



# National Night Out A Celebration Of Community

he City of Boston's "National Night Out" is more than an award ceremony. It is an opportunity to combine a formal cere3mony with the kind of community camaraderie that should and does exist between and among all of those who make South Boston a wonderful place to live. Indeed, a special award ceremony was held Tuesday night at the William McDonough Bathhouse at Moakley Park. It was not lost on those in attendance that the success of Boston's Community Policing is a national model. Respect is the operative word as South Bostonians work with our police, not against them

The importance of the event was underscored by those who made it a point to be there. This included: Mayor Marty Walsh, Police Commissioner Bill Evans, District Attorney Dan Conley, Sheriff Steve Tompkins, City Councilors Annissa CONTINUED ON page 12

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# **EDITORIAL** *"More Outrage"*

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY -By Staff

t seems virtually everyone, political affiliation aside, expressed outrage over statements a Presidential candidate directed toward relatives, including parents, who had lost a child in the Mid-East serving the United States. "Delusional" and "Lie" are two of the words a candidate has used to describe a Gold Star mother, who has taken the stage recently at the political convention. It is really not surprising that people should

be repulsed by the treatment and disrespect shown.

The surprising aspect is that it took the "lame stream" media over two weeks to report that the mother of Sean Smith, who was murdered at Benghazi, was called names by Hillary Clinton. Mother Smith stood at the podium at the Republican Convention and told how Clinton and then Defense Secretary Leon Panetta cradled her face with his hands, looked her in the eye and lied about her son's death.

Isn't that what the outrage is about?



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### Awe Come on Guys. You couldn't even OK One Tax Free Weekend?

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY John Ciccone

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T is August in Massachusetts and for at least the past several years this has meant that Bay State residents got a much appreciated break from the 6.5 percent sales tax we've been paying on most items- but as we know, not this year. The state legislature has decided that it couldn't spare the revenue that it says would be lost if those 2 days each year -one weekend - were allowed to be tax burden free for shoppers.

Our neighbors to the north in New Hampshire used to make good natured light of the sales tax weekend down here. State officials there would put up signs in rest areas along Routes 93 and 95 for travelling Massachusetts residents and tourists AND yes, shoppers, to see that read 'Mas-

sachusett-2/New Hampshire 365', rubbing in the fact that the Granite State has no sales tax all year long. They do just fine with excellent roads, parks, beaches, schools and an all-around humming economy. But New Hampshire can't put those signs up this year, because our politicians had to eliminate even that 48-hour respite. Maybe this year's sign will read 'They Couldn't Even Give You 2 Lousy Days??'

One has to feel sorry for the Massachusetts businesses that are located close to the border. If you have a retail shop of almost any kind anywhere near the state line you could be in financial trouble. That is, if they haven't gone under all together. Think about it: Why would anyone shop there for a TV, washing machine, tires for their vehicles, furniture etc. when just a short few mile drive to New Hampshire gets you those same items tax free? It's no wonder during the Christmas shopping season Granite State mall parking lots are filled with Massachusetts cars. And this year Massachusetts pols even saw fit to take that one lonely weekend away from us. Oh well.

And speaking of taxes, as of this writing it's said that Governor Charlie Baker will most likely veto a scheme, whoops, I mean plan for a 'study' to see the feasibility of adding yet a new tax on drivers, based on the number of miles the we drive in our cars. They are calling it a 'pilot program'. Yes, it's just what it sounds like. They want to study the 'possibility' of

taxing you for miles travelled in your vehicles. Now what they are saying at this point is that if a mileage tax works in the effort to raise funds for infrastructure repairs and is implemented, the legislature then could consider eliminating the state tax on gasoline. Now the key words here are 'could consider'. Ok, let's have a show of hands. How many people actually believe they would really eliminate an existing tax if they got another one to make up lost funds? This is Massachusetts after all. Many of our politicians; especially those of the liberal persuasion would sooner fall on a sword than get rid of or even lower a tax. And weren't we just recently told as voters that if we would just allow them to raise the gas tax, and **CONTINUED ON PAGE 14** 





## 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.

Lyme disease, even though the medi-

cal community backed Baker's veto,

The legislation requires coverage of

reports Brian Benson at Wicked Local.

