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All Trains Lead To?

While the “dog days of August” are still with us and we may even have an “Indian summer” in October, the memory of the last winter and its inevitable return remains in the back of our minds. Some of the most enduring memories were pictures of stranded T passengers at the height of the storms and the ensuing horror stories. The weather can’t be changed but our preparedness and response can.

Recently the MBTA board expressed serious reservations

about the financial ability of the MBTA to upgrade the present system to prevent last winter’s problems and go forward with a green line expansion costing as much as a billion dollars or, more likely, \$3 billion. While transportation is a state function, its priority must be to serve already existing economic infrastructure in and around Boston. Connections to Medford, Cambridge and Somerville already exist.

Somerville’s position that it is “the most densely populated

city in the state” is attributed to their wrong-headed “sanctuary city” policy, acting as a magnet drawing in illegals that have swelled their population. It is not work that draws them as even the CEO of the Somerville Chamber of Commerce admits \$4 billion in investments in Somerville are envisioned for the future. Today, in the real world, the existing work force and economic infrastructure must be reliable and functioning before embarking on an unaffordable and unneeded (at this time) expansion.



“It’s always good to be underestimated” – Donald Trump

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Property Tax Relief/Report Card on Governor Baker

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The issue of sky high property taxes is in the news lately and if you read last week's issue of South Boston Today you learned that the Massachusetts State Legislature held a hearing on a home rule petition. The purpose of the legislation is to give some longtime residents of Boston some relief from the burdens of what can only be called the rapidly rising and out of control cost of living in this city and owning a home; which by the way also impacts renters.

The goal of this proposed tax relief is to defer or postpone payment of property taxes for low income, longtime residents over 55 years of age. That is, a home owner could delay paying the property tax until after

they sold their home. The delayed tax payments would then be collected from the money received from selling that home. This proposal has already been passed by the Boston City Council and has been delivered to state lawmakers by Council President Bill Linehan and Councilor Steve Murphy. It is now being pushed by State Reps Nick Collins and Aaron Michlewitz on Beacon Hill in the hope of winning approval and then being implemented.

This effort by Linehan, Murphy, Collins and Michlewitz is well meaning and their work should be applauded as a good and sincere first step to bringing some sort of tax relief, which will hopefully make it easier for longtime residents to be

able to stay in their homes and not be forced out of the city if in fact they do want to stay. But to be blunt, it's not enough. Because the way I see it, the taxes remain just as high and will continue to rise through the roof and all it does is delay the inevitable. The tax burden is much too high, unfair and will still be in place. A real solution would be for taxes to start coming down to give REAL relief. And I don't mean the sleight of hand tactics that Boston residents have been victimized by for generations where you get the occasional rate cut but the appraisals so up or vice versa. Either way you wind up paying more anyway almost every single year. At some point, a line has to be drawn where the amount cannot go higher

but instead comes down.

There is more than enough waste in city government. It should be rooted out and the money saved should go to lowering taxes. And as has been said before in this column, the money that is going to people residing in this city, who should not legally even be in this country, would be another source of cutbacks that should be acted upon.

And now a comment on the job performance, so far, of Governor Charlie Baker: Personally, while there may be some things some of us disagree with the governor on, overall he is doing a pretty decent job. He's out there working hard, crisscrossing the state and is making a real effort

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Window Into The State House

Window Into The State House provides our readers a synopsis of important issues of interest, past and current, that are being proposed, debated or acted upon by the Massachusetts Legislature. Many issues that are not related to local city government services are acted upon and have a direct impact on daily life. They are tax policy, transportation infrastructure, judicial appointments, social services and health, as well as higher education.

We will excerpt reports from the gavel-to-gavel coverage of House and Senate sessions by news sources focused on this important aspect of our lives. These sources include a look ahead at the coming week in state government and summaries and analyses of the past week, re-caps of a range of state government activity, as well as links to other news.

Green Line: Uncounted costs beyond the new estimate

So, the Green Line extension to Medford is looking like a proverbial money pit as the media learned yesterday it may run \$1 billion more than the \$2 billion price tag. Secretary of Transportation Stephanie Pollack is talking about the possibility of canceling the project, which is fascinating given that it was the organization where she used to work, the Conservation Law Foundation, which sued to push the project forward -- it was mandated by the courts as traffic mitigation for the Big Dig. A few additional facts about the project that haven't been covered by the media:

* The Green Line Extension's \$2 billion price wasn't actually the original price. It was recently \$1.4 billion, rising to \$2 billion only a year ago before becoming, as of yesterday, potentially \$3 billion. Any takers on a bet if this project gets Green (Line) lighted, it will surpass \$3 billion?

