Two robberies that have local residents wary are under investigation by Boston Police. Back on June 22nd, a home on the 800 block of E. Fifth Street was robbed and semi-ransacked in the evening during the brief time that residents went out for a walk around the neighborhood. The occupants of the home left for their walk at 7:40 pm on this warm summer night and returned at approximately 8:45 pm to find they had been robbed by one or more persons, who entered through the back door that residents say was locked when they left.

The B&E was a rarity for this area and had neighbors on the street...
EDITORIAL

Action Required!

How many audits does it take to straighten out the BRA? It’s not about the people at the BRA, it’s about the governance. Do these two new board members represent true transparency?

Will the audit uncover and admit to how and to whom the community benefits money, earmarked for various communities - South Boston in particular where the lion’s share of development has been occurring - has been spent and on what? Does the Mayor mean it when he says that the process will be conducted openly with the best interests of the City, its people, its history, its economy and its future at the forefront?

Will developers spend their time and money planning to squeeze every square inch of land and air rights in order to turn profit into bonanza? Will they play fair or use consultants to badmouth competitors in order to better position their project since the playing field may be evened out? Will they have to hire insiders in order to get permits and zoning variances? Are the building trades and other unions that will benefit from the building boom going to continue to be reasonable partners in the development process or will they leverage their obvious relationship with the Mayor to excess?

The late Mayor Tom Menino played a heavy hand with the BRA according to the audit(s). Mayor Marty Walsh is trying to play with an even hand. Experience tells us that is a risky approach fraught with uncertainty. If the ground rules put in place make the process fair and the process runs its course, then someone has to be decisive in the end. That is when the Mayor has to take decisive action. That’s his job and that’s what the public is paying him for.

“There is something seriously wrong when we need civilians guarding our military personnel because we disarm them” - Senator Dick Black (R – Virginia)
The terrorist attack that took place last week at the military facilities in Chattanooga, Tennessee has millions of Americans not only furious but scratching their heads in disbelief. Five of our country’s finest were murdered by an Islamic terrorist. They were helpless and not allowed the means to defend themselves. It’s a sad state of affairs when police have to be called to protect our military personnel, because the federal government won’t allow them to be armed - on their own bases and offices. Here’s yet another example of the idiocy of gun free zones. Terrorists have made it clear that they planned to attack and kill US soldiers in their own country and what better place for these terrorists to keep that promise than on our military facilities which they can be sure that these soldiers and marines are not allowed to carry weapons. It makes them sitting ducks. In short: They know where to find them and they won’t have guns.

Last weekend, news reports showed armed American civilians taking up positions outside of recruitment offices all over the country. Citizens, exercising their Second Amendment rights, were carrying their own personal firearms and, in some cases, were camped out from dawn until dusk with the goal of protecting our men and women in uniform. God bless these armed citizens but the fact that they have to do this because of regulations in place is insanity. One of the reasons so many American gun owners have been adamant in their opposition to giving up any of their rights to bear arms is that it’s always been suspected that one day our homeland would come under attack and private citizens would be needed to help in its defense. By the way, for those who don’t know, it was President Clinton who was responsible for putting this rule of disarming our troops on bases and recruitment offices in place in the 1990’s.

Is anything going to be done about this, is a question being asked by many Americans. Well currently, in response, Conservative legislators in the US Senate and House of Representatives are working on developing plans to change this rule. Better late than never I guess. But rest assured, there will be others in Congress from the liberal wing, who will oppose it. Few doubt that Obama will oppose this move as well. He still won’t even use the words Islamic Terrorism. He’s still calling the Fort Hood massacre ‘workplace violence’. In the meantime, Governors in a number of states have ordered that military personnel at National Guard offices in those states start carrying weapons. Since the National Guard is under state control, and not federal, there is little that Obama can do about that. He still won’t even use the words Islamic Terrorism. He’s still calling the Fort Hood massacre ‘workplace violence’. In the meantime, Governors in a number of states have ordered that military personnel at National Guard offices in those states start carrying weapons. Since the National Guard is under state control, and not federal, there is little that Obama can do about that. A collective quote by a group of angry US service members in response to the Chattanooga shootings has gone viral on social media. In a defiant warning to ISIS, the statement goes as follows: “Hey ISIS, the girlie man in the White House won’t be in charge forever.” Amen to that.