#### Evans blasts lawmakers for not mandating fingerprinting of Uber drivers

William Evans, Boston's commissioner of police, is furious that lawmakers on Sunday didn't mandate that Uber, Lyft and other ride-hailing drivers must be fingerprinted before they can transport passengers. "I don't think you can put a price on making sure people driving the vehicles are as safe as possible," Evans said, as reported by the Globe's Michael Levenson. "I think it wasn't much of an ask on fingerprints." He added that background checks of drivers, as mandated by lawmakers, can help in screening out questionable drivers, but they're not as good as fingerprints. "There's no better gold standard than

the fingerprint. ... We're looking for violent offenders who have sexual histories or violent histories. That's all we want to weed out here." Legislative leftovers: Lawmakers override Baker's veto of Lyme disease coverage

After a legislative session ends in a burst of last-minute activity, like what happened this past weekend on Beacon Hill, it can take a while to sort out what did and didn't pass. There's usually a lot of legislative leftovers to sort through and examine. So following are some of this year's leftover items from the recently concluded session, starting with this: The Legislature overturned Gov. Baker's veto of legislation requiring insurance companies to provide coverage for the long-term treatment of



level positions, Nicole Dungca of the Globe reports. The T's acting general manager, Brian Shortsleeve, said about half of the positions vacated by buyouts will be filled, meaning the T would need another 150 workers to leave to meet financial targets. Hiring continues meanwhile, with 500 new workers added to the T payroll since January. **Report: Feds are now probing Grand Prix debacle** 

The Herald's Joe Battenfeld is reporting that the feds have now widened their probe of City Hall's strong-arm tactics on behalf of unions to include the now cancelled IndyCar race in Boston, in a move that brings added legal pressure on the already beleaguered Walsh administration. John Casey, head of the Grand Prix organization that tried to organize the race event, said he's cooperating with U.S. Attorney Carmen M. Ortiz's office and the U.S. Department of Labor, Battenfeld reports.

Sounds pretty serious. Still, we found this Casey quote interesting: "I reached out based on the issues that we had. They asked for my cooperation along the way and have made great strides." So Casey reached out to the feds? Hmmm. Before or after he had heated words with City Hall officials about the collapse of the IndyCar event? Battenfeld also mentions Casey's legal problems in Colorado, where a judge ruled that he committed fraud in a leasing company case.

Meanwhile, parade organizers say

#### city strong-armed them

Organizers of the South Boston St. Patrick's Day parade claim in new court filings that city officials coerced and threatened them into including LGBT groups in their annual event, Bob McGovern and Dan Atkinson of the Herald report. The lawsuit stems from March and claims that the city violated the First Amendment rights of the South Boston Allied War Veterans and the new claims echo allegations against tactics used by city officials that led to recent extortion indictments at City Hall. Walsh denies the new charges, telling the Herald: "It's completely not true. I don't know what veterans are claiming that, but they should call me if there's an issue."

### Energy bill generates a lot of reactions

It will take days, if not weeks, to determine exactly what was in the renewable energy bill passed in the waning minutes of the legislative session on Sunday night. Still, Michael Norton of State House New Service reports that many industry and environmental groups have quickly reviewed the legislation and their reactions "run the gamut." The general consensus of many (though not all): The bill is a major step forward in promoting renewable energy, particularly wind and hydro power. Gov. Charlie Baker said he's just glad that lawmakers passed such a complicated and contentious bill, calling the effort a "real tribute to them." But he withheld his specific views on the bill's numerous provisions, saying "we've got to spend some time reviewing it."

One group that hated the bill: The New England Power Generators Association, which said in a statement that it was "deeply disappointed" by the final legislation.

One group that really liked it: The Massachusetts Association of Realtors, which was thrilled that legislation didn't mandate home energy inspec-CONTINUED ON PAGE 13

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# ReadingBetween TheLines

s you walk on Summer Street heading toward First Street there is a piece of statuesque architecture, obscured for decades, that once again becomes prominent. Viewed from this angle the original channel side gateway is a marble-faced arch with helmeted mythical God figure at the top and word "Edison" emblazoned above that. Much of the existing plant has been added on over the last century. This has obscured and distorted the original design.

Built in 1892 as a coal-fired plant, it adapted to new technology as it appeared, changing first to oil and finally natural gas. It became dormant in 2007. A total of 4,500 spills and contamination over its history comes as no surprise to residents whose memory goes back to its operation. Then, the complaints of blackened soot falling on drying clothes on the line paled next to the increasing number of respiratory ailments reported by residents. In 2001, a bill was passed prohibiting residential development on certain areas of the site.