* While the media has noted that the \$3 billion figure doesn't include interest, it also doesn't include operation and maintenance costs. More people, more rolling stock, more ongoing maintenance will be required. It would be only fair to get a number on those costs. The T can't afford to maintain what it already has -- a \$3 billion backlog in deferred maintenance. (For a great take on the Green

Line Extension, and the problem of "government by mandate," see Charlie Chieppo's column in *Governing* from last year: <http://bit.ly/1NQNgTH>)

Congressman Seth Moulton had this remarkably candid thing to say about the Green Line Extension in June at a MASsterList event:

"There's a big difference in investing in a transportation system like the Washington Metro that goes 50 miles per hour between stations and extending the Green Line, which goes, what 15 (mph)? You can run faster than the Green Line. That's not a modern transportation system. That's a 1890s transportation system. And if we want to be competitive in the global context, we've got to do better."

So Massachusetts is faced with another infrastructure dilemma: which is the greater potential tragedy -- that this thing get built or not built?

Massachusetts: The deferred maintenance state?

Massachusetts is proud of its history, but it also has artifacts serving as live, necessary infrastructure. Today's story on gas leaks in the *Globe* reinforces the point: Massachusetts has 20,000 gas leaks, some that have been leaking for 30 years. Cohasset leads in the state in number of gas leaks per household that use gas. The town manager there said National Grid will soon replace 2,000 feet of pipes that were installed in 1928. I say send those pipes to the Smithsonian. Is it possible that if a survey were done of the states with the most neglected infrastructure, would Massachusetts come out on top? Rolling stock on the T going back to 1946. Water infrastructure in many Massachusetts towns is ancient, creating a \$21 billion funding gap in water and sewer line repair over the next 20 years. Massachusetts needs \$14 billion to repair its bridges. Eleven percent

of Massachusetts' major roads are in "poor" condition. And gas leaks cost ratepayers an estimated \$90 million per year. Although the gas line infrastructure is not a government problem, the cost falls on the average citizen all the same. Perhaps a new tagline is in order for the Commonwealth: Massachusetts -- the deferred maintenance state. Here's David Abel's story in the *Globe*. <http://bit.ly/1WIS5o3>

T: No layoffs with privatization MBTA officials say their push to privatize certain bus routes will not result in any layoffs at the agency, the *Globe* reports. The T says that the 65 bus operators and the 93 buses that it hopes to replace with a private contractor will instead be reassigned to other parts of its system. <http://bit.ly/1LoyE0p>

Maternity leave question to be pulled

A proposed ballot initiative that would require Massachusetts businesses to provide paid maternity and paternity leave has been withdrawn after organizers realized their proposal would modify an outdated version of state law, Boston.com's Adam Vaccaro reports. Hargeet Chani, who leads Massachusetts Citizens Seeking Common Sense Improvements to Government, said the wording of that group's initiative petition -- which had faced strong push-back from the business community -- would amend an older state law that required unpaid time off be given only to mothers, instead of the recently updated version that provides the benefit to both parents.

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Boston's mighty student migration season -- are policy makers asleep at the wheel?

When Gov. Baker and his wife Lauren dropped off their daughter last week to start her freshman year at Miami University in

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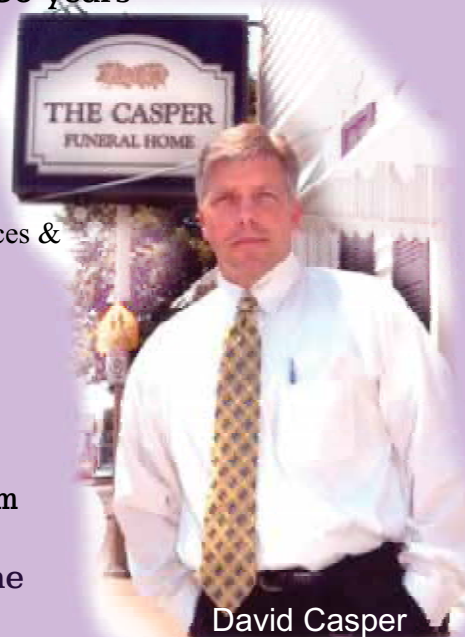
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Reading Between The Lines

““Goodell’s World””

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Without even considering the present Patriot fiasco, the interminable wait for the regular season start provides time to chart the erratic course and philosophy for the NFL discipline under Commissioner Roger Goodell.