I’ll close this week with mention of two more examples of progressive lunacy being attempted around the country. In parts of California (of course) an attempt is being made to ban the use of the words ‘Husband and Wife’ on marriage certificates because it may be offensive to some. In Oklahoma, an out of state atheist group filed suit and got a judge to order a monument containing the Ten Commandments to be removed from the statehouse grounds there. But the state’s Republican governor, Mary Fallon said no and will defy the judge’s ruling. It’s nice to know that some elected officials still have courage. These two incidents give credence to the belief that the philosophy and agenda of progressives in this country can be summed up in a nutshell: ‘Everything they don’t like, must be banned. Everything they do like must be designated a human right and paid for by others’. Sounds pretty accurate to me.
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.

What's up

Labor groups plan to ask state pension fund managers to divest from oil, coal and gas companies, a goal of environmentalists that has concerned representatives of public employees who rely on the fund to produce retirement checks at the Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) Board’s Investment Committee meeting...Revenue Committee held a public hearing on a range of other bills addressing the sales tax ... The newly created MBTA Fiscal and Management Control Board held its first meeting this week to establish the role of the board, set board bylaws and determine its meeting schedule.

Time to make the sales tax holiday permanent, or semi-permanent

The sales tax holiday has been approved 10 of the last 11 years. Shoppers seem to love it. Retailers seem to make the most of it. For a brief weekend, it levels the playing field for retailers with New Hampshire and the Internet, diverting sales to local retailers to the tune of $168 million. And yet every year, there is a Groundhog Day feel to the approval of the sales tax holiday. Not necessarily substantive debate. Only unnecessary delay, giving retailers limited time to market the tax holiday.

It stands to reason that if the tax holiday were a reliable thing, rather than a year-to-year exercise, it would generate more benefit. Shoppers could plan, and forestall that Internet purchase or trip to the Granite State. Isn’t it time to codify the sales tax holiday as a real holiday that we can put in the calendar and count on? Or pass a law to make it eligible for renewal every four years? That way we could see if giving the holiday a longer lead time generates more business for retailers.

Lynch would not picket DeLeo

Congressman Stephen Lynch, big-time union guy, was asked by Jim Braude on Greater Boston last night: Is organized labor wrong for (thinking of) picketing Bob DeLeo? “Yeah. Bob DeLeo is a good man. I would not have been picketing Bob DeLeo, that’s for sure.” On Sunday DeLeo told Jon Keller on Keller at Large that he was “disappointed” that unions were considering picketing a fundraiser he was planning to attend soon for Boston state Rep. Michael Moran at Carrie Nation, a restaurant on Beacon Hill.

Massachusetts: the high-debt state

The Commonwealth ranks 48th in the nation in fiscal solvency -- a ranking of states’ structural deficits, long-term debt, and unfunded pension liabilities. The state’s long-term liability per capita, for example, is $5,947, more than double the national average. Indeed, Massachusetts traditionally has loved to borrow, and indeed, Commonwealth has a structurally unbalanced budget. CommonWealth’s Gabrielle Gurley details the report, produced by the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, with some people saying it isn’t as bad as it seems.

Surprised. Speculation is that it could have been someone living close by or perhaps someone who was watching for an opening, which came when the husband and wife left for their stroll. Rooms were left in disarray and items of value were taken from the home.

On July 11th, two local women were walking together in the area of K and E. Eighth Street at approximately 2:45 am when a white car pulled up and the occupant, described as a black male, is said to have jumped out, pointed a semi-automatic handgun at them and demanded their handbags. The robber took the bag, got back into his car and sped away. Police sources say that though incidents like these are common in some other parts of the city, they are rare occurrences in South Boston as streets here are comparatively safe, day and night.

There are possible suspects being considered in the June home break-in, but as of yet, no arrests have been made in either incident. That the July armed robbery occurred early on a Saturday morning should be a cautionary warning to young women, even in a pair, who are out late, to be prudent about their transportation options.

The investigations are ongoing and if more details are made available, South Boston Today will report on them and we will keep in touch with local police with periodic inquiries. Its crimes like these, however rare here, that have police continuing to urge local residents to call 911 to report any and all suspicious activity in your areas. Cooperation between law enforcement and private citizens is what contributes to keeping our streets as safe as possible.

Working together helps maximize the protection and wellbeing of the people of South Boston and other communities.

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David Casper
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You’ll really have to stretch imagination to believe the following story. A heroin dealer is operating out of a house in your South Boston neighborhood. The junkies are streaming in and out and muggings, B &Es and violent crime skyrockets in the area. Finally, after numerous complaints and assaults, the police arrive.

A big, tall, policeman named Sgt. Kerry politely knocks on the door. He tells the drug dealer who answers the door of the complaint and proposes a solution. If the dealer will sell his heroin only to hospitals the police will not bother him. Further more, if the dealer agrees but complaints persist and police have to return, they will give the dealer 30 day notice before they come to search. Finally, if they have to search, then Chelsea, Quincy, Cambridge, any police department but Boston police can conduct the search.

