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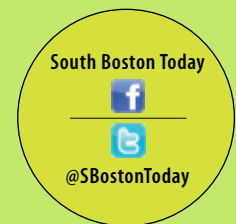
In a decision that bodes well for the commercial Real Estate market and for the future of South Bay's planned expansion, Target Corporation paid \$18mm for its store and property last week. Target does not have any plans for additions or expansions to this location but plan to "evaluate and invest in remodel updates to enhance the shopping experience", according to reports.

Back in early 2015 Edens Inc., the owner of South Bay, quietly

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## “A Basement “?

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Between Perkins Square, D Street and Broadway there are at least 19 Eateries that range from a breakfast sandwich to a 40 or 50-dollar entrée. There are also 12 establishments, where alcohol can be consumed or purchased to go. If we continue onto Broadway Station the total rises to 31 food and 20 alcohol. While not yet “Restaurant Row”, it is clear this is the main commercial route of our community.

It is not, nor should it be, some type of “French Quarter”. It is an area with a heavy residential population in, or immediately abutting, it. The

three community groups, City Side, West Broadway and St. Vinny’s, have worked diligently and together, over the years, to accommodate changing needs, while striving to maintain residential “quality of life” in both development designs and activity and uses in this commercial zone. Certain magazines, smoking materials and discounted liquor items have voluntarily been eliminated by merchants.

CVS is noted for taking consumer protection the ‘extra step’, by banning all tobacco products, which makes perfect sense for a pharmacy charged with people’s

health. One might say it is a, “common sense”, policy.

The question becomes, “what happened to that common sense”? It is asked because of the unconfirmed rumor, from usually reliable sources, that CVS is seeking some type of alcohol license for the store’s basement. The need for yet another license for alcohol in this area is questionable to start with particularly without amenities of food service.

The basement of a pharmacy selling alcohol addresses or satisfies no community desire or need. Only, it would seem, the “need for greed”.



*“If you don’t like the weather in New England now, just wait a few minutes” - Mark Twain*

### Last Week’s Poll

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## Rattle Snakes, Hugging Terrorists and Building Walls

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY  
John Ciccone

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This week's column will touch on subjects some of our readers had commented on over the last several days.

The first subject is 'snakes and taxes'. As many have already heard, there is a proposal in the Massachusetts Legislature to release a bunch of Timber Rattlesnakes onto Zion Island, located in the Quabbin Reservoir. Not gentle little garter snakes, but the real, venom spewing, poisonous rattlers that can often kill a person with one bite. This is what happens when kooky, out of control, animal rights activists care more about another species, than they do about humans. They throw out these wacky ideas, pressure easily influenced and intimidated elected officials, who dare not ever say no to these activist no matter how nutty the idea is, and if no one stands up to them, the plan is implemented.

These snakes can swim and they swim well and, admittedly, no one can guarantee that some or all of them wouldn't leave the island, come ashore and bite an unsuspecting hiker or kids playing in their yards. If one of these rattlesnakes kill or injure some child, well of course there will be much hand wringing and soul searching and apologies all around when it all could have been prevented by just saying 'no' to the kooks and letting them know that they cannot always get their way. Oh, and this plan, if implemented will be paid for with our tax dollars.

Said one reader, "Why not take a crazy idea all the way? If we're going to put a bunch of poisonous rattlesnakes on an island that sits in the middle of a heavily used recreation area, let's not discriminate.

We could also release a couple of hungry lions in the South Shore Plaza during Christmas shopping season."

Next up: The recent statement by the tech genius and billionaire Mark Zuckerberg, who said - and was dead serious when he said it - "the way to fight the ISIS terrorists is with love and understanding". You can't make this stuff up. It's truly amazing how someone so brilliant when it comes to cutting edge technology can be so clueless when it comes to reality. The image that came to mind when ISIS members read Zuckerberg's words was of them rolling on the floor laughing. Mr. Zuckerberg, it seems, has fallen into the same trap that so many other American liberals have found themselves in. They spend so much time in the 'virtual' world that they forget what the real world is like.

Speaking of technology, the Obama Administration/Regime has blamed a tech problem for censoring the words of French President Francois Hollande. We all know Obama refuses to use the words Islamic Terrorists, but he apparently demands other heads of state not use the term either. As we are witnessing, few world leaders even care what Obama wants anymore. The recorded audio statements by Hollande had him calling the killers exactly what they are - Islamic Terrorists. But Obama's aide edited the words out of the audio, ticking the French President off very much. Pressured to explain themselves, Obama's censors claimed it was a technical mistake/accident with the audio that caused it. Funny how only the part with the 'insensitive' words went missing. Needless to say, no one believed a word of the excuse given, much like everything else

coming out of this White House.

And the last topic this week will be 'walls'. Building walls has become a hot subject ever since Trump made the promise to build a wall on the southern border. In response, the topic of walls is now coming from two other sources. Some in Canada have proposed building a wall on the US/Canadian border to keep out all the Hollywood liberals. Of course Al Sharpton who says that

they will move to that country if Trump is elected. The other wall being mentioned was by California's governor Jerry Brown, often referred to as Governor Moonbeam. Brown said that if Trump is elected, he wants to build a wall to keep the rest of America from coming to California, to which Jay Leno replied "The way most Americans feel about California lately, they would support a wall, as long as it kept people from that state IN."

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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.

### How Walsh is like Menino -- and how he's not

Two years into his term as mayor, Marty Walsh has sky-high approval ratings and a hefty campaign war chest, but relatively few major successes to show for his time in office, Simon van Zuylen-Wood suggests in a lengthy Boston Magazine piece. While some of the city's problems -- think: economic disparity -- may be all but unsolvable even by Walsh, the mayor's political talents may mean he can hold the office as long as his record-setting predecessor, if he wants. "He's not just someone you like -- he's someone you root for."