In the space of less than a year Goodell has careened from sweeping major problems under the rug and blowing up minor infractions into death penalty sentences. First we had Baltimore fullback Ray Rice, on hotel security tape, dragging his unconscious fiancé out of an elevator. Everyone, Goodell included, assumed Rice had struck her and Rice was suspended two games. Later, another tape actually showing the Rice strike surfaced. When it hit the news wires there was an outrage and Goodell suspended Rice indefinitely. Police then came forward and revealed the second tape had actually been delivered to NFL headquarters prior to the original two game suspension. In fact, police reported at that time that a secretary, who received the tape, stated to the officer, “yes we have seen the tape and it’s awful”. Yet, Goodell claims to never have seen the tape. However, if Goodell needed that tape to reveal the Rice assault why did he suspend Rice in the first place?

Just last week, the kangaroo court style of Goodell justice was visited upon our friends, the New York Jets. Apparently, some months back, a Jet offensive lineman was arrested on a traffic stop and charged with possession of pot. The NFL ordered a drug test which came back negative. Separately,

the district attorney had previously dropped all charges. Yet, in Goodell-land, this player, cleared of any and all wrong doing, must be punished for tarnishing the NFL shield and he has been suspended one game.

Finally, in a video gone viral, Hall of Fame player and NFL employee Chris Carter is shown speaking to the 2014 rookie draft class. This is a symposium that the NFL holds for that year’s rookies to instruct and prepare them for NFL life. In the clip, Carter tells the rookies that if they run with a “crew or posse” somebody has to agree to be the “fall guy” to go to jail if the player and his crew get in any legal trouble. Can anyone say, “Aaron Hernandez”?

The other speaker on stage, giggling and nodding in agreement, is NFL employee and fellow Hall of Famer Warren Sapp. Mr. Sapp, by the way, was arrested during last year’s super bowl for soliciting for prostitution and assault. It seems Mr. Sapp refused to pay two escorts and instead rough the women up. Good thing that the Goodell Justice League had everyone’s attention focused on the evil Patriots and their cheating quarterback. Mr. Sapp was later fired for his actions and Mr. Carter apologized for his words to the young rookies this past week. Nonetheless, the video had been used as instructional and been posted on the NFL website for the last year. It was only taken down this week after the media drew attention to it, thus prompting Carter’s late mea culpa.

So this then is the state of philosophy and discipline under Roger in just the last 9 months. Meanwhile with no evidence, no

tapes, a head referee who doesn’t even know what the football pressure was BEFORE the game even started, Goodell has decreed \$1 million, a 1st and 4th round draft pick and a 4-game suspension

against the Patriots and Brady.

So sit back and be prepared for another NFL season of guessing what stupidity Goodell comes up with next.

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Straight From The Mayor



Together, Let's Keep Moving Boston Forward →

On January 8, 2015, Boston was given the incredible opportunity to explore bidding for the 2024 Olympic summer games. It was a historic moment that sparked a months-long discussion about our city's future.

And from the very beginning, we were thinking about a future for Boston much beyond the 2024 Olympics. We started thinking seriously about what we wanted Boston to look like – in 2030, 2040, and the many years ahead.

Boston may not be pursuing the Olympics anymore. But that doesn't mean this conversation about our city's future has to end. We've gained so many bold and exciting ideas from the Olympic process. These are ideas that shouldn't be forgotten or ignored.

One of the great ideas that came out of this process was the potential for Widett Circle. There may never be an Olympic stadium there. But we could build a brand new neighborhood, connecting the South End and South Boston. We could open up new opportunities for transit, with the Mass Ave. connector to I-93 and the MBTA Red Line.

Another area we're looking at is Columbia Point, a place once considered to host the Olympic Village. We could build a neighborhood here, too, filled with commercial and retail space, a community service center, and maybe even dorms. This whole area could be transformed.

The bottom line is that the ideas, and the possibilities, are endless. Right now, we are designing Imagine Boston 2030. It's our first city-wide planning process in 50 years. We will look at how to incorporate the ideas born out of the Olympic bid process. We'll be looking for new ideas, too.

We are excited to welcome Sara Myerson as our Executive Director of Imagine Boston 2030. She did incredible work serving as our city's Director of the Office of Olympic Planning. She will continue her leadership in guiding us through this multi-year planning process and mapping out a plan to make Boston a truly thriving, healthy, and innovative city.

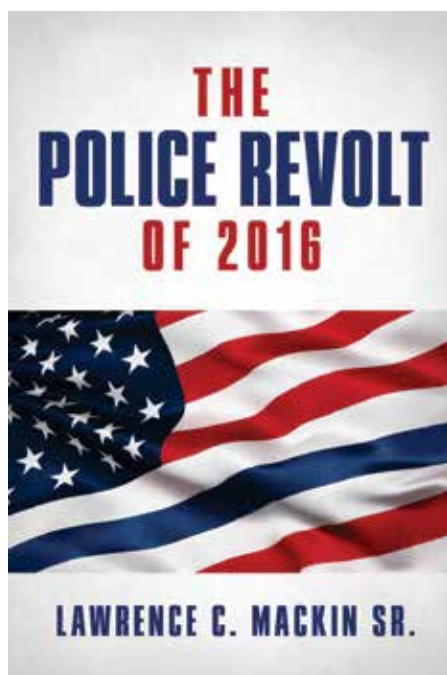
Now is the time for us to think bigger than ever before. Boston is currently in its third biggest building boom. More and more people are moving to our city all the time. We need to accommodate this new growth. And we need to make sure that while we grow bigger, we grow better.

