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# Mixed-use **Expansion With** Movie Theater, **Apartments Proposed For South Bay**

n affiliate of real estate developer EDENS Inc. has plans for an expansive mixed-use addition on 10 acres adjacent to its existing South Bay Center in Dorchester, according to a letter of intent filed Wednesday with the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

The letter of intent from Allstate Road (EDENS) LLC outlines plans "to construct a transit-oriented, mixed-use commercial and residential development," including 115,000 square feet of commercial

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# **EDITORIAL**

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ou will never miss your Mother until she's buried beneath the grave", is a somber line from a maudlin old Irish song titled, "A Mother's Blessing". The song is actually a tribute to Mothers and a reminder to sons and daughters to appreciate Mother and all she has done while you're able. You'll miss her.

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"People all over the nation are starved for honesty and common sense" - Dr. Benjamin Carson

# **Last Week's Poll**

Are you in favor making the temporary one way street plan permanent?

> Yes 33% No 67%





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# We Must Stop Using the Word 'Thug' – I Think Not.

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

John Ciccone

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t was difficult to watch the coverage of the Marathon Bomber trial on Monday without shaking my head in amused disbelief. His relatives were flown in from Russia at our expense to testify about his great kindness and character. Between the weeping family members AND the teary eyed bomber himself, we are expected to believe that growing up in his own country, he was a kind and gentle soul, angelic and sweet, who would be traumatized at the sight of an injured lady bug. If not for the influence of his evil older brother, the dead bomber, young Dzhokhar would probably have joined the Peace Corps; or be out dedicating his life to feeding the hungry.

If Adolph Hitler was on tria,l we'd

most likely hear stories about how he loved puppies and preparing flower arrangements for his mother. First of all, no one is buying it except for the reality-challenged liberals and progressives, who will fall for anything. But even if he was the golden child of virtue growing up in Russia – that was then and this is now. He became a cold, calculating, murdering animal, who callously blew up innocent Americans. He did it in the name of his sick Jihad, so let him be martyred for the cause. That will be the only rock solid guarantee that he will never kill again. And to the teenaged girls that were at one time holding 'Free Dzhokhar' signs outside the courthouse: Seek professional help.

Thugs. This is a word we are now

being told that we aren't allowed to use to describe the looters in Baltimore. The circus clowns on MSNBC would be expected to say this. But main stream news outlets, some politicians and of course Al Sharpton say it too. They don't seem to get the fact that real Americans don't allow their free speech rights to be infringed upon by politically correct speech-Nazis. To quote the now famous author Dinesh Dsouza: "The Conservative approach to ending the problem in the streets is to immediately deal with the thugs. The liberal solution is to ban the word". The response by most people across the country is, if it acts like a thug, talks like a thug and loots like a thug...it's a thug. As for the looters themselves, they seem to

be getting a pass. In fact, there are people on social media seriously asking when Barack Obama will sign an executive order reclassifying the looters in Baltimore and Ferguson as 'undocumented shoppers'. I'm guessing it won't be too long.

As for the news media's role in all the turmoil, it's pretty obvious that much of the press is helping to stir up more problems in the effort to help their ratings. Most mature people can see right through this, but even younger folks are now getting wise to these tactics. The Washington Examiner reports that in the most recent polling regarding trustworthiness in the media, a survey co-sponsored by Quinnipiac and, of all places, Harvard found that CONTINUED ON page 6

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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 government activity, as well as links to other news.

#### MEEHAN WANTS TO EXPAND ONLINE LEARNING "ACROSS THE BOARD" AT UMASS

The governor and the incoming president of the University of Massachusetts both believe online classes are a ticket to more flexible and affordable education. "I think for certain subjects, especially complicated ones that I never really understood anyway - like physics and chemistry and stuff like that the possibility of being able to take a lecture over and over again until you really get it in an online space is a great way to go," Gov. Charlie Baker told reporters Tuesday. After a meeting with Baker, UMass Lowell Chancellor Martin Meehan, who will take over in July as the next president of the UMass system, said 53 percent of UMass Lowell graduates in a recent class took at least one online course and it's an area he hopes to expand. "We're going to expand it right across the board at UMass," said the former Democratic congressman who now lives in Andover. While cautioning that it is "not a substitute for everything," Baker said online education is a "money-maker" and cheaper and more flexible for students. Baker also told Meehan he was a "big believer" in developing a three-year degree program. "I would love to see that happen as part of your tenure," said Baker, who also praised Northeastern University's educational employment program, calling it the "biggest, brawniest, most muscular co-op

program." - Andy Metzger/SHNS
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APRIL TAX RECEIPTS EXCEED

Sa BILLION

Tax collections in April soared past
the \$3 billion mark, jumping 11.8
percent over April 2014 receipts. The
Department of Revenue reported late

percent over April 2014 receipts. The Department of Revenue reported late Tuesday that collections exceeded the monthly benchmark by \$29 million and are running \$163 million ahead of benchmarks with two months remaining in fiscal 2015. Department officials attributed the better than expected collections to greater than anticipated income estimated payments and lower than expected refunds. "We may still have a little catching up to do on refunds next month but that could be offset by a slight increase in income tax payments," Revenue Commissioner Mark Nunnelly said in a statement. "Income tax withholding continues to be strong year to date, which may indicate continued signs of improvement in the labor market." Fiscal 2016 tax collections with two months left in the fiscal year are running 6.2 percent ahead of the same ten-month period in fiscal 2015. -Michael Norton/SHNS

