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# EDITORIAL

## “Bombs Away”

To be classified as an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) the missile has a range of 5,500 miles. North Korea recently tested a “long range” ICBM which flies considerably farther. North Korea, along with Iran, has been identified by America as members of the “Axis of Evil”. North Korea and Iran are trading partners including nuclear and missile technology.

Presently, despite vociferous objection from Israel, Saudi Arabia and Jordan (allegedly American allies), Secretary of State John Kerry is involved in negotiations with our sworn

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enemy Iran to reach an agreement that would prevent Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons. Iran, for their part, refuses to allow unannounced inspections of the facilities where these weapons could be produced. Despite this, the Obama administration is determined to get a piece of paper which end result would actually guarantee Iran gets the bomb.

Remember those long range ICBM missiles Iran’s trading partner North Korea has? Iran to Boston or Washington D.C. is only 6,191 miles by air. Even France is against this deal. Does any of this make sense?

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## Letter the the Editor

To Editor:

Local politicians have failed South Boston in an irreparable way on June 23rd. With a room filled with mostly opponents to making the Gate of Heaven school condos, the Zoning Board of Appeals, along with Marty Walsh and Bill Linehan decided to turn a deaf ear to the opponents’ cries, and pass the developer’s bid to change the zoning of Gate of Heaven School from school to residential.

This is much bigger than just an opposition to the continued overdevelopment of South Boston, it was about preserving some small sense of community. In the 27 years that I have spent on this Earth, I have spent them in South Boston. With the recent zone changed at Gate of Heaven, there are now two buildings that I have affiliated myself with that are still standing. One of these is the Boston Public Library on East Broadway, and Gate of Heaven Church. Everything else is either a condo complex, or a trendy spot for those living in said condos can go to. When does the madness stop?

I can no longer go to M St Deli for a slush on hot summer days. I never hear the ringing of the ice cream truck anymore. I cannot get my mother a gift at Calnan’s anymore, nor can we grab a quick lunch a Teri’s Place. I could drive to Dorchester to get Chicken and Chips, but I do not have a car and the Fish Pier was so convenient. Bars that I spent my early 20s in are gone as well. I can’t grab a quick pair of shoes before a special occasion at Payless, or a pair of shell toes at Jones. The list goes on and on, but you get my point.

Those places, including Gate of Heaven School were community places. I eventually got to know owners and staff, and see my neighbors, as well as neighborhood kids. Contrary to other peoples’ beliefs, there are still kids in the community. Unfortunately, all Southie families will soon be priced out, and with no solid local high school, no families will come in.

Marty Walsh and Bill Linehan have failed South Boston.

In my memory I will always see “the town that I have loved so well”

Jennifer Menjin

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## Celebrate Independence Day and Ignore the Detractors – For Now

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John Ciccone

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This is by far one of my favorite times of the year. Sure, the weather is warm and sunny (hopefully anyway) and outdoor sports and other activities are happening all around. But in addition to the pleasant summer season, the Independence Day holiday, with all the flags, the red, white and blue decorations, the fireworks and patriotic events, it's a time for reflection on the greatness America possesses. A quick review of our history reminds us of the great sacrifice those who built our country went through to make America the most unique place on earth. Our Founding Fathers, with guidance from God, had a vision of what a good and prosperous nation with free

people should be like.

Our Founders and those patriots who came after them fought hard and fought often to preserve this nation so future generations of Americans could live in freedom. Now I know, at this point in time, our wonderful country is being dragged down the wrong road. There are those in power right now whose goal it is to diminish its greatness, take it down many pegs, including our military and change everything that made the United States of America what Ronald Reagan called "That shining City on a Hill". These people have been around for a long time but in a way have been laying sort of dormant and covert, waiting for the opportunity to rise up. And

though their numbers aren't really increasing; their allies in the press would have Americans believe they are and that they are the future. But most of all, they are becoming emboldened by their other allies in the White House to now openly attempt to tear down our country and it's cherished traditions which they seem to hate so much.

They have already begun their assault on the American Flag. They are starting their drumbeat that Old Glory stands for oppression. Adolph Hitler, Karl Marks and Mao would have been proud of these people. They had a name for them: Useful Idiots. Their attack on the Confederate Flag was just a smokescreen and a base from which

to launch their assault on the Stars and Stripes. Each week we hear about new incidents where pampered college students led around by the nose by their leftist professors are either stomping on the flag or demanding it be taken down.

It's funny how none of this seems to bother the 'progressives' in the media or in Washington DC. But we are Americans, and we will survive and rebound. This is a land and we are a people that have survived 2 world wars, a civil war and countless other obstacles throughout our history. And long after those, who would attempt to turn our country into something we no longer recognize, are gone from the scene - and it won't be long - America

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## Straight From The Mayor

### Take Advantage Of All That Our Parks Have to Offer

Now that summer is here, I would like to share with you the free events and programs offered to City residents of all ages by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department.

As a boy growing up in Dorchester, I learned how important our parks and playgrounds are to the families of our City. We could not always go away, so our summer vacations were spent in the neighborhood. Savin Hill Beach and Castle Island were our version of Cape Cod.

Now, more than ever, summer in the City is filled with outdoor fun. Parents looking for healthy and entertaining activities can find all they need in the "Summer in the Parks" guide, located on the Boston Parks and Recreation Department homepage at [www.boston.gov/parks](http://www.boston.gov/parks).

The Parks Department offers free children's art workshops, neighborhood concerts, festivals, splash dance parties, movie nights, water-

color classes for adults, and more.

Together, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department and Boston Centers for Youth & Families host an array of activities that make it possible for boys and girls to have a great time, while learning in the great outdoors. There are a wide variety of healthy, free activities across Boston neighborhoods, including: summer camps; athletic clinics and tournaments in baseball, cross country, soccer, softball, and hockey, summer camps; golf lessons and Mayor's Cup golf, tennis with Tenacity; as well as the Fenway Challenge with the Red Sox. Additional youth programming is held at the Sports Centers of Moakley Park, East Boston Stadium, and White Stadium at Franklin Park.

I'm proud of our world-class golf courses: the George Wright in Hyde Park and the William Devine at Franklin Park, in Dorchester. Both locations offer reasonable fees, and can be found online at

[bostongolf.com](http://bostongolf.com).