### Why did the chicken cross the road?

If you answered "to star in a

TV commercial," you'd be right!

... Anyway, the Globe's Joshua Miller reports that animal-welfare advocates are already gearing up for a media blitz in support of a likely November ballot question that would mandate all eggs sold in Massachusetts come from cage-free hens. In other words: expect many a fowl on the airwaves this fall.

### Big Data, big idea

In a Herald op-ed, House Speaker Robert DeLeo pushes his chamber's \$2 million proposal for a Big Data Innovation & Workforce Fund to promote the use of big data and analytics industries, provide tools for related career development and explore how analytics can help address problems of public concern

like transportation, energy and public health.

### Chatham dock-fee meeting devolves into melee

In what may be the best argument ever for communities recording all of their public proceedings, no matter how arcane, a joint meeting last week between two committees to set docking fees in the town of Chatham devolved into a brief physical melee captured on video posted on the town's web site, Ethan Genter of the Cape Cod Times reports. After verbal insults were exchanged, one committee member abruptly overturned his chair, then slapping, pushing and shoving ensued before cooler heads prevailed, in an excerpt of the video posted by the Times. Just before it ends, someone is heard reminding those gathered that "you're on television."

### Don't blame redistricting alone for dearth of State House diversity

With Rep. Gloria Fox stepping down after 31 years representing Roxbury and surrounding neighborhoods, maybe it's time to ponder why there are so few people of color on Beacon Hill. And please don't blame redistricting alone for the problem, says the Globe's Adrian Walker. It also has to do with developing a deep bench of young leaders and recruiting candidates for office. "Great candidates produce more change than new districts ever could," Walker writes.

### Remembering the Trump shuttle

WBUR's Fred Thys tracked down former employees of GOP frontrunner Donald Trump's Boston-to-New York shuttle service and found that after a promising start-complete with faux pearls for flight attendants and makeovers of the former Eastern Airlines planes-the Tump Shuttle soon ran into economic headwinds

that sped its descent

### Boston Chamber delves deeper into political arena

The Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce is finding its political voice on more issues, taking stances that often set it apart from other business groups as it seeks to diversify its membership, Jon Chesto of the Globe reports. The changes, including taking stances in favor of a controversial transgender rights legislation, come after the chamber tapped James Rooney as its next leader last year.

### Rail-ahs? Worcester's new hockey team gets a name

Worcester's new minor league hockey team officially got a name over the weekend and it's one that seems to skate right into the wheelhouse of the Massachusetts accent. Scott Croteau of MassLive reports that the new team will be called the Railers, a nod to the city's railroad history, and that several other names were discarded along the way, including the Whitehawks and Wildcats.

### 'Maybe we should ban taxpayer-funded travel to Beacon Hill'

Kevin Franck is not impressed at all with the city of Boston's new ordinance that bans taxpayer-funded travel to North Carolina because of that state's passage of a bill barring transgender people from using public bathrooms that don't match their biological sex. Among other things, Franck notes the Massachusetts Legislature's own failed or stalled efforts to eliminate discrimination against transgender people. "Instead of looking down our noses at states like North Carolina for passing anti-LGBT laws, Massachusetts Democrats would be better served to look at those peddling bigoted ideas in our own backyards, and those among us who refuse to stand up to them."

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# Reading Between The Lines

## “Spring Has Sprung”

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Before starting on this week’s topic, a response to some of the communications received regarding last week’s column is in order. A clarification, NOT apology. I’m a hippie. I love everyone. I wish everybody who left were back here now. I miss them all. I also wish the guy looking at me when I shave had black hair and unlined cheeks, but that’s another subject.

Everyone has their right to choose where to live. No one is begrudging that. In fact, if he or she or a couple think living in a certain location is best for their life or family they would be foolish and wrong not to move there. Schools, taxes, crime all play a part in decisions made. Whatever towns or communities have been fortunate enough to be picked by these former South Bostonians undoubtedly have benefited.

However, as a resident of South Boston, a friendship or relationship with some other town’s new resident wouldn’t and shouldn’t give me the right to weigh in on how that town is run. While the number is small but vocal, some former residents who may or may not have relatives still living in Southie feel they still have the right to determine events in this community. When resident parking was first proposed, the loudest opposition came from those concerned that out of town residents would have a hard time visiting.

The overwhelming majority of residents felt that making everyone who lived here drive around in circles looking for a

spot just so “Nana” could park on one of her yearly visits was not a valid argument and supported resident parking. So please, come back and visit. Get a ‘dog down Sully’s. Just don’t try to join the long list of people who don’t live here telling us what to do. It never has and never will work.

Moving on, it’s hard to determine which way we’re moving. About a week ago, it seemed we had gone from, “the year with no winter”, directly to summer with 70 plus temperatures. On Monday, I had to shovel snow and last Friday I saw the brilliant orange of fall leaves landing on hoods of cars. That’s when the reality hit. It’s not fall or autumn and those are orange tickets for street cleaning.

If you haven’t noticed the city has embarked on a program of re-visiting some of the more inconsistent rules and practices foisted on us the previous 20 years. One of the first was to successfully rezone First Street under Article 68 with residents input. Presently, the entirety of zoning in residential South Boston is being examined with the intent to bring uniformity. South Boston, of course, was not the only community to suffer under the heavy hand of the Menino administration. Charlestown was victimized even more than Southie when it came to towing cars on street cleaning day. Residents there bitterly reported what seemed to be overly aggressive, instantaneous towing of vehicles.