# RETAILERS: TIE STATE SALES TAX REDUCTION TO FED ACTION

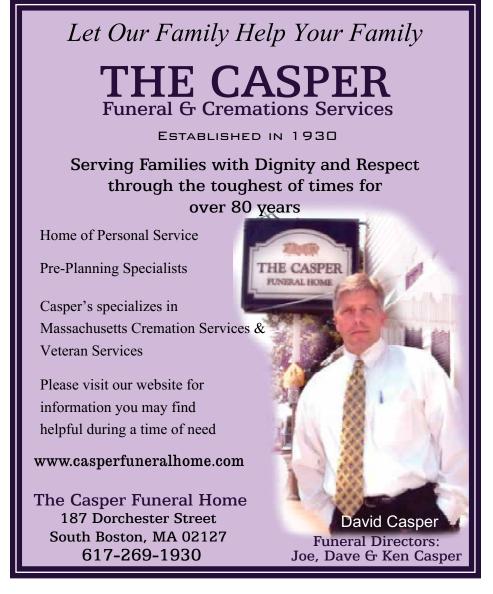
Bay State retailers are pushing legislation that would tie a reduction of the state's 6.25 percent sales tax to collecting the tax from online-only companies and purchases. State law requires retailers to collect sales taxes on in-state purchases, but online purchases on such sites such as eBay and Overstock do not include the tax. Consumers are required to disclose the purchase and pay the tax in their annual tax filings. "As this law is widely unknown and largely unenforced, we support efforts that simply require all merchants to collect the appropriate sales tax from customers at the time of sale," William Rennie, vice president of the Retailers

Association of Massachusetts, wrote in testimony to legislators on Tuesday. One bill (H 2628) would reduce the state sales tax to 5.75 percent from 6.25 percent, if Congress passes a law authorizing states to collect sales taxes from online, or remote businesses. According to the retailers' group, that would make the legislation revenueneutral in its first year if passed. Five other states have enacted such laws. the group added in testimony to the Joint Committee on Revenue. "Our employers can't fairly compete with online giants that don't collect sales taxes and don't have the same local presence in our communities," Rennie wrote, calling the 2009 sales tax increase from 5 percent "extremely damaging" to retailers, particularly those that compete with businesses in sales tax-free New Hampshire. "With internet sales figures increasing by double digit percentages each year, a level sales tax playing field is vital to preserving our Massachusetts retailers' ability to remain competitive." -Gintautas Dumcius/SHNS

#### MARCH FORECLOSURE STARTS HIT HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE OCTOBER 2012

Lenders initiated more foreclosures in Massachusetts during March than in any month since October 2012, according to a new report, which documented a 77 percent increase in foreclosure petitions during the first quarter of 2015. Completed foreclosures, reflected in foreclosure deeds, were also up in March, The Warren Group said. The 359 deeds filed that month, a 51 percent increase over March 2014, was the largest monthly total of 2015. But foreclosure deeds were up only 3 percent during the first quarter, a sign that many petitions are not ending in foreclosures. Foreclosure petitions, which mark the first step in the foreclosure process, have been up in Massachusetts for 13

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# ReadingBetween The Lines

## "A Hot Summer"

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

Brian R. Mahoney

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hy not just hang the 6 Baltimore police officers and be done with it? Even after the Maryland State Attorney's stated embrace of the "No Justice No Peace" mantra and the announcement of the indictments and the arrests of the officers, thugs still took to the streets and created havoc Friday night. Will there be arrests and "Justice" for the store owners, who were looted and burned out?

What has the State Attorney Mosby accomplished with her rush to judgment to appease the mob? And it was a rush to judgment. Regardless of what the evidence ultimately reveals, the fact is the City of Baltimore only gave her the evidence and case control on Thursday afternoon. By noon time Friday, Attorney Mosby was announcing indictments and arrest warrants. Acting as if this is an open and shut case is raising expectations of an easy conviction. Most realize that a fair trial in Baltimore is impossible, so the trial will be moved. Despite all the rhetoric, there is very weak evidence of any wrong doing. Initial reports state the GPS System in the police van shows every stop, turn and movement and there is no evidence of a so-called "Rough Ride". If an impartial out of town jury doesn't convict, will those thugs Attorney Mosby appeased be happy or will Baltimore burn worse than before?

Especially interesting will be the knots liberals tie themselves in, as the realization that 3 of the 6 officers, including the most seriously charged, are black, starts to sink in that they can't use the "Racist Cop" charge. Thankfully, the highest ranking officer is a white lieutenant. Even though he took no part other than show up, some way of shifting blame almost entirely to him will begin.

If doubts persist about the racial aspects there are a few things to consider. When a black person was killed in Ferguson by police, Rev. Al Sharpton came to the town leading protest marches' and delivering fiery speeches castigating the political and police leadership. When a black person dies in the hands of the police in Baltimore, the good Reverend runs interference preventing reporters from asking questions of the Baltimore Mayor.

The only difference is one Mayor is white, the other Mayor is black. In a statement on Tuesday, both the Mayor of Baltimore and President Obama referred to Monday night's arsonists and looters as "thugs". That same Tuesday evening, the Rev. Sharpton said a white reporter was being racist for classifying rioters as "thugs", a claim that now has the "lame stream" media terrified of calling the thugs "thugs" for fear of being called racist. Because that's the racial hustle game. No matter the facts, find the racial angle to exploit it or, more likely, create one if none exists.

Consider, the city of Baltimore has about 750,000 residents of whom 500,000 are black. If the black population of Baltimore had rioted, we would be talking about more than a looted CVS Store. Instead, it was a combination of some genuinely outraged persons, some thugs seizing a change to loot, but most insidiously the

same group of welfare cheating anarchists, mostly white, that we met during the "occupy" movement who use the internet to converge on any disturbance, anywhere.