The men and women of the Parks Department have been working diligently to ready our parks and playgrounds for the summer, and we're already off to a great start! We launched the Swan Boats, we brought our swans Romeo and Juliet back to the Public Garden, and we stocked Jamaica Pond with trout. I have personally visited parks citywide and met with residents at our Neighborhood Coffee Hours. The parks look great and I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the workers who line the fields, plant flowers, cut the grass, and continue to make improvements to our facilities.

To celebrate, we've held groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies at Edgerly Playground in the Fenway, American Legion Playground in East Boston, and Iacono Playground in Hyde Park. When you have a chance, visit these locations and check out the upgrades!

I also encourage you to explore our City's Urban Wilds, a precious collection of natural spaces that go beyond the boundaries of the traditional parks system. These sites feature walking trails, neighborhood vistas, and natural gems including streams and waterfalls. Some of my favorites are Sherrin Woods in Hyde Park, Bussey Brook in Jamaica Plain, Allandale Woods in Jamaica Plain and West Roxbury, and Condor Street Urban Wild on the water in East Boston. I extend my thanks to the hundreds of community service volunteers from Deloitte, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, US Bank, City Year, Curry College, Harvard University, Boston University, and Northeastern University who help maintain and improve our Urban Wilds. More information on

the City's Urban Wilds can be found, here: <http://www.cityofboston.gov/Parks/UrbanWilds/>.

To Boston's animal lovers: our very special guests, the goats, will be returning to trim unwelcome foliage at West Street, and a second group will be sent to forage at the George Wright Golf Course. Goats are an eco-friendly way to regulate overgrowth and manage pests and weeds, while giving nutrients back to the earth. Last year, they were a huge hit, combatting poison ivy, buckthorn, Japanese knotweed, and other invasive plant species.

If you have an opportunity, please explore all that Boston's parks have to offer. They are the perfect place to relax with your family and friends. And if you're playing a round out at the George Wright, don't be surprised if you spot a goat or two!

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will once again be the hope of the world. Our citizens, the rugged individualists and freedom loving people that we are, are that resilient.

But forget about the America haters for a while, at least for this weekend. This is our time. It is a time for celebrating America's greatness with all the pomp and ceremony befitting the best nation in history. It's a time to enjoy ourselves and to be proud of all our country has to offer. Some will travel, maybe to out of state beaches or to the mountains. Barbeques with family and friends will be happening in every location. If you decide to stay local, well, we have fine beaches and parks in South Boston just made for the occasion too. With so much to do in so many locations, it would be difficult to not enjoy this biggest of all American celebrations. Even if you should decide to just stay at home and relax and enjoy the day off most of us will have, this really is a wonderful time of year. But no matter what you decide to do and how you choose to celebrate Independence Day, doing it while Old Glory waves proudly above in the summer breeze should put you in the spirit. That's just the way many of us 'Flag Wavers' feel. No apologies.

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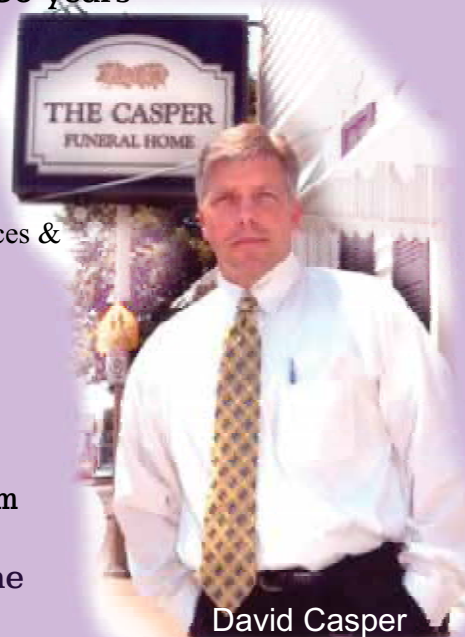
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# Reading Between The Lines

## “Ground Zero”

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY  
Brian R. Mahoney

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**This year's college graduation class would have been in first or second grade when this article was written 3 ½ weeks after Sept. 11, 2001. While most articles will celebrate the pageantry of July 4th, perhaps a perspective and reminder on why we fight and what our enemies have threatened this July 4th is appropriate and needed. This is part one of a two part article.**

The day began outside St. Patrick's Cathedral. Standing among hundreds of uniformed men and women, some police, mostly firefighters unable to fit into the Cathedral, we all came to attention to the strains of bagpipes. The massive doors opened and yet another widow, this one pregnant, surrounded by her children, emerged to say, her final goodbye to her firefighter husband.

Children saluted as they are held aloft by their fire fighter fathers, grizzled veterans with tears streaming down their faces. This sense of sorrow seemed to have descended on everyone we saw as we made our way through the streets and subways of New York to Ground Zero.

Along with Boston Police Officer Jackie Loan and a couple of hundred firefighters from Boston, Brockton, Concord, Danvers, Everett, Lynn and a Marshfield Police Officer, we had arrived by Amtrak that morning to pay our respects and offer whatever comfort and support we could. Within a couple of blocks of Ground Zero, the streets are blocked off. At one of these blockades, after identifying ourselves, 4 or 5 of us were escorted to Ground Zero. As a police officer who has worked in Washington, D.C. and Boston, I have seen my share of horrific crime scenes. But no words or pictures could express or convey what I saw or felt. Nothing could prepare me.

For a Bostonian, try to imagine

the area from Columbus Ave. to Boylston and from Berkley to Mass. Ave. Then take all of those buildings, both Hancock buildings, the Westin and Copley Library, the Prudential and Hynes Auditorium, smash and knock them down then burn them so they are charred and melted. That's a mild description of the devastation. A detective took Jackie and me to the lip of "The Pit". The seven stories of South Tower debris has been removed down to street level, and about 4-5 stories of basement has been excavated, creating this pit. Without the two massive towers, the sharp, but weak afternoon – early winter sun – lights up the work area. It is, however, unable to penetrate this pit. The contrast makes it seem as though you are looking into a black, bottomless hole. Everything and everyone has grayness to them. A light wispy smoke fills the air.

