a snowstorm expected to hit the region this weekend. The agencies reported that call centers were short on staff this month due to the weather, leading to long wait times for consumers. State offices have closed on four occasions. "We here in Massachusetts have experienced an extraordinary month of weather that has not only limited our operations, but also taken over the day-to-day lives of residents as they shovel out and try to deal with the snow," Louis Gutierrez, executive director of the Health Connector, said in a statement. "We worked closely with the Baker-Polito Administration to create this extension, which gives people a little more time to finish up what they need to do to get health insurance through the Commonwealth." Health insurance is mandatory in Massachusetts, and individuals lacking it face penalties. - Michael Norton/SHNS **DEMS TO HOST 2016**

CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA

Democrats plan to gather in Philadelphia during the last week in July of 2016 for their national convention ahead of next year's presidential election. Democratic National Committee Chair Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz announced Philadelphia as the host city, saying the Democratic National Committee signed a contract with the city Thursday morning. As previously announced, Republicans will gather in Cleveland, Ohio, from July 21 to July 24 for their convention. "In addition to their commitment to a seamless and safe convention, Philadelphia's deep rooted place in American history provides a perfect setting for this special gathering," Wasserman Schultz said in a statement. "I cannot wait to join Democrats **CONTINUED ON page 6**



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ReadingBetween TheLines

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY Brian R. Mahoney

The expression, "tomorrow is promised to no one," is important to keep in mind for this column.

any times, over the recent years, old friends or former residents, while visiting, will spot yet another development and usually exclaim "they put that up overnight," or similar sentiments. The reality, of course, is that many, if not most, of the projects or developments are the result of 2-3 years of public meetings and official hearings. It is the actual transformation from artist's conceptual drawings and architectural plans to steel, brick and glass that cause shock - or the need to catch one's breath. Those citizens who have been invoked (that means just about everyone in Southie at this point), have learned that each new proposal has to be viewed in the context of what already exists, what has been approved and what is being proposed.

This scrutiny is needed to keep in mind an overall plan of what this all will look like and to work together smoothly, as opposed to a haphazard, "whoever has the money can build what they want," development plan.

The possibility, or actually the reality, is that a number of us expressing interest in the Olympics will have moved on to our final home by the time they happen. Ten years is a long time but already it's down to nine years. Still many more of those who will be affected think the Olympics are so far away that there's plenty of time to get involved. Yet the plans and approvals will begin to go forward, years ahead of the Olympics. A venture this big has to start early.

All of which means that, despite the future's uncertainty, we must prepare for that future as if we will be here. One way to do that might be to imagine how you would want the Olympics run if it was happening now, this summer, not years from now. What would you like and how would you like to see it. What events might be suitable for your area, considering spectators, traffic, lodging and food?

All of these questions and many more have to be asked and answered now. For instance, the first question from this lowerender is what special recognition will be accorded the most famous lower-ender in Olympics history? The reference, of course, is to James Brendan Connolly from "E" Street. When Harvard University refused to give Connolly leave for the Olympics in 1896, excusing instead more affluent Harvard athletes, Connolly quit the school and made his own way to Athens. Arriving too late for any training, Connolly, nonetheless, won what is now called the Running Broad Jump. Appearing in a shirt that, Connolly said, "My dear South Boston mother made me", he became the first Olympic World Champion of the games resumed in 1896. He is also America's first Olympic champion in history.

The Olympics held in the city of its first champion's birth? It seems like a no-brainer to suggest that this special significance should be a central feature and theme of any

"Coming This Summer"

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Boston Olympics. Again, these plans and presentations are all issues that must be examined and solved long before anything becomes official. While it is wise for officials to begin seeking Federal funding now, a dual track, just as energetic and informative, must begin detailing exactly how and where this funding will be used.

In the meantime what are your ideas or thoughts? Would you be looking forward this summer to a group of world class athletes competing along Carson Beach or out on Castle Island? Perhaps Saunders Stadium where the statue of Connolly is sited could be upgraded for the opening, closing and medal ceremonies. Would residents be able to negotiate the town, using their inside knowledge of streets? Or would we have to move out for a month? Would residents be able to profit from such a venture? Will there be preferential hiring of residents for the Olympic projects and staffing?

These are some of the questions. But now is the time to ask.