Designing this citywide plan will be an exciting and dynamic journey. And public engagement is the heart of this process. Imagine Boston 2030 only works if we are building it together. So we are asking for input from every Bostonian, in every neighborhood, to create this new vision for our city. I invite you all to be a part of this discussion, and to let your voice be heard during this historic time for Boston.

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Police Still Have Iowa 'Pokemon' Suspects in Custody

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Hynes Convention Center authorities were on the ball last week after receiving tips regarding postings on Social Media sites about a possible attack to take place at the 'Pokemon World Championships' being held at 'The Hynes'. They immediately informed Boston Police officials who went into action and apprehended 2 suspects who were said to have made threats to carry out the attack.

James Stumbo, 27 and Kevin Norton, 18 were said to have travelled all the way from the State of Iowa for the purpose of committing what some are calling planned acts of domestic terror. Both Stumbo and Norton are being held without bail at least until a September 1st. 'Dangerousness' hearing. They were arraigned at Boston Municipal Court on charges of possessing unlicensed firearms but as of this writing have not yet been charged with making threats. Neither man is said to have a criminal record.

Boston Police Commissioner William Evans was on the scene and later had the following to say to reporters: "Inside there were a lot of kids. Thank God we were able to cut off whatever these two individuals coming from Iowa were up to." Police stated that they found guns and ammunition and knives in a car the two were driving but did not have weapons in their possession when they were picked up. They were at first detained and released but later arrested at a motel in Saugus.

The Pokemon World Championships is a well-run event and attracts thousands of mostly young people. This is not an event that is associated with violent acts and brought surprised reactions from participants and organizers as well. Said one participant: "Things like this just aren't expected to happen here." But prior to the date of the championships, messages on social media sites posted by the suspects included talk of 'bullet holes' and creating another Boston Massacre and references were also made about the Columbine School shootings.

The Boston Police are credited with quick and decisive action in the case as they were able to diffuse a potential serious and dangerous situation. Credit is also given to the Pokemon event organizers for learning of and reporting the threats early on. Boston has been a destination for more than one alleged terror plot in recent years; the most famous being the bombing at the Boston Marathon. But other potential threats to the area have been headed off since then. So far, law enforcement intelligence and good detective work, helped by tips from civilians has contributed to preventing more attacks from being successfully carried out. Boston and State Police resources along with federal law enforcement assistance when needed will continue to remain vigilant and stress that cooperation from residents is always an important part of protecting the public.

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to listen, learn and solve problems of real people, not the major political players. This he is doing state-wide. But his presence is being felt locally like no governor's has been in quite some time. Governor Baker did very well in South Boston during his election and he has made it a point to show his appreciation many times and not just with big and extravagant media events in front of a battery of TV cameras.

He has returned to this neighborhood many times for small gatherings and has never once failed to thank residents for their support but more importantly, to ask people about issues important to them and how he can help with them. From his visits to local businesses, to making unannounced stops to shake hands and greet locals, his style is a refreshing change from the condescending elitism of Deval Patrick. Governor Baker could have been anywhere he wanted to last weekend, but he chose to meet and greet

members of South Boston's Pop Warner Football League and their parents on the playing field instead.

From keeping state taxes from rising and overhauling formerly underperforming state agencies to refusing to buckle to the pressure from the politically correct to make Massachusetts a 'Sanctuary State' and being an advocate for the rules and laws put forth by the US Constitution - among them the Second Amendment - he has so far impressed many by putting the brakes on the Bay State's rapid descent into socialism over the years. Again, it's refreshing and encouraging.

My first meeting with Governor Baker was dinner at Mirisola's Italian Restaurant at L & Eighth Street just before his election where he seemed a good and decent man and sincere in his determination to change the misguided direction that this state was headed. He made a great impression, but I thought, actions always speak louder than words. Well, at least so far, he has been true to his words and that bodes well for this state.

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MAYOR WALSH'S UPDATE ON PLAN TO HOUSE HOMELESS VETERANS

Following up on his commitment to end veterans' homelessness by the end of 2015, Mayor Martin J. Walsh announced that 367 homeless veterans have been housed since his Administration launched the program in July 2014. "No veteran should have to sleep on the street, and Boston is going to change that," said Mayor Walsh. "I'm proud that the City of Boston is housing veterans at a rate of approximately one per day, and I look forward to announcing the functional end of veterans' homelessness by the end of the year."