People, obviously, disagree

on this tactic. The ticket and tow can cost some folks a day’s pay or more. Others point out that the street cleaning program can’t function, if the cars are not removed. Presently, the city is trying a program with a two pronged approach. The price of a parking ticket will be increased by 25 dollars. However, at the same time, more public works employees will be dispatched to Charlestown with mobile barrel and broom to get around and under ticketed cars the street

sweeping trucks are unable to access. A similar program is being considered for other parts of the city including Southie.

All of the above becomes a moot point, of course, if everyone remembers to move their cars but what are the odds of that? In any event, hopefully, whatever system is employed it will be one decided by and geared to the concerns of the residents and not whether it is too confusing for out-of-town visitors.

*Take care till next week.*

## GRAND PRIX OF BOSTON

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## Freaky New England Weather: Mark Twain was Right



**W**e'd be willing to bet that the most repeated quote regarding New England weather comes from Mark Twain himself. "If you don't like the weather in New England, just wait a minute." And this seems to be one of those years, when all the strange surprises that keep meteorologists up all night with their adrenaline pumping will have us guessing and cringing for a while.

No one needs to remind Bostonians what happened last year. The snow was piled so high, Mayor Walsh had to issue a plea to people to "please folks, stop jumping out 2nd and 3rd floor windows." But, as we awoke, on so many days in the winter of 2015-16, to a fresh accumulation of 2 or more feet on top of the 10 feet already on the ground from the previous 2 weeks, sometimes jumping out your window to get out of the house was the only feasible exit. Plus, it was a heck of a lot of fun when the snow was soft.

But this winter, Boston was spared with little accumulation by comparison. And with the possible exception of perhaps our good friend and lifelong South Bostonian Rick Sweeney and his die-hard squad of extreme sports skiers, people were

quite content not to get a blizzard a week and then spend every waking hour shoveling the white stuff and not being able to find their cars. Ah, but that was then and this week's weather couldn't resist hitting us with a backhander, just to remind us all that it let us off easy this year – but don't get used to it.

Early March, we saw temps top off over the 70-degree mark. Intense, almost tropical rains washed our streets clean quite a few times. Early signs of spring, such as the occasional robin perched on a window sill or buds sprouting on bushes and trees ahead of schedule, had so many of us walking around with that cocky attitude thinking 'Ha', we made it and winter barely touched us.

But then last weekend, it got weird. We woke up to snowflakes the size of baseballs falling on our sidewalks, stairs and cars. Monday hit us with an even bigger surprise, as the temps dropped way below freezing and it snowed all day. The news reports showed vehicles of every kind skidding and sliding off the roads and city and state officials, after figuring that they could relax because the worst was certainly over, had to deploy their

fleets of trucks to sand and salt streets and highways.

So what happened? Why the freakish, hopefully temporary turn in the weather that took us from a promising springtime warmup and tossed us back to winter? Well, you could listen to the 'Climate Change' - formerly the Global Warming disciples - who never miss the chance to blame it on the rest of us for driving cars. It's funny how no matter what the weather, hot, cold, wet, dry, windy, calm, it's always somehow the fault of global warming and fossil fuel junkies. But with a little research into years and even centuries gone by where data shows this has been going on since records have been kept, it turns out this is just the workings of nature. And Nature has a way of being unpredictable. almost as if it very much enjoys teasing and messing with us from time to time to let us all know who is boss. And when it comes to strange, quick changing weather, nowhere is that more common than in New England.

Mark Twain was right. But hey, we live here. We didn't need Ole Mark to tell us something that all of us already know from the time we're old enough to look out the window.

## Rep. Collins Votes to Approve \$200 million for Local Infrastructure Needs

### *Secures \$14.5 million for Boston road infrastructure improvements*

**R**epresentative Collins joined his colleagues in the House of Representatives to pass legislation that includes a \$200 million bond authorization for Chapter 90 funding to help municipalities complete road, bridge, and infrastructure improvement projects.

Rep. Collins helped secure more than \$14.5 million for the City of Boston to be used for infrastructure upgrades. "This money will help catalyze important improvements to our roads, bridges, and transportation infrastructures" said Rep. Collins. "I am proud to work with my colleagues from the Boston Delegation to help appropriate these funds to enhance the quality of life in our city and our neighborhoods."

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## Southie's Nick Moss to Run Boston Marathon for Charity

### His Effort will raise Money for the Boston Celtics Shamrock Foundation

For the 3rd year in a row, The Boston Celtics Shamrock Foundation (BCSF), has put together a team to run in the Boston Marathon. Nick Moss of South Boston has pledged to raise at least \$5000 on behalf of the BCSF which aims to extend the reach of the Celtics championship legacy into the community through its programs that directly benefit children in need. Moss, center, in the blue shirt, stands with other members of the BCSF team.

This will be the first Boston Marathon

Nick Moss will be running in and says that hopefully it won't be his last. He is hoping to push himself to a new level while supporting a worthy cause. This is the 3rd year in a row that the BCSF has put together a team to run in the Boston Marathon. This year the BCSF has raised a total of \$126,000 to date.

*For more information on the efforts of Nick Moss and the good work of the 2016 BCSF Boston Marathon Team, please visit [Celtics.com/marathon](http://www.celtics.com/marathon) > <http://www.celtics.com/marathon> >.*

## MAYOR WALSH OPENS SWAN BOAT SEASON ON APRIL 16

Celebrating the end of winter and the onset of spring in New England, Mayor Martin J. Walsh will host the first ride of the season as the popular Boston Swan Boats open at the Public Garden lagoon at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 16. "We are proud to celebrate the 140th year that the Swan Boats have brought joy to the Public Garden and

millions of residents and visitors since they were first launched," said Mayor Walsh. "I'm pleased to join the Paget family and local schoolchildren for this historic ride around the Public Garden lagoon as we open the Swan Boats for another season."