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The meeting is the second of

nine meetings that are intended

to be an opportunity to discuss

the benefits of hosting the Games

and their impact on the City. The

meeting comes on the heels of the

Legislature's attempt to assemble

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Vatican's Finance Czar Reports **\$1.5 billion In Hidden Assets**

ROME — Pope Francis' finance czar today informed fellow members of the College of Cardinals that the Vatican has more than \$1.5 billion in assets it didn't previously know it possessed, although that potential windfall has to be balanced against a projected deficit of almost \$1 billion in its pension fund. The discoveries mean that the Vatican's total assets rise to more than \$3 billion, roughly one-third more than previously

reported. The cardinals were also informed that the Vatican's real estate holdings may be undervalued by a factor of four, meaning that the overall financial health of the Vatican may be considerably rosier than was previously believed.

The disclosures at the closed-door meeting by Australian Cardinal George Pell, installed as secretary for **CONTINUED ON page 8**



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a state wide commission to have fiscal oversight of the expenditures and allocation of funds. Representative Mike Moran of

Brighton has said that the goal of the panel is to try "to find space in the process for the state to get some independent analysis of what the Olympics means for us on the state level."

In response to Representative Moran filing the legislation, Mayor Marty Walsh disagreed and didn't think an oversight panel was necessary.

This past week South Boston Today asked the readers what they thought of a state wide oversight commission. The results were overwhelmingly one sided as 79% of respondents were in favor of instituting the oversight panel.

Residents are encouraged to attend next Tuesday's meeting to hear and see the presentation and to ask any questions or express any concerns. As always SBT will continue to follow and report on the story.



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across the country to celebrate our shared values, lay out a Democratic vision for the future, and support our nominee." The DNC reported that hotel capacity, transportation, security, financing and logistics were considerations in choosing the host city. In January, the DNC said it was in negotiations with Philadelphia, Columbus, and New York for hosting the convention. - Michael Norton/SHNS

LEGISLATURE FINALIZES SPENDING CUTS, REVENUES TO BALANCE BUDGET

[Developing] A bill to bring the state's \$36.5 billion state budget into balance cleared the Senate and was shipped to Gov. Charlie Baker's desk late Thursday afternoon. A day after an overwhelming House vote, the Senate on Thursday approved legislation to help close an identified \$768 million shortfall in fiscal 2015 budget. The legislation that passed both branches was modeled largely on a bill filed by Gov. Charlie Baker. The Senate approved the bill without amendment on a voice vote. The House, which waited most of Thursday for the Senate to act, quickly enacted the bill allowing the Senate to take a final vote to send it to Baker for his signature. "Today, after working in close collaboration with Senator Rosenberg, Speaker DeLeo, Senate and House Leaders and the General Court, we were able to put the Fiscal Year 2015 budget deficit behind us in an overwhelmingly bipartisan manner that protected funding for our local communities without additional burdens to taxpayers," Baker said in a statement. "I'm thankful for the hard work of the Senate and House and am encouraged we will be able to move forward on next year's budget and the issues that matter to the people of Massachusetts." The legislation trims spending across state government and redirects capital gains tax revenue into the general fund instead of the rainy day fund. It also establishes a corporate tax amnesty program estimated to bring in \$18 million in uncollected taxes. -Matt Murphy/SHNS



'One Ways' Seem To Be Working So Far

ayor Walsh, with the support of the South Boston elected officials, instituted a Valentine's Day reconfiguration of the streets of South Boston. So far, it has met with positive results and reviews. Local residents took a few hours Saturday night and into Sunday morning to become aware of the changes. After initial shock and awe, traffic has become manageable. The only confused drivers are the cabbies and the sometimes rude Uber drivers determined to do it their way.

Bostonians and commuters know that this weather and snow fall is extraordinary. However, the MBTA Red Line and other train tracks have compounded the challenges for the City and have had residual effects on the peak travel bus service. Long lines were observed daily at just about every high traffic bus stop throughout South Boston.

Coordination, cooperation and the much ballyhooed word 'innovation' need to be the orders of the day.

Coordination - Residents are pleased that the Mayor has accepted help from the Governor in the form of the National Guard personnel and the equipment on loan from other locales, states and jurisdictions.

