



Boston Athletic Club, Private Or Public Health Club?

Racquetball and Handball at the BAC ain't Beanbag. Those who play these sports ain't pushovers. Elected leaders know it and are weighing in. BAC management has yet to.



As reported last week, it had come to the attention of this newspaper that there are plans underway to convert certain areas of the BAC facility from their current uses as handball and racquetball courts. Handball, for sure, and racquetball by extension and reputation are, arguably South Boston Traditions. SBT reached some South Boston elected officials for comment on this story, as promised in last week's column. A message was also left for BAC management.

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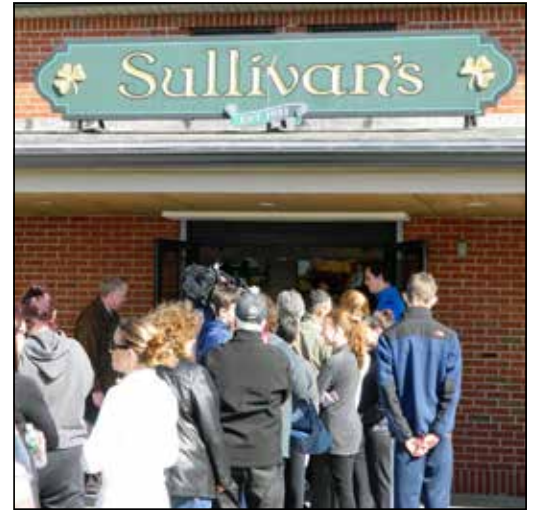
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EDITORIAL

Sullivan's Opening Day: Wow!

It goes far beyond the opening day of a seasonal restaurant. Opening day at 'Sully's' on Castle Island has become an experience – an event. Press reports and aerial views from the news helicopters hovering above showed the sheer magnitude of the crowd. Crowd estimates were in the tens of thousands with the goal of most who made the trek to South Boston's most scenic location being to be part of this once a year ritual which is a tradition to so many and of course to chow down on some of the most delicious food around.

It's a happy day. It's a day where families, friends and neighbors meet up after a long winter and celebrate that spring is closing in. Long lines and not really enough parking are to be expected, but no one seemed to mind at all. Smiles and laughter were the theme of the day and the fact that the weather could not have been nicer was the frosting on a tasty cake. This is how life in the city should be. Traditions like this should be savored and cherished. May it continue for generations to come.



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Some have stated that there is the feeling among many that the St. Patrick's Day/Evacuation Day parade is losing steam, as far as crowd interest is concerned. But, social media would indicate otherwise.

The South Boston Allied War Veteran's Council has a website (southbostonparade.org) and has posted the route for this year's procession. We put it up on the South Boston Today Facebook site late Monday Night and within a few hours it had more than 14,000 views, just on our site alone. A short time later it surpassed 18,000 views mark and still climbing as this column was being written.

Clearly, there are massive numbers of folks, who plan to come into South Boston to celebrate this year, and if the weather is good, the response indicates

that a record size crowd is not out of the question. Now, if we can just get all these visitors to behave themselves, it should be a good day.

Remember, along with the parade itself, there are many other events that are part of the festivities. Sporting events, artistic attractions and of course the military and the religious traditions that round out this season every year. There should be something for everyone and the volunteers who work so hard putting it all together deserve very special praise.

Speaking of crowd sizes, few days can equal the influx, some called it a controlled stampede, that poured onto Castle Island last week for the opening day at Sullivan's (affectionately known as Sully's to the locals).

We haven't got the final estimate yet, but by most accounts the

crowd numbered well into the tens of thousands. Photos and video views were shown all over the country; including film footage from helicopters. Asked one out of state Newscaster baffled by what she was reporting – "All this for a hotdog?" Well yes, they are Sully-Dogs.

Speaking of the news and reporting, I just can't resist commenting on the results of the recent poll numbers out this week on the high popularity of our nation's military and the shrinking credibility of the major news media in this country. Our armed forces have 96% of Americans with a favorable view of varying degrees, when it comes to our soldiers, sailors, marines and air force personnel (67% very favorable/29% somewhat favorable). And it just keeps climbing. The United States Supreme Court comes in

second. The news media on the other hand comes in last, when compared with all the other American institutions.