As we look down into this hell, a bulldozer moves against a pile of debris, releasing a thick and billowing cloud of gray-black smoke. At its center a muted orange glow. The workers, moving far below, look like some otherworld creatures with their respirators and hardhats as they pass the broken stumps of support columns. Looking to all the world like rotted trees broken off.

Officer LaParietta invites us into the Marriott, which is now rescue headquarters, to get something to eat. Bowl of beef stew and roll in hand, we sit down with these bone and weary troops. Sean and Michelle, two N. Y. cops talk with us. At least Sean, with his tired eyes and face does. Michelle remains quiet until as we leave and give her a pat on the shoulder she breaks down and quietly sobs.

We exit back on to the scene and now no sun penetrates the site.

Everything is gray and colorless. We talk to Officer Carl Ludwig, who appears like a gray ghost from next to a plywood-covered storefront. He tells us everyone is working 14 hour shifts. During the first days, he says, they were stretched so thin, Police Officers from Miami, Texas and Tennessee were taking radio calls and walking beats on Broadway.

We are beginning to feel the effects of breathing the foul air and wonder if Officer Ludwig's paper dust mask is doing any good. He gives us a brave smile and tells us New York

is stretched too thin to complain. J. O'Neil is the next officer we meet and he gets his partner, who is from Mattapan on the phone. Both say they're going to try to come up to Boston for the December 1st hockey game at Fleet Center between Boston and New York Police and Firefighters hockey teams.

The full picture of this horror cannot be presented in one column and I won't try. To do so would be a disservice to this tragedy. The second half of this story will have to wait till next week.

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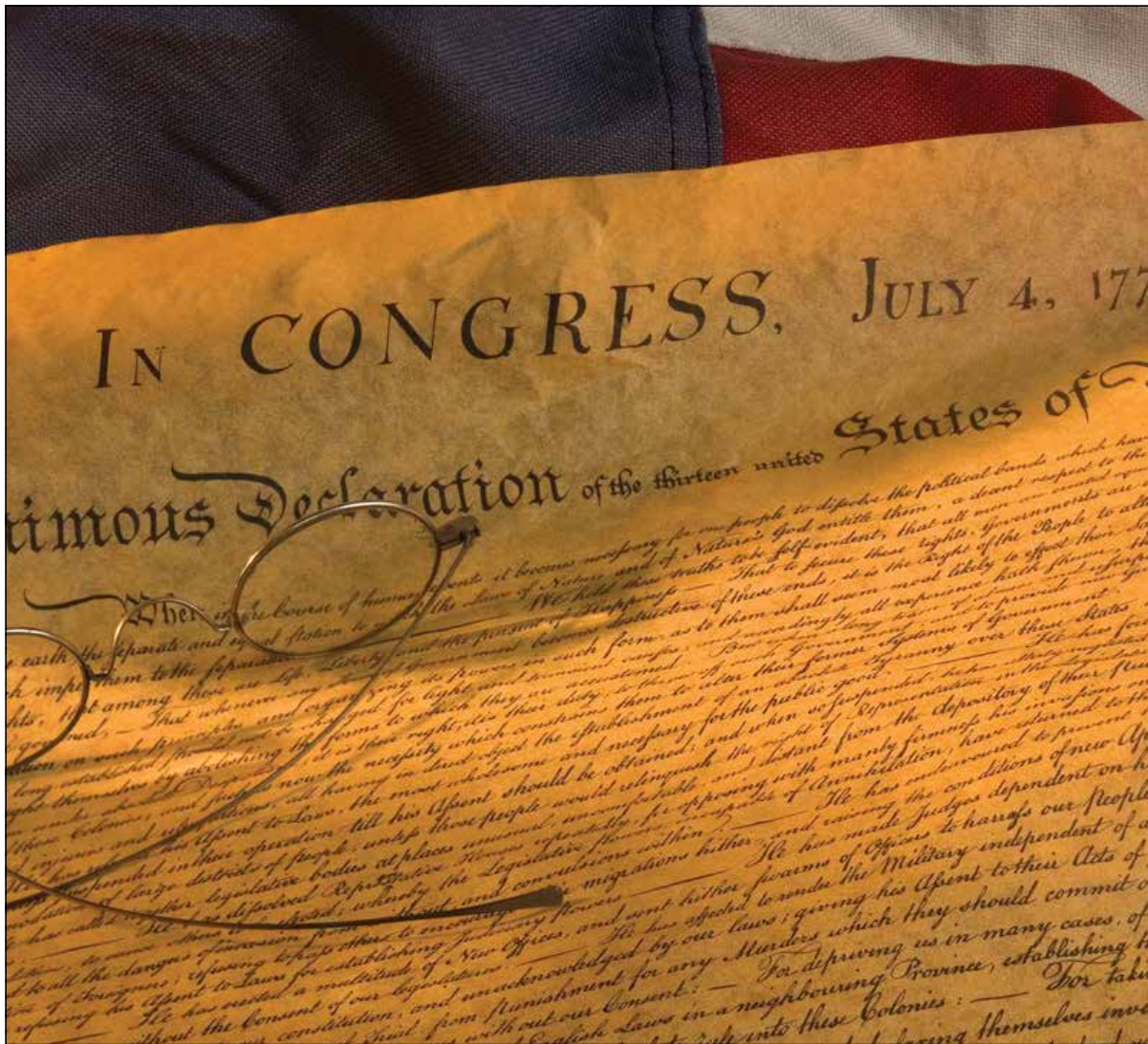
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Robert J. Allison, Historian Exemplar

**J**ohn Adams thought that Independence Day would be celebrated “as the Day of Deliverance,” with “solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty” as well as “Pomp and Parade, with Shows, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.”

Adams wrote this to his wife Abigail on July 3, 1776. He predicted that “The Second Day of July 1776 will be the most memorable Epochal, in the History of America.”

Adams was wrong about the date, but not about the way we celebrate Independence Day - parades and fireworks, sporting events, games, “Guns, Bells, Bonfires”, as well as solemn acts of devotion. Adams saw the importance of the date and the many ways Americans would celebrate.