This annual rite is made possible thanks to the Paget family, owners and operators of the Swan Boats

first launched by Irish immigrant and shipbuilder Robert Paget. Mr. Paget designed the Swan Boats after attending the opera Lohengrin in New York City. At the end of the opera, the hero crosses a river in a boat drawn by a swan.

Mayor Walsh will be joined on the first ride of the year with students from Boston Public Schools including the Ellis

Mendell Elementary School and the Higginson/Lewis K-8 School, both in Roxbury.

The students are drawing pictures of the Swan Boats in art class and their work will be randomly selected from all the drawings created. All of the artwork chosen will then be on display at Boston City Hall.

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166 Gold St UNIT 166 Condo	\$1,040,000	3/1/16	6	2.5	1500
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**WHEN:** Saturday, April 9, 2016, 8:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Day Blvd from Kosciusko Circle to Farragut Road

### ADDITIONAL RESIDENT PARKING

Temporary overnight parking for residents with a valid City of Boston South Boston Resident Parking Sticker will be provided at the angled parking spots located between Shore Road and the Castle Island parking lot on Friday, April 8, 2016. This temporary parking area will be staffed and vehicles will be checked for resident parking stickers.

If you would like to be added to an email list to receive DCR announcements, or if you have questions or wish to report a concern, please contact: [mass.parks@state.ma.us](mailto:mass.parks@state.ma.us) or Dept. of Conservation & Recreation, Office of Community Outreach, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114; Tel: (617) 626-4973.



Register or donate at [KomenSouthernNewEngland.org](http://KomenSouthernNewEngland.org)



**BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

## 150 SEAPORT BOULEVARD

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19**  
 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

**1 SEAPORT LANE**  
 Seaport Hotel, Ampitheater  
 Boston, MA 02210

**PROJECT PROPONENT:**  
 Cronin Holdings, LLC

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**  
 Public Meeting to discuss Cronin Holdings, LLC's proposal for an approximately 283,700 square feet, twenty-two story residential building that will include approximately 124 residential units and 10,700 square feet of commercial and retail space on the ground and second floors. Included with the new building is a three-level below grade garage containing approximately 179 parking spaces. The residential units will vary in size including studio, one bedroom, two bedroom and three bedroom units. When complete the new development will encourage public access to the waterfront by opening views of the harbor and providing the missing connection of the Boston Harborwalk between Pier 4 and The World Trade Center.

**MAIL TO:** **CASEY HINES**  
 Boston Redevelopment Authority  
 One City Hall Square, 9th Floor  
 Boston, MA 02201  
**PHONE:** 617.918.4244  
**EMAIL:** [Casey.A.Hines@Boston.gov](mailto:Casey.A.Hines@Boston.gov)

**CLOSE OF COMMENT PERIOD:**  
 Monday, May 2, 2016



# The Senior Connection

By Lu O'Brien

I thought April was to bring showers...not SNOW!!! Is this winter part 2??? Or was it an April Fool joke??? Whatever it is, I hope it stops and we can get to spring. Here are the happenings that are going on at Elderly Commission at city hall. Commissioner Shea talked about the Senior Games. This year there will be no games. Seems that more outsiders, not from Boston participate in this event. The events that Elderly Commission host are for Boston residents...not people from other suburbs of Boston. To take the place of the games, the commission is looking for ways to host events in your community. If you have any ideas that would be fun for South Boston, call the commission at 617-635-4366. They are looking for fun exercises for people to do like chair yoga, or short walks, strength & muscle exercise, maybe some place with a pool could offer a low impact aerobic session. Whatever you can think of would be great. Remember, these events are for Boston residents.

The Parks & Recreation has a grant that allows our vets to teach fitness classes. If Southie seniors are interested, call the Elderly Commission. The Commission is also working on 2 new programs for the elders of Boston. The first is a Memory Cafe. This is a Cafe for caregivers and families with Alzheimer's disease. This is where you can go and have some down time enjoying a cup of coffee and making new friends. The first cafe may be in the

Grove Hall section of the city. If elders have any ideas where other cafes could go, give the commission a call. The other program is call AMP. This is just coming together. As soon as I get more information on this, I will let you know.

Everyone should have gotten their city census in the mail last week. There was a slip of paper about the Vision Zero Boston program. This program will help the city making intersections in the city safe so that no one will get hurt or killed. I hope Southie people will take time in addressing spots in Southie that needs attention. Call Andrea Burns at 617-635-4877 or Mayor's hotline at 617-635-4500 or the Boston 311 app on cell phone. If you use the Boston 311 app, make sure you take a picture of the intersection.

City Hall is also looking for greeters. This is a volunteer position. The greeters job is to greet visitors to city hall, assist guest in finding the department they are looking for and other duties a greeter does. You can call the Elderly Commission or the Mayor's office for more information.

If there are any seniors who would like to apply for food stamps...Lorna will come to Southie to help you apply. Call me at 617-464-1910 if you would to apply...so far I have one senior coming.

The City Hall to Go truck will be at the Condon School on Thursday, April 14 fro, 11:30-1:00. This is a wonderful service city hall is providing to the residents of Boston. You can do

all your city business with this truck...it saves you a trip to city hall. Check it out!!!

