



The **Development Beat Goes On** ack in February, Boston Globe correspondent Scott Van Voorhis reported that when it comes to overall development activity, South Boston is arguably the epicenter of the city's development boom. The pace has continued and the proposal to target Dorchester Avenue between Andrew Square and Broad-

this solid neighborhood. South Boston at that time had a whopping 64 projects either in the planning or approval stage, under construction, or recently opened. This is three times or more than any other city neighborhood. Most feature or include new apartment rentals, townhomes, or condos, according to the Boston

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# **EDITORIA** *Policy By Fingertip?*

Remachines winning? Have machines won? It used to be the voice of the people would be a crucial component of political decision making. Today, in our instant access world, the number of tweets or people reached with an "e-mail blast", most sent by the push of a finger, seems to carry more weight.

Just the other day our Senator Linda Dorcena Forry raised the issue of regulations for the car service UBER.

Considering that taxis have been subject to "anytime, anywhere"

inspections for cleanliness, proper equipment, and criminal record checks for drivers for years by the Boston Police, it would seem fair and prudent to put safeguards in place for this new mode of private transportation. Especially given the number of assaults, most recently right here in Southie, that have been linked to some of the drivers.

Yet within an hour of her statement a "blast" in support of UBER cast our Senator as "bashing" this new industry.

Since when is looking out for and listening to all the people something to apologize for?



""Americans chose a limited government that exists to protect our rights, not grant them" Senator Marco Rubio

# Last Week's Poll

Do you support the proposal to designate Massachusetts as a 'Sanctuary State'?



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# **Questions That Must Never Be** Asked But I'll Ask Anyway.

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY John Ciccone

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his week's column will be dominated by questions being asked by a growing number of Americans regarding current issues in the news. The questions will be those that are not politically correct to ask and therefore cause some in the media, in Hollywood and of course in political circles and among the more 'progressive' types to react either with nervousness or outright anger and sometimes just plain fear. They even have been known to go into total meltdowns.

Questions which many of us take great pleasure in asking because of those reactions.

#1: Why are some leaders of the Democrat Party so intent on keeping our southern border wide open so the flow of illegals keeps coming and then try dential election?

why do those same leaders so desperately try to stop laws that require people to show an ID when voting? Could the desire for massive voter fraud be that tempting?

#2: FBI data confirms that a large percentage of illegals coming here are committing murder, rape, robbery and drug dealing and human trafficking? So the question is why are progressives furious with people like Ted Cruz, Donald Trump and Mike Huckabee for speaking out about this, but not these lawless acts? If there is silence on this growing crime wave, will it keep things calm until after the presi-

to pass laws allowing them to vote and #3: If you like, respect and admire and would proudly work in the potential presidential campaigns of the following African Americans: Dr. Ben Carson, Condi Rice, Alan West, Clarence Thomas, JC Watts, Herman Cain and Thomas Sowell are you a racist because vou don't like Barack Obama? #4: How do Al Gore and all the other #6: Why do people get applauded and and are involved in gang activities Global Warming fanatics justify their praised at liberal gatherings when they continuing scare mongering when official weather data now proves there has been no warming in the last 19 years and huge ice breaking ships continue #7: Why do you think the 'Target' to get caught in the ice at the South store chain has just decided to remove with the criminals who are committing Pole – in summer and the ice surface all gender identity signs from their at the North Pole continues to expand? #5: To his credit, Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker has put his foot down and said no to a push by some

of our moonbat legislators to make all of Massachusetts a 'Sanctuary State':. The question is, do you think former governor Deval Patrick would have done the same or would he have offered to send free shuttle buses to bring them here and provided gourmet lunches for the trip?

say that 'Black Lives Matter' but get booed and forced out of the building if they dare to say 'All Lives Matter'? toy counters and we're told soon their cloths racks and make everything what they call 'gender neutral'? Are **CONTINUED ON page 12** 





# 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.

#### **Ballot** petition mania

You're probably aware of some ballot petition efforts, such as legalizing marijuana and expanding charter schools. But there are many, many more, as MassLive's Shira Schoenberg reports. Citizens have submitted 35 ballot petitions to the AG's office, including on paid parental leave, preventing cruelty to farm animals, and eliminating the tax on tobacco products. As Schoenberg notes, only a small percentage of ballot proposals actually make it to the ballot. http://bit.ly/1JSGsG0