These are the enemy trying to create an "explosion" in America that they can use to reshape the country to their vision - a vision

to control and dictate what to do and say...with them in charge, of course. A small number, to be sure, but making enough noise to intimidate our so-called "leaders".

Someone had better lead soon or we're watching the beginning of a long, hot, ugly summer.

Take care till next week.

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and retail space, a 65,000-square-foot cinema, a 150-200 room hotel, up to 500 units of multifamily housing and two parking garages. EDENS is a privately owned developer and operator of retail shopping centers.

Catherine Carlock of the BBJ quoted the letter of intent in that "New internal roadways, sidewalks and open space will be created for the proposed project", which is planned for a 10.2-acre tract of land southeast of the existing South Bay Center. The tract is bounded by South Bay Center, Enterprise Street to the southwest, Boston Street on the southeast and West Howell Street on the northeast. The land is currently occupied by a concrete plant, vacant commercial and industrial space, office and retail buildings and surface parking lots, the letter of intent says.

The existing South Bay Center at 8 Allstate Road in the Dorchester neighborhood of Boston spans 427,289 square feet with tenants including Target, The Home Depot, TJ Maxx and Bed, Bath & Beyond, among others, according to the EDENS website.

Jodie McLean, president and chief investment officer of EDENS, is listed as the registered agent of Allstate Road (EDENS) LLC. McLean was not available for comment Wednesday. Jamie Fay, founder and president of Fort Point Associates Inc., submitted the letter of intent to the BRA on EDENS' behalf.

South Boston residents who frequent the Shopping Center expressed their hope that this kind of development would add significantly to the shopping options as well as improve the public safety and transportation services in, to and from there.





## Rep. Collins Votes to Pass Balanced FY16 Budget with No New Taxes

Focuses on local aid, substance abuse, and investing in education

ast week, Representative
Nick Collins joined
his colleagues in the
Massachusetts House of
Representatives to pass the House
FY16 budget which emphasized
investments in local aid,
education and substance abuse
services and treatment.

The \$38.05 billion spending bill includes no new taxes or fees and reduces reliance on one time revenue sources, highlighting the House's ongoing commitment to fiscal prudence and targeted investments, practices that have resulted in Massachusetts retaining its AA+ bond rating, the highest in the state's history.

The FY16 House budget proposal also marks the first time that Massachusetts has access to slots revenue, providing a new funding stream of about \$105 million. As a result, the House budget proposal included a \$35 million increase to Unrestricted General Government Aid and an all-time high in Chapter 70 funding of \$4.5 billion, providing an increase of \$25 per pupil.

"I was happy to work with my colleagues in the House of Representatives to ensure that the Commonwealth does its part to support our local municipalities. This year's house budget debate was particularly successful for the City of Boston," said Rep. Collins.

Under the FY16 house budget proposal, the City of Boston is set to receive \$212,596,335 in Chapter 70 funding and an additional \$174,635,245 in Unrestricted General Government Aid, totaling over \$387 million in funding for the City of Boston.

"I hope that the City can use this funding for its highest budget priorities, including the Boston Public Schools," continued Rep. Collins. "We hope that this level of funding finds its way into the classroom, where it is most needed."

The FY16 budget included a provision to ensure that there will be no waitlist for elder homecare services and strengthens efforts in last year's budget and the landmark substance addiction law through numerous investments in prevention and recovery programs, including:

- More than \$10 million in new funding for programs focused on substance addiction prevention and treatment, including \$3.6 million new transitional support services beds;
- \$2.2 million for new residential recovery beds; and
- More than \$13 million for the Department of Mental Health to annualize and expand community placements to free up beds in the DMH pipeline.

## A Message To the South Boston Community:

n Thursday April 30, the Massachusetts Port Authority was honored to receive the Jack Shaughnessy Service Award from the Labouré Center at its 33rd annual spring benefit. Massport shares the Labouré Center's commitment to supporting the well-being of children, adults, and families in the South Boston community. During the past 10 years, it's been our privilege to provide some \$85,000 to support the Labouré Center's Youth Tutoring Program and summer jobs for young people in the community, a small component of the organization's numerous educational, financial, job training and family support programs serving 3,500 low income residents each year.

Boston is indeed fortunate to have the generous leadership and compassion of Labouré Director Sister Maryadele Robinson and the entire team of caregivers and staff at the Labouré Center.

Thomas P. Glynn, Chief Executive Officer, Massport

José Massó III, Community Relations Director, Massport

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now just 2% of younger Americans trust the media to do the right thing. It also found that the most trusted network is, now hold on to your heads libs – FOX. The least trusted is MSNBC.

Well, it has started. ISIS has taken credit for its first attack on American soil. They say their people were the ones who tried to blow up the cartoon contest in Garland, Texas last weekend. Luckily, a quick thinking cop took them both out before they could accomplish their objective. Said one sheriff in a message to ISIS: "If you want to keep coming back to Texas, we'll keep making martyrs of you". But these terrorists are threatening to launch more attacks in our country, many of them, bigger and soon. And there are people in our government at the federal, state and local levels who want to take guns away from American citizens? I don't think so.



# The War On Drugs Must Continue

ather Joe White of Saint
Vincent and Our Lady of
Good Voyage parishes would
rather the Boston Herald cover
the more positive aspects of his
ministry, but reality often dictates
dialogue in an urban enclave like
South Boston. Along with our
elected delegation leaders, and
specifically highlighted by Rep.
Nick Collins in his campaign
literature, the message is that 'the
war on drugs' must continue.