The number of people who have faith in what the press reports has never been lower and is expected to keep falling. No surprise there.

In response to how a growing percentage of reporters have been conducting themselves at press conferences, town hall meetings and during regular broadcasts, prompted one political pundit to compare them to "a bowl of cereal mix, filled with fruit loops, nuts and flakes – the greatest show on earth, if you like the circus".

Allow me to share a personal experience that really impressed me recently. While attending a high school basketball game between the small towns of Woodsville

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February 25th through March 19th

Jimmy Flaherty

Kick-Off Breakfast

Saturday, February 25th
 Clerk of Courts, Michael Donovan
 Honorary Chairman
 Seapoint Restaurant 10:00 AM
 Suggested Donation \$ 10.00

21+Bowl-A-Rama

Sunday, March 5th
 State Rep. Nick Collins
 Cheryl Joyce, Andrea Flaherty
 Rich Devoe and Joyce Higgins
 Honorary Chairpersons
 South Boston Bowl 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
 Must be 21+ to attend-no children, please

Basketball Free-Throw Competition

Monday, March 6th
 Bernie O'Donnell & Kathy Davis
 Honorary Chairpersons
 Tynan Community School Gym - 6:00 PM

The Swimming Competition

Tuesday, March 7th
 State Auditor, Suzanne Bump
 Harry Duvall
 Honorary Chairpersons
 Boys and Girls Club Pool
 Registration 6:00 PM, Meet 6:30 PM

Tom & Eddie Butler

St. Patrick's Senior Salute

Saturday, March 11th
 Mayor Martin J. Walsh
 Councilor Michael Flaherty,
 Thomas Butler Jr. Chairmen
 Mary Walsh, Mary Collins, Pauline Bare
 Honorary Chairwomen
 Saint Monica's Lower Church Hall - 11:00 AM

Ice-O-Rama

John Cuniff Shamrock Shootout

Sunday, March 12th

City Councilor Michael Flaherty
 State Senator Linda Dorcea Forry
 City Councilor Frank Baker
 Honorary Chairmen
 Murphy Rink, Day Boulevard
 Events begin approx. 10:30 AM

Back This Year

Boxing Show

Saturday, March 11th

Stephen Murphy
 Honorary Chairman
 Peter Welch's Gym - 6:00 PM

137th Annual Evacuation Day Banquet

Friday, March, 17th

BCEC 2nd Floor Ballroom
 New England Boiled Dinner
 Entertainment by Curragh's Fancy
 Reception 5:30 PM-----Dinner 7:00 PM

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Condon School Gym

Tuesday, March 14th
 Joe Curran, Honorary Chairman
 Boys and Girls ages 9-12 and 13-16
 5:00 PM

St. Patrick's Day Road Race

Sunday, March 19th
 Proceeds benefit
 South Boston Boys & Girls Club
 Pre-registration Required
 617-516-5441 or hduvall@bgcb.org
 Race begins at 11:00 AM at the Club

Evacuation Day Memorial Mass

Friday, March 17th
 Fr. Joe White
 Margaret Lynch
 Honorary Chairwoman
 St. Augustine's Chapel - 9:00 AM

Memorial/Historical Exercises

Friday, March 17th

Including
Essay & Poster Competition Winners
 State Representative Nick Collins
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 Edward Flynn, US Navy-retired
 Hon. Linda Dorcea Forry
 Hon. Maura Sweeney Doyle
 Bill Foley, Retired NPS
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 Dorchester Heights Monument - 10:00 AM

St. Patrick's/Evacuation Day Parade

Sunday, March 19th at 1 pm
 Dan Magoon- Chief Marshal
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The late Brian R. Mahoney left an indelible mark on this community, especially in his devotion to our traditions, as both a veteran and civic leader. His chronicling of our history is immortalized through this newspaper. South Boston lost one of its favorite sons, suddenly and sadly just three short months ago. Please enjoy the first of a three-part series about the history of Evacuation Day that Brian originally penned in 2011. It is only fitting that we honor his memory in the lead up to one of his fondest endeavors
 – THE PARADE

“Battle for Boston”

Recently, while watching the History Channel series on the American Revolution, the episode of the evacuation of Boston was aired. The narrator summed up the event by intoning, “Thus the British woke up, surprised at the cannons positioned on the hill and evacuated the city without a shot being fired.”