The present owners, Redgate, have similar projects they have successfully cleaned up and believe they'll be able to accomplish the same on those prohibited areas on this site. Which brings us to the subject of resident-guessing and imagination. What will replace the Power Plant? First, what can go there? The obvious "elephant in the room" is the pollution cleanup. It is hard to imagine that being possible, but that seems to be exactly what is being asserted.

This is important for a big financial reason. Perhaps the example of St. Peter's School at SOUTH BOSTON TODAY Brian R. Mahoney

I and 6th Street is helpful. When built, the school needed variances, but a hundred years ago the community needed schools and supported the school's construction. When the school closed, it reverted back to original zoning of residential. Now of course the new owner couldn't be required to knock down the building. He was, therefore, allowed to turn the existing building into residential units. The same is seen in schools, firehouses and police stations throughout Southie.

Now comes Edison whose status is a bit murkier. The residences on East First Street pre-date Edison and would indicate a residential zoning code. This would support a residential use on the Edison site were it not for the pollution. By the way, had St Peters School been knocked down the residences built would have been bound to resemble surrounding housing, which may be part of why the school was renovated instead of razed.

To further complicate the situation, the Waterway Preservation Act was recently passed which restricts height to 50 feet within 100 feet of the shoreline, tideline or dockside. It would seem, should the property be cleaned to allow residential housing, that the plant could be renovated as is and grandfathered in. If, however, de-contamination is impossible, the demolition of the plant becomes the only option, but would limit future development to a size that seems too small to offset the cost of cleanup and rebuilding.

With the upcoming completion of the Tommy Butler Memorial Park and Water Walkway this entire area will take on a new

# "The Future"

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look and active presence in our neighborhood. If redevelopment is possible, the channel side gateway can be a signature feature, whatever the future of this site community involvement should decide. Stay tuned.

Finally, no better example of community involvement could be offered than in the passing of Peg Flaherty. Her fierce love and support of her husband, sons and daughter is legendary and well reported. Perhaps, unintentionally, her support and defense of all things South Boston and its people is overlooked. Peg was always, in her quiet but knowing way, someone who instinctively knew when to offer support and strength to those in the community fighting for one cause or another. The turnout for her sendoff proves that sentiment was shared by the thousands she touched. It is doubtful we will see that massive a show of affection again in our lifetime.

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# **City and State Team Up For Homeless Elders**



The City of Boston, in partnership with the state's Executive Office of Elder Affairs, today hosted a first of its kind "housing surge", designed to connect chronically homeless seniors with housing and services. The event, held at the Laboure Center in South Boston, marks the first time housing and integrated care services have been offered together, and launches a new partnership between the city and state designed to end chronic homelessness in senior populations across Massachusetts.

"Innovative ways of removing the barriers to health and housing are how we will end chronic homelessness in Boston, " said Mayor Walsh. "We are so lucky to have such strong partners working with us to house our homeless residents. I am grateful to the state for coming to the table, allowing us to offer services and housing at the same time."

Secretary MaryLou Sudders of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services said, "The Baker Administration is committed to working in full partnership with the City of Boston and Mayor Marty Walsh's efforts to provide housing for some of our city's most vulnerable residents. Addressing the complex care needs of elders jointly with housing is a huge part of the solution and crucial to providing a stable living situation."

Secretary Alice Bonner, of the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, said, "We are pleased to be a partner in this important initiative helping older adults to live independently and thrive by pairing housing with vital services and supports."

Attended by Secretary Alice F. Bonner, PhD, RN of the State's Executive Office of Elder Affairs, Daniel Tsai, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth, Boston's Elderly Commissioner Emily Shea, Boston Housing Authority's Gail Livingston, Deputy Administrator for Housing Programs, and Boston's Chief of Housing Sheila Dillon, today's surge was staffed by 25 different agencies. Seniors attending the event were given "passports", which guided them from table to table where they were able to determine their eligibility for various types of support services.

Seniors were able to meet with representatives from state programs including the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE); Senior Care Options (SCO); Pay for Success and Community Supports for Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness (CSPECH) to determine their eligibility and interest in these programs.

At today's surge, the Boston Housing Authority was able to connect 16 homeless seniors with units of permanent supportive housing. This is the first time that guests at a housing surge have been offered specific units of housing, rather than vouchers. The BHA was able to accomplish this by creating a super-priority for chronically homeless elders who are going to be receiving services.