As part of Mayor Walsh's initiative "Boston Homes for the Brave," the City's Departments of Veteran Services and Neighborhood Development will host a meeting later today for brokers and landlords to share information on how they can support homeless veterans. The meeting will take place at Brighton Marine Health Center, Inc. at 5 PM tonight. Another meeting will be

held at the same location on Thursday, August 27 at 10:00AM. Landlords and property owners who are interested in attending can RSVP by contacting: homes@Brighton-Marine.org or call 617-562-5223.

"Boston Homes for the Brave" is a part of the federal Mayors Challenge to End Veterans Homelessness, which was announced by First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House in 2014. The First Lady issued a call to mayors across the Nation to make a commitment to ending veterans' homelessness in their cities by 2015. When it was announced, Mayor Walsh challenged the Boston real estate community and business leaders to step up to the plate to help veterans find a safe place to call home by registering their units on a new website: <http://homesforthebrave.boston.gov/>.

In addition to helping veterans leave shelter and find housing, the City, working with its partners in the provider and advocacy community, has seen a significant decrease in the length of time that veterans remain in homeless shelters. Seventy percent of all homeless veterans who have used the system leave shelter within six months and of those, 45 percent leave in less than two months. A year ago, only 50 percent of homeless veterans were able to leave in less than six months. Among veterans who became homeless since the Mayor announced the initiative, the average length of stay in shelter had dropped even further to

only 44 days.

Defining an end to homelessness is challenging. As veterans are housed, other veterans become homeless and enter the system for the first time.

To that end, the City and its partners have developed a goal entitled "functional zero," to be reached by the end of 2015. The definition of functional zero is that:

- No veteran is forced to sleep on the street
- When a veteran becomes homeless it will be rare and brief
- All currently homeless veterans will be either housed or on a pathway to stable housing by the end of 2015

This initiative involves all Boston agencies that work with homeless veterans, including the US Department of Veterans Affairs, the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services, the City of Boston Office of Veterans' Services, the Boston Public Health Commission, Boston's Department of Neighborhood Development, the New England Center for Homeless Veterans, Pine Street Inn, Children's Services of Roxbury and the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance.

"The New England Center for Homeless Veterans is honored to be part of Mayor Walsh's bold and transformational challenge to eliminate homelessness among veterans by the end of this year," said C. Andrew McCawley, President and Chief Executive Officer of the New England Center for Homeless

Veterans. "The Mayor's focused leadership on this issue has inspired a comprehensive system redesign that directs the efforts of the City's entire community of providers to the goal of ending veteran homelessness. We are confident this will happen, and that every veteran in Boston will be supported to achieve the success they deserve."

In parallel to the "Homes for the Brave" initiative, the City of Boston has been supporting permanent housing efforts for homeless veterans, including helping fund a \$31 million upgrade to the New England Center for Homeless Veterans, which expands quality housing for homeless veterans through the creation of creating 35 new efficiency apartments and the moderate renovation of 59 existing units. In addition, South Boston's Patriot Homes project will redevelop the former City of Boston D6 police station into 24 affordable apartments with a preference for veterans, and the planned Brighton Marine development is slated to contain mixed income housing, half of which will be set aside for veterans and their families.

In June, Mayor Walsh released "An Action Plan to End Veteran and Chronic Homelessness In Boston: 2015 - 2018," which outlines the City's strategies to transform Boston's homeless response system in order to end veterans homelessness by 2015 and chronic homelessness by 2018.

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MAYOR WALSH LAUNCHES SENIORS SAVE PROGRAM

New Program Will Help Seniors Replace Outdated Heating Systems

Mayor Martin J. Walsh launched Seniors Save, a new, proactive program that will help eligible seniors replace failing or inefficient heating systems before winter begins.

“With a very difficult winter last year and fall fast approaching, we want to make sure our seniors are warm and safe this winter,” said Mayor Walsh. “Seniors living on fixed incomes may not always be able to afford important improvements to their heating systems. I’m proud that the City of Boston will be able to provide this additional resource for our residents.”

Seniors who replace their aging heating systems with new, energy efficient systems significantly lower their risks of heating emergencies during the winter, and will also see reductions in their energy bills, enabling them to expand their budgets

for other necessities.

“This is an exciting new program from Mayor Walsh for Boston seniors,” said Commissioner of Affairs of the Elderly Emily Shea. “Every winter we hear from many people struggling to afford their rising heat bills and this program will help seniors save money and be warmer this winter.”