#### The new economy learns oldfashioned lobbying

Regulatory disputes and political posturing, like the war of words between Steve Wynn and Mayor Marty Walsh (more on that below), are a goldmine for lobbyists. As the Globe's Jon Chesto pointed out in an item yesterday, Wynn has forked over \$425,000 to ML Strategies in the first half of the year for "general consulting on potential legislative, regulatory and policy issues related to casino gaming." A look at the lobbying database also reveals some interesting names as the

"sharing economy" hits regulatory interference. Uber Technologies has spent \$121,000 so far this year, a number that is sure to grow as ride-sharing legislation nears. Lyft, an Uber competitor, paid out \$30,000 so far this year. Airbnb spent \$36,000 to law firm Nutter McLennen & Fish in the first half, and one can only expect there will be much more pressure to regulate an industry that is putting pressure on the lodging industry. Other popular tech names: Amazon (\$36,000) Apple (\$45,550) eBay (\$30,000) and Facebook (\$30,000), relatively small sums to have feet

on the ground in the State House. How much you want for that colonoscopy?

The Pioneer Institute continues to explore the widespread lack of price transparency in health care, despite a law that requires it. Following up on its earlier report on hospitals' lack of pricing transparency, Pioneer looked at medical specialists and found a lack of awareness about the law. And prices, when they were provided, all over the map, like the price for a routine colonoscopy: \$1,300 to \$10,000. The Globe explores the report here: http://bit. ly/1KhmDnB

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# ReadingBetween TheLines

# "Treason"

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They tell the world of their belief and

determination to defend our system,

statement for all the world to see.

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY Brian R. Mahoney

friend of mine is an Army veteran. He was a scout. As the name implies a scout goes ahead of the main body and looks around to make sure the route is passable and free from ambush. It carries a lot of responsibility and a greater protective attitude for troops, perhaps, than the average soldier.

So it really wasn't a surprise when he called, full of outrage, about U.S. troops being shot at in Mississippi. The surprise was that I had to go looking to dig up any news on it. This wasn't Al Qaeda or ISIS terrorists. This was bornin-America militia types. One is reported to be a Marine veteran.

Apparently the U. S .military is conducting a long planned multistate, military exercise called "Jade Helm". For reasons only they can understand the "black helicopter" crowd believes this is the beginning of some imposition of martial law by the Obama administration.

What nonsense. If Obama was to use military it would be Iran's republican guard, because this treaty he wants would make them more powerful than the American military. More importantly and realistically, these three arrested losers were not alone. Their intent was to lure U. S. troops, on maneuvers, into an ambush of explosives and machine-gun fire. Federal officials fortunately nabbed them before they could act. However even in the face of public disclosure shots were fired at troops the day following the arrests.

While there are a lot of these fools, thankfully, only a small number take action. That action, though, in its own way is worse than foreign terrorists. At least in their evil, misguided, mindless assaults, those terrorists are attacking a foreign enemy. Those shooting at troops engaged in "Jade Helm" are traitors. Short and sweet they are committing treason. "Saving America?" They are not saving or protecting anything. They are attacking the military the true protectors of America. If America is to be saved these are the men and women who will do it and not some survivalist, back–woods loons.

It is from within our true danger lies. The extremist militias want to return America to "the way it's supposed to be". But in truth a way it never was. The self-hating anarchist progressives on the left believe America is what's wrong with the world and should be brought down as a nation and made over. The vast, sensible, majority know America. They know it's the best chance for equality for all the world has ever seen or likely to see. They know its history has not been without sin. Greed, arrogance, deception have all played their part in shaping our nation. True Americans do not deny those faults. However we recognize those faults in all the world and all humanity. The difference is we recognize it, admit it and try to do something about it.

The very acts of the militia on the right and the anarchists on the left demonstrate how bankrupt both their philosophies are. The anarchists proclaim their cause by wearing masks and firing shots from the darkness and anonymity of the protesting crowds. The militia proclaims theirs by hiding in ambush. Like vampires, being seen in light exposes their corruption so there is no public debate allowed. Dissenters are shouted down or, as demonstrated, threatened with violence.

So the outrage of my veteran friend

is easy to understand. He and millions of veterans, before and since, didn't hide. When they don the uniform To quote the U. S. Army motto,

"This We Defend". As long as we produce veterans like my friend that will never change.

Take care till next week.



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

Boston City Council hearing at City Hall, regarding a city ordinance that would ban the sale and possession of synthetic marijuana, included testimony from the Boston Public Health Commission, the Boston Police Department and the MBTA Police, who are concerned about the effects this substance is having on the community.