This is the sixth in a series of housing surges hosted by the City of Boston. The first three surges focused on homeless veterans; the last two focused on all chronically homeless individuals. The previous events have in total served over 200 homeless individuals, during which 41 received permanent housing vouchers on the spot, along with enrollment in housing search, while others received rapid rehousing assistance, applied for housing and obtained documentation that will help them secure permanent housing.

For more information on the City of Boston's plan to end chronic and veteran homelessness, please visit our new presence on boston.gov or follow us on Twitter: @BostonsWayHome.

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On behalf of the South Boston Community, the staff of South Boston Today, offers its deepest sympathy to Melissa Willis and Ralph Toney (parents) and to Ralph Willis Jr. (brother) of Dorchester MA on the passing of their beloved Kyzr Willis. His cheerful manner will remain in the hearts and minds of those in South Boston who had the opportunity to know him. Those of us who did not, but have heard of his lively personality, will remember him in our prayers. May he rest in peace.



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Photographic rendering of Port of Boston revitalization

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Every year, the Port of Boston contributes \$4.6 billion to the region's economy, generating more than \$300 million in Federal, state and local tax revenue, and some 50,000 total jobs. Last year, Massport's Conley Container Terminal processed a record 221,014 containers and business is on pace to set another record this year. This month, the Journal of Commerce (JOC) ranked Conley Terminal #1 in North America for improved efficiency.

**BUT THE PORT OF BOSTON IS AT A CRITICAL TURNING POINT.** As a result of the Panama Canal expansion, Boston and other east coast ports must accommodate larger container ships that are the new standard in the industry. These "big ships" carry 8,000 – 13,000 containers; right now, Boston handles ships half that size.

Container business and jobs at Conley will be in jeopardy if Boston is not routinely able to handle the bigger ships. Work in the Port of Boston will be lost to other port cities which are already making their ports "big ship" ready.

Massport, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and state government are investing in modernizing the Port of Boston in order to compete in the 21st Century by:

- Dredging the Harbor, including constructing a CAD (Confined Aquatic Disposal) Cell to dispose of soil from the harbor bottom;
- Planning and permitting the construction of one new berth to accommodate "big ships" and revitalizing two other berths at Conley Terminal;
- Making plans to add new cranes to load and unload the bigger and wider container ships;
- Building a secure, dedicated freight corridor to take 400-500 trucks off of East First Street.

In collaboration with the South Boston community, we are creating much-needed green space -- a 4.5 acre buffer park and sound barrier complete with lighted paths for walkers and runners, bike racks, a new dog park, and 95 on-street parking spaces.

Massport is committed to working with the South Boston community, elected officials and other stakeholders to balance our roles as an economic engine – and a good neighbor.



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22 Liberty Drive UNIT 12G Condo	\$1,680,000	6/27/16	4	1.5	1177
69 Telegraph St UNIT 301 Condo	\$915,000	6/22/16	5	2	1668
50 Athens St UNIT 2	\$800,000	6/21/16	4	2	1283
Condo 642 East Third St UNIT 2	\$799,000	6/23/16	5	2	1362
Condo 265 E St UNIT 3	\$720,000	6/26/16	6	2	1140
Condo 150 Dorchester Ave UNIT 411	\$679,000	6/27/16	4	1	982
Condo 127 West Seventh St UNIT 505	\$620,000	6/22/16	4	2	1066
Condo 789 East Third St UNIT 1	\$615,000	6/22/16	5	1.5	1440
Condo 339 East St UNIT 3	\$571,500	6/23/16	4	1	809
Condo 776 East Seventh St UNIT 1	\$567,500	6/21/16	6	2	1096
Condo 58 Gates St UNIT 3	\$435,000	6/27/16	5	1	698
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WHO: The Massachusetts Port Authority (Massport)

- WHAT: Massport will present an overview of the South Boston Waterfront Transportation Center Project WHERE: Tynan Community Center -
- 650 East 4th Street, South Boston, MA 02127 WHEN: Monday, August 8, 2016 - 6:00PM



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  - Possible Solar Panels



# Kid's Day at the South Boston Farmers' Market

he South Boston Farmers' Market was bustling last Monday with people of all ages. The hours of 1:00pm – 4:00pm were set aside specially, to celebrate the children of our neighborhood. Children were entertained by the balloon man, twisting many shapes and

animals, the New England Aquarium with their tidal pool exhibit, arts and craft and lots of free give-a-ways, including ice cream!