It's not enough to have treatment and recovery programs or even a drug court and a dedicated drug unit within the Boston Police Department. The root causes of drug use and the sources of drugs are critical elements of this war plan. The other element is daily vigilance and relentless intervention at all levels of the epidemic.

In recapping the Herald story, there are disheartening statistics that underscore the degree to which individuals and entire families either succumb to or are devastated in other ways by the effects of drug addicted family and community members. As reported, South Boston funeral director Dave Casper buries people for a living, but with the heroin epidemic raging, he's burying

them before their time, and he's tired of it. "I don't want to bury people because of drugs," said Casper, owner of Southie's Casper Funeral Home in Jessica Heslam's story. "I want to bury people because you live a nice, long life."

Father White said the number of eulogies he's delivered for people who have died from heroin overdoses has doubled, if not tripled, since he came to the neighborhood eight years ago. They're children. They're grandchildren. They're spouses. They're siblings. They're parents. They're professionals. They're tradespeople," said Father White, envisioning every one of their faces. "It brings tears to my eyes. It does not discriminate."

These days, the pastor said, it's rare that a family doesn't want him to talk about their relative's addiction in the eulogy. Families are more open, Casper added, and no longer "sugar-coating things." Like Casper, the pastor sees many people who had been sober for a period of time before the fatal overdose. The epidemic

is so harrowing the Archdiocese of Boston has asked Father White to create a plan for clergy and parishes to help people struggling with heroin addiction and their families. That includes getting them into treatment programs and bereavement counseling for relatives.

The South Boston community itself is more cognizant of the drug problem and more and more residents are acknowledging that it is not isolated to poor or low income people. Drug do not discriminate. Congressman Stephen Lynch, Mayor Marty Walsh, Councilors Bill Linehan and Mike Flaherty as well as Collins are collectively dedicated to bringing the resources their respective offices can access. But, ultimately it requires open, honest and persistent interaction among the clergy, the citizens, the human service providers, health care professionals, the government and law enforcement to first stem the tide and hopefully reverse the trend that Fr. White and Mr. Casper have been witnessing firsthand.

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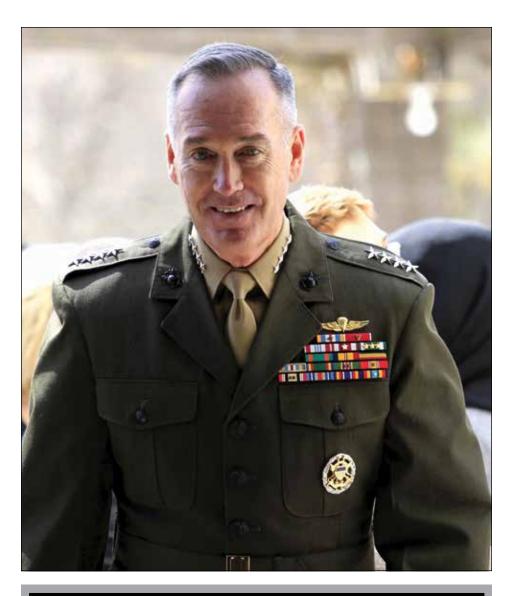
consecutive months - lenders filed 1,108 petitions in March compared to 660 in March 2014. "We continue to see rises in every facet of the foreclosure process," Warren Group CEO Timothy Warren Jr. said in a statement. "It is frustrating to see the increases month after month however it continues to be the result of a large volume of backlog on the part of lenders who continue to track down delinquent mortgages." - Michael Norton/SHNS

#### CLT NOT GIVING UP ON "PROMISE" OF 5 PERCENT INCOME TAX RATE

As Democrats in the Legislature push plans to freeze the income tax rate at 5.15 percent, the group that led a successful ballot law campaign 15 years ago says it's time for the Legislature to drop the rate to 5 percent in accordance with that law. Citizens for Limited Taxation plans to testify Tuesday before the Revenue Committee for a bill (H 2598) reducing the income tax rate to 5 percent on July 1, a move the group says would fulfill the promise of a ballot question that passed by a 59-41 margin in

2000. Two years later, the Legislature put the rate reduction on hold. CLT says voters were also promised that a 1989 increase in the income tax would be temporary and that the rate would be reduced to 5 percent. In addition to opposing bills to increase the income tax rate, CLT plans to oppose legislation (H 2631) sponsored by Weymouth Democrat Rep. James Murphy calling for an income tax cut study. "There is also no need for a commission (H. 2631) to study all of this, since The Promise, followed by the 2000 voter mandate, was perfectly clear: restore the income tax rate to its traditional 5 percent," CLT associate director Chip Faulkner wrote in a memo to the Revenue Committee. Rep. Denise Provost (D-Somerville) last week offered and then withdrew a budget amendment freezing the income tax rate at 5.15 percent and Sen. Benjamin Downing (D-Pittsfield) said last week he is considering filing a budget amendment to increase the earned income tax credit while freezing the income tax rate at 5.15 percent. During his 2010 campaign, Charlie Baker made a 5 percent income tax rate a priority. - Michael Norton/SHNS





# DCR TRAFFIC & PARKING ADVISORY Boston Marine Corps Honor Run

WHAT: On Saturday, May 9, 2015, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will close William J. Day Boulevard in South Boston to all traffic to accommodate the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation Race for Research on William J. Day Boulevard. All four lanes on Day Boulevard will be used for the race. Traffic will be detoured to adjacent roadways: Columbia Road, Farragut Road and Shore Road will serve as a route to Castle Island. Parking will also be prohibited along the Day Boulevard.