South Boston Today, over the next 3 weeks, is proud to print the most complete and accurate account of this event ever produced. We are honored to remember and print for the first time in over 200 years, the names of the very first casualties in the history of the American Armed Forces. We are determined to do our duty and correct the historical record of Gen. Washington and the American Nations first victory.

For most of its history, South Boston has always been identified as an Irish community. Growing up, I remember people jokingly calling it, “Ireland’s 33rd County”.

During most of its 200 plus year history, it has had a predominately

Irish population. Those of us, who have grown up or live here, however, know that its merchants, athletes, scholars and leaders have always been drawn from every ethnicity under the sun. That same wide-ranging mix was present during the fortification of the “Heights” and is with us today.

The Battle for Boston is one of the most misunderstood and least appreciated acts of our American Revolution. Our story should probably start at the Battle of Bunker Hill in Charlestown. To paraphrase the British Commanding General Howe, “Many more victories like this and our army will be destroyed.”

The strategic importance of the Hills or Heights surrounding Boston had long been apparent before that bloody engagement. The arrogance and contempt the British held for their “Yankee Doodle” cousins, however, caused the British to underestimate the necessity of the prompt securing and fortifying of these Hills and Heights. Even after the Battle of Bunker Hill, South Boston (Dorchester

Neck), was primarily grazing land for cattle and was sparsely populated by approximately 12 families.

Though they still didn’t occupy, the British became more aggressive and warlike toward the small South Boston population. A series of raids by the British over the next 8 months led to the capture of at least six rebel soldiers and the burning of houses and barns. Among the properties burned was the Wiswell Estate near “Bush Tree Hill (M Street Park), the Jones Estate at K and First Streets and Blake Estates near Farragut Road and the Foster property between F and D Streets. Combined with harassing fire from British held Castle William (Castle Island), South Boston was soon evacuated and left empty by the people. If it had remained that way, it is conceivable that our National Anthem today would be “God Save the Queen”.

Fate and destiny, however, had other plans for South Boston and America, Destiny’s Child in this tale was a Boston bookseller named Henry Knox. Knox, friend and advisor to

General Washington, was commissioned a Colonel of Artillery in November of 1775. At the same time, the “Green Mountain Boys,” commanded by Ethan Allen, (and accompanied by a Massachusetts Colonel named Benedict Arnold) captured Fort Ticonderoga and its cannon. Located in Upstate New York, Ticonderoga is an Indian name meaning, “Between Two Lakes”. It is situated between Lake George and Lake Champlain up by the Canadian border. Washington needed its cannon for his plan and this was Knox’s mission. A mission, in the dead of winter, Knox was determined to accomplish.

So began one of the epic journeys in military history. With snow, sleet and howling winds, from Lake Champlain, over the Allegheny and Berkshire Mountains, through Great Barrington and Western Massachusetts, Col. Knox was able to transport these cannon, by oxen, through the roadless wilderness. Knox later wrote that the cannons had to be dragged up and over, “Mountains from which we might have seen all the kingdoms of the Earth.” Imagine driving those oxen through the icy wilderness wear-

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Update on the Effort to Honor Southie’s WW I Heroes

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY - By Staff

Do you know any of the men in these photographs? Could you be related to any them? Perhaps you know the families of these brave servicemen who sacrificed so much in defense of freedom in World War I. These photos appear in the memorial casing that is prominently displayed in the halls of South Boston High School. South Boston Today will

run half of those photos this week and the rest in the March 9th issue. The display of these pictures, the attempt to contact family members and to highlight the service they gave to our country is part of the ongoing effort to honor these men; all with ties to South Boston at the upcoming events to commemorate the 100-year anniversary this year of America’s entry into that conflict, April 6, 1917. World war I was said to be the ‘war to end all wars’.