The dealer who makes ten times as much selling to junkies, winks, crosses his fingers and says “we have a deal Sgt. Kerry”. That’s too crazy to ever happen, right? Then why did Sec. Kerry, at the direction of his boss in the White House, do just that? “Anytime, anywhere” is just smoke. That only pertains to the publicly admitted Iran nuclear sites. If sites are suspected on military bases, a 30 day notice must be given and America cannot be among the inspectors. Iran, of course, wasted no time in assuring terrorist organizations of continued support and continued opposition to “arrogant America”. So, even if Iran waited a whole 10 years to blow up the world, releasing 100 billion dollars in frozen assets to Iran means financing a lot of terrorism over those ten years. What a deal.

The best part is rather than allow the peoples’ representatives, the Congress, Senate and House, to debate review and vote, Benedict Obama will bypass them and accept the judgement of the body that has North Korea on its “Human Rights” Council, the United Nations. Apparently there is nothing our Congress can do.

Moving on to the next upside down incident brings us to the murder of the four Marines and the Sailor. At what point, after 9-11, did it not occur that entrances to all military facilities should have armed sentries? All members of the military are trained to shoot basic small arms. If the American military cannot be trusted with weapons why don’t we just have the white flag? We have nowhere left to run. Now it’s suggested that the military should not wear their uniforms off base. In America? Are you kidding?

Every uniformed member should have a sidearm. One retired General trying to curry favor with the left, said on the subject of arming recruiters, “we don’t want armed military in our malls, do we?” Well, yes General. Absolutely we do. The one undeniable benefit of police detail is that the number of police on the street doubles. The same benefit would result by arming, at least, uniformed military personnel.

Finally, Donald had a lot going for him. We definitely need a wall on the border. He was much too general on his Mexican comments, but he pointed out some harsh realities. But, denying John McCain praise as a war hero was just stupid. No matter how smart Trump is to make $billions, he’s not smart enough to shut his mouth. John McCain was a Naval aviator whose father was an Admiral and in charge of all Naval operations in Viet Nam. One word and McCain could have served, probably, as a flight instructor at Pensacola, Florida or even Hawaii. He chose instead to serve as a combat fighter pilot. When shot down, captured and tortured, he could have gained his freedom but refused to be released before the other prisoners.

At the same time many other Americans received military deferments many deserving many questionable. Other than to state Mr. Trump reportedly received 4 such deferments, it is a subject to debate at another time. Mr. McCain’s record of heroism is not a debatable subject.

Take care till next week.
In The Bag!

Last week, in the face of 2000 signatures and polls that showed 85% of residents in opposition, the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals voted in favor of allowing a controversial developer to build luxury condos at the site of the old Gate of Heaven School building. These politically connected developers received strong support from Mayor Walsh and even our city councilor, Bill Linehan. With the exception of the aide to Mayor Walsh and an aide to Councilor Linehan, not one person spoke in favor of the luxury condo development.

Over the past year, the Gate of Heaven Neighborhood Association met and talked with school officials about relocating a charter school to the location. Several schools expressed their strong support in moving to South Boston. However, at the ZBA hearing, a political aide to Mayor Walsh denied that a school was ever interested in moving to this site. Government assistants who shill for developers had been doing the same thing under the Menino administration for two decades. Looks like nothing has changed.

Matt Kennedy
Resident
Alleged Serial Rapist Held Pending Dangerousness Hearing

An alleged serial rapist who eluded capture for nearly a decade has been ordered held without bail pending a dangerousness hearing next week, Suffolk County District Attorney Daniel F. Conley announced.

Alejandro Done age 29 of the South End was arraigned in South Boston Municipal Court today on one count of aggravated rape and two counts of assault and battery in connection with a 2006 sexual assault in Joe Moakley Park. At the request of Assistant District Attorney David Deakin, Judge Michael Bolden ordered Done held without bail pending a dangerousness hearing under Ch. 278, Sect. 58A, of the Massachusetts General Laws, which allows a judge to hold a defendant accused of certain offenses without bail for up to 90 days pending trial upon “clear and convincing evidence that no conditions of release will reasonably assure the safety of any other person or the community.” That hearing is scheduled for July 27. Done is next scheduled to appear in the Municipal Court on Thursday for arraignment in connection with a subsequent assault that occurred on the Esplanade on July 29, 2007. The July 29, 2006, attack was the first in a series of assaults in which Done allegedly targeted women walking or jogging alone late at night, primarily on weekends, during the summer months. Deakin told the court that in the 2006 assault, Done allegedly approached a 30-year-old woman walking along Day Boulevard and violently assaulted her. The victim was able to provide Boston Police with a description of her assailant and underwent an examination during which DNA evidence was collected.