WHEN: Saturday, May 9, 2015

WHERE: Day Boulevard will be closed from Kosciousko Circle to Farragut Road from 8:30 am to approximately 10:30 am. There will be no parking on Day Boulevard, from I Street to Farragut Road beginning Friday, May 8, 2015 at 10:00 pm through Saturday, May 9, 2015 at approximately 10:30 am.

Temporary overnight parking for residents with a valid City of Boston South Boston Resident Parking Sticker will be provided at the angled parking spots located between Shore Road and the Castle Island parking lot beginning at 10:00 pm on Friday May 8, 2015. This temporary parking area will be staffed and vehicles will be checked for resident parking stickers.

# Southie Native Gen Joseph Dunford-Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY

Il of the news reports might make those who don't know any better think that United States Marine Corps General Joseph Dunford, who has just been nominated to be the next Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is a Quincy native. However, many of our readers are well aware he was born in South Boston in 1955, attended the Nazareth School and was an Altar Boy at St. Brigid Church. And THEN he moved to Quincy. So this town can officially, accurately and very proudly claim him as one of our own.

Now that we've clarified this at the request of many of our local veterans who contacted this newspaper, it must also be said that this is a welldeserved honor he is receiving and it highlights an incredible military career. His education is remarkable. He went from Boston College High School to St. Michael's College. From there he went on to the US Army War College, US Army Ranger and Amphibious Warfare School. He received his Masters of Arts degree in Government from Georgetown University and a second Masters from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts.

Gen Joseph Dunford, given the nick name of 'Fighting Joe' by those who have served with him, is in every sense of the word and in every way one of America's true warriors. Working his way up to

general, he served in many of the world's hotspots including Iraq and Afghanistan. He was commandant of the Marine Corps International Security Assistance Force. He led US and NATO forces in Afghanistan. He has been the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps 6th Marines, 5th Marines Regiment, 1st Marine **Expeditionary Force, Marine Forces** Central Command and is the recipient of many distinguished medals and awards for his outstanding service. The list of his accomplishments with the military is extensive and impressive and by all accounts makes him the perfect choice to become Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

When the news broke about General Dunford's nomination, South Boston Today spoke with Tom Lyons, Chairman of the South Boston Vietnam Memorial Committee. Tom couldn't be more pleased at the choice of his friend General Dunford and he had some good news to share. Joe Dunford will be returning to South Boston in September of this year to attend the Annual Medal of Honor Society Convention and to participate in the rededication of the South Boston Vietnam Memorial at Medal of Honor Park at M Street. This news pleases many as it's always an honor to have a General in America's military visit our town. But this time, it will be the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the highest ranking member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

And while it's true, Joe Dunford has been nominated but not yet confirmed by the US Senate, there really is no doubt that he's the best person for the job and the actual confirmation should be just a formality.



The Gate of Heaven Neighborhood Association will be giving out free bumper stickers Saturday from 9AM to 1PM in front of Mount Washington Bank, East Broadway. Just stop by and help show your support for the future of the neighborhood! United we stand

# Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

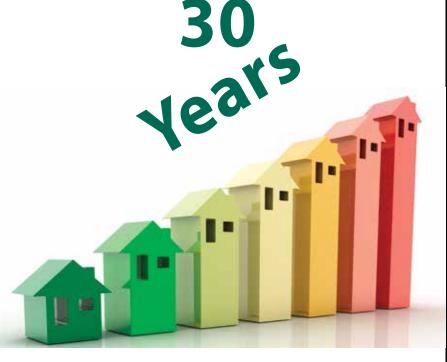
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Condo 141 Dorchester Ave UNIT 508	\$740,000	4/15/15	3	1	954
Condo 118-120 Marine Rd UNIT 1	\$675,000	4/16/15	5	2	1492
Condo 45 H Street	\$600,000	4/17/15	6	1.5	1460
Single Family 302 West Third St UNIT 1	\$457,000	4/16/15	4	2	891
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Condo 838 East Broadway UNIT 1	\$300,000	4/15/15	3	1	443
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#### Dear Friends and Alumni,

The Gatey C.Y.O. lives on and continues to be one of the most active programs in the Archdiocese. Congratulations to our 16 and under Boys 2015 State Champions.

Once again, we are looking for your moral and financial support that allows us the ability to furnish programs that provide a positive, healthy alternative to the pressures of today's society on our youth.

I would like to thank you for your support over the years, for it is only through your generosity that the program flourishes. This year's fundraiser is to be held on Friday, May 15th from 6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. at Carson Place (B.T.U.), 180 Mt. Vernon Street, Dorchester.

The evening will consist of an Open Bar Cocktail Reception, Hors d'oeuvres, **Five Hundred Dollar Grand Prize Drawing,** Live Entertainment, stimulating conversation with old friends, teammates and new friends and parents. We will also be presenting our annual Father Paul Donovan ~ Catholic Youth Awards, Jack McDonough ~ Men's Alumni Award, and the Father A. Paul White ~ Woman of the Year Award. This award ceremony has

become very special to the C.Y.O. Program as we express our pride in the youth of our community and those who have made such a difference in so many young lives over the years. Ticket prices are \$100 dollars each and \$150 dollars per couple. Free parking is also available on site.

If you are unable to attend this important event any donation you can make will be greatly appreciated. Please pass on the program ad book information to anyone you know that would like to contribute or place and ad.

You can contact one of the



committee members or email GateyCYO@aol.com. You can also obtain more information on Facebook @ Gatey CYO Fundraiser.