One of the main events will be held on April 29th in the auditorium at South Boston High. It begins at 11:00 am and the public is invited. In fact, everyone is welcome and urged to attend to learn more about Southie’s WW I heroes. There is a historical and fascinating history behind each individual being remembered and honored and the event on April 29th will not only be a treat for history buffs but for everyone else as well.

Anyone who may have information as to how to locate the family members of the service members in the photos are encouraged to contact Mary Ryan by email at SouthBostonWW1@gmail.com , this, in an effort to formally invite them to the event on the 29th of April and the other events that may coincide with it. As the date draws closer, South Boston Today will continue to run updates to keep the community informed.



MURPHY RINK RE-DEDICATION ON SATURDAY

This Saturday at 2:00 pm, a ceremony will be held by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) to rededicate the Francis L. Murphy Memorial Rink in South Boston.

The rink was first built as an outdoor facility in 1961 and was named in honor of Francis L. Murphy in 1965. Francis Murphy was a lifelong South Boston resident and a Boston firefighter who was killed in the line of duty while responding to a fire on Trumbull Street on October 1, 1964.

Beginning in 2014, Murphy Rink received almost \$5 million in infrastructure investments and capital improvements. This project in-

cluded the installation of new locker rooms, team rooms and showers for athletes. The project also resulted in an expanded concession area, a new skate shop, improved viewing areas and handicap accessible bench areas and viewing areas. The new rink also includes a "Look-Up Line" along the boards to help prevent head and spinal cord injuries and significant improvements to the building's roof, heating system and cooling system.

"The renovations completed on Murphy Rink are proof of DCR's commitment to working with the South Boston community to provide safe, clean, and fun facilities for our families to enjoy," said State Senator

Linda Dorcea Forry. "Murphy Rink will continue to be to be a vital part of this neighborhood."

"I grew up at the rink and my siblings, friends and many generations of South Boston kids benefit from having that great resource in our community," said Representative Nick Collins. "So when I took office in 2011, working with Tom McGrath and South Boston Youth Hockey, we put on the full court press with DCR to secure funding for crucial capital improvements. I am grateful for the work of my colleagues in government to see the renovation to completion and for the opportunity to celebrate and honor the life and service of Fran-

cis L. Murphy, who gave his life to serving others."

"Being the son of a Boston firefighter, it is an honor to be part of this rededication ceremony to honor and respect Frank Murphy and the Boston Fire Dept. and all public safety officers," said South Boston Youth Hockey President Tom McGrath.

Governor Charlie Baker and Mayor Martin J. Walsh are expected to attend. There will also be two hockey games after the rededication ceremony, as the Boston Fire Department and Boston Police Department will play a charity hockey game followed by a state tournament game involving the Boston Latin Girls Hockey Team.

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Private citizens pay dues, but the BAC is not a completely private undertaking. The facility sits on land that the Massachusetts Port Authority owns and leases at its discretion. According to public records, the BAC has enjoyed the support of the South Boston community and its elected officials over its history. It is fair to acknowledge that the Pappas family has deep ties to the South Boston community and it is likewise as fair to acknowledge that the community assumes that the relationship has an expectation of longevity for the foreseeable future.

"Just as originally planned when it first opened, the handball and racquetball courts at the BAC are

part of the sports and social fabric of this neighborhood. Generations of South Bostonians have gathered there/, and I hope that the owners will revisit this decision and find a way to preserve such a vibrant part of our community," says Rep. Nick Collins.

City Councilors Bill Linehan and Mike Flaherty jointly stated, "Handball and racquetball players at the club have supported the BAC and the Pappas Family throughout the years. They should be acknowledged for their loyalties and long-time support and not be forgotten".

Former City Councilor and current Register of Deeds Stephen Murphy, a BAC admirer, stated, "I would like it to stay as is. There are a number of residents who enjoy the sports

of handball and racquetball. Both sports are very much alive and this is a great recreational pastime. It is the reason that a certain percentage of members belong to the Boston Athletic Club."