State Police criminalists recently matched that DNA profile to Done, who was arrested last year in another sexual assault in Cambridge. He is currently held without bail while that case remains pending in Middlesex County. Done may also face charges in connection with similar assaults committed on the Esplanade on June 16, 2007, and about midnight on July 13 into July 14, 2009, and an attack near Preble Circle on June 13, 2010. Anne Kelley-McCarthy is the DA’s assigned victim-witness advocate. Done is represented by Tim Bradl.

All defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Councilor Baker Calls for Prohibiting the Sale and Use of Synthetic Marijuana

This week, Boston City Council considered an ordinance, filed by District 3 Councilor Frank Baker, that would ban the sale and possession of synthetic marijuana in the city. Synthetic drugs are a growing problem among young people across the country. According to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, one in nine 12th graders in America reported using synthetic cannabinoids in the past year. In Massachusetts, synthetic marijuana is often sold in gas stations, convenience stores and smoke shops.

“It is my hope this ordinance will give the Boston Police Department the authority to implement and enforce the prohibition of the possession and sale of any type of synthetic marijuana,” Baker stated. According to the ordinance, synthetic cannabinoids can be extremely dangerous. These synthetic drugs, often referred to as ‘Spice’ or ‘K2,’ can lead to several side effects including agitation, seizures, hallucinations, higher blood pressure and suicidal thoughts. Synthetic cannabinoids have been linked to hospitalizations and overdoses in New Hampshire and New York.

President Obama attempted to regulate several strains of synthetic marijuana as a part of the FDA Safety and Innovation Act of 2012, but manufacturers continually alter the compounds to produce new, unregulated synthetic drugs. The proposed ordinance would broaden the definition of synthetic cannabinoids, in an effort to prohibit current and future strains of the substance. If the ordinance is passed, any business found selling synthetic drugs will be fined $300 for each day a violation occurs and if a person is found to be in possession of the drugs, a fine will be given and the substance will be confiscated and destroyed by the Boston Police Department.

“As a father of two young children, I want to see the end of dangerous designer drugs in our communities,” said Baker. “These drugs are killing people.”

Suffolk County Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins statement on President Obama’s speech on criminal justice reform:

“I applaud President Obama’s willingness to forcefully talk about Criminal Justice Reform! Accordingly, I ask you to join me in the fight to keep residents of Boston and the Commonwealth out of the criminal justice system; advocate for more resources to address substance abuse and mental health and engage in a concerted discussion about how we can work collaboratively to strengthen families. As the leaders of the free world let’s raise our voices and demonstrate leadership on the important issues of Education, Employment, Health Care and Housing!”

- Suffolk County Sheriff
Steve Tompkins
When the weather heats up, especially on weekends, South Boston’s beaches fill up fast. The Lagoon/Pleasure Bay, with its constant high tides thanks to the locks on the causeway gets crowded. This is the place where so many local families gravitate too. Carson Beach at or around the McCormack Bath House gets a decent crowd too, often because of its close proximity to the MBTA. But the area that is more often than not, thick with beach goers is the section between M Street and O Streets. Some of the visitors call it ‘Southie Beach’, but its real name is M Street Beach.

Several years ago, it was at M Street Beach that numerous complaints were generated due to heavy drinking of alcohol, dogs allowed to run without leashes and overall rowdiness that at times, disturbed and even frightened families, especially those families with small children. But that seems to have changed – for the better.

On any given day, especially on warm, sunny Saturdays and Sundays when the crowds can only be classified as massive, a consistent Massachusetts State Police presence is obvious and deliberately set up in plain sight for all to see. Because of this, the number of ‘Red Solo Cups’ is very much diminished. Police, at the request of many members of the community, stand ready to move in on public drinkers, especially if they begin to get out of hand. This has brought a large degree of added tranquility to this beach and seems to be appreciated by local beach goers as well as visitors.

Now M Street Beach is enjoyed by all ages and everyone seems to be fine with this. Young adults gather in their groups while families do the same. The pressure treated wooden fence that separates the Curley Recreation Center and M Street is again often used as a spring board for local teens sharpening their diving skills, just like it used to be, and everyone seems to be having a good time.