Cooperation - Some have suggested that the Mayor call on the hundreds of contractors who are benefiting from the Boston building boom and ask them to put their equipment to work pro bono in hard hit neighborhoods or under a limited emergency city contract. Innovation – Dragon Snow Melters, Giant Snow Melters, South Dakota Snow Plows? Here is where we need the Mayor's creative team to show their stuff. The daunting task confronting the Mayor must seem like a roller coaster ride to him on a daily basis. The one way configuration scheme is one creative solution.

In the course of research, the Encyclopedia of Chicago offered these historic references. The winter of 1967 had been a relatively mild one in Chicago, with unusually warm temperatures. Early in the morning on Thursday, January 26, snow began to fall. By Friday morning, 23 inches of snow had fallen with drifts of up to 6 feet. Over the next week and a half, intermittent snow and cold temperatures persisted. Schools closed, public transportation stalled, and city services were severely taxed. By the time the storm had ended, 75 million tons of snow had fallen on the city. It was the most severe snowstorm Chicago had experienced in the century. In 1979, Chicago was again brought to a standstill with another unusually severe January snowstorm. And, once again, the effect on transportation and city services was debilitating.

The snowstorms of 1967 and 1979 underscored the public's dependence on—and expectation of—government to provide effective maintenance of the urban infrastructure throughout the year. So, in 2015, the City and Commonwealth have both, once again, **CONTINUED ON page 8**



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the economy a year ago, was part of a wide-ranging overview of efforts at financial reform under Francis presented today to cardinals from around the world. "We're sound," Pell said of the Vatican's financial condition. "We're muddled, it's been muddled, there's been inadequate information, but we're far from broke."

Pell spoke in an exclusive interview with Crux from his Vatican office.

On February 13, in a speech to cardinals, who were meeting in Rome ahead of a Saturday ceremony in which Pope Francis created 20 new Princes of the Church. Pell said the Vatican's total assets include some \$500 million in various accounts that were purposefully excluded from an overall 2013 balance sheet, as well as \$1 billion in assets that should have been included in that report but weren't. Pell stressed the discrepancies were not the result of illegal activity, but an overly compartmentalized and unwieldy reporting system that allowed significant pockets of assets to go undetected. He styled Friday's revelations as a major

step forward for transparency.

Pell said that providing an honest picture of the Vatican's true financial condition is the opening salvo of the broader reform effort. "What we've got to do is to get in place structures so that the Vatican is a model to others and not a scandal," he said. "We have to make it terribly difficult to return to waste and inefficiency and some measure of corruption."

In terms of future steps, Pell vowed that an independent auditor general for the Vatican, reporting directly to the pope, will be appointed by the summer, and that sometime later in the year, a new supervisory board will be in place for the Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See, another of the Vatican's important financial centers.

Pell also promised that sometime later in the year, "for the first time ever in Vatican history," the various departments will be providing quarterly reports comparing expenditures to budgets. In general, Pell said, Pope Francis has supported the reform effort at every turn. "Whenever there were things we couldn't clean up on our own, he's been there to support us," he said.

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learned valuable lessons in dealing with Mother Nature and importance of urban planning and the critical need for coordination, cooperation and innovation. Soon the price tag will be known. Fortunately, spring will be here in 30 days, about the same time the MBTA will be fully operational.





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After 32 Years, The Noto Family Says Goodbye To Millers Market

By now, most if not everyone in South Boston, has heard the news that the Noto Family has sold that famous neighborhood landmark'Miller's Market'located at the corner of K and E. Seventh Streets. Don't worry, Millers Market will still be up and running and open for business. The new owners will keep the tradition going. But the Notos have decided that after 32 years; "good years", it's time for the next chapter in their lives. It's time for a change.

South Boston Today had the pleasure of speaking with Mary Noto; whose husband Bob Noto along with his two brothers Sonny and Joe bought the store from the Anastas Family back in 1983. Mary stated that she spoke for the entire family when she said "This has truly been a labor of love for all of us. Working with family and the neighborhood people and friends they would hire over the years to help out has been more fun than anything: a happy time." Was it a lot of work? Yes! Being open 6 days and 6 nights a week isn't an easy job. But when you like what you're doing and especially love interacting with the customers; most of whom you get to know on a first name basis and become friends with and that you form that special bond with over the years, the long hours and hard work has been a wonderful experience to the entire family. On that, they also all agree.