This Fundraiser is our financial backbone. With your continued support we will be able to provide the services needed to point the youth of our community in a positive direction and prepare them for a productive Christian life and future. Thanks once again for your support, and we look forward to seeing you on Friday, May 15th!

With Great Appreciation, William G. McDonough C.Y.O. Fundraiser Chairman

# Cruiseport Boston will Makes Waves this Season

¬ his Saturday, Cruiseport Boston set sail into the 2015 cruise season which now offers two separate itineraries to Bermuda. The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) made the announcement at a Bermudathemed family event celebrating Holland America Line's first Bermuda sailing in Cruiseport Boston's newly renovated Terminal 2 in South Boston. After a busy 2014 season, Cruiseport Boston is looking forward to another exciting year with new experiences for cruise travelers and the city of Boston.

Holland America Line will join Norwegian Cruise Line, whose Norwegian Dawn sails to King's Wharf in Bermuda, with a new itinerary to Hamilton, Bermuda on the MS Veendam.

"We are very excited about this additional service that allows cruisers who are interested in traveling to Bermuda from Boston to have a completely different experience on an entirely different



ship and cruise line," said
Massport CEO Thomas P. Glynn.
"This is the first time Cruiseport
Boston has ever had two homeport
ships going to Bermuda and it
really shows that Boston is a prime
location for taking a cruise as well
as a world-class port of call. This
boils down to a boost in our local
economy and a busy cruise season
supports good-paying blue-collar
jobs around the region."

"Voyage of the Vikings" is another popular itinerary on Holland America Line's's MS Veendam. This itinerary takes cruisers from Boston to one-of-akind destinations which include the Labrador Peninsula, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Ireland. "Voyage of the Vikings" departs July 25 and is 35 days roundtrip.

Holland America Line will also continue to offer its popular Panama Canal Transit in 2015 on the MS Veendam during its end of the season repositioning cruise to San Diego. This itinerary is 19 days and departs October 17.

Six new ships will call Cruiseport Boston this season: Oceania Marina, Liberty of the Seas, AIDA Diva, Regal Princess, Haimark's St. Laurent and Celebrity Eclipse.

This summer, Cruiseport Boston will help Cunard Line celebrate its 175th anniversary with a series of events in and around Boston during the Queen Mary 2's first call of the season on July 12. Boston and Cunard Line have a special history going back to 1840, when the city was the first U.S. port called by Cunard Line when the Brittania left Liverpool on its historic inaugural transatlantic voyage.

Additionally, Royal Caribbean International will offer a new transatlantic cruise from Boston to Denmark, calling ports in Ireland, England, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Sweden. This is a 15-night itinerary departing April 24th.

Cruise operations at Massport provide over 950 direct jobs and generate nearly \$80 million in economic impact each year and \$25 million in annual local, state, and federal tax revenue.

Cruiseport Boston is a favorite port-of-call with cruise passengers. The 2015 cruise season runs from April into November, with 114 vessel calls. Voyages sail north along the Canada/New England coastline – a fall favorite for New England's spectacular foliage – or to the Caribbean or pink sand beaches of Bermuda. Cruiseport Boston is a recipient of Cruise Insight Magazine's "Best Turnaround Destination" and "Most Efficient Port Facilities" awards.



## **Fort Point Arts Community Presents**

he Fort Point Arts
Community (FPAC)
announces a new temporary
public art installation in conjunction
with the upcoming 2015 Spring
Open Studios weekend: Toll With
Me, by Gianna Stewart.

8,500 bells, each one hanging from a simple jump ring in the openings of the chain link fence, will be installed along A Street in an undulating form. The bells' metallic finish will catch the sun on bright day, and, says Stewart "they will reveal the invisible winds that walk with us on A Street. I believe a simple gesture like these bells becoming part of an everyday object—the fence along A Street—is a way to bring poetry to the everyday." Gianna Stewart is a Boston-based sculptor with a strong interest in public art. She received her MFA from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston 2014. Toll With Me will be located on A Street on the fence bordering the US Post Office parking lot, between Wormwood and Melcher Streets. The installation will be on display beginning May 11th. The artist will begin installing the project on May 7th and 10th, and invites the public to take part in the final installation over Open Studios weekend, May 15-17th.

An expanded public art series is planned for May, with two additional installations in Fort Point: Bright Side of the Road II will transform a neglected city space on Congress Street into an unexpected, gardenlike oasis through "guerilla urban gardening" by Michael Moss and Claudia Ravaschiere, and Artist at Work, a plexiglass and solar LED sculpture by John Hanson will be installed on the Fort Point Harborwalk.

Toll With Me and the Spring Public Art Series are held in conjunction with Fort Point Spring Open Studios Weekend, to be held Friday through Sunday, May 15-17th. During Open Studios, more than 75 artists will open their studio doors to the public. Studios will be open Friday evening from 4-7pm, and Saturday and Sunday from 12-5pm. Open Studios visitors will explore the neighborhood and go inside the historic Fort Point warehouse lofts to meet local artists, including: painters, sculptors, ceramicists, jewelers, performance artists, fashion designers, printmakers, book artists, photographers, and more. Artwork will be available for purchase directly from the artists.

Fort Point Open Studios events are free and open to the public. Free parking during Open Studios is available. A downloadable map and details of Fort Point Open Studios will be found on www.

#### fortpointarts.org

Open Studios and the Public Art Series are organized by Fort Point Arts Community (FPAC), which represents over 300 artists in all media working and living in this unique waterfront neighborhood. Fort Point is recognized as one of New England's largest established arts communities. For more information on the Fort Point Arts Community visit www.fortpointarts.org

Toll With Me is made possible by the generous support from a grant by The South Boston Community Development Fund. Toll With Me was selected by a jury of artists, arts professionals, and community members.