South Boston is fortunate. Few communities that are technically part of big cities are blessed with so much beach front with clean water perfect for swimming (as long as the tide’s good at least). For most residents, it’s just a short walk to enjoy what so many other people have to drive miles to get to. And with the great job being done by the Massachusetts State Police this summer with their patrols and watchful eyes protecting the public safety, it makes summer even more enjoyable. And the good thing is, it’s still only July.
### Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON SITE CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES

**On-Terminal Areas**

**900 East First Street, South Boston**

**MassDEP RTN 3-00257**

**Former Owner:** Coastal Oil of New England (CONE)

**Current Owner:** Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport)

**Tuesday July 28, 2015**

As part of the Public Involvement Process for the site at 900 East First Street, Massport will host a public information meeting about the remediation and assessment activities for this site. The site is tracked by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) under Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-00257. The purpose of this meeting is to provide information on the continued cleanup of the site pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP).

The meeting will be held in the Senior Lunch Room of the Curley Community Center located at 1663 Columbia Road, South Boston, on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 7:00 PM. Please use the M Street entrance.

Copies of the assessment and remediation documents are available for review at the South Boston Public Library and MassDEP, Northeast Regional Office, 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01876 or on-line at [http://public.dep.state.ma.us/wsc_viewer/](http://public.dep.state.ma.us/wsc_viewer/).

Interested parties may also submit written questions or concerns to Erik Bankey at Massport’s Environmental Management Unit Office, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, MA 02128 or by e-mail at ebankey@massport.com.

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City Announces PARKBoston App

The City of Boston today announced that the ParkBoston app is now live through Back Bay, Fenway/Kenmore, Downtown, Beacon Hill, the North End, the West End and Charlestown, and will be active in South Boston, the South End, Mission Hill, Allston and Brighton by the end of the summer. The app allows drivers to quickly and easily remotely pay a meter with their mobile phone, avoiding the hassle of finding quarters or running back to the meter to add more time before it expires.

“The ParkBoston app is one of the many ways we’re making city government more efficient and effective for Boston’s residents and visitors,” said Mayor Martin J. Walsh. “More and more of our drivers are taking advantage of ParkBoston and we’re excited to be able to expand into even more neighborhoods by the end of the summer.”

Earlier this year, following a successful pilot in a portion of the Back Bay, Mayor Walsh announced that the City’s over 8,000 metered spaces will be outfitted with the ParkBoston app. During the pilot, the Boston Transportation Department has worked closely with Passport, an industry leader in mobile payments, to design a smooth and seamless parking experience for users. Over the last month, there has been a steady increase in daily transactions through the app, from 3,000 per day in late June to over 4,000 per day by mid-July.

Smartphone users can take advantage of the new service by going to park.boston.gov to create an account. iPhone and Android users can also get the free ParkBoston app through the App Store or Google Play. A pay-by-voice option is also available for those without web-enabled phones. To learn more, please visit park.boston.gov.

The pilot phase of Park Boston was supported by the Mayor’s Office of New Urban Mechanics, Mayor Walsh’s civic innovation team. Identifying and implementing ways to improve Boston’s streetscape for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers is one of the office’s core areas of focus. Recent collaborations with the Boston Transportation Department have included the TicketZen app to make it easier to pay parking tickets, a data partnership with Waze to improve traffic flow, and vehicle sideguards pilot that led to the a nation-leading safety ordinance for large vehicles performing city contracts.
Sheriff Tompkins Kicks Off 2nd Summer Enrichment Program

Suffolk County Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins kicked off the Speaker Series of the Department’s Summer Enrichment Program this month. This initiative was implemented by the Sheriff in 2014. “This program was conceived with several purposes in mind,” said Sheriff Tompkins. One purpose is “the opportunity that it presents to connect young people with positive role models to help them along in their desire to become law enforcement professionals. I also wanted to offer students in Suffolk County summer employment. Too often we hear about the need for more job opportunities for our young people, particularly during the summer months when schools are closed and youth violence is typically on the rise. This is an example of what we can do to be part of the solution.”

Designed for students interested in law enforcement, the program operates as a paid internship for 26 Suffolk County high school juniors and seniors. Through providing a hands-on experience to learn about the inner workings of the criminal justice system, this program also fosters a positive relationship between youth and the uniform officers who serve their communities. The program runs three days a week for seven weeks, beginning on July 6th and ending the week of August 17th. Participants recently earned their CPR certification and received a certificate of completion, as well-as transferable job skills that they can utilize in their future careers.

Samantha Harrington, a Summer Enrichment Intern and student from Revere spoke about her interest in applying to the program. “I really wanted the opportunity to speak one on one with people who work with the criminal justice system for a living and dedicate their whole lives to the field. I applied so that I could be making connections and meeting people.” Through job shadowing, weekly presentations by members of law enforcement, roundtable discussion, law enforcement-related field trips and educational tours the interns will gain the opportunity to learn about multiple organizations and network with people from their particular field of interest.