Millers Market has, among the many things that give it boasting rights is the reputation of having what locals have heralded as 'the coldest beer in Southie'. Generations of South Bostonians and even people from other parts of the city and the suburbs too have made that claim and few would dispute it. When we asked Mary how they keep the beer so cold, she pointed to the large walk-in chest where it's kept. It was left over from many years ago when the store was CONTINUED ON page 12



The "Glean" Exhibit at the FPAC Gallery Featuring the work of Sharon Freed, Walter Kopec and Andrew Neumann

On View: March 5-April 16, 2015 **Opening Reception:** Thursday, March 5, 5-7 pm **Gallery Hours:** Wednesdays-Fridays, 10-6 pm

he Fort Point Arts Community Gallery is pleased to announce "Glean," an exhibition of the work of Sharon Freed, Walter Kopec and Andrew Neumann, March 5-April 16, 2015. Andrew Witkin, Gallery Director of Barbara Krakow Gallery, juried the show. Using a variety of means, materials and methods, Freed, Kopec and Neumann explore and create work commenting on the social and political, highlighting issues of use and abandonment, and navigating personal histories.

Sharon Freed, a self-taught photographer, produces both color and black and white images. Through her work, she explores how we view broken, discarded objects. She gives special emphasis to the recurring sequence of use and disposal, of the regarded and disregarded and of the cherished and abandoned. What does it mean when we carelessly dismiss so much--and what are the consequences of such profound disconnection? Freed has widely exhibited in New England.

Walter Kopec's work can be separated into two bodies: "visuals" and "verbals." His visuals reference the iconic or the symbolic and offer observations and critiques on subjects such as commerce, need/greed, and patriotism. Using common, everyday materials, found





objects, and easily identifiable forms, each piece seeks immediate, "comfortable" recognition before often darker underpinnings become obvious. The verbals rely on language and its inherent shapeshifting to offer wry perspective and commentary on ego, desire, and the human need to communicate with certitude. Kopec has been reviewed in the Boston Globe and Art New England. His work has shown recently with the Cambridge Art Association, Danforth Museum of Art, and the University Of Maine Museum Of Art.





Andrew Neumann works in a variety of media, including sculpture, film and video installation, and electronic/interactive music. Originally, his artistic output consisted of single-channel videos and films, then moved on to integrate a variety of electronic and digital technologies into 3D and sculptural work. Additionally, he builds electronic musical interfaces and is very active in electro-acoustic improvisation. Neumann received a Guggenheim Fellowship in 2004. His music is available on Sublingual Records. He has shown his work internationally, including on PBS.

For a complete review of Sharon Freed, Walter Kopec and Andrew Neumann's work, please refer to their websites: sfreedphotography. com, walterkopec.com and adneumann.com



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actually a meat market. This is where the beer is kept so cold and it has become a legend in its own rite and a popular destination; especially on those 90 degree July days. Another thing 'Miller's' is well known for is that it has never – ever been robbed – unique for any store in any city neighborhood. The Notos credit this to the store's location in such a close knit and friendly community, where everyone watches out for one another.

With mega stores dominating now, many family run varieties have had to close their doors years ago; unable to compete with the big guys. Not so with Miller's Market. They have always had a loyal customer base that has continued shopping there; in many cases for decades. And once the lottery came in, it became even more fun as neighbors would come in more often and stay longer to play their numbers. But what has always really drawn people to Miller's is the personal touch of knowing the folks behind the counter. A visit to Miller's for many is more than just a trip to the corner store to pick up needed items and groceries. It's more like visiting relatives and friends; a time to socialize with some good people, to meet other neighbors who are there for the same thing.

Like the 90's TV show 'Cheers': sometimes you just want to go where everyone knows your name. Miller's Market is such a place. It has always been welcoming. Mary Noto said that she will miss it all and so too will the rest of the family. They will always be grateful to the neighborhood for the loyalty shown over the years and especially for the good times they had and the good friends they have made.

Two weeks ago on a Monday night, they had sort of a farewell gathering at the store. Nothing planned, it was pretty much a spur of the moment type of party as friends and neighbors flocked to Miller's to wish the Notos good luck and reminisce about all the good times at the Market over the years. It was described by several as 'beautiful'.

But the Noto family; while no longer the owners of Miller's Market will still be living in South Boston. Mary, Ginny, Bob, Sonny and Joe etc. will still be an important part of the neighborhood.

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from Cuba are and they will sing the praises of the Communist tyrants.