The ordinance, sponsored by District 3 City Councilor Frank Baker, calls for a \$300 fine for the possession or sale of these substances, often referred to as "Spice" or "K2."

"This is a product that should be banned in Boston," said Captain Kenneth Fong, of the Boston Police Department, citing violence and public nuisance incidents that occur as a result of synthetic marijuana use. Other officials present at the hearing mentioned the heavy burden this drug imposes on EMS workers, police officers and homeless shelters.

Synthetic drugs are a growing problem among young people across the country. According to the Office of National Drug Control Policy, it is the second most prevalent drug among high school students. In Massachusetts, synthetic marijuana is often sold in gas stations, convenience stores and smoke shops.

Despite attempts to prohibit synthetic marijuana at all levels of government, manufactures have been able to alter the chemical compounds of their products and produce new types of synthetic marijuana with chemicals that do not fall under existing federal and state controlled substance laws. The proposed ordinance would broaden the definition of synthetic cannabinoids, in an effort to prohibit current and future strains of the substance.

Amanda Proctor, a social worker at the Pine Street Inn, said that she has seen a rise in use among her homeless clients. While the drug's name suggests a similarity to the effects of marijuana, Proctor said that users often experience intense withdrawal symptoms, similar to heroin, which makes it hard for them to stop using.

"As a city we must act now to stop the use of synthetic marijuana from reaching incredibly high levels and ensure the future well-being of the City of Boston and its residents," said Baker. "As a father of two young children, I want to see the end of dangerous designer drugs in our communities".



### National DAV Convention in Denver Elects Flynn as a delegate

he Disabled American Veterans (D.A.V.) recently held their 94th National Convention in Denver where over 4000 members (and advocates) of the DAV gathered to discuss the concerns and challenges that veterans and their families continue to experience. State DAV officer Edward Flynn of South Boston was elected as a national delegate from Massachusetts. At the convention, Flynn called on our national government to end the continued hardships for veterans who have sacrificed so much for our country. In this capacity, Flynn will continue to advocate for decent health care services and programs for all veterans and their families enrolled in the VA health care system. Additional recommendations of this committee included supporting adequate medical services and benefits for women veterans and supporting legislation to provide compre-

hensive support services for caregivers of severely wounded, injured and ill veterans from all eras.

"It is often difficult when we see the courage and sacrifices of so many veterans and at the same time, little support from national political leaders in supporting veterans and their families," said Flynn. "We have asked so much from our military families and we have a obligation to help make sure that after defending our freedom, our veterans and their families are treated with the respect and dignity they have earned." Flynn also had the opportunity to talk with the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert McDonald about the priorities and goals of the DAV and gave him the warm greetings from the people of South Boston, who have a proud and unwavering commitment to our veteran community.





# Thank You Eric Prentis for a Job Well Done

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY SBT Staff Report

hen people think of City Halls in so many municipal areas around the country opinions are mixed. Some are pleased with the response they receive from the representatives and liaisons they meet and interact with while others clearly are not. But in the case of Eric Prentis,

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Mayor Walsh's Liaison to South Boston who is leaving that post to take another position with the city the verdict is in: He did his job well and impressed a lot of people.

Eric was kind enough to grant **South Boston Today** an interview this week. A South Bostonian himself, he has made even more friends in the community while serving Mayor Walsh. Eric seemed like he really enjoyed his job; as hectic as it so often was and we wanted to gauge his thoughts and feelings about his time in that position and the next step in his career.

When we asked him what about being the Liaison to South Boston he liked most, without hesitation he said the people and being able to respond to their concerns, help them solve problems whenever possible and assisting in carrying out the mayor's promise to be responsible to the needs of residents.

Eric credited the great staff at City Hall and the energy and enthusiasm they had for making Boston a better place. One of Eric's priorities he says is to "Do my best to make people's lives better"; something he emphasized is the goal of Mayor Walsh as well. He says that being responsible and accountable to the people he's there to serve is what service in the public sector is all about.

Anyone who knows Eric Prentis knows his job was not an easy one. With so many issues facing South Boston, the meetings, hearings, presentations, dealing with abutters and developers and so many other events it's non-stop; day and night. It's one of those jobs where you are pretty much always on call. Eric was everywhere because that's what his job required. A true professional at all times, he is outgoing, congenial and pleasant in his demeanor and makes it a point to treat everyone he meets with respect; both while on the job and off. This is one of his many positives and it has apparently been very much appreciated by members of the community as attested to by the rave reviews this man has received since he first started this job back in January of 2014.