FPAC thanks our selection panel: Valerie Burns: Fort Point residents and former longtime president of Boston Natural Areas Network; with BNAN Valerie has created, protected and activated community gardens and parks in Boston neighborhoods through sustainable public-private partnerships.

**Lucas Cowan:** Public Art Curator at Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway

Conservancy. Lucas leads the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy's efforts in bringing world-class temporary exhibitions of contemporary public art to the park system. Cowan was previously the Director of Public Art Programs with the Maryland State Arts Council, and the Senior Curator of Exhibits for the Chicago Office of Tourism and Culture and Millennium Park in Chicago.

Elisa H. Hamilton: FPAC member artist. Elisa is an artist whose work focuses on the vibrancy of our ordinary experience. She has been the recipient of four FPAC public art grants, one of which launched her ongoing project "Dance Spot" which was featured as a two-day program last Spring at DeCordova Sculpture Park, Lincoln and recognized with an honorable mention in Mayor Martin Walsh's 2014 Public Space Invitational.

Alice Vogler: Performance artist, curator and educator. Alice was the co-owner and curator of MEME Gallery in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She has shown her work in many performance events over the last 15 or so years all over the world. She is the Arts Program Manager at the Boston Children's Museum.

Karin Goodfellow, Boston Art Commissioner participated in the jury in an advisory capacity.



### South Baptist Church Spring Bake Sale This Saturday

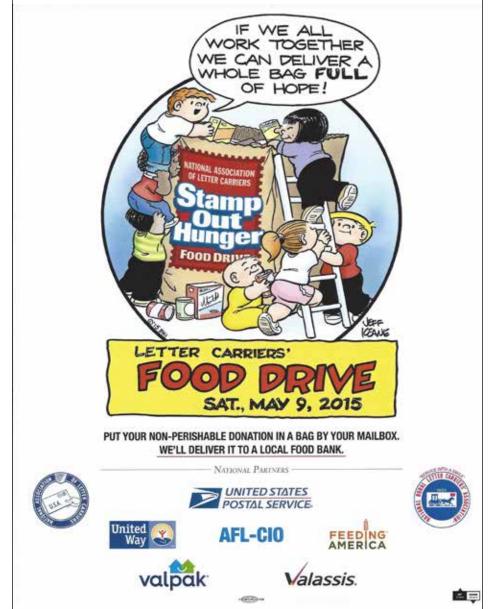
**¬** he weather is warming up and the days are getting longer. What this means to so many South Bostonians is that it's once again time for the annual Spring Bake Sale and all those delicious homemade baked goods prepared by the ladies of the South Baptist Church. Yes, once again, some of the finest cooks and bakers around will work their magic and prepare their incredible Pies, Cakes, Breads, Cupcakes, Brownies and a whole variety of other goodies always sure to please the taste buds of so many. In addition, homemade baked beans will be for sale as well as the best chili, both beef and turkey, east of Texas. And everything is prepared with only the freshest

and most wholesome ingredients.

Those of you who have tasted the delights of the food prepared at this annual event know how good and how fresh everything is. In fact, people have been known to drive in from many surrounding towns and in some cases, drive over state lines for this bake sale. It's that well known and famous. Do you enjoy feasting on mouthwatering desserts, chili and baked beans but really don't have the time to prepare them yourselves? Well, then Saturday's bake sale is where you want to be. You can let the experts do all the work and get all you need at the South Baptist Church Saturday then kick back and enjoy a feast yourself, share it with the family or company or give it as a gift. No matter who tastes it, they will be glad they did.

The cooks and bakers at South Baptist Church take pride in their work and make sure that what they prepare for the annual spring bake sale is so good it will make you want to keep coming back for the next one and the next. It's a labor of love. Said Denise Wilcox, who comes every year with husband Steve, "We try never, ever to miss the bake sale. With our family, it's a springtime tradition."

So if you enjoy the pleasure of indulging in absolutely delicious, healthful and wholesome baked goods and more, this Saturday, May 9th, from 10am till 2pm stop in at the South Baptist Church at 80 L St (at the corner of L St and E. Fourth St). You will be glad you did. Coffee and Sandwiches will also be available. All are welcome.





Claire Poskel, of Lithuanian descent, a resident of South Boston turned 90 on May 1st. She celebrated her birthday with cousins and friends.





### Youth Ambassadors Hurricane Katrina Relief Service Trip a Great Success

ife changing", "Inspirational", "Rewarding" "Worth it", "Emotional". Those were some of the words expressed by participants in last week's community service trip. A quote from one Youth Ambassador sums it up "Doing all the work we did and doing it together, we were not only rebuilding homes but also building happiness". The story has been told before but it needs to be told again. Ten years after the Katrina disaster local residents are still in need of help to get back into their homes. The devastation is profound and hard to imagine for those of us who have never experienced a natural disaster.

**During April school vacation** Youth Ambassadors from the South Boston Community Health Center traveled with their adult chaperones to Bay St. Louis, Mississippi to assist with Hurricane Katrina disaster relief efforts. They worked hard painting and weatherproofing homes and came back to South Boston with a renewed

sense of service to others. "This experience changed our lives while we worked to change others" said one young volunteer.

The service trip was sponsored and coordinated by the South **Boston Community Health Center** in collaboration with the South **Boston Arts Association and** made possible through generous donations from the South Boston community and beyond.

This was the seventh disaster relief trip for the Youth Ambassadors who partnered with Habitat for Humanity and NECHAMA (a Jewish disaster relief organization) to provide home re-building services for poor and underserved residents affected by Katrina.