Moving from Brown to Cornell, we have yet even more priceless comedy. The majority of the students and teachers at Cornell were big supporters and advocates of Obamacare. That was until they learned that it will affect them with big fees and rate increases to get the required health care. If you remember, the same thing happened at Harvard. Now, all of a sudden at Yale, Obamacare is unfair, penalizing, not up to their standards and a long list of other grievances too numerous to list all of them here. Some advice to these reality challenged scholars: Be careful what you wish for and in the future, get the facts first before you push for a cause. And above all, do your own thinking for a change and stop being led around like sheep (AKA useful idiots).

And now for this week's Barack Obama slap: On a TV interview last week, Obama stated that the terrorist threat around the world and even its potential in our own country is being overblown and exaggerated and hyped by some in the media (FOX, we're assuming) and some in congress to scare the American people. He went on to suggest that people should be more concerned with the impact of 'Global Warming' than with what ISIS, Al Qaeda and other 7th Century savages are doing. In this interview as with every other, he is still refusing to say the words radical Islam.

It's apparently important to Mr. Obama not to offend the terrorists, oops, I mean those misunderstood rascals. Which brings me to repeat the question that Brian Mahoney asked in one of his recent Columns: "Just whose side are you on Mr. President?" I think as time goes on and the actions by this White House begin to shock more Americans each day, the answer to Brian's question is becoming clearer.

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Jimmy Flaherty Kick-off Breakfast Set For Feb. 28

he SBCA President Tom McGrath is pleased to announce that on Saturday, February, 28th 2015 at 10:00 am, at the Kick-off Breakfast held at the Cornerstone Restaurant, The Henry Knox Award Presentation will take place. Family, Friends and Neighbors are respectfully invited to attend this wonderful event. A small donation is requested at door to help off-set costs. This year's event will once again feature great music by Bob Fowkes and Curragh's Fancy.

The event Chairman will be South Boston's own and City Councilor President Billy Linehan, who has led the fight to preserve the historical importance of Evacuation Day. "As president of the Association, it is an honor for me to appoint Billy to kick-off the festivities. Bill's commitment and involvement with the SBCA has been a tremendous asset to me and the Executive Board." Said McGrath.

The awards are presented to everyday citizens involved in the community who seek no recognition, who are considered "Unsung Heroes". This year's honorees are Ed "Butch" Shiflett, Kathy Davis, Keith Lombard, Judy Ryan and Perry DiNatale.

The first recipient is Edward"Butch" Shifflett, a Vietnam Veteran and longtime leader with the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), has dedicated his life to helping returning veterans and their families access services and benefits they earned. Along with his wife Jean, the former state commander of the DAV - Women's

Auxiliary, the Shifflett family has always given back to the people of South Boston, especially those in the veterans' community. As past commander of the Massachusetts DAV, along with serving as an officer with the Massachusetts DAV for many years, Ed worked hard in advocating for access to medical care for our veterans and their families. Working with the many volunteers and parishioners of St. Augustine/ St. Monica Church community in helping arranging the Christmas and Thanksgiving dinner for the elderly, Ed Shifflett has dedicated his life to those less fortunate and treats everyone with dignity and respect. Ed Shifflett, born and raised in South Boston, represents what South Boston is all about: a love of community, country and always helping people.

Next up, we have Kathy Davis a life-long resident of South Boston and a permanent fixture at the Tynan Community Center since it opened its doors in 1974. As a child, teen and current employee for over 31 years, Kathy has held several positions at the Tynan. Those duties throughout the years include Building Manager, Athletic Director, and Camp Director for 6 summers. She has been Program Supervisor for the past 21 years implementing programming for participants, ranging from age 4 to adults. Programs include in- house leagues in flag football, youth and adult basketball, floor hockey, instructional basketball, the infamous volleyball league that was established back in 1975 and is currently running in its 40th consecutive season just to name a few. Kathy has also been involved in the summer Boston Neighborhood Basketball League (B.N.B.L.) since 1978, first as a player, coach and Site Director for the past 15 years. When the late past SBCA President Tommy Butler initiated the South Boston **Evacuation Free-Throw Contest** back in the early 1990's he appointed her chairman of this event and she has been involved in the success of this event since

day one.