Sheriff Tompkins joined the Summer Enrichment students as their first speaker during the series to introduce them to the field of criminal justice, his path to becoming Sheriff and to congratulate them for being chosen through the application process. “I don’t believe in coincidence and chance, we have to make our own opportunities which is why you are all here, to make opportunities,” said Sheriff Tompkins.

Following the Sheriff’s discussion, Summer Enrichment Intern Christian Robles from Boston had this to say, “This is a great program for youth that actually want to go into law enforcement because it gives you a lot of insight. As a minor, you aren’t really sure… specifically what you want to do when you are older. Now I get to see job opportunities and what they do and how that suits myself.”

For more information about the Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department Summer Enrichment Program, contact Nadia Lovinsky at (617) 704-6656 or nlovinsky@scsdma.org

Patriot Homes Demolition Begins

The South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation (SBNDC) is proud to announce that demolition of the eastern side of the former police station on D Street began last week. When completed, the 24-unit development will provide veterans and their families with affordable studio, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments. The police station building will be adapted into 12 units, and a new building will be constructed behind it on Athens Street, also containing 12 units. Construction began in March, and is expected to be completed next summer.
The Arts Affair at Marina Bay

Join us as the Arts Affair at Marina Bay celebrates 20 years. Saturday, August 1, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, and Sunday, August 2, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Free admission and free parking, raffles, and art demonstrations throughout the weekend, rain or shine.

One of the largest art events on the South Shore, the Arts Affair at Marina Bay is a two-day exhibition that will introduce you to the talents of artists, sculptors, and photographers who live and work in many South Shore and Boston communities.

The lobby and cafeteria of Corporate Park are transformed into an exciting pop-up gallery, displaying works in drawing, mixed media, oil & acrylic; photography, sculpture, and watercolor. An experimental category, new this year, is FFII (Fabulous Fakes, Inviting Imitations. Artists will exhibit either exact duplication, or creative interpretation of a work which has inspired a re-creation of the original.

Awards Presentation held Saturday at 2:00 in the Cafeteria. Judges are Susan Nalband, Director of 555 Gallery, Boston, for Photography; Tatiana Yanovskaya-Sink of Quincy, for Drawing, Mixed Media, and Sculpture; and Gary Koeppel of Roslindale for Oil & Acrylic Painting, and Watercolors. Tatiana and Gary to judge FFII.

Corporate Park Lobby & Cafeteria, 500 Victory Rd. Quincy. For information call 781-961-2378, visit www.artsaffair.org or find us on Facebook.

South Boston Honors Our Veterans and their Families

Members of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald Post #561 (Veterans of Foreign Wars), replaced wreaths at Heroes Squares throughout South Boston. “South Boston doesn’t forget our veterans and those that have sacrificed so much for our nation,” said Ed Flynn, commander of the veterans post. Pictured from left to right: David Falvey, Lou Kneeland and Ed Flynn.
Summer Parks Fitness Series Event August 3

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department and Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) celebrate the 2015 Boston Parks Summer Fitness Series sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield on Monday, August 3, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Copley Square Park in the Back Bay. The three-month series brings free fitness classes to parks across the city, aiming to activate these spaces while increasing opportunities for physical activity across all of Boston’s neighborhoods.

Although Boston was ranked the sixth healthiest city in the country in the American College of Sports Medicine’s 2013 American Fitness Index, obesity rates remain a challenge. According to the 2014-2015 Health of Boston Report, 22% of adults and 14% of high school students are obese. These rates are even higher among communities of color. Only about half of adults in Boston report exercising regularly.

By engaging in a citywide effort to increase opportunities for physical activity, the Parks Department and Public Health Commission aim to decrease rates of obesity for all of Boston’s residents. This year’s series looks to build upon previous program efforts by expanding the number of parks that offer free classes to city residents and making them more accessible to all neighborhoods. In extending this opportunity into the neighborhoods, the Boston Parks Summer Fitness Series aims to further reduce barriers to active living and achieve the goal of ensuring that Bostonians across the city have ample opportunity to be active.

The August 3 event will feature a free high-energy, hour-long Zumba class open to all fitness levels and provide an introduction to all that the series has to offer Bostonians this summer including salsa dancing, yoga, tai chi, high intensity interval training, Zumba, boot camp, line dancing, and other activities. Fitness classes began in June and will be offered through August at parks across the city.

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For a full schedule of Boston Park Summer Fitness Series classes go to www.cityofboston.gov/parks or www.bphc.org. For updates, follow @HealthyBoston, @BostonParksDept, and #Boston-Moves on Twitter.

Paraclete’s Comedy for a Cause- Patty Ross A New One Woman Show

Join us for a night of entertainment on the water to support Paraclete’s Summer Program!