Applications for the Seniors Save program are currently available by contacting the Boston Home Center (BHC), by visiting the Department of Neighborhood Development’s website or by contacting one of the BHC’s partner senior agencies. To qualify, income-eligible seniors must be 60 years of age or older and must be the occupants of a residential one-to-four family property or condominium in the City of Boston. The program is open to seniors whose income does not exceed 80 percent of

median family income, as determined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Eligible homeowners will receive a \$3,500 grant towards upgrades to their heating systems. Additional funding is available up to \$10,000 in the form of a zero percent interest, deferred loan, which will only be payable on the sale of the property, a refinance or transfer of the title. Once a senior citizen submits an application, BHC Construction Specialists will work with the homeowner on the scope of the project, and will help select a contractor from the BHC’s pre-approved, licensed and insured contractor list. A BHC Construction Specialist will then oversee the work from start to finish.

To learn more about Seniors Save, residents are invited to contact (617) 635-HOME.

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a potential criminal act.”... “If criminals think that cops will hesitate, then they will gain an edge.”...

The facts are that criminals wake up every day plotting their next act of thievery, violence or some other form of mayhem. It is their way of life. Others, seeing an opportunity to exploit the press coverage of police actions especially in neighborhoods where there are high incidences of 911 and other calls to action use them to create diversions or gain notoriety. It’s hard to know who is who in the heat of a moment of aggression.

The Boston Police Commissioner and city officials are now looking into the actions of a police officer after video surfaced that allegedly showed the officer putting a suspect in a chokehold while trying to get him into a cruiser. As reported by NECN, Commissioner William Evans was asked about and denied the officer did that, and focused on what he called a lack of respect for police. The video was taken outside of the city’s Archdale Housing Development and followed the drug arrest of two people from outside the community, followed then by the disorderly conduct arrest of a young man police say was inciting the crowd, trying to block police cars in the area and who was shouting foul language at them.

The arresting officer appears to put the youth in a choke-hold, however, Evans disputes this. “Now, there’s a whole idea of him choking. If you look at the video, he’s clearly yelling the way he was, ‘F the police,’ and every-

thing else. His airway was in no way impaired. There was no real choking. It looks terrible, but the officer, if you look at it, has him trying to push him down into the car,” he said at a press conference Tuesday afternoon.

Evans says his real concern was how police were treated at the scene. “It’s troubling to me that that’s not the focus here. Where is the respect for the police?” he asked.

There is a positive sign that community leaders in Roxbury and Dorchester are stepping up to back up the police by re-framing the controversy as a family and community issue first and law enforcement issue second.

The Rev. Eugene F. Rivers III, a prominent minister, stated “The message we’re looking to communicate is that there are some issues in terms of the conduct of our young people which are not first and foremost law enforcement issues, but family and community” issues, Rivers said, adding that the officers showed restraint. “This young person needed a whole bunch of home training. Had this happened in Baltimore, he might end up on a stretcher, had this happened in Chicago we might be coming to see him at a morgue... this young man was simply arrested.”

Rev. Rivers planned a community meeting at the Baker House in Dorchester to talk about the video, no further information was available at the time this publication went to print.

In any event, if this attitude takes hold then there will be common ground and hopefully ongoing mutual respect that may foster both the public safety and social services needs of a troubled neighborhood. In the end, we are all affected by what happens anywhere in this City.

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU15P1622EA

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: Kathleen Flaherty

Date of Death: 10/12/2014

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

Kathleen Sawyer of South Boston 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:

Kathleen Sawyer of South Boston MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** 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 at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/17/2015. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return 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

August 17, 2015

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

August 27, 2015



Hundreds of Kids Make a Very Big Splash at Save the Harbor's Beach Bash and Splash held at their new Boston Harbor Explorers program site at DCR's Carson Beach



Kids from the Joseph Tierney Learning Center in South Boston were among the 601 kids at Save the Harbor's Beach Bash and Splash held at their new Boston Harbor Explorers program site at DCR's Carson Beach



Kids from St. Peter's Academy in South Boston were among the 601 kids at Save the Harbor's Beach Bash and Splash held at their new Boston Harbor Explorers program site at DCR's Carson Beach

Annual Beach Bash And Splash

601 kids from 15 local youth development and community groups took part in the 5th Annual Youth Beach Bash & Splash as part of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Boston Harbor Explorer's Program at DCR's Carson Beach in South Boston.

Kids from the Joseph Tierney Learning Center, St Peter Academy and the Cushing House from South Boston all took part in the event, which featured healthy outdoor activities, beach games, free kayaks, fishing, clamming, storytelling, and art on the shore.

At noon all the kids took a quick dip in the water, followed by a traditional cookout on the beach. "What a great way to celebrate a hot summer day on one of the cleanest urban beaches

in America" said Save the Harbor spokesman Bruce Berman.