## Blood Pressure Screenings for the Month of April

April 13: The SB Neighborhood House-136 H Street from 10:30-11:00

April 15: The Curley Rec. Center 1663 Day Blvd. from 11:30-12:00

April 20: The Flaherty Apts. 120 H Street fro, 10:30-11:00

## Taxi Coupons for the month of April

There are no sites in Southie on the 2nd Tuesday of the month Coupons are always available at the Elderly Commission at city hall, room 217

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS:

**Handicapped equipment:** If you have shower chairs, toilet seat risers, rollators, canes, power chairs, scooters, and you would like to pay it forward...call me, Lu O'Brien at 617-464-1910.

I still have a box of Novolin Insulin. 5 pens are in the box. If you know of a diabetic who can use this... just give me a call if you can use this, and 3 walkers... the old kind, not the rollators. Sorry to say that I cannot accept the regular walkers anymore due to the high demand for rollators.

**Fair Foods:** Every Tuesday, 115 Orton Marotta Way. \$2.00 for a bag of food. Please bring bags with handles because fruits and veggies are heavy are heavy to carry. The hours are from 1:30-2:30. Everyone is welcome. Fair shoes is still on hold. I will let you know when it will start again.

**The Curley Center/BCYF:** Is serving Kit Clark lunches on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

and Friday from 11:30-12:30. A \$2.00 donation is appreciated.

## Free & Reduced Cost Food Options In South Boston

### St. Monica's Food Pantry

617-268-1230

331 Old Colony Ave.

Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month from 1:00-3:00pm  
Requirements: Proof of South Boston residency with an ID or a bill in your name.

People are asked to stay within the boundries of this food pantry. Thank you!!

### St. Vincent DePaul Parish Food Pantry

617-268-8100

363 E Street

Every Thursday from 1:00-3:00pm

Requirements: Proof of Boston Residency with an ID or mail in your name.

People are asked to stay within the boundaries of this food pantry. Thank you!!

### Fourth Presbyterian Church

617-268-1281

340 Dorchester Street

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month from 8:00-11:00am

### South Boston Community Health Center

617-464-7482

409 W. Broadway

Tuesday & Wednesday from 10:00am-2:00pm

Requirements: Must be a patient of the South Boston Community Health Center

## BINGO!!!

**Castle Cove Co-op.** 225 W. 2nd Street. Wednesday night from 6:30-9:00

Castle Cove Co-op will be holding a flea market this month. I should have the information on this next week.

The senior discounts will be published on the first of the month. This way you can cut it out of the paper and hang it on your fridge... sounds like a plan to me!!!

My name is Lu O'Brien...I can be reached at 617-464-1910...leave me a message and I will get back to you as soon as I can...I am in and out of my office all the time... why??? because I am taking care of the Seniors of Southie!!! **Have a wonderful week...**





## Unlock the Children's Creativity at FPAC Gallery

The Fort Point Arts Community Gallery is pleased to announce ARCK and FPAC: Unlock the Children's Creativity, an exhibition of work produced by students of Art Resource Collaborative for Kids, a nonprofit whose mission is to empower Boston Public School students with a high-quality arts education that fosters culture and community while supporting each school's learning objectives.

**ARCK and FPAC: Unlock the Children's Creativity**

**Exhibition:** April 4 – 27, 2016

**Reception & Open House:** Thursday, April 7, 2016, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Arts & Education Panel Discussion**

Thursday, April 28, 6:30 pm  
**Unlock the Children's Creativity** is a collaboration between ARCK and the Fort Point Arts Community Gallery to promote and advocate for arts education in the Boston Public School community. The exhibition exemplifies how community members can come together to build bridges and eliminate silos.

The ambitious exhibition will include selected artwork by 88 East Boston Early Education Center students, ages 5-6; 60 Blackstone Innovation School students, ages 6-7; and 36 Gardner Pilot Academy students, ages 13-16. The art will be organized in the

gallery according to the three primary themes of ARCK's 36-week curriculum: Leadership, Civic Engagement, and Social Justice.

**Gallery hours:** Mon-Tue: 7 am–3 pm, Wed-Fri: 7 am–6 pm, and by appointment.

FPAC website: [www.fortpointarts.org](http://www.fortpointarts.org)

ARCK website: [www.arckboston.org](http://www.arckboston.org)

### About ARCK

One of ARCK's overarching goals is to engage families and communities in local children's education and growth. This art exhibition and collaboration with FPAC is an opportunity for young students to share their creations and reflections not only with school

peers and staff, but with family members, friends, and adults in the wider community.

### About FPAC Gallery

FPAC's mission is to promote the work of our artists to a broad and diverse audience; to preserve the artists' community in the Fort Point Channel area; to ensure the continuance of permanent, affordable studio space; to build community; and to increase the visibility of the arts in Fort Point. Fort Point is home to over 300 artists who produce work in a wide array of media. It is recognized as one of New England's largest artists' communities.



# South Boston BC High Students Participate in Youth Government Conference

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Timothy Lynch of South Boston, a sophomore at Boston College High School, was one of the twenty-four BC High students who participated in the annual YMCA Youth in Government Conference from March 10 to 12 at the Massachusetts State House on Beacon Hill. The team was honored to meet Karyn Polito, Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor.

The BC High team had a most successful year: Ryan Golemme '19 of Norwell, Ryan Ridolfo '19 of the South End, Peter Keough '16 of Bridgewater, Deen Haleem '17 of Milton, and Tim Smyth '18 of South Boston all had their bills passed and signed into law.