Enjoy wine tasting at the Boston Winery and a three-course meal in Venezia’s beautiful waterfront banquet room, followed by American Comedy Award nominee Patty Ross. Wine tasting at 6:00 and dinner and a show at 7:00 PM.

Patty Ross makes her triumphant return to Paraclete Comedy with a new one-woman show, “It’ll Be Fine!”, delivering her warm yet biting woman show, “It’ll Be Fine!”, Comedy with a new one-triumphant return to Paraclete dinner and a show at 7:00 PM. Wine tasting at 6:00 and Comedy Award nominee Patty room, followed by American beautiful waterfront banquet course meal in Venezia’s Summer Program!

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Red Sox Hope Young Pitchers Hold Up

At first look, Red Sox rookie lefthander Brian Johnson didn’t have much control over the play that ruined his debut as reported from Houston by Jen McCaffrey. Johnson, tasked with a tough assignment of stopping one of the better teams in the league with a tired Red Sox squad behind him, worked through a few early jams, but had the game under control through four innings on Tuesday in Houston.

After he’d retired eight straight, the lefthander allowed consecutive singles to start the fifth. A fielder’s choice put runners on the corners and when catcher Ryan Hanigan went to throw out Jake Marisnick stealing second, the throw deflected off Marisnick’s arm and into left field, allowing both runners to score. But even though Hanigan’s throw was off, he came out his crouch for a would-be pitchout. Johnson threw an 83 mph changeup, though, seemingly missing the pitchout sign causing Hanigan to hesitate. The catcher took the blame, but if Johnson had thrown a fastball, Hanigan might have had a better aim.

It may seem like a minor mistake, especially in a starter’s major league debut, but it’s the little mistakes the Red Sox will have to endure with a young core moving forward. With two starters from the start of the season not currently in the rotation in Clay Buchholz and Justin Masterson, the Red Sox don’t have much choice but to deal with the ebb and flow of the staff. It’s the position they’ve put themselves in. Boston’s other rookie lefthander Eduardo Rodriguez has provided a boost for the team at times, but has also fallen into a habit of tipping his pitches, like he did on Monday against Anaheim. The Red Sox have only mapped out their rotation through the weekend and have little flexibility at this point other than what they have in front of them.

Johnson hadn’t pitched in a game since before the All-Star break and admittedly was a little rusty at the outset. “A lot of it is schedule and circumstance,” Farrell said of Johnson’s break.

Bottom line is that with the uncertainty of the rotation caused by a confluence of unexpected physical, mental and mechanical issues with their pitchers, the Sox are continuing their work in progress on the mound. In the field and at bat, that’s got its own set of issues as well. John Farrell has to hope that there is a lot of patience stored up in the front office.
Farm, Wenger’s Farm, and Red’s market will run as usual from 12 - 4. The South Boston Farmers Market (SBNDC), the sponsor of the Farmers Market South Boston, will hold a Kids Day celebration on August 3rd, 2015.

Surf, Sand & Song with Thomas Park

Mark your calendar! The BCYF Curley Community Center will be hosting South Boston’s own Thomas Park Band for a FREE outdoor concert on Thursday, July 30, 6:30-9pm at Curley’s Family Friendly M Street Beach.

Lead man Paul Eastman and band mates never disappoint! The performance will be jumpin’ with somethin’ for everyone! The entertainment will be outstanding so pack some snacks and a cooler (with non-alcoholic beverages!) and be ready to dance the night away.

This is a FREE family event for all ages. Grab your beach chairs and a friend and we’ll see you at the BCYF Curley Community Center’s M Street Beach on Thursday, July 30, 6:30pm to enjoy an amazing and energetic night of live music under the stars!

Kids Day at the South Boston Farmers Market

The South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation (SBNDC), the sponsor of the South Boston Farmers Market, will hold a Kids Day celebration at the market on August 3rd. The market will run as usual from 12 - 6 pm, with regular vendors Freitas Farm, Wenger’s Farm, and Red’s Best Seafood.

In addition, we will be hosting students from the UMass Extension program conducting cooking demonstrations from 12 - 4. The Kids Day celebration will go from 2 - 5 pm. There will be live music, balloon twisting, face-painting, and more!

We invite South Boston non-profits who serve children or families to set up a table with an activity or craft.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
SUFFOLK, SS.
PROBATE COURT
CASE No. SU15P0078PM
To all persons interested in the estate of James R. Pike of Boston, in said County, a person under conservatorship.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell certain real estate of said James R. Pike for his maintenance, and praying that the petitioner may become the purchaser of said real estate. If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 30th day of July, 2015 the return day of this citation.

WITNESS, Joan P. Armstrong, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 24th day of June, 2015.