So far this summer more than 2,500 youth and teens from 30 organizations have taken part in Save the Harbor's free Boston Harbor Explorers Program at DCR's Carson Beach. The free program runs Monday – Friday in July and August, and features free swimming and kayak lessons and soccer clinics, as well as environmental exploration, healthy outdoor activities, fishing, clamming, storytelling and art on the shore. If your organization would like to take part, contact Save the Harbor/Save the Bay by email to info@savetheharbor.org.

Support for the pilot program came from Save the Harbor's Better Beaches Program, which includes funds from the Department of

Conservation and Recreation and the proceeds of the annual Harpoon Helps Cupid Splash cold-water pledge fundraiser held at the BCYF Curley Community Center in March.

"This beach is an extraordinary asset for kids and families," said Berman. "Thanks to all of our sponsors and partners at the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Boston Centers for Youth And Families, the YMCA of Greater Boston and the Metropolitan Beaches Commission for helping to make this happen."

You can find out more about Save the Harbor/Save the Bay at www.savetheharbor.org

You can find out more about the Boston Harbor Explorers Program at Carson Beach at <http://www.blog.savetheharbor.org/2015/07/join-boston-harbor-explorers-at-dcrs.html>



South Boston Student Awarded Massport's Thomas J. Butler Memorial Scholarship

South Boston student, Matthew J. Flaherty, has been named this year's recipient of the Thomas J. Butler Memorial Scholarship by the Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport). The \$5,000 scholarship honors the memory of Tommy Butler, the long-time Massport Director of Government and Community Affairs and son of South Boston, and is presented annually to a high school senior following a rigorous application process.

Matthew Flaherty is a 2015 graduate of B.C. High and is entering Xavier University in Cincinnati Ohio this fall. Like all recipients of Massport's Memorial Scholarships, Flaherty has a strong commitment to community service. Flaherty has been an active volunteer with Gate of Heaven CYO instructional basketball league, the Harry McDonough Sailing Center, and the St. Louis Project which provides meals to homeless adults on Boston Common.

Massachusetts Superior Court Clerk Magistrate Michael Joseph Donovan recommended Flaherty for the scholarship and wrote about Flaherty's experience playing and teaching basketball in the Gatey Basketball League: "...while Matt was a very good instructor, giving the kids tips on how to play the game, he gave much more to them

in the kind and patient manner in which he interacted with them... What he taught them was good sportsmanship, a lesson that would stay with them for a lifetime." Donovan said, "Tom Butler was my friend and neighbor for over 30 years, and I don't hesitate to say that he would be very proud of the manner that Matt has given back, and will continue to give back, to his South Boston community."

Massport CEO Thomas P. Glynn presented the scholarship award during an August 14 ceremony with students and their families. "Massport is committed to supporting young people in our community through education, summer jobs and recreation activities. Matthew Flaherty exemplifies the qualities that honor the spirit and extraordinary contributions of our friend and colleague Tommy Butler. We look forward to Matthew's continued success in school and beyond," said Glynn.

Butler was the former mayor of the South Boston Boys Club, Youth Counselor and then Director of Little City Hall in Charlestown and former president of the South Boston Citizens Association and member of the South Boston Irish American Society. When he arrived at Massport in 1987 as

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU15P1994EA

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: Barbara E Stille

Date of Death: 12/24/2006

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by

Timothy Stille of Quincy MA and Eileen Stille of South Boston 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:

Timothy Stille of Quincy MA and Eileen Stille of South Boston MA

be appointed as Personal

Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** 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 at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/17/2015. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return 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

August 12, 2015

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
August 27, 2015

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU15P1343EA

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: William Harrison O'Brien

Also known as: William H. O'Brien

Date of Death: 03/23/1973

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

Reba O'Brien of Rehoboth 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:

Reba O'Brien of Rehoboth MA

be appointed as Personal

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

August 7, 2015

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
August 27, 2015



Curley Rec Center Closing Out Summer

The BCYF Curley Center was very busy these past 2 weeks! Onsite and off, all ages enjoyed the August sun and warm temps. Our most successful Summer program to date was bustling every day in the sand, sun and surf.

Joining MLB and the “Knock

Tobacco Out of the Park” initiative, we learned a valuable and life-saving lesson on the hazards of smokeless tobacco products from Mayor Marty Walsh and Curt Schilling. Plus, our boys got a great picture and an autograph baseball from the pitching legend at Moakley Park.

As our program came to a close our

amazing DYEE Staff prepared for our annual end of summer party and talent show with pizza, balloons and cake!