It is truly wonderful to see South Boston youth working so hard and donating their entire school vacation to help others!

**Thank you South Boston** for your generous donations and support and for making a difference in the lives of our youth and communities in need!



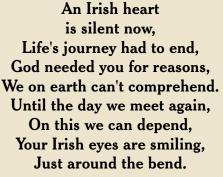




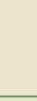








Happy Mother's Day, 143 Dan and Kids









Age groups Birth years for 2015 season are as follows:

4 and under- 2011,2012 6 and under- 2009,2010 8 and under- 2007,2008 10 and under- 2005,2006 12 and under- 2003,2004 18 and under- 1997,1998, 1999,2000,2001,2002 You can get a registration form for players and coaches on line AND PRINT IT OUT but you must bring them to the Curley recreation center after you fill them out and pay your fee. You cannot register online as we feel we do not want this personal info about the kids online.

Registration for the fall season of the South Boston Youth Soccer will be held the week of MAY 4,5,6,7,8, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and 9 am to 12 noon on Saturday the 9 th at Curley Recreation Center on Day Blvd.(L. street bath house) in the seniors card room.

Children from the age of 3 and up to 18 are invited to register now for the fall program .A new division of 3 and 4 year olds has been added to the program.

So remember to tell all your friends and put it on facebook and anything else you want to for the dates for soccer registration so that they will not lose out on the fun of playing in the program. Remember the whole idea behind the soccer program is for the kids to have "FUN, FUN, FUN". See you at registration or would like to sponsor a team or help out in anyway at all you can call me Billy Baker at 617-269-7930.

#### **NEW PLAYERS**

New players to the program must have copy of birth certificates to produce and proof of residency in order to play in the program . Anybody who does not sign up at this time will be put on a waiting list with no guarantee that there will be a place for them in the program.

There will be no other registrations held. This is the only one we will be holding so if you want your child to play in the fall program than you must sign them up NOW .The fee for this year is \$30.00 per player. As usual we need coaches to make the program work and this year we will be holding a mandatory coaching clinic for all coaches in order to improve the quality of play by the kids.

The dates, location and time of the clinic have not been set yet and we will publish them in this newspaper when they are set up and send an e-mail to all coaches. We also are in need of referees so if you have the time and would like to help the kids out than you should come down and register also there is no fee for coaches or referees but you must fill out a cori background check form to be allowed to coach or referee.

The season is scheduled to open on Thursday September 10th with our annual parade of "CHAMPIONS" and the games will start on Saturday September 12th with the under 10,12, 18 age groups scheduled, The under 4, 6 and 8 age groups will be starting play on Sunday September 13th .Of course all of this happens only if we have the people to coach and referee the games. You do not have to have a child in the program to coach or referee. We need all the help we can get. The banquet location has been shifted to the Boys and Girls club at 230 West Sixth St. for Saturday November 21st. You can check our new website www. SOUTHBOSTONYOUTHSOCCER.COM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L c. 190B, S5-304

Docket No. SU15P0788GD

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

## In the matter of: Leonardo Estrada RESPONDENT Of: South Boston, MA

Alleged Incapacitated 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 Juana A Padlilla of South Boston, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Leonardo Estrada** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Juana A Padlilla of South Boston, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

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 06/04/2015. 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, one may be appointed at State expense.

# Witness, Hon. Joan P Armstrong, First Justice of this Court.

April 08, 2015 Felix D Arroyo Register of Probate **May 7, 2015** 

# CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU15P0956EA

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts

The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Estate of:

Pamela A Ondik

Date of Death: 11/14/2000

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

To all interested persons: A Petition has been filed by: Annmarie Flaherty of South Boston MA

(617) 788-8300

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:

#### Annmarie Flaherty 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 05/28/2015.

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.

# WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong First Justice of this Court

April 28, 2015 Felix D Arroyo Register of Probate **May 7, 2015** 

# Red Sox Needs To Get In Sync...Duh!

ell the worst fears expressed in this column last week were realized. The Yankees swept the Red Sox and but for a solid performance on Tuesday night against Tampa Bay by Rick Porcello (3-2) and the lively bat of Mookie Betts (2 HR), the starting rotation is giving John Farrell fits as the Sox drift towards the cellar in the AL East.

Clay Buchholtz (1-4) hasn't posted a win since opening day and Joe Kelly's (1-1) 96 mph fastball was racked on Sunday by the Yankees. The starting rotation are all posting over a 4.00 ERA. Justin Masterson's 2-0 start is deceiving in that he has enjoyed greater run support during his outings and is ranked near the top of the AL in that category.

Offensively, the Red Sox are fourth in the AL east in batting average, third in on base percentage, and fourth in homeruns. On the defensive side of the ball the Red Sox are fourth in earned run average, have allowed the most hits, are third in batters struck out, and second in fielding percentage.

Although they have not yet hit their stride, Tuesday's performance is a good example of what the Red Sox need to make a pennant run in the AL East – offensive contributions from everyone in the lineup and better pitching.

The Manager Farrell will be on the hot seat given that he has a well-paid cast of talented players many with speed. The Green Monster notwithstanding, small ball tactics will need to be employed and patient at bats to get people on base. The lineup may need a shake-up as well. Now may be the time to mix a little risk with patience and pay a price for pushing the envelope rather than maintaining the status quo.

John Henry, Larry Lucchino and Company may become more like Cam Neely than Danny Ainge when it comes to accountability. 2013 was great going from last to first and a World Series. Red Sox Nation expects more, just ask Bob Kraft.





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