We asked Eric what are some of the accomplishments he is most proud of during his time as South Boston Liaison. Never one to take all the credit, he stressed everything is a team effort. With the support **CONTINUED ON page 8** 



# MAYOR WALSH LAUNCHES BOSTON 311

ayor Martin J. Walsh has launched Boston 311, a platform to better enable residents of Boston to report nonemergency issues to the City, such as graffiti and broken street lights, and access City services.

"I am thrilled to launch Boston 311 to better equip our residents with a direct line of communication to City Hall while at the same time improving our delivery of City services," said Mayor Walsh. "By streamlining communication to City Hall, we are building on our priorities to create a City government that is efficient and accessible to all of Boston's residents."

Boston 311 can be accessed anywhere within the City limits from both landlines and cell phones, and should only be used for non-emergencies. 311 will be available through several different platforms, including: • **Mobile:** download the free BOS:311 app on iOS or Android (previously

known as Citizens Connect)



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• Social media: tweet @BOS311

• **Phone:** dial 3-1-1 (previously the Mayor's 24-hour hotline 617-635-4500. For those with VoIP and for calls from outside Boston, callers should continue to dial 617-635-4500.)

With the launch of Boston 311, Mayor Walsh has taken another step to better streamline City services for Boston's residents. Each day, the City of Boston receives hundreds of reports of graffiti, burnt out street lights and missed trash collection over the phone, on social media and via mobile app. Starting Tuesday, Boston 311 will make it easier for constituents to report issues that help maintain and improve the neighborhoods.

"Thanks to Mayor Walsh's leadership we are very excited to launch Boston 311," said Niall Murphy, Director of the Mayor's Hotline. "We lean on the residents of Boston to be our eyes and ears in the neighborhoods, and we encourage them to utilize the services we provide to make Boston the best city it can be. We now provide a more efficient service than ever before by tracking additional data, streamlining services, and creating accessibility and predictability for constituents.

As part of the Boston 311 transition, the City completed several technological upgrades that improve our ability

#### ERIC PRENTIS CONTINUED FROM page 7

and guidance and hard work of Mayor Marty Walsh and the City of Boston staff, he said in addition to doing the difficult tasks of trying to ease the parking problems, traffic flow issues and so many other problems facing the neighborhood that proving to residents that this City Hall administration, under Mayor Walsh will be responsive and will listen and act on the needs and many concerns of the people was so very important. Giving people confidence that their voices will be heard and that they will get a response when they seek one is how city government should run and it now is.

Eric Prentis will be moving on to his new position with the city. He will become the Principle Administrator's Assistant Liaison to the Commissioner to listen to and respond to constituents. This new system will allow for the ability to manage calls, add additional reporting capabilities, eliminating redundancy as well as the ability to easily add additional resources in an emergency. Upgrades were also added to the City's mobile app (previously called Citizens Connect and now called BOS:311). Constituents now have access to an expanded set of service requests, such as missed trash pickup, in a more thoughtfully designed menu that prioritizes seasonal and high volume requests.

On average, the Mayor's 24-Hour Hotline receives 5,762 calls per week, and more during times of severe weather. Calls typically concern matters of trash and recycling collection, street cleaning, pothole repair and streetlight outages. Additionally, constituents are increasingly relying on digital channels to report issues: this year, 39 percent of requests have been submitted online and through the mobile app.

The launch of Boston 311 is one of many steps Mayor Walsh has taken to make City services more transparent and improve City operations. Service request data is publicly available on the open data portal and appears on the Mayor's dashboard in his office. For news and updates from the City, follow @CityofBoston on Twitter.

of Public Works. Judging by the job he did in our neighborhood, he is sure to be an asset at his new position. Filling his spot will be another capable professional South Bostonian, John Allison. Eric stated that John Allison will do an excellent job and he wishes him the best of luck.

But there is more to Eric Prentis than just being an outstanding hard working public servant. He is happily married to his wife Cristina (DiCecca) Prentis and is a doting new dad. He and Cristina have just welcomed a new arrival to the family; a beautiful new baby girl. Little Madeline is three and a half months old and a true bundle of joy. To the Prentis family, Eric, Cristina and little Madeline, the entire South Boston Today team and in fact the community as a whole wish you all the best in the future and a sincere 'thank you Eric', for a job well done.

# Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

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405 West First St UNIT 102 Condo	\$880,000	6/15/15	4	2	1745
405 West First St UNIT 203 Condo	\$880,000	6/15/15	4	2	1845
405 West First St UNIT 202	\$879,000	6/13/15	4	2	1700
Condo 405 West First St UNIT 103	\$845,000	6/15/15	4	2	1600
Condo 770 East Fourth St UNIT 2	\$730,000	6/15/15	5	2.5	1384
Condo 143 I Street	\$603,000	6/5/15	6	1	1310
Single Family 886 East Fourth St UNIT 2	\$550,000	6/16/15	4	1.5	1137
Condo 61 Story St UNIT 1	\$479,000	6/12/15	4	2	800
Condo 25 Old Harbor St UNIT 2	\$470,000	6/12/15	4	1	774
Condo 351 Dorchester St UNIT 4	\$373,000	6/15/15	5	1	807
Condo 495 East Broadway UNIT 1 Condo	\$348,450	6/12/15	3	1	882

### 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)

### Thursday, August 27, 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 submittal of a Partial Permanent Solution with Conditions 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 site status 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 Thursday, August 27, 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/.

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. **Properties** 

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#### SOUTH BOSTON TODAY By Jessica Grande-SBT Staff

Ary Rose Durante, Esq., has been named executive director and chief executive officer of Notre Dame Education Center in South Boston, a premier adult basic education center since 1992 The appointment was effective June 29. She replaces Sister Joyce Khoury, SND, Ed.D, who retired in June. Ms. Durante had been the Center's finance director since 2012.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunity to lead the Notre Dame Education Center," said Ms. Durante. "We have a dedicated staff and motivated students. The Sisters of Notre Dame, who founded the Center, have always been leaders in education, particularly adult education. It's an honor to carry that vision forward."

Ms. Durante was general counsel and special assistant to Richard J. Egan, former U.S. Ambassador to Ireland. As a Foreign Service officer, she acted as liaison between Ambassador Egan and the Government of Ireland. She served as a strategic advisor to him and his senior team and was the chief point of contact for the White House and the Secret Service.

Previously Ms. Durante worked for EMC Corp. in Hopkinton, Mass., where she directed the ambassadorial process, acting as intermediary for the White House, the State Department, and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. A well-regarded C-level strategist, she was a key player in the spin-off of Interface Systems Group of Milford, Mass., from Interface Electronics Corp. of Franklin, Mass.

Ms. Durante is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Boston College and Boston College Law School. She has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. In 2002 she received the Franklin Award from the U.S. Department of State in recognition of her outstanding work on the Fourth of July celebration at the Ambassador's Residence in Dublin.

Ms. Durante was born in Boston and raised in Hingham. A Falmouth Academy graduate, she currently divides her time between Weymouth and Hopedale.

The Notre Dame Education Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization offering adult basic education and support services to students and clients from all over the Boston area. The Center's wide range of programs includes high school diploma and HiSET test preparation programs, courses in ESOL, citizenship classes, job and workforce training, and literacy courses. Since its founding in 1992, the Notre Dame Education Center has served more than 9,000 students from more than 30 countries worldwide.



Kids from Joseph M. Tierney Learning Center in South Boston set sail for the Boston Harbor Islands with Save the Harbor/Save the Bay



## South Boston Kids Join Save the Harbor on Trips to the Boston Harbor Islands

ver 150 kids from multiple different groups in South Boston visited the Boston Harbor Islands National Park in July as part of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's free All Access Boston Harbor program. South Boston groups that took part include Joseph M. Tierney Learning Center, South Boston Boys & Girls Club, South Boston Neighborhood House and Tynan Community Center. More than 5,000 youth and teens have taken part in the free program so far this summer, which brings area youth groups to Spectacle, Peddocks, and Georges Island for a fun filled day of environmental exploration and healthy outdoor activities, including fishing, crabbing, swimming and art on the shore.

All Access Boston Harbor trips begin at the Blue Hills Bank Pavilion where groups learn the history of Boston Harbor and the Boston Harbor cleanup from Save the Harbor's maritime historian David Coffin. The groups then walk to the World Trade Center and board Bay State Cruise Company's Provincetown II for their trip. On the island they enjoy a picnic lunch and then head off to explore.

"The Boston Harbor Islands are important educational and recreational resources for youth development and community groups from across the city and around the region" said Bruce Berman, who serves as Director of Strategy, Communications and Programs for Save the Harbor/Save the Bay. "They are also a great place to spend a summer day."