The South Boston Farmers' Market is sponsored by The South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation (SBNDC). The Market runs Mondays from 12:00pm until 6:00pm. Stop by and you will see old friends and new, including Wenger's Farm, Freitas Farm, Tea is the Way (and it really is delicious), Boston Bicycle Union, Bike to Market program, More Than Words, a book vendor and the newest bakery vendor PB Boulangerie. The purpose of the Market is to provide an opportunity for South Boston residents to have access to healthy, fresh, nutritious local produce, fish and eggs. The selection of participating vendors certainly achieves the goal. The vendors are all located within Massachusetts, local equals fresh.



# **TidePool Habitats Explored at St Peter Academy**

ew England Aquarium Educators payed a special visit to the St Peter Academy Urban Explorers Summer Program this past Tuesday and presented a live tide pool exhibit.

The children listened intently to the educators' presentation; their background knowledge and curiosity to learn more was evident in their answers and follow up questions.

Toddlers, Little Explorers and Junior Explorers got to handle and observe a wide range of live tidepool animals from local waters which helped to build a deeper understanding of their habitats and adaptations.

The delight in the children's eyes was evident as they interacted with Starfish, Clams, Mussels, Crabs, Snails, Sea Urchins and a Horseshoe Crab!

Next week explorers will participate in the SPA Urban Explorers Summer Olympics followed by Engineering Week!

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please visit StPeterAcademy.com/ summer-program or contact St. Peter Academy at enrichment@stpeteracademy.com or call 617-268-0750.

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Essaibi-George, Michael Flaherty, Bill Linehan, Boston Police Superintendents William Gross and Bernard O'Rourke, MBTA Police Chief Kenneth Green and Station 6 Captain Joseph Boyle. Also in the audience was former City Councilor Stephen Murphy and Gavin Foundation CEO John McGahan. Everyone arrived to applaud the night's recipients.

From our community, Noreen Rosher, Chrissy Mullen and Jack Keefe of the Cityside Civic Association were recognized for their efforts in creating a welcoming atmosphere for the daily influx of kids at the Boy's and Girl's Club and nearby P. F. Gavin School, and in return teaching the kids to respect the neighborhood. The result is the lowest number of conflicts, complaints or incidents in memory.

The 2nd award was to residents, Milagros Pena and Perla Castagnada, whose quick thinking and immediate first aid saved the life of a baby. To save another's life should always be recognized.

Sgt. Tim Gaughan presented the awards and Community Service Officers George







Billotte, Perry Roy, Sean O'Sullivan and others kept the dogs grilling and the crowd well fed for a well-deserved community celebration. Thank you to key sponsor Target Stores as well as the South Boston Farmers' Market. The children and their families enjoyed the Exotic Animal Face Painting and the Balloon Man and the goodie bag from Tufts Medical Center.

























**BPD Patrolman Chris Carr** with his family



Anne Keegan, Mary Claire Coyle and Rosemary Hanley



Left – Jimmy Keegan, BPD Ret. Patrolman, 3rd from left is Jimmy Carr, BPD Ret. Detective



Jimmy Keegan with family



# **100th Year Anniversary for one of Boston's Finest**

2016, the family of Pa-

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tions and scoring provisions.

And one group that backs the final

bill, but with some minor regrets: The

Alliance for Clean Energy Solutions,

which urged Baker to sign the legis-

lation even though it didn't include

Monday, August 1, and the Boston Police Department came out to remember and deditrolman Patrick J. Carr cate a plaque in honor of Officer

increasing the Renewable Portfolio

subsidies and creating oil heat energy

Legislative leftovers, Part II: New

financial disclosure could impact

The House and the Senate over

Standard, prohibiting gas pipeline

efficiency programs.

fall elections

Carr's 100th year anniversary. Officer Carr was killed in the line of duty as he was racing to rescue

the weekend accepted Gov. Baker's amendment on a financial disclosure bill that will now require identifying the major donors paying for political mass mailings, reports SHNS's Katie Lannan at the Telegram. Baker had insisted that labor unions be included in the list of donors that needed to

a small boy who had fallen into the water. We in South Boston will always remember our heroes.

be disclosed - and lawmakers accepted the change that's effective for the upcoming November elections. The law was originally aimed at the conservative-leaning Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance, which often sends out political mailers that are critical of Democratic candidates.