As always the SBCA likes to recognize a business person from the community. For twenty years, Perry C DiNatale has been a household name in South Boston due to his success as a real estate broker, and his benevolence to the South Boston community. Perry's grandfather Carmelo and Uncle Joe operated barber shops for over 50 years on E and Dorchester Streets. His father, the late Dr Peter DiNatale, practiced medicine on East Broadway for forty two years, taking care of many families in need. Like Perry's family, he has followed in their footsteps as being part of the community, Most recently, Perry has donated \$20,000 to South Boston Youth Hockey in a thirty month period. Perry lives on N Street with his wife Christina, and two sons Henry and Vincent. Henry DiNatale skates with the SB Mite program at the Murphy Rink.

The next recipient is Judy Ryan,

a life-long South Bostonian who is an Administrative Coordinator for the City of Boston at the Curley Recreational Center and the Condon community Center for the past 28 years. Over those years Judy has overseen many projects and events for the youth, young adults and seniors of this great community. One such program that Judy is proud of is that she helped bring back the swimming program to the Condon. Judy is also active down at the West Broadway Housing Development working with the children throughout the year. She also organizes a fundraiser to help families out at Christmas time. Judy resides in South Boston and has two sons Matt and Steven, along with grandson Max. She will be retiring soon and on behalf of the SBCA we want to wish her the best in the future.

She will be greatly missed at the Condon. Thanks for your service to **CONTINUED ON page 14**

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Docket No. SU09P1870GD **Commonwealth of Massachusetts** The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court**

In the Interests of: Shaleika M. Green Formerly Of: Rutland, MA And Now of South Boston, MA RESPONDENT Incapacitated Person/Protected Person

Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Department of Mental Health of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Terminate the Guardianship The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardianship and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/ or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 03/12/2015. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer,

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one may be appointed at State expense.

Leadership Initiative Announces Spring Programs

he South Boston Leadership Initiative is pleased to announce five new Spring Programs, with the first beginning on Monday March 2nd. Each program will last for a total of eight weeks. The programs are free and open to any South Boston resident or student, as long as that person fits the particular age group that the program is designed for. Specific details for each individual program are posted on www.SouthBostonLeadership.org. Some highlights include: SAT Prep (March 2nd) Career Skills 101 (March 24th)

Youth Fitness and Nutrition (April 7th)

Fitness, BCYF Curley Community Center, and the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades. For more information and to sign up for any of these programs, please go to www.SouthBostonLeadership. org. Space is limited.



CONTINUED FROM page 12 store has been part of the lives of the entire family, Mary shared a story with SBT about her 8 year old grandson Ryan. Ryan, apparently a bit sad about the change, asked them not to sell the store because when he gets old enough and big enough he will buy it from them and keep it in the family. He was told that what he asked for would be much too long of a wait but not

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FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU15P0214EA **Commonwealth Of Massachusetts** The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** Estate of: Stephen Paul Loncich Also known as: Stephen P Loncich Date of Death: 12/28/2014 Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: **Beverly A McDonough** of South Boston MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. And also requesting that: **Beverly A McDonough** of South Boston MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 03/12/2015. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you. The estate is being administered under formal 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 recipients 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.

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to worry, once the store was officially sold, the whole family would be taking a trip to Disney World. This was more than enough to cheer up young Ryan.

SBT joins many of our neighbors in wishing the Noto family the best of luck in any and all future endeavors. It was a great 32 year run at Miller's Market and we're glad they will still be living locally. And we also wish the new owners the best.

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the City of Boston.

Lastly, Keith Lombard was born and raised in South Boston. He lives on East Second Street with his wife Samantha. They have a 4 year old daughter, Saoirse, who attends South Boston Catholic Academy and a 2 year old son, Kellen. Keith currently works at the South Boston Collaborative Center as a licensed Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor and Case Manager. Keith is part of a team that provides counseling and group therapy to members of the Boston community that have substance abuse issues. He also works with clients on an individual counseling basis and facilitates an Early Recovery Group and Men's Group. Keith is actively involved with South Boston's recovery community. He is a member of the South Boston Hope and Recovery Coalition and assists with coordinating the annual Overdose Vigil. Keith is proud to be from South Boston. He believes being raised in South Boston has helped shape him into the man he is today. Keith is on call 24/7/365, never turns anyone away that is seeking his help and is a strong proponent of having the entire family involved in the recovery process.

Please join the South Boston Citizens' Association in recognizing these individuals who make South Boston the greatest place on earth.