In the early 1990s, I met with a group of students from the Czech

Republic, who arrived for a tour of the United States on July 3. They were worried when they learned that they would arrive the day before our great patriotic holiday. Growing up under a Communist regime, they learned to dread the forced patriotic devotion and crashing boredom of their country’s anniversary days. Our Fourth of July astonished them. There were appropriate markers of the day’s historical importance, and reminders of the sacrifices made to sustain independence. But these were not the grim parades of military might. What struck them most was that people they saw were having a good time.

Independence is something to celebrate. It is what allows us still to enjoy July 4, and the other days of the year. Adams knew this, when he wrote to Abigail on July 3, 1776. He knew that achieving independence would not be easy. “I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States.—yet through all the



Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even although we should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not."

It would be a sacrifice his generation would make for those to come.

Why July 2? We know that July 4 is the great anniversary day. On July 2, Congress had voted to declare Independence; on July 4, Congress adopted the formal Declaration of Independence. For Adams, the fact was more important than the statement. On the afternoon of July 4, after Congress adopted the Declaration, which explained why it had declared the United States to be independent, it voted to have the Declaration printed and circulated throughout the American states. John Dunlap, a Philadelphia printer, received the draft—not the familiar parchment copy which reposes in the National Archives, but a simple draft of Congress's Declaration. He set the text in type, and at the top, in bold letters, three lines stand out: "IN CONGRESS. July 4, 1776" "DECLARATION," and "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

This document, Dunlap's printed version, gives us an anniversary date—July 4—and a name for the new country: the United States of America. It was meant to be read aloud, and publicly proclaimed throughout the land. On July 9, it reached New York, where Washington had it read to his army at the tip of Manhattan Island; his troops hearing the bold declaration could see in the distance British and German soldiers disembarking on Staten Island, the largest military force the British, up to that point, had ever sent abroad, coming to suppress their rebellion. After hearing Independence proclaimed, the soldiers and New York citizens tore down a statue of George III, melting it down to make bullets.

The Declaration reached Boston on Thursday, July 18. Thomas Crafts read it from the Old State House balcony. As he concluded, the crowd cheered, "God Save our American States," gave three cheers, church bells rang, guns fired, "and

every face appeared joyful," Abigail Adams reported. Then the crowd took the royal coat of arms down from every public building, and burned them in the middle of King Street. "Thus ends royal Authority in this State," Abigail wrote, "and all the people shall say Amen."

Amen—but what was next? After forcing the British out of Boston, and declaring Independence, the Americans had a tough year. The British took New York easily, and would hold it for the next seven years. By the end of the following summer the British would also occupy Philadelphia. The British would not return to the Boston area, which had been heavily fortified during the siege. "I think of nothing but fortifying Boston Harbor," John wrote to Abigail in March, just a few weeks after the British had evacuated Boston. "I want more Cannon than are to be had," and he wanted the harbor islands fortified.

The British destroyed the fort on Castle Island on their way out of Boston. Congress rejected Massachusetts' request for aid in rebuilding the Castle William, but Abigail reported that six hundred men met every morning to rebuild it. The war shifted out of Boston. But Massachusetts still sent men to the war—in fact, a third of the men who served in the Continental Army came from Massachusetts.

Fortifying Castle Island seemed less pressing until 1798, when France went to war against the United States. France was at war with England in the 1790s, and wanted the United States—recipients of French aid during the Revolution—to join in. The United States proclaimed neutrality, and France began to capture American merchant ships.

President Adams sent diplomats to France, who were told bluntly that before any negotiations could begin, the Americans would have to bribe a series of French bureaucrats. President Adams vowed that he would never send another diplomat to France, unless the French would receive him as the emissary of an independent people. In 1776, John Adams had thought of nothing

but fortifying the harbor islands against the British; now, as President, he thought of nothing but fortifying the entire coast. Castle William, which had languished since the men of Boston rebuilt it twenty years earlier, now was fortified again against a new enemy. President Adams gave the fortification a new name, Fort Independence.

That same year, the USS CONSTITUTION had its first fight, against the French in the West Indies. Built in the North End in the 1790s, the CONSTITUTION is the oldest commissioned warship still afloat in the world. At noon on July 4, if you venture out to Castle Island, you will see the ship fire a salute to the flag on Fort Independence, and gunners on Castle Island will return the salute to American independence and the men and women who have made it possible.

John Adams had been invited to attend the celebrations in Washington on July 4, 1826. (But at the age of ninety was too feeble to leave his home in Quincy). He had also de-

clined an invitation to speak at the local celebration in Quincy. The Quincy organizers asked if Adams would like them to read a statement at their commemoration. Knowing this might be his last public words, Adams wanted them to count. He and his generation had achieved independence; the next generations would have to defend it. He gave his statement:

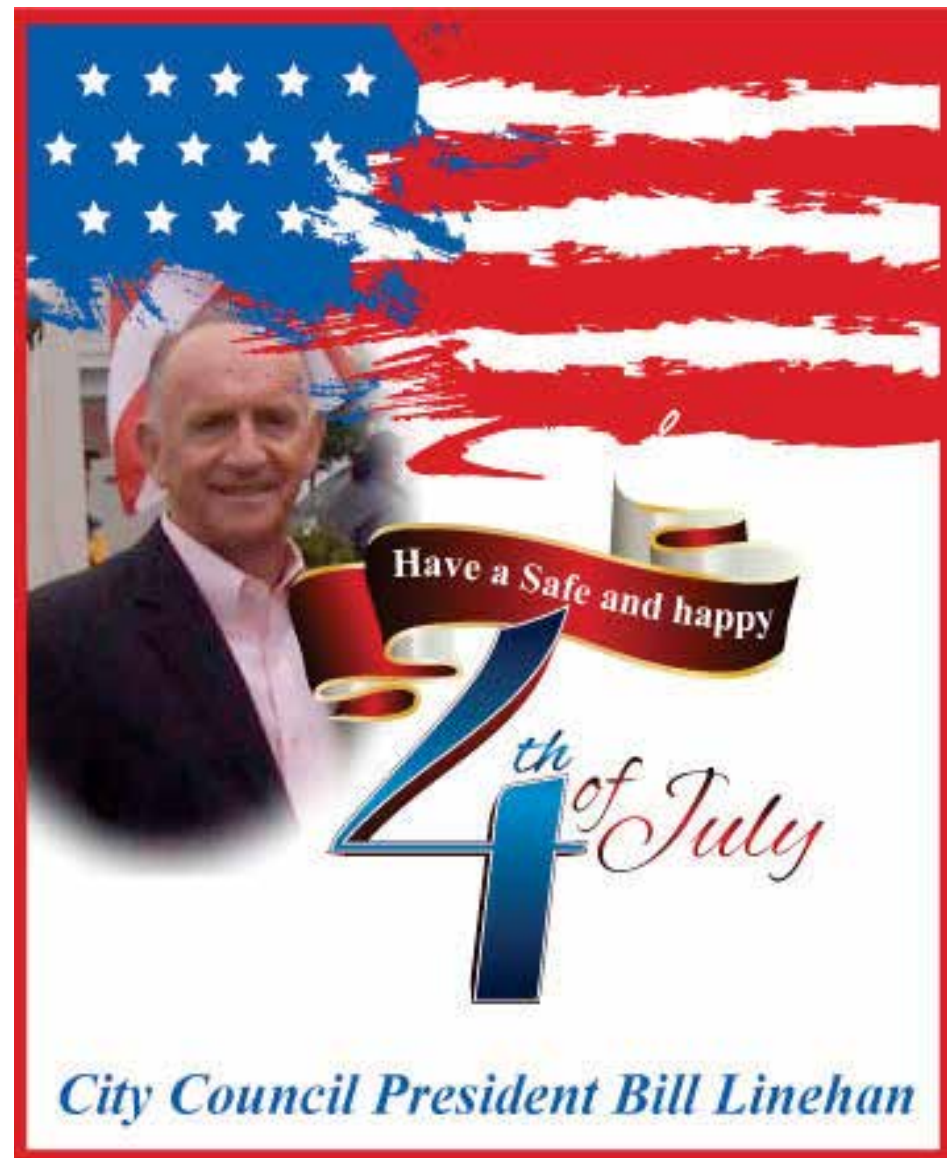
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They waited. Would he like to add more?

"Not a word."

Adams could hear the celebrations on July 4, 1826—the "Pomp and Parade, with Shows, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells" he had predicted fifty years earlier. We can still hear them, and see the fireworks and illuminations. We also know what has made this celebration possible, from one end of the continent to the other.

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## Foodie's Market: In Its 3rd Year Pleasing Customers

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SBT Staff Report

It's hard to believe how quickly time flies. It seems like just yesterday South Boston Today did a feature story on the new addition to the neighborhood with all the fine, fresh foods, good service and great reputation that comes with it. Yes of course, we're talking about Foodie's Market, which is located at the corner of C Street and West Broadway right here in South Boston. Now, working on its 3rd successful year in the community, they are going stronger than ever serving and satisfying locals and visitors alike.

Foodie's Market had their Grand Opening for their South Boston store on February 23, 2013. There

is parking next to the store, a bike rack and it's also accessible by the Southie Shuttle – free of charge door to door transportation to Foodie's customers.

Foodie's is a full service market that features high quality produce, meats, seafood, prepared foods, gourmet cheeses, specialty products and grocery staples for everyday needs. Foodie's is constantly reviewing their products and revising their offerings to meet the needs and tastes of the Southie community. If you have a suggestion, just let the friendly staff at Foodie's know. Basic or fancy, gourmet or economy, imported or local New

England, meats cut by hand every day, Foodie's has a choice for you. You'll find organic, vegan, gluten-free, sugar free and salt-free foods along with everyday essentials all at competitive prices.

One of the many nice features of Foodie's Markets is that they are family-owned and in addition to their South Boston location they also operate stores in Boston's South End and in Duxbury. In 1998, Victor Leon Sr. took over the old ABC Market in Boston's South End and transformed it into Foodie's Urban Market. In 2007, Foodie's opened their second store in the center of Duxbury. Nearly twice the size of the South End store, the Duxbury store has also become an integral part of the community. Foodie's objective in all their stores is to be the friendly neighborhood grocery store where service and selection is most important. Speaking to many local residents and customers, there seems to be no doubt that Foodie's is going over and above meeting those goals. The Markets are now run by Victor Leon Jr. So whether you're shopping for dinner, planning a special occasion, having a house party or doing your everyday or weekly shopping, try out Foodie's Market for their extensive selections at affordable prices.

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## Dorothy "Dottie" Catherine Driscoll



**D**orothy "Dottie" Catherine Driscoll of Littleton, Colorado, formerly of the South Boston area, entered into eternal life, June 28, 2015. She was born Oct. 31, 1942 in South Boston. Dottie married the love of her life on Sept., 1965 at age 23. From that time on, they were known as Neal and Dottie never was one mentioned without the other. Together they had five children, six grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Dottie had many jobs over her lifetime, but the ones that she loved the most were working with children. Dottie loved all kids! She ran her own childcare from her home both in South Boston and in Golden Colorado. Later she worked at Jordan Alexander in the infant room. Dottie loved her hobbies. She loved to make crafts of all kind, but Christmas crafts were her specialty. She also loved to knit and crochet. There are so many families that are the proud owners of her baby sweater sets. She loved making them as much as she loved gifting them. Dottie and Neal's house was never quiet; it was the hang out for all of their kids' friends over the year.

When it became apparent that she wouldn't make it, a post on Facebook that asked for "Dottieisms" and stories about Dottie; immediately stories started pouring in. One story that really encapsulates Dottie is as follows. Your house on E. 4th St., was always a sea of kids. Your mom watched my daughter, Caitlin, for me a couple of days a week, and

made this only child, (at the time), feel like part of the big Driscoll clan. We still have the Santa made out of a bleach container that gets hung with fond memories each year! Cherish the time you have left with her and draw comfort from the memories of all the people she impacted in her life! Dottie was loved by everyone who ever met her. Dottie will be missed by everyone who was lucky enough to have known her.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Cornelius "Neal" Driscoll; her loving children, Catherine Adian, Neal, Kristen, Michael, and Matthew (Cheryl) Driscoll; grandchildren Carrissa, Kianna, and Brion Adian, and Kayla, Euan, and Emsley Driscoll; sister Mary Lydon of South Boston, and great-grandson Colby Allen, as well as numerous family and friends.