### Tynan "Fun in the Sun" Program

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY - By Emily Nagle

y name is Emily Nagle and it is a pleasure to be the camp's Assistant Director for a second year. I have worked on and off at Fun in the Sun for nearly 5 years, starting as a junior counselor back in high school. I am currently in my senior year of college, working towards a Bachelor's degree in Child Development with a teaching certification in Early Childhood Education at Colby-Sawyer College. At school, I am the president of the Campus Activities Board, a board member for Orientation, and I work in both the Student Activities Office and the Admissions office.

Along with being involved on campus, I spend most of my week at the local elementary school. I love working with kids in the classroom watching them grow and learn throughout the school year but working in a summer camp I get the opportunity to see kids in a different setting. At camp I'm not Miss Nagle, and I'm not grading anyone or teaching a lesson. Instead, I get to play games with them, share experiences, and build a type of bond that I wouldn't get to do in a classroom setting, that is by far the best part of my job at Fun in the Sun.

This week we had the opportunity to visit George's Island. We have gone the past few years and the kids can't get enough of the island. We had to take a boat there and for some of the campers, it was their first time on a boat! The campers made their way through the tunnels, including the haunted ones, and walked along the top of the fort to see the city skyline in the distance. There was a story time where we learned all about the Lady in Black and how she haunts the island now. It was a long day full of adventures and laughs! We also got to take a trip

to M Street Park this week to play some wiffle ball and enjoy the nice weather.

With week three coming to an end, the counselors are happy to announce that Stephen Flynn won Camper of the Week! He is someone who helps make camp more enjoyable for everyone. He helps clean up during the day and is always willing to participate in all kinds of games, often being the one to start them and is very kind to everyone he meets and is always there for his friends. I want to thank the Tynan Council and the Administrative Coordinator, for giving me this great opportunity to work with our community youth.

## **Community Health Center's "Breakfast of Champions"**

South Boston Community Health Center invites you to our "Breakfast of Champions" in honor of National Health Center Week. The event will take place on Wednesday, August 10th under a tent at our 409 West Broadway facility and will honor individuals who have made significant contributions to community health.

The Health Center's Board of Directors, staff and patients will be honoring these dedicated individuals who, in their daily professional lives have been "champions of community health". The public is invited to attend and a continental breakfast will be served.

The breakfast will kick off at 8:30 AM. William J. Halpin, Jr. CEO of the South Boston Community Health Center will present the awards. Honorees include:

• Captain Joseph Boyle and Officer Robert Lucas, South Boston C6

• Dr. Nisha Thakrar, Chief Medical

Officer, SBCHC

• Ms. Ann Brady, President of the Board, SBCHC

"Celebrating America's Health Centers: Innovators in Community Health" is the theme for National Health Center Week 2016 to underscore how Community Health Centers provide access to affordable, high quality, cost effective health care to medically vulnerable and underserved people throughout the United States. They are strong

the reasons you were elected.

In closing this week, we all learned that John Hinckley, the man who shot and wounded and tried to kill President Reagan will be released from prison and be allowed to return home to live with his mother. Polls show that millions of Americans have a big problem with this. They don't partnerships of people, governments and communities who work together to meet the unique and diverse health conditions of the community. Health centers are run from the bottom up, by a patient-majority governing board who guides how limited resources can be effectively directed to meet the health care needs of the community.

Please join us to celebrate National Health Center Week and help us honor these community health heroes!

take kindly to the man who tried to assassinate a President of the United States, their president, ever being allowed to walk free. But maybe this news will give Charles Manson hope. Next time he petitions to be released on parole, he may want to try to get his case heard in the same court as John Hinckley.

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we did, there would be no need for a mileage tax or any other tax to be raised or added? Many suspect that some in public office believe or at least hope that voters have the memories and attention spans of a moth.