Tom McGrath, President of the SBCA, said "It is an honor to recognize these individuals who dedicate their time and energy to the South Boston Community. I hope the community will join me and others on Saturday February 28th to honor these men and women."

Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10.00 or by contacting Tom McGrath at bmcgdad@aol.com



Spring Training opening double header against Northeastern and Boston College is scheduled for March 3.

Pitchers and catchers will report to Fort Myers on Feb. 20

Position players will report to Fort Myers on Feb. 24.

Sadly, reports have confirmed that former Red Sox third base coach Wendell Kim has passed away. Kim was a fan favorite known for his aggressive decision making at third base dubbing him "Wave 'em in Wendell". He was also known for his theatrics like back flips, sprinting and jumping on top of the Sox dugout. Kim served as third base coach from 1997-2000. SBT extends condolences to the Kim family and Red Sox organization.



Bruins Need To Rebound Down Critical Stretch

H aving lost their last four games, the Boston Bruins are preparing for a critical point in the season. Barely holding onto the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference (fourth in the Atlantic Division), the Bruins need to start playing their best and most consistent hockey of the season. They did that in January (8-1-3), not so much in February losing 5 out of their last 6 games.

With the March 2 trade deadline looming, trade rumors are being murmured by hockey's chattering class. Bruins GM Peter Chiarelli and President Cam Neely are considering their options, although no trade seems yet to be imminent. The one exception is rookie goalie Malcolm Subban, who has been called up a few times of late. Some wonder if this is to showcase him for a trade. Possibly for a goal scorer or defensive help.

All in all, both Chiarelli and Neely believe they have built a team that is prepared for and can make some noise in the playoffs. The challenge is that they have to get their first. They can start by taking care of business Wednesday night against the Edmonton Oilers – owners of the second worst record in the NHL. A lot can happen in a few weeks.

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maybe the archdiocese can reexamine there efforts on selling the parish school building. What's good for the Cathedral should be good for Gatey too."

The Associated Press reported that a parking lot owned by the Cathedral of the Holy Cross has been leased to a developer who plans to construct an apartment building on the land, a model that if successful could be used by other parishes, officials said.

In a first-of-its-kind deal for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, the cathedral signed a 99-year lease with a developer who plans a 160-unit rental building with ground floor retail space. Both parties say the lease will produce steady income for the cathedral, though it is unclear how much because details are confidential.

Seventy spaces in the new building's underground garage will be assigned to the church. "We're confident this will be successful, and we'll see if we can replicate this in other parishes," which tend to be property rich but cash poor, Deborah Dillon, director of property services for the archdiocese, tells The Boston Globe.

The archdiocese subsidizes 40 percent of the cathedral's \$900,000 annual budget, church officials said. Heating and maintaining the archdiocese's mother church, which seats more than 2,000, is a significant burden.

"We have to come up with creative ways in which to help the parish sustain itself," said the Rev. Kevin O'Leary, rector of the cathedral, who helped conceptualize the development deal.

The lease agreement on the development contains a clause requiring commercial use of the retail space to conform to Catholic social

teaching. The developer, Peter Roth of New Atlantic Development, said the retail section will probably be a restaurant or cafe.

Specialists in Catholic ethics said they saw little risk in the development deal for the church.

"If they are able to take an asset to leverage it and create an income stream to create additional resources to help spread gospel and do the mission of Christ through a Catholic parish, I think that's a great thing," said Matthew Manion, president of the Pennsylvaniabased Catholic Leadership Institute.

For the Gate of Heaven community, this is a puzzling twist in the position of the Archdiocese. Among the options is consideration of uses other than luxury condominiums, such as a charter school. Sean Monahan penned an op-ed in an earlier SBT edition that made the case for finding a project that would allow the parish to lease the site in order to create a steady rental stream, so the Cathedral project plan is not a new concept.

The fight over the future of the Gate of Heaven School has become the symbol of a community that wants to maintain its core institutions and not lose them to speculative developers and others who are motivated by money. The Archdiocese has become a co-conspirator in the disposition of just about every vestige of the Gatey Parish community. Some believe that pretty soon there will be real estate ads saying 'Vatican-style lofts boasting some of the finest stained glass features ever seen, with a stunning view of a century old pipe organ'. Maybe far-fetched? Not necessarily. Think St. Peter and Paul Church. St. Peter School. St. Augustine's. Some wonder, especially when money is concerned.







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