Over at the Reggie Lewis Center our 18U Girls played their hearts out during the BNBL Semifinals while the younger girls headed north to Canobie Lake Park for a fun-filled day at the park!

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a manager of intergovernmental relations, he was a licensed social worker who had worked in the Boston Juvenile Court, and for the City of Boston.

Each year, Massport awards three memorial scholarships named in honor of long time employees, Thomas J. Butler, Lowell L. Richards III and Donna Rausedo as well as a memorial internship in honor of David W. Davis. Scholarships and Internships are awarded to high school seniors and college juniors or seniors students who have shown an

interest in community service, have been accepted or attend an accredited college or university, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and have submitted transcripts, letters of recommendation and an essay describing their career interests and how community service has affected their outlook on life. Essays are judged by a committee of Massport employees and family representatives. Students interested in applying for 2016 should visit www.massport.com/scholarships or <http://www.massport.com/in-the-community/neighborhood-communities/internship/> for eligibility requirements.

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WINDOW INTO STATE HOUSE CONTINUED FROM page 4

Ohio, it was a reminder of the great student migration season underway. Many local students leave to experience the world, yet there's no region in the country that enjoys the influx of students like Boston. It's an enormous competitive advantage that is largely taken for granted in the political sphere. At minimum, it begs for a more cohesive housing policy, for students are exploited on the margins, like the tragic fire in Allston that claimed the life of a Boston University student in 2013. On Saturday, the Globe reported that no charges would be brought against the landlord of that building. <http://bit.ly/1LpxK0m>

The Massachusetts higher ed student numbers are staggering:

- * 594,000 students are enrolled in higher education institutions.
- * Higher education institutions here confer roughly 100,000 bachelors, masters and doctorates annually (2012 data).
- * There were 51,240 foreign students enrolled in Massachusetts higher education institutions in 2013-2014.

* Boston University will welcome 3,600 freshman alone; at Northeastern, another 2,800 are arriving.

* Today's Globe has a feature on Brandeis University's freshman class of 800 arriving on campus, “marking the unofficial end of summer and the beginning of Boston's transformation back into collegiate central.” <http://bit.ly/1U9aVAI>

But clouds are forming around this student abundance in the form of massive debt and unsustainable college costs. If Massachusetts is a higher education mecca, then it's also a student debt center, with students here on their way to adding to the \$1.2 trillion in debt already outstanding. Student defaults are rising, as the Wall Street Journal reported this weekend - about 17 percent of borrowers are in default. Boston is educating legions of bright students who increasingly can't afford to live here after they graduate. That's the public policy question that few, if any, are paying attention to.



South Boston Youth Soccer Coaches Meeting

Thursday, August 27, 2015

There is a coaches meeting Thursday, August 27th at 6:00PM at the Curley Recreation Center in the Senior's Card Room, located at the "M" Street entrance, to hand out rosters for the 2015 season.

All coaches must attend. Remember, the season starts on Thursday, September 10th with the "PARADE OF CHAMPIONS" and the games start Saturday, September 12th so attendance is mandatory.

Any questions, please call 617-269-7930.

Notice of Public Involvement Plan Meeting

Former DCR Parcel Site
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MassDEP RTN 3-20661

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport) received a petition from residents in South Boston, Massachusetts requesting this location be designated as a Public Involvement Plan site, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 21E(14(a)) and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) 310 CMR 40.0000. According to this law and regulation, upon receiving such a petition, a plan for involving the public in decisions regarding remedial response actions must be prepared and a public meeting to present the proposed plan held.

Massport designated this site as a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) site on July 31, 2015. A public meeting will be held St. Brigid's Church, 845 E Broadway South Boston, on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., to present the draft Public Involvement Plan and draft Release Abatement Measure (RAM) Plan and to provide an update on planning for remedial actions at the site. Copies of the draft Public Involvement Plan and draft RAM Plan will be made available at the meeting.

Copies of the assessment and remediation documents are available for review at Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Northeast Regional Office, 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01876 or on-line at http://public.dep.state.ma.us/wsc_viewer/. Any questions regarding this meeting or the Public Involvement Plan should be directed to Ms. Brenda Enos, Massachusetts Port Authority, One Harborside Drive, East Boston, MA 02128, or by e-mail at atbenos@massport.com.

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- Training to Avoid Injuries
- Strengthening to Improve Performance
- Nutrition and Hydration

Soccer Injury Prevention Night for Parents and Coaches

With Aisling O'Sullivan Roche, PT, DPT

Tuesday, September 15th at 7pm

- Concussion Prevention
- Effective Warm-up and Cool Down
- Building Core Strength to Improve Performance
- Soccer Specific ACL Exercises
- Nutrition and Hydration

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With Alton Daley, UMass Hockey Captain and Darryl Elliott, PT

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