A wake was held yesterday, July 1, 2015 in the chapel at Ellis Family Services, 13436 W. Arbor Place, Littleton, Colorado. Funeral Mass is being held today from Light of the World Roman Catholic Church, 10316 W. Bowles Ave., Littleton, Colorado. Interment will be Friday, July 3, at 12:30 p.m. at Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colorado.

Memorial contributions can be made to Food Bank of the Rockies, Box 151560, Lakewood, CO 80215-9801 or to Soles4Souls, 319 Martingale Drive, Old Hickory, TN 37138 in Dottie's memory.

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improving local roads as well as the beleaguered subway system. Officials argued that these were costs that taxpayers would have to bear regardless of whether Boston won the Olympics.

The plan went into great detail on how the Games would transform two Boston neighborhoods: Widett Circle, the home of a temporary Olympic Stadium, and Columbia Point, home to the athletes' village. The plan envisions enlisting private "master developers" who would front the money to buy the necessary land, move existing owners and prepare these two sites. As an incentive, the developers would receive highly generous tax breaks for new construction after the Games. Those tax breaks would be negotiated with the city, but the report suggested that the developer might pay just 15 percent of real estate taxes for the first decade.

The specifics of an insurance policy, to protect the city from cost overruns, were not included. The group has set aside \$128 million for insurance, but it did not yet identify any companies willing to insure the city against overruns.

Boston 2024 met with the United States Olympic Committee in San Francisco Tuesday to present its \$4.6 billion Olympic plan that it says would create thousands of jobs and housing units, expand the city's tax base and leave behind an improved regional transit system. -- all with a \$210 million surplus. US Olympic officials on Tuesday effusively praised the "remarkable progress" they see in Boston 2024's new Olympic plan and insisted they are not considering dropping the bid or replacing Boston as the US bid city. But members of the US Olympic Committee remain concerned about the lack of public support for the bid and want to see poll numbers improve, "the sooner, the better," USOC chairman Larry Probst said in a news conference after the committee's quarterly meeting.

The group, which is trying to bring the 2024 Summer Olympic Games to Boston, unveiled the so-called "Bid 2.0" on Monday in

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and Tuna, which is located at the Southie Waterfront, Foodie's now offers cooked lobster. It can be purchased daily or if a hot lobster is desired, it can be ordered a day ahead. Foodie's also offers fresh daily Cod, Salmon, Tuna and all other seafood selection to please a large variety of tastes.

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Foodie's market, located at 230 West Broadway is on Facebook and Twitter as well as on their website at [www.foodiesmarket.com](http://www.foodiesmarket.com). You can call them by phone at 617-269-4700. They even deliver.



# A Deer Mania Hits South Boston's Streets: It All Ended Well

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY  
SBT Staff Report

Deer mania hit South Boston this week as there were reports of Bambi sightings coming in from virtually every corner of the neighborhood. Word still travels fast in this town and excited locals of every age took to the streets; cameras and phones in hand and were sending photos in from a variety of locations. The kids loved it. From Pleasure Bay to Murphy Rink to Columbia Rd and N & Fourth Streets, a steady stream of still shots and video of the not so elusive doe lit up Facebook and other social media sites. Then the reports came in from East Broadway, then West Broadway, over at Moakley Park and beyond; not all of them verified of course. Asked one jubilant local "Is there a whole herd running loose over here?" A 10 year old; who was clearly caught up in the fun said he was going home to get some veggies in case he spotted a hungry deer. At the height of the sighting frenzy, TV news vans rolled into town and there was even a helicopter hovering above. People were really getting into this now and having a blast trying to get a glimpse of the four legged visitor.

Tuesday morning the deer's adventure was over. No, she wasn't hurt or injured in any way. But apparently exhausted and probably having had enough of being chased around by locals armed with cameras, she settled down into a yard at L & Fifth Street where the Environmental Police arrived, tranquilized her, gently put her into a van and said they would relocate her to an area that was more rural and safe for her. Environmental Police on scene told South Boston Today that the

Blue Hill Reservation Area was one possibility. A happy ending for all.

*Questions asked and answers given:*

-How many deer were roaming our neighborhood? Was it several or just one? Just one. It might have appeared to be several but deer can move so fast it can seem like they are in several places at one time.

-Where did it come from? No one's actually 100% sure but at least one local resident stated that a deer was spotted swimming from one of the Harbor Island heading in the direction of Carson Beach. We checked with one animal specialist who stated that it was a likely scenario. Deer do live on one or more of the islands and are able to swim the distance if they get the urge to wonder.

-Was the deer dangerous? Most deer are passive and skittish and usually try to avoid people but like any wild animal, if cornered or threatened, could react.

-Can we pet them? Not a good idea. It probably wouldn't go well.

-If another deer should show up, Should we it if it looks hungry? Again, probably not a good idea, but let's face it, deer are adorable. It would be hard to resist.

With all the serious issues facing most people in their everyday lives, it's a pretty nice change to have a diversion like this. The deer roaming the streets seemed to be putting a smile on many faces and most residents were genuinely pleased that we had one visiting us. In rural areas and even in the suburbs, deer sightings are an everyday occurrence and really no big deal. But having one hanging out on the streets of South Boston is well, different and kind of nice. The South Boston Today Team wishes the beautiful doe all the best and a happy new life where ever she is relocated. And we hope she had as good a time on her adventure in our neighborhood as so many residents had following her travels here.