Felix D. Arroyo Register.

It is ordered that notice of said proceeding be given by delivering or mailing by registered or certified mail a copy of the foregoing citation to all persons interested fourteen days at least before said return day, and, if service be made by registered or certified mail, unless it shall appear that all persons interested have received actual notice, by publishing a copy thereof once in the South Boston Today, a newspaper published in Boston, the last publication to be one day at least before said return day.

Witnness, Joan P. Armstrong, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 24th day of June, 2015.

Felix D. Arroyo Register

July 23, 2015

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU15P1661EA
Commonwealth Of Massachusetts

The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: Gladys Budzinski
Also known as Gladys Budzinski McClain

Date of Death: 01/04/1978

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Joanne May of Bridgewater MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Joanne May of Bridgewater MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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 if you object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney 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 day, action may be taken without further notice to you. UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

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

July 10, 2015

Felix D Arroyo, Register of Probate

July 23, 2015
DANNY PICARD: The Red Sox returned from the All-Star break and got swept by the Los Angeles Angels in four games. Entering the series in Houston against the Astros, the Red Sox are nine games out of first place in the AL East, and the last-place team in the AL Wild Card race. This is it, right Ritchie? This season for the Red Sox is officially over?

DAN ROCHE: Yeah, you know, I looked at them and said, if they could have swept the Yankees before the All-Star break, I think they would have been within two-and-a-half games of the AL East lead. So then you would have been feeling pretty good about yourself going into the break. And low and behold, that Friday night game against the Yankees, they lay an egg. They win on Saturday. Then they just didn’t look good and couldn’t get the pitching that they needed on Sunday. And then the All-Star break hit and you’re like, well maybe if they can kick off this West Coast swing a little bit and get going, something will happen for this team. And then they come out against the Angels and they can’t score. They pitched okay, but they were facing a really good Angels team. They get swept, and you’re sitting there saying, “Yeah, this is the time where it’s pretty much done.” And if you’re Ben Cherington and John Farrell and company, you start to look towards next year. These guys should still go out and try to win every single night; obviously that’s your objective as a professional. But it would take a miracle, in my mind, for them to come back.

DP: Eduardo Rodriguez is the guy I feel most confident in, in this Red Sox rotation. The most disappointing thing in this Angels series was that I think Rodriguez was tipping his pitches again. The Red Sox say he wasn’t, but what did you see? What did you think when you saw him pulled in the second inning in LA after allowing seven runs?

DR: The Red Sox say no, but it’s tough to argue with what you just said. Jerry Remy said it as well, he let up seven runs on eight pitches. That’s insane. So I started going back and forth a little bit with Alex Cora — who was once part of the Red Sox — and he said, “Once a tipper, always a tipper.” In that, he may not think he’s doing it, and it may not be a part of what you’re looking at when you’re breaking it down, but, there’s something they might find that’s even smaller than what he was doing with his head and things like that when they first found it. So it’s certainly a concern, especially if this guy is going to be your ace going forward, or at least, a guy that you’re hoping to be that No. 1.

DP: So we’re getting closer to the July 31 trade deadline, and I live my life playing the role of imaginary Red Sox GM. So I always put myself in the shoes of who’s in that spot, and right now it’s Ben Cherington. And the most frustrating thing about this upcoming trade deadline is Clay Buchholz, and the injury that he suffered. To me, the Buchholz injury and the trade value he had before the injury, that’s the most devastating thing for this Red Sox organization.

DR: It’s interesting too, because, being around the game for so long, you tend to go back to the whole theory that if a guy is a career .220 hitter, then eventually he’s going to go back to that level. If he’s a .300 hitter, if he starts slow or has a terrible April, eventually he’s going to get back to that level or somewhere close. And I look at a guy like Clay Buchholz, and unfortunately, we’re seeing his career track path continue. To me, the most amazing number was, when he came out of June, I think his career record in June is 16-1, but then it flies off dramatically in July and August. And having conversations with Clay, he was hoping in his mind that he could continue his success this year into July and August and become that ace. He went into spring training feeling physically the best he’s felt in a long time. His shoulder was fine, everything felt good. So yeah, I’m with you. That is the most disappointing thing, the fact that Clay can’t get over that hump at the All-Star break. And if I’m another general manager, I’m looking at that career mark now and thinking, “Do I really want to trade for this guy?” It’s disappointing, but I don’t think Clay’s doing anything different than what we’ve seen over the course of his career. So now, you’ve just got to sit tight with him. Hopefully he rebounds and gets back on the mound in a month and is fine. But to me, now, there’s no way anybody takes him. At least for this year, and probably beyond that.

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