On Spectacle Island, kids love to explore the shore while looking for sea glass and historic artifacts at "Treasure Beach". Save the Harbor's Harbor Educators teach kids to fish for flounder, skates and the occasional striped bass from the pier. There are miles of walking trails with great views of the city, grassy areas for ball sports and a great beach for swimming.

On Peddocks Island, youth and teens can visit the renovated chapel and new visitor center, explore historic Fort Andrews, play Frisbee or soccer, or swim on the sandy beach.

On Georges Island, groups can explore the maze of passageways at Fort Warren, which was used for coastal defense during the Civil War, and maybe catch a glimpse of the famous "Lady in Black". The parade ground is a great space for sports and games, and the docks on this island are great for fishing.

"At Save the Harbor/Save the Bay we are particularly proud to serve as the Boston Harbor Connection for a generation of young people" said Save the Harbor/Save the Bay Presi-





dent Patricia Foley. "The best way we know to "save the harbor" is to share it with the public."

Save the Harbor's free youth environmental education and fam-

ily programs are made possible with Leadership Grants from Bay State Cruise Company, The Boston Foundation, Distrigas/GDF SUEZ, and The Coca-Cola Foundation.



## The Late Paul Turner To Be Remembered

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY By John Ciccone

he South Boston Community mourns the loss of one of its most beloved native sons. Paul R. Turner was the victim of a tragic boating accident last Sunday, August 9th on Boston Harbor.

So many people in South Boston and beyond called Paul Turner friend you could fill a White Pages phone book. He was that popular. Pleasant, outgoing and caring, he truly loved life and felt comfortable where ever he was and brought good feelings and happiness to whomever he was with. It was so often said that it was a pleasure to be in Paul's company. Quick with a smile and a friendly greeting he was welcome where ever he went.

Paul Turner; like so many other South Bostonians, was a great athlete growing up as a kid, through his teen years and beyond. He was happy and at home on a football field when he attended South Boston High School, on a baseball diamond or a street hockey court. I had the honor and pleasure of coaching Paul in tournament deck hockey. He could score from anywhere; stick handle like the puck was glued to the blade and play any position, including goalie like a true pro. He was a letter carrier for the US Postal Service for more than 20 years and was considered dedicated by his fellow workers, always excelling at his job. And he was devoted to his family throughout his life.

A loving son to his mother Joan M (Manning) and the late Richard J. Turner, A beloved brother to Denise Ahern and her husband Steve of Rockland, Lynn Turner of South Boston, Kenneth Turner and his wife Stacey of Dorchester and Gary Dalrymple of Milton. He was a loving uncle to Loren Turner, Matthew Turner and Kaylee Flaherty. He is also survived by many uncles, aunts, relatives and friends.

So often when a tribute is made to a fallen friend or family member, it starts off with the question "What can you say about the deceased?" When it comes to Paul Turner, what can't you say, he had it all. He was wealthy beyond anything materialistic. He was a rich man by the best standards of all - he was surrounded by a legion of loyal, loving friends and devoted family members during his entire life. He brought goodness, joy and laughter where ever he went like few others could. Paul Turner was a good man and he will be missed dearly by a saddened community that he has always loved and called home.

The way Paul Turner had lived his own life and the positive way he touched the lives of so many others, there is no doubt that God has reserved a special place in Heaven for this good man. Rest in Peace Paul. Though you have left this world, you are now in a better one and will always remain in the hearts of your family, your friends and the neighborhood that was truly blessed to have known you.



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there no longer men, women, boys and girls or are they buckling to yet more ridiculous politically correct pressure and intimidation from a hand full of noisy activists?

The above questions are on the minds of many and deserve answers. But dare ask these questions at public forums and even private gatherings and you are instantly attacked with the intent of silencing the questioners. Yet, if this election season has highlighted anything, it's the fact that Americans are tired of wimpy, cowardly politicians in both parties and certain weak kneed companies and businesses that try to make nice and keep the lefty radicals happy by being ever so politically correct in their answers to questions and with their positions on the hot button issues. By the surging poll numbers for those candidates who finally are speaking out and telling things how they really are, it's clear that people want straight talk and definitive answers to the hard questions and are done with politicians and company CEO's who tread oh so carefully in an effort to never, ever offend the crazies.