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## 2015 Hall Of Fame Scholarship Grant Winners

The South Boston Sports Hall Of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund board of trustees announced the scholarship grant awardees for 2015, the 21st year of our successful program. Due to the outstanding support from South Boston Hall of Fame Members, business and fraternal groups, educational foundations, friends of the South Boston community and the success of our annual “Bob Nichols Memorial Golf Tournament”, The “Board” approved Thirteen (13) one thousand and five hundred dollar (\$1500.00) Degree grants for 2015. One of the grants was funded by the Massachusetts Port Authority, one by the “L” Street Brownies, one by the Folan Waterproofing and Construction Co. of South Easton MA in Memory of deceased members of the Folan family, one by Sona Nichols in memory of Bob Nichols her late husband and Co- founder of the “Trust”, one by the South Boston Youth Hockey Association in memory of John Cunniff and eight (8) by the Scholarship Trust Fund. Since our inception in 1995 we have awarded total grants of \$189,000.00. The 2015 Awardees are:



**South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant**  
L-R: Haley Dillon (Sister), Shane Dillon (Award Recipient), Laura Delaney (Fund Trustee), Betty Dillon (Mother)



**South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant**  
L-R: Kathleen Davis (Fund Trustee), Patrick Forde (Award Recipient), Kay Forde (Mother)



**“Folan Family Memorial Scholarship Grant” funded by Folan Waterproofing and Construction Co. of Easton** L-R: Jack Hart (Father), Tom McGrath (Folan Rep.), Kathleen Hart (Award Recipient), Michele Hart (Mother)



**“John Cunniff Memorial Scholarship Grant” funded by the South Boston Youth Hockey Association** L-R: Paula Cunniff Jaber (Cunniff Family), Hannah Silva (Award Recipient), Kerry Silva (Mother), John Silva (Father), Tommy McGrath (Fund Trustee)







South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Kevin Golden (Father), Aidan Meyer-Golden (Award Recipient), Leona Golden, Kathy Davis (Fund Trustee)



South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Kelly Powers (Mother), Kasey Lebbossiere (Award Recipient), Kathy Davis (Fund Trustee)



South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Patricia O'Loughlin (Mother), James O'Loughlin (Award Recipient), Laura Delaney (Fund Trustee), Fran O'Loughlin (Father)



South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Tommy McGrath (Fund Trustee), Allison Noenickx (Award Recipient), Carol Noenickx (Mother)



"Bob Nichols Memorial Scholarship Grant" funded by Sona Nichols  
L-R: Katie Flaherty (Mother), Matthew Flaherty (Award Recipient), Sona Nichols (Fund Trustee) Jimmy Flaherty (Father)



"Massport Scholarship Grant" funded by the Massachusetts Port Authority  
L-R: Paul Maiullari (Father), Jose Masso III (Massport Representative), Michael Maiullari (Award Recipient), Mary Maiullari (Mother)



"L" Street Brownies Scholarship Grant Funded by The "L" Street Brownies Association  
L-R: Laura Delaney (Fund Trustee), Kylie Nee (Award Recipient), Lisa Nee (Mother)



South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Mark Matanes (Fund Trustee), Susan Pelham (Mother), Shannon McGonagle (Award Recipient), Michael McGonagle (Father)



South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Grant  
L-R: Kathy Davis (Fund Trustee), Robert Moakley (Award Recipient), Carol Moakley (Mother), Bob Moakley (Father)

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	Kasey Lebbossiere Bos. Coll.Charter School Westfield State College	Allyson Noenickx Buck. Brown & Nichols The Holy Cross	Aidan Meyer- Golden Boston Latin School Northeastern Univ.	Hanna Silva Boston Latin School Univ. New Hampshire	
	Michael Maiullari Bos. Coll.Charter School Northeastern Univ.	Kylie Nee Boston Latin Academy Simmons College	Robert Moakley Boston Latin Academy Rochester Inst. Tech.	Shannon McGonagle Boston Latin Academy U-Mass Boston	



## SENIOR BABE RUTH LEAGUE

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY  
BY BUD WISER

**S**outh Boston Senior Babe Ruth team has reached the half way mark of the season with a 4-3 record. Returning from a 4 game road trip this week, they play at home Wednesday and Thursday against Milton and Norwood. It has been an up and down season so far but, with 7 games under their belts, things look good for the remainder of the season. Southie had an easy time with Westwood and went on to an 11-0 victory. A highlight of the game was a 370 ft. home run by Aiden O'Toole.

Also looking good was pitcher Jim Walsh, who only gave up 2 hits while striking out 5. Steve Adujar and Mark Guerard had 5 hits between them with Sammy Cruz and Aneudy Polanco also reached safely.

The next game didn't go as well as the good guys lost to an undefeated Milton

team 8-1. Southie's poor defense put the game out of reach early. Hitters were Paul Gordon, Matt Watts and Steve Adujar.

On Friday, the South Boston nine traveled over to Cedar Grove in Dorchester and game back with a hard fought 5-3 win. A star goes to Chris DiMaggio, who pitched 7 complete innings with 11 strike outs while giving up on 4 hits. The hits came from O'Toole, Guerard, Gordon, and the Sullivan brothers Cam and Brendan.

The schedule for the coming week is:

July 6 is home against Milton; July 7 is home against Wollaston, and Wed. July 8th is on the road against Norwood. This will be a very busy week coming up for the home team. So come on down to King Field in Moakley Park and see some good baseball.

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Boston. The announcement was designed to answer critics who say the privately funded Boston 2024 has withheld details of the bid to prevent the public from assessing whether the games could be staged, as promised, without the need for taxpayer money. "We've now done the 'little-picture' thinking," said bid chairman Steve Pagliuca, a co-owner of the Boston Celtics. "We think we've made the major leaps."

Republican Gov. Charlie Baker, who was among the state leaders pressing Olympics planners to produce more detailed plans by the end of the month, said the state would need to look more carefully into the bid's assumptions, especially regarding infrastructure improvements.

The update contains "far more information and far more detail than anything we've seen before," he said after a lengthy private meeting with Pagliuca and Democratic legislative leaders Monday. "The big question ... is making sure we really understand what is expected of the Commonwealth and the taxpayers."

Local Olympics opponents said the revised plan still fails to guarantee taxpayers won't foot the bill in the event of cost overruns or revenue shortfalls. Chris Dempsey, co-chairman of the No Boston Olympics group, said organizers haven't delved into the details of a proposed insurance plan to protect taxpayer interests, including whether there's an insurer actually willing to provide the coverage. "They still have not explained why city of Boston taxpayers need to take the risk and sign a blank check," he said. "Boston 2024's only real insurer is the taxpayers of Massachusetts."

Olympics organizers described a "multi-layer" insurance package costing roughly \$128 million and including an umbrella policy with individual policies for venue-building projects. Pagliuca promised more details about the idea would be forthcoming. "There is very little risk that these insurances won't cover every issue that can happen," he said. Boston's bid has stumbled since getting the initial nod from the USOC, with local opposition and low poll numbers forcing organizers to spread some venues across the

state to gain political support the bid couldn't muster inside the city.