Nine BC High students were singled out for honors among the many

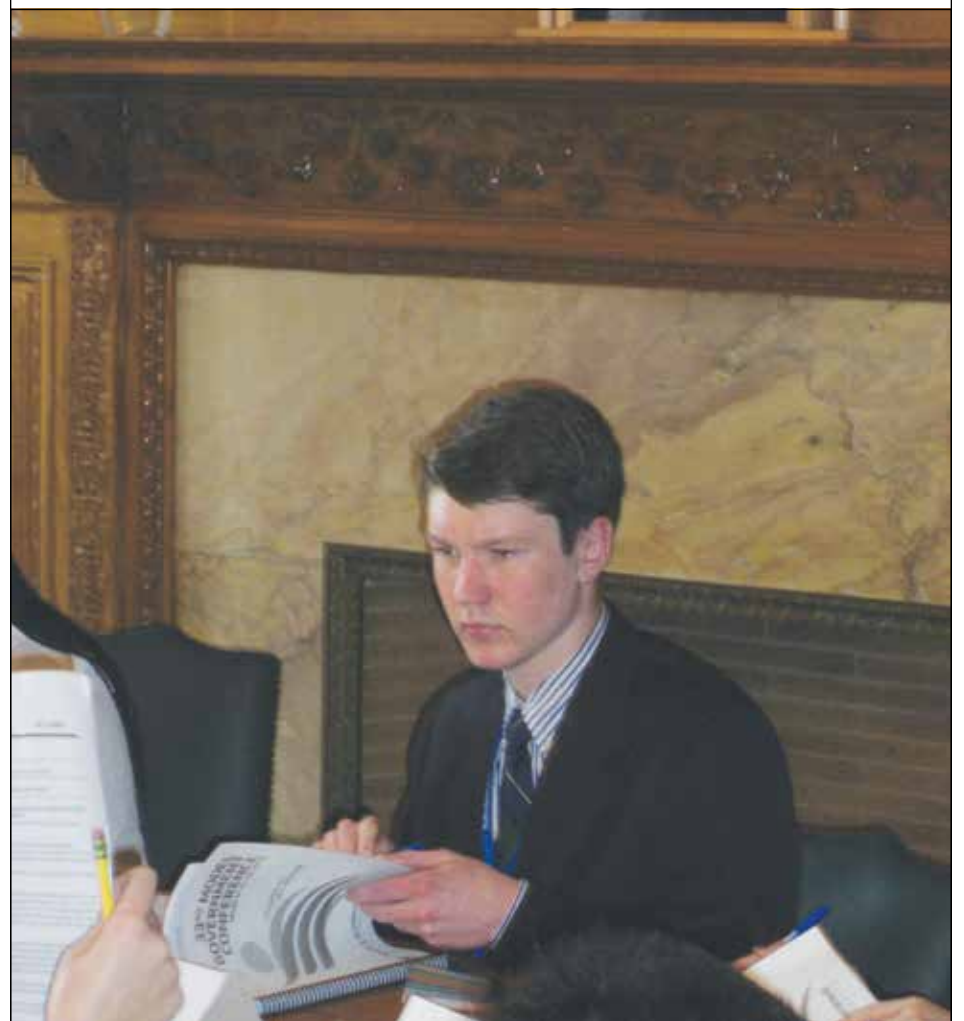
participants: Trent Chinnaswamy '16 of Dedham served as this year's Youth Governor, Cameron Kubera '16 of Milton the Youth Lt. Governor, Tom Arena '16 of Whitman the Chief Justice, Peter Keough '16 of Bridgewater, the Head Lobbyist, Delano Franklin '17 of Chelsea was a committee chair, George Carney '18 of Hanover, a cabinet member, and Carlos Tamayo '17 of Brookline was the Sargeant at Arms. Charlie McMahon '19 of Norwell was on the winning prosecution team. Cameron Woods '17 of Abington, who was actually absent from the Youth and Government Conference, won an award in absentia. He received the award for best written bill in the Senate.

These students also won awards and recognition at the conference banquet:

Jack Michalski '17 of Milton

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Tim Lynch



Front row left to right: Colm Feeney, Ryan Golemme, Cameron Kubera, Tim Miklus, Trent Chinnaswamy, James Burke, Delano Franklin, Jack Michalski, Ryan Ridolfo, Tim Smyth.

Back row left to right: George Carney, Luke Murphy, Joey Rindini, Dylan Mazzarella, Peter Keough, Tim Lynch, Robert Graf, Dylan Keating, Tom Arena, Charlie Krumsiek, Charle McMahon, Carlos Tamayo, Salim Metri Not pictured: Deen Haleem.

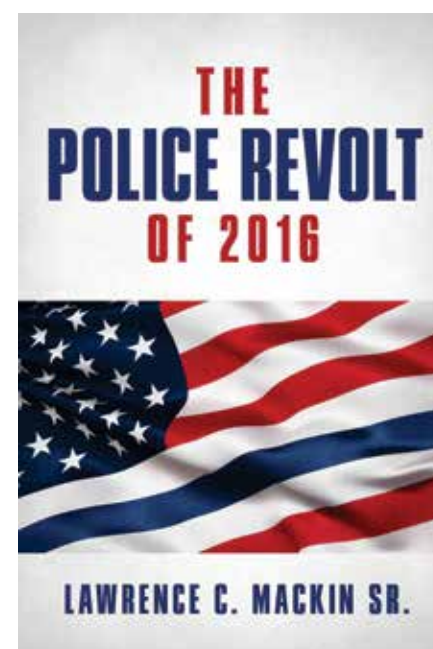


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## **The Police Revolt of 2016**

*By Lawrence C. Mackin*



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## Run to Remember Awarding Commemorative Medals to All Finishers of 2016 Race

Created to honor fallen police and first responders, the popular May 29 road race runs through historic downtown Boston. Every finisher of the 2016 Boston's Run to Remember will receive a two-piece commemorative medal this year that runners will personalize to honor either the Police, Fire or First Responders, race officials announced Wednesday. The May 29 Boston's Run to Remember, the only half marathon race through historic downtown Boston to honor those who lost their lives protecting and serving others, already has 7,195 registered

runners and organizers are encouraging runners to register now at their newly revamped website [bostonstrunremember.com](http://bostonstrunremember.com).