If you watched the news during the last few days you know that this week in Ferguson is just a continuation of the rioting and police hatred that that city is now so famous for. Though the protesters say they are demonstrating to bring attention to the police shooting of Michael Brown a year ago, which has since been declared an act of self-defense on the part of the officer against a man who tried to take the cop's gun and use it on him, it came as no surprise that these protests erupted into more rioting and looting. Nothing says you feel sympathy for a perceived injustice than smashing store windows and grabbing arm loads of whatever you can carry. Of course, there is also the chance to set things on fire, assault innocent bystanders and take shots at police trying to do their jobs and keep the peace.

When will we hear Barack Obama, Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson demand the rioters and looters be brought to justice? Just as soon as cows grow wings and fly in formation over Washington DC.

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Redevelopment Authority's map of the City's development scene. The South Boston community includes the Waterfront, which has 22 projects, including the multibillion-dollar Seaport Square development.

In addition to the always hot Back Bay and South End, other neighborhoods are also seeing a big surge in development. East Boston may now be one of the hottest new neighborhoods in terms of big projects outside of South Boston. Charlestown's real estate market has been steady for some time and is continuing, although its geography limits its inventory, and it will be further impacted by the Everett casino. The Fenway will be hosting the most dramatic development of its perennial enclave of student related housing and eclectic retail and restaurants as well as the presence of the Red Sox.

Not to be overlooked, Dorchester now has 20 major projects in process, and Brighton has 21 and Allston 15. Roxbury and Jamaica Plain are holding their own.

Here are all of the development projects being coordinated by the Boston Redevelopment Authority Economic Development department.

11 Dorchester Street; 120 West 4th; 135 Athens; 14 West Broadway; 148-152 Dorchester Avenue Phase II; 150 West Broadway; 170 West Broadway; 181-185 West 1st Street and 184, 190 and 206 West 2nd Street; 2 H Street; 22-26 West Broadway; 235 Old Colony Avenue; 248 Dorchester Avenue; 30 B Street; 319 A Street; 333-339 West Broadway; 339 D Street; 340 West 2nd Street; 360 West 2nd Street: 39 A Street: 395 West Broadway; 401 West 1st Street; 45 L Street; 45 West 3rd Street;488 Dorchester Avenue: 501 Dorchester Avenue: 57 L Street; 609 East 4th Street; 621 East 1st Street; 637 East 1st Street; 728 East Broadway; 815 East 5th Street; 881-883 East 2nd Street; 933 East 2nd Street; Artist For Humanity; Distillery Project: 11 West Broadway: Gate of Heaven; Old Colony Phase II; Patriot Homes D Street; Dahlgren Hall at 205 E Street; Saint Augustine's; Boutique Hotel West Broadway; West Square For More Info Go To; http://www.

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### **Equipment Swap**

**Registration is Still Open** South Boston Youth Hockey is a non-profit program geared toward providing our kids a fun, active and rewarding experience on the ice. For the upcoming season we are looking to round out teams at both the Squirt (birth yrs. 2005-2006) and Bantam (birth yrs. (2001-2002) levels. SBYHL is a member of the Valley Hockey League which participates in 35+ games per year. In addition to games we offer weekly team practice and age appropriate skill sessions. Squirts level players are also enrolled to play in our weekly house league games. Tuition assistance applications are available for those in need. If interested or have questions please contact John Picarielo at pic2839@comcast.net **Annual Parent Meeting** We will be having our parent meeting, don't miss it! Find out updates on tuition, rink improvements, first practices, additional tryouts and many other important details. 6:30PM on Wednesday, August 19th

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that it was a well deserved acknowledgement of this native son's commitment to his duty to 'serve and protect'. The Mayor along with Councilor Bill Linehan then brought birthday greetings from the City of Boston to Tom Farnkoff.

People of every age group showed up to enjoy the live music of the popular band, Mike Dutra's Strictly Sinatra that had people up and dancing. The local seniors got into the music as they too had a wonderful time.

The kids were entertained and had a great time on the 'Bouncy Castle'. Face painting was a big hit for boys and girls alike. Ryan Spitz of Councilor Mike Flaherty's office gave out slush to people of all ages. No surprise there, it was cool, refreshing and tasty and hit the spot on this beautiful summer's day. The weather could not have been more perfect.

Neighborhood Business participation by Sal's, Mirisola's, Sausage Guy and L Street Tavern added to the quality of the event. The City Hall To Go Truck was available to assist with any questions and constituent issues.

When the afternoon ended, participants all seemed to be in agreement with the following sentiments: "Ho avuto un buon tempo". Translation: "I had a good time".

**NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor** Docket No. SU15P1272GD **Commonwealth of** Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** In the interests of **Chantil Ja'Nae Charles** of South Boston, MA. Minor Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1. Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 05/27/2015 by Chanel S Charles of South Boston, MA will be held 09/08/2015 09:00AM **Guardianship of Minor Hearing** Located at 24 New Chardon Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02114 - Probation Department. 2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to: File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The Minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

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DANNY PICARD: The man in front of me right now, in-studio, I teased your appearance on the show by saying, "Uh oh, looks like we've got a Wahlberg in-studio today." And it led to some assumptions. A couple people assumed right. A couple people assumed wrong. Brandon Wahlberg is in-studio with me, and you're wearing a Cavata shirt. That is your clothing line, Cavata Clothing. And you can get that here at Beantown Athletics? BRANDON WAHLBERG: It's all I wear, Danny, come on. And yes you can get

it here at Beantown Athletics. You can also get it at CavataClothing.com. **DP:** Give me the biggest name that's wearing Cavata right now, outside of your own.

BW: Probably our buddy Jimmy Butler of the Chicago Bulls. Jimmy Buckets, he's got some Cavata gear. But it's going good. We're trying to get it going a little bit more. I've been wearing it on the show, so that should help us expand a little bit. **DP:** We should let the people know — but they probably already know they can catch you on "Wahlburgers" on A&E every Wednesday night. **BW:** Yeah, in the latest episode, I was in New York City. We went to the "Ted 2" premiere and to the New Kids On The Block concert at Madison Square Garden. DP: And you got called up on-stage by 50 Cent. How did that do down? BW: Well, Donnie [Wahlberg] likes to put on a good show wherever he is. And since 50 Cent and those guys from G-Unit are from New York, Donnie put in a call to them and asked if they would come do a little guest spot at the show and get a little buzz going. They like making the show as big as possible, especially at a legendary place like Madison Square Garden. And 50 actually called Mark [Wahlberg] onto the stage, and Mark asked me to go with him. I don't know, he needed some muscle with him or something. So I went up.

**DP:** Because we were able to watch the video of this, you know. And we talked about it on this show a couple times, when you got called up on-stage. And they gave you a microphone.

**BW:** Which, actually wasn't turned on. So, let's get that out there.

**DP:** We were all trying to figure out what you said on the mic. But it was off? What were you trying to say? Can you tell us?

**BW:** I was getting ready to say, "What's up New York!" Or something along

those lines. And the second the "W" in "What's up" comes out, I realized there was no sound, there was nothing. It was still pretty cool being on-stage. **DP:** So, I've been trying to get Donnie in here. And we almost made it happen. But, if you can do anything to help out the process to make that happen — you don't have to call him, but maybe tweet him and add me in the tweet. Because you've got that blue "verified" check mark next to your twitter name now, and I know that's a big deal to you. How'd you get that blue check mark? Can we get the story on this? One day you came into Beantown Athletics with your Cavata tank-top on, and you're like, "Hey I got a blue check mark, look at me!" Then you went up to the Eire Pub and pounded a Guinness.

**BW:** Well, I was playing in a playoff game at the Leahy-Holloran men's basketball league, so after we got the big W, I went and I clicked on my twitter page and it just said that "verified accounts" was following me. Once they follow you, that blue check mark comes up.

**DP:** You're catching up to me on twitter followers. If you want to follow him on Twitter, it's @WahlbergBrandon. By the time you listen to this show, he'll This week, "Wahlburgers" cast member Brandon Wahlberg joined the show:

probably surpass me. But here's the reason I don't follow verified accounts. I almost would feel wrong. I don't deserve a blue check mark. Like, what do I do to deserve a blue check mark? I go into Dorchester and I win wiffle ball tournaments. Now, if that is something that's going to get me a blue check mark, then fine, maybe I do deserve one. But seriously, who's the most famous person that follows you? BW: The most famous person that's following me? Well, I mean, all of my family members, so I'm not going to count them. But I'd say probably Montel Williams is the most famous person that follows me on twitter. Then I've got Lloyd Banks from G-Unit. Then I've got Marvin Jones, former Jets linebacker. Brandon Boldin, Patriots running back. Sherri Shepherd, former host of "The View." Jimmy Hayes, Dorchester kid, NHL player. Two of my favorites, Walter McCarty, former Boston Celtic. And then we've got my favorite Celtic right now, Isaiah Thomas. DP: Any final words for the people?

BW: Fire Goodell. Listen to "The Danny Picard Show" weekdays at dannypicard.com. Also on iTunes, and wherever podcasts are available.



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