About half of the 32 venues have been relocated or otherwise shuffled since the original plan was announced. Pagliuca said the proposed games would still be among the most compact in Olympics history, with 23 of the venues within a short radius. Organizers said they're still firming up venues for swimming and other indoor aquatic sports, golf and biking events. They estimate the games will produce at least \$4.8 billion in revenues from television broadcast rights, tickets sales, corporate sponsorships and other revenues. They assume nearly \$4.6 billion in costs, including \$176 million for a temporary Olympic Stadium, \$90 million for the athletes' village, about \$754 million to build other Olympic venues and another \$132 million to rent other locations. That leaves about a \$210 million in contingency and surplus, organizers said.

Boston 2024 opponents counter that the "surplus" is only achieved through creative accounting that takes some Olympic-related costs off the books. And even the most optimistic view would require billions in public infrastructure and security expenditures. "The promise of a surplus has been heard in host cities before, but public debt and underutilized venues have been the typical post-Olympics reality," the No Boston Olympics group said in a statement.

On the significant transportation concerns that have dogged the proposal, organizers suggested investments critical to improving Boston's oft-maligned transit system can accommodate the needs of the

Olympics if they are completed by 2024. Boston 2024 CEO Richard Davey, a former Massachusetts transportation secretary, said the state is already committed to roughly \$2 billion for new subway trains and commuter rail and bus service upgrades. Meeting future demands and the needs of the Olympics would require another \$1 billion or so in transportation upgrades on top of that, the revised bid documents show. "We need those projects to be built for a successful Boston in 2024, whether the games occur or not," Davey said.

More than the previous proposal, "Bid 2.0" touts the long term legacies the games will leave behind in Boston. Among them:

-- Jobs: about 4,100 construction jobs over five years starting in 2018, about 54,300 jobs during the operation of the games and another 2,200 post-Olympics jobs.

-- Housing: 7,000 apartment units and about 2,700 college student beds for the University of Massachusetts-Boston.

-- Neighborhoods: creation of "Midtown," an 83-acre neighborhood south of downtown at the site of the temporary, 69,000-seat Olympic stadium and development of 30 acres at Columbia Point, the proposed waterfront site of the athletes' village.

-- Taxes: about \$362 million by 2080, when Olympics organizers assume all tax breaks and incentives would be phased out for "Midtown."

-- Parks: completion of Boston's Emerald Necklace, an unbroken ring of green space through the city's neighborhoods envisioned by famed 19th century landscape architect Frederick Law Olmstead







## This week, the NFL Network's Albert Breer joined the show:

**DANNY PICARD:** Let's look back at Tom Brady's 10-hour appeal hearing. First thing's first, going into this appeal, what were your expectations?

**ALBERT BREER:** Well I think this was really the last chance for Brady to make a good case for his innocence. That's what the NFL is looking for. After three or four months of picking apart the way the league handled it, after picking apart the Wells Report, I think the idea for the league and for Roger Goodell was to simplify it and just say, "Come here and tell me why you're innocent." My sense is that his testimony was compelling. And now Roger's got a decision to make. And I think after that, how this changes is if we go into the court room. Now you're talking about where the process will come under scrutiny, and whether or not Roger violated the CBA. So, that's how you kind of split up the way that they're dealing with this.

**DP:** What was your reaction when you found out that Tom Brady was under oath during this hearing? That's not something I expected. Did you expect that, to see Tom Brady under oath?

**AB:** Here's the thing. I mean, I understand it's a way of making it seem more official and serious. But it's not the same as doing it in court.

You know what I mean? So, I guess the way everyone looks at it is, to go under oath will compel him to be more truthful. You should hope he wouldn't need that, but really, when you're talking about the idea of going under oath, if you go under oath in a court of law, you're at risk of perjuring yourself, there's the risk that you could wind up going to jail if you're not being truthful. I don't think that risk is real here. I don't think we're in a situation here where if Brady lied he would really end up going to jail.

**DP:** So now we wait. How is Roger Goodell going to handle this? Or, at least, when is he going to handle this? Because we're hearing that Brady was great in the appeal. Are you hearing the same stuff, that Brady had an "A+" performance?

**AB:** Yeah, I think he handled himself well. But I think the lack of cooperation is going to be a hard thing for him to get past. In a certain way, his timing couldn't be worse here. The NFL just started this new investigative arm, and that was a reaction to the Ray Rice, Adrian Peterson, and Greg Hardy cases. And they're trying to do that without having subpoena power and without really putting people under oath during the investigative process.

So, the only way that they can give that thing teeth is if they're serious about forcing people to cooperate. And the only way you can do that, logistically, is to create a deterrent and say, "You're going to be punished harshly if you don't cooperate."

**DP:** So you don't think that Brady will be exonerated. You don't think Brady's suspension will be completely removed. Let's say you're right. Are we going to court?

**AB:** One thing everybody has to remember, they had to pound their chest. The last couple weeks, they had to get out there that they were going to fight this thing all the way through. They had to hang the threat of a lawsuit of the Roger Goodell and over the NFL. That was the only way that this thing was going to work. So they hang that over the NFL, and they basically say to Roger Goodell, "You better be fair with him, because if you're not fair with him, we're going to court." I think the challenge for Roger Goodell here is finding a way to get a solution that Tom Brady's willing to accept. As for Brady himself, I think that he's very angry with the way he's been portrayed. I don't think he likes the way that his name's been dragged through the mud. That said,

I know, talking to people around him, that he has been remarkably level-headed when talking about it privately. And I think that, if we do get a decision during the first week of training camp, when they're in "get ready for 2015 mode," I just look at his history, and if it's only a game or two and a fine, then I tend to think that he might accept it. That's just looking back at his history, knowing that he was uncomfortable with having his name on the lockout lawsuit, and knowing that he's never stepped foot on an NFL field in a contract year. He's never taken a snap in a contract year. Nobody gets to 38 years old without that. So he's not somebody who's fought in these arenas, or who's willingly gone to fight in these arenas. I know he's angry, but is he angry enough to do something that would be out of character? I don't know the answer to that. But I think there's a good chance that if the penalty is something that he sees as more fair, one or two games, or at least acceptable, that there would be the chance that he walk away.

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