So Governor Baker, Charlie, if

you haven't already vetoed the 'pilot' mileage tax proposal, please do. After 8 years of arrogant, tax happy leadership under Deval Patrick, the people put you in office to give them some relief from being treated like ATM machines. Responsible leadership and a genuine concern for the situations of working families were and still are high among



**DANNY PICARD:** The MLB trade deadline has come and gone. Looking at what the Red Sox did, they get a lefty reliever from Minnesota, Fernando Abad, for minor leaguer Pat Light. No blockbuster trade, so how do you evaluate what the Sox did at the trade deadline, and did they make the right move to not make that blockbuster, and instead, keep prospects like Yoan Moncada and Andrew Benintendi? SEAN McADAM: Well, I think in getting Abad, they got themselves another useful bullpen piece, which I think they needed. There's no guarantee that Koji Uehara is going to come back and pitch at all this year. And you're just getting two of your bullpen regulars — Junichi Tazawa and Craig Kimbrel - back from DL stints recently. So I think they needed to add to the bullpen to give themselves some other weapons. And a lefty like Abad presents John Farrell with a lot of matchup options over the final two months. And guys like that, I think, become even more valuable in the postseason, where every at-bat gets magnified. And to have a lefty who can really attack lefties, is a nice option for a manager to have. As far as the Chris Sale deal, we don't know what the asking price was from the White Sox, other than to presume that in the Red Sox eyes, it was prohibitive, otherwise they would have

made the deal. It was clear that the Red Sox had some interest. It's obvious that the White Sox, as they should, set a very high return price to deal away a pitcher who's in his prime at 27 and is under control for three more seasons after this one. They'd be foolish to not try to extract the most they could for him. And the Red Sox just decided that the cost wasn't worth it. That doesn't mean that it can't be revisited this winter. In fact, I suspect it might, when perspectives might change, and maybe one side or both changes its idea of what is acceptable. Maybe the White Sox come down a little bit, maybe the Red Sox are a little more desperate. So, it's possible that we may not have heard the last of the "Chris Sale to the Red Sox" talk. But for now, it just didn't get done.

**DP:** And the names we all talked about were Moncada and Benintendi. They already moved Anderson Espinoza a couple weeks before the deadline in that Drew Pomeranz deal with San Diego. And as we all sit here and try to wonder what Chicago's asking price was, I guess I wonder, if the Red Sox still had Espinoza, would that have made it more likely that we could have seen a trade where the Sox went out and actually pulled the trigger on a deal that would have landed them a top-ofthe-rotation starting pitcher?

SM: I think it's fair to ask if it would have been easier to pull off, had they waited. But, at the time, I think they thought they were jumping the line a little bit and getting ahead of some other teams that were going to be looking for starting pitching. The cost was significant, in giving up Espinoza, but you were getting two-plus years of control of Pomeranz, a guy who was having a breakout season. And at the time the deal was made, there was no guarantee or even early indication that the White Sox were going to even listen on Sale. So, if you don't make the deal for Pomeranz, maybe you're left holding the bag, where, you still don't want to meet the asking price for Chris Sale and you don't get anybody to help that rotation. But, would Espinoza, Eduardo Rodriguez, and someone else not in that upperechelon of prospects have gotten a Sale trade done? Maybe. But that's kind of 20-20 at this point, in terms of hindsight. **DP:** We focus on a lot of moves the day of the actual trade deadline, but just because the Red Sox only acquired Abad on Monday, that doesn't mean they didn't mean they didn't do anything before the deadline. We mentioned Pomeranz. They got Aaron Hill a few weeks ago. And they also got Brad Ziegler. So you got a lefty reliever, a righty reliever, a starting pitcher who was an All Star, and a much

This week, Comcast SportsNet Red Sox insider Sean McAdam joined the show:

needed utility player. So, glass half-full here, I guess, is that, just because the Red Sox didn't make the blockbuster at the deadline, can we still look at the last couple weeks and say Dave Dombrowski has done a nice job trying to put together a team that can get to the postseason? SM: Yeah, I mean, the flip side to that question about jumping the gun and leave themselves in a lesser position for Sale, is, Dombrowski was proactive, and he did strike before the deadline. Dombrowski said Monday that, while people were showing signs of disappointment that they didn't do anything bigger the day of the deadline, he said that had they acquired Ziegler, Hill, Pomeranz, and Abad in two days leading up to the deadline, it would have looked like they had killed it, and that they had dominated the Aug. 1 trade deadline with the pickups that they made. Each of whom was significant. They are all pretty positive pickups, and it will take a while to sit back and judge what sort of job Dombrowski did to make improvements. But, on paper, those are four fairly helpful additions. Listen to the entire conversation and every episode of "The Danny Picard Show" at dannypicard.com, iTunes, Google Play Music, and wherever podcasts are available.







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