As an added bonus this year, every finisher of the event's half marathon and 5-miles races will receive a commemorative medal with a special inner Challenge Coin.

"Our 2016 finisher medal has two parts - there is the medal itself with a recessed area with a magnet. As a runner, you'll have a choice of one of the three Challenge Coins to place into the medal, honoring either police, fire or first responders," Race Director Steve Balfour said.

"This collector's coin is backed with an image of indelible Boston landmarks, which add to its historic relevance. It's a fitting way to honor what Boston's Run to Remember is all about."

Last month, Boston's Run to Remember organizers announced the creation of the First Responder Challenge, where teams with a minimum of five runners from any first responder department in the U.S. compete in the half marathon for a chance to win bragging rights and be one of the three fastest departments to split a cash prize of \$10,000 for the charity of their choice. The challenge in the past had been limited to police departments only.

Any first responder department entering the challenge can have a team – regardless of skill level – as long as they have five or more runners. Departments can field multiple teams if they choose. All runners that are a part of the First Responder Challenge must be sworn, active officers, firefighters or service personnel at the time of the race. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams in the half marathon. For more info on the challenge, please contact Brigit at [BostonRuntoRemember@gmail.com](mailto:BostonRuntoRemember@gmail.com)

The event's half marathon and 5-mile races, set for Sunday, May 29, start at the Seaport World Trade

Center in downtown Boston. The event's expo on May 28 is also a popular event.

This is the 12th year for the annual charity event, created as a tribute to Massachusetts law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Boston's Run to Remember is produced by a handful of police officers, detectives and their supporters who volunteer their time to create, organize and manage the race. Proceeds benefit the community and children's programs of the police department running club.

Race organizers are planning for a field size of approximately 10,000. Last year, 9,438 runners crossed the finish line in the two races.

Both races feature scenic loop courses that start at the Seaport World Trade Center and wind through historic downtown Boston, with the half marathon crossing over the Charles River along Memorial Drive in Cambridge before looping back.

For additional information, find the race on Facebook or Twitter and visit the website at [www.bostonstrunremember.com](http://www.bostonstrunremember.com). For those who cannot run this year but want to take part, donations may be made to Boston's Run to Remember and sent to P.O. Box 760670, Melrose, MA 02176

### BC HIGH STUDENTS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 12

won Outstanding Legal Brief, and Cam Kubera'16 of Milton won the prestigious Ginny Robinson Servant Leadership Award.

Delano Franklin'17 of Chelsea and Deen Haleem'17 of Milton were elected the 2016-2017 Youth Governor and Lt. Governor respectively.

Lastly, Deen Haleem, Delano Franklin, Cam Kubera, Carlos Tamayo,

and Ryan Golemme were selected to represent MA at the Conference on National Affairs at the Blue Ridge Assembly in North Carolina at the end of June this summer.

The Youth in Government Club, moderated by faculty members Elise Wilson and Michael Chapman, both of Braintree, is part of a Greater Boston YMCA program which allows high school students to learn about state government and participate

in the process of the State House with other students from throughout Massachusetts. Students take on various roles in the state government including the legislative, executive, and judicial branches as well as lobbyists and the press corps.

Youth & Government is one of the YMCA's oldest programs established in 1936. The program teaches young people about state government, while at the same time

helps them to develop their own character through learning values stressed by the YMCA - caring, respect, honesty, and responsibility.

*Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,600 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more <http://www.bchigh.edu>*

### SWAN BOAT SEASON CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

2016 marks the 140th season for the Swan Boats. The oldest and smallest boat in the fleet just celebrated its 105th season, while the newest was launched in 1993. The swan on today's boats is made from either copper or fiberglass, depending on the age of the boat,

and encloses a paddle mechanism that is used to foot propel the boat through the water.

Fully loaded, each Swan Boat weighs three tons and carries up to twenty passengers. The Swan Boats are built on oak framed pontoons sheathed in copper just as they were initially constructed in 1877. After being stored in a

safe place for the winter, the boats are returned to the Public Garden Lagoon in the spring with Mayor Walsh and his young guests celebrating the first ride of the season.

For more information, please visit the Swan Boats of Boston online at [www.swanboats.com](http://www.swanboats.com) or call (617) 522-1966.



# Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund Announces 2016 Program

The South Boston Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship Trust Fund announces their program for the year 2016. The fund will award up to ten (10) fifteen-hundred-dollar degree scholarship grants and one (1) non-degree scholarship grant for one thousand dollars. Of the ten academic grants will be funded by:

- Massport
- "L" Street Brownies
- Folan Waterproofing and Construction of Easton in memory of deceased members of the Folan family
- South Boston Youth Hockey Association in memory of John Cunniff
- Sona Nichols in memory of Bob Nichols
- "Bucci-Challenge" charity fund

Up to four additional grants will be funded by the Hall of Fame Trust Fund. The non-degree grant will be funded by Massport. The academic grants are for those students who reside in South Boston (02127), will graduate from high school in 2016 or have received a GED certificate since January, 2016 and plan to attend a school

of advanced education or training in 2016.

The non-degree scholarship grant is for those students who reside in South Boston (02127), who will be not more than 25 years old in 2016 and plan to attend a school of advanced education or training in 2016. Examples of non-degree programs are computer training, cosmetology, nursing, culinary arts, auto mechanics or other technical or professional training programs approved by the board of trustees of the "FUND".

Complete details of each program are described on the scholarship application, which may be picked up at school, the South Boston Library, the Boys & Girls Club, the Tynan Community Center, or the Curley Community Center.

Academic applications must be received by May 15, 2016 and non-degree applications by May 15, 2016 and must be forwarded to:

Fred Ahern  
South Boston SHOF Scholarship Trust Fund  
Curley Community Center  
1663 Columbia Road  
South Boston, MA 02127

## TARGET CORP. CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE

explored an expansion of their property and in August 2015 filed a project notification form with the Boston Redevelopment Authority that outlined its plans for a 10-acre mixed-use development adjacent to its existing South Bay Center in Dorchester.

Plans include 113,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space, a 12-screen movie theater, 475 residential units and a 130-room hotel with parking deck. The project is bounded by the South Bay Center — which Edens owns — Enterprise Street, Boston Street and West Howell Street.

According to their application back then, "The project will enhance

the urban context of the project site by creating active ground-floor retail uses, spaces for outdoor dining, dynamic, pedestrian-oriented publicly-accessible open spaces, and streetscape enhancements." The company has a large existing investment in the neighborhood and endeavors to build a new development that respects its neighbors, increases public amenities, and adds new economic activity to the city of Boston.

Columbia, South Carolina-based Edens develops and operates retail shopping centers primarily along the East Coast. It owns 13 centers in Massachusetts, including Burlington Crossroads and Middlesex Commons in Burlington. The project's architect is ADD Inc., now with Stantec.



## MAYOR'S CUP STREET HOCKEY TOURNAMENT APRIL 19 - 22

Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting the 2016 Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament over the April public school vacation week on April 19, 20, and 22.

"Boston is a hockey town and we are pleased to be able to offer our young players Mayor's Cup tournaments in both street hockey and our annual winter classic on the ice," Mayor Walsh said in announcing the event. "Thanks to the support of our sponsor P&G Gillette, as many as 32 teams will meet during the April school vacation to compete for the title of 'Boston's Best' while making new

friends from across the city."

Teams will compete in two regions in Mite (ages 7 to 8) and Squirt (ages 9 to 10) divisions. Please note that pre-registration for teams is required with a limit of eight teams per regional division.

Region 1 playoffs will take place Tuesday, April 19, at Fallon Field located at 910 South Street in Roslindale. Region 2 playoffs will take place April 20 at Garvey Playground located at 340 Neponset Avenue in Dorchester. Winning teams will meet for the finals at Ryan Playground, located at 74 Alford Street in Charlestown, on Friday, April 22.

To register or for more information, please contact Billy Sittig at billy.sittig@boston.gov or call (617) 961-3082.

All Welcome and Bring a Friend!

Saturday, April 9, 2016 1:00PM

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**MEAT RAFFLE**





# CITY GOLF COURSES NOW OPEN

Mayor Martin J. Walsh has announced that the City of Boston's two municipal golf courses - the William J. Devine Golf Course at Franklin Park in Dorchester and the George Wright Golf Course in Hyde Park - are now open for the 2016 season.

"Boston's golfers have the opportunity to play on two award-winning championship courses right in our city," said Mayor Walsh. "We continue to improve our courses and have enhanced the historic clubhouse at the George Wright with structural improvements and a new patio with outdoor seating."

Founded in 1938, the 18-hole Donald Ross-designed George Wright Golf Course is a hidden gem in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Boston. The course is open seven days a week through November. This par 70 championship course is a challenge to golfers of any level. PGA Professional Scott Allen is available at (617) 364-2300 to answer any questions.

Construction at the George Wright

Golf Course clubhouse will be nearing completion in early May. The project includes a new slate tile roof, windows, and custom crafted arched doors for the front and back of building. Golfers and their guests will be able to enjoy a new tile patio that will offer outside food service and be available for a variety of events. Improvements to the golf course include a rebuilt and expanded 16th tee box.

In addition, a fairway bunker has been added to the right side of the 16th fairway and a clean-up of the wild brush left of the green has exposed a large natural rock formation. This year the George Wright will be hosting the New England PGA Stroke Play #3 event on July 12 and the one-day U.S.

Amateur Qualifier on July 25.

The second-oldest public golf course in America and part of the historic Emerald Necklace, the William J. Devine Golf Course at Franklin Park in Dorchester offers a pleasant golf experience only minutes from downtown Boston and is open year-round, weather permitting. Contact PGA Professional Kevin Frawley at (617) 265-4084 for more information or to book a tee time.

Golfers will find a newly-remodeled golf pro shop at the William Devine. Improvements for 2016 include the reconstruction of the 11th green. Re-grassing and expansion of the green has made it nearly 25 percent larger and there has been a complete renovation of the greenside bunkers, approach, and rough surrounds, as well as drainage installation in the approach.

Due to wet spring conditions, both courses have been walking-only and the PGA pros suggest calling the clubhouses first to check if the courses have dried out and golf carts are available.

Golfers can access information on rates, season permits, and tournaments and register for special offers, monthly giveaways, online news, and specials at www.cityofbostongolf.com. Both courses are owned and operated by the City of Boston, open daily from dawn to dusk, and feature full pro shops, concessions, cart rentals, and lessons for all ages. For updates, the City's golf courses can be followed on Twitter @FranklinParkGC and @GeorgeWrightGC.

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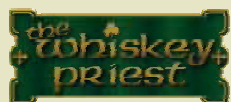
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