The BAC is considered among the core South Boston community institutions that are being affected and influenced by the incredible popularity of this section of Boston. Need they be reminded that it wasn't always this popular. The neighborhood touch, the importance of tradition, and the value of loyalty is foundational to an urban enclave like South Boston. Those who thrive off of this community dynamic, including commercial and corporate enterprises, would do well to understand that the residents, at


the very least, expect a mutuality of respect. Its neighborliness, traditions and value system need not be embraced, but should certainly be factors in market assessment, when it comes to offering services or programs. This is not a one size fits all consumer market. The disposable income of new, younger and often fickle consumers can fluctuate, as new fads take hold. Older consumers are reliable.

Whatever has motivated the BAC owners and managers to accommodate the fickle to the detriment of the reliable is puzzling. When the lease renewal time comes around, who will stand up and be counted in support of the BAC? The fickle or the reliable? As of today, we'd bet neither.

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The Annual Jim Flaherty Breakfast Always A Festive Event

The annual Evacuation Day/St. Patrick's Day Breakfast in honor of the memory of the late Jim Flaherty went off on schedule last week.

Sponsored by The South Boston Citizens Association and its president, Tom McGrath, this tradition continues to add to the spirit of the season and is one of the highlights of the big lineup of events that make this time of year in South Boston very special. It was held at the beautiful Seapoint Function

Room on East Eighth Street. The food served was prepared by Domenic's Restaurant and Catering and, as it is each year, it was absolutely delicious.

Live music was provided by Bob Fowkes and Curragh's Fancy. The chairman of the event was Suffolk County Clerk of Court, Michael Donovan, who also acted as Master of Ceremonies. Tom McGrath stated that it was his honor to appoint Mike Donovan as chairman of the event, as Clerk Donovan

has always supported the fight to preserve the historical importance of Evacuation Day which coincides with St. Patrick's Day each year.

As is the custom at the Jim Flaherty breakfast, the Henry Knox Unsung Hero Awards were presented to outstanding members of the community, who have worked hard and put in valuable time and effort on behalf of the neighborhood.

This year's awards went to Mona Connolly Casper, Bobby Linehan,

Betty Flaherty and Oderra Jones. The work on the part of these four caring and concerned people help make a difference in the lives of others.

The Jim Flaherty Breakfast is one of the long-standing traditions that make the South Boston community very proud in the way it honors the memory of great men and women, who graced South Boston with their good work and contributions to the lives of their friends and neighbors. Jim Flaherty was such a man and his memory will live on forever.

Maura Doyle to Receive SBCA Presidents Award

Thomas E. McGrath, President of the South Boston Citizens Association is pleased to announce that the 2017 Presidents Award will be presented to, Maura Doyle, Clerk of the Supreme Court, for her continuous support to the president and the entire SBCA Organization at the SBCA's 137th Annual Banquet on Friday, March 17th at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center.

Tom McGrath, President of the SBCA said, "Her education, management and leadership skills are a blue print for others to follow. It is an honor for the Association to recognize Rita for her outstanding service to the Public for over 40 years."

In 1996, the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court announced their unanimous decision to appoint Maura S. Doyle as Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, the first woman to hold this position since its inception in 1693 and , and she became the first woman to be elected to Suffolk county-wide office.

Mrs. Doyle received a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice, cum laude, from Northeastern University in

1977 and a Juris Doctor from Suffolk University School of Law in 1981. She has been a member of the bar since 1981. Before joining the SJC's Clerk's office in 1992 as an Assistant Clerk, she was a civil litigator in the state and federal courts for 11 years and served as an adjunct professor at Suffolk University Law School.

Mrs. Doyle was inducted into the YWCA's Boston Academy of Women Achievers, awarded the McDermott Award for her contribution by Suffolk University Law School's Student Bar Association, the Alumni Achievement Award at Pope John XXIII High School's Commencement ceremony and later its Pinnacle Award. The Massachusetts Bar Association bestowed its Public Service Award and the Middlesex County Bar Association bestowed its President's Award.

Mrs. Doyle lives in Dorchester with her husband, Attorney Frank Doyle, and their three children. Tables are selling out fast ,so if you would like to come and join the SBCA at the 137th Annual Evacuation Day Banquet, call Tom McGrath @857-204-5825.

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and Lisbon, New Hampshire, it was refreshing to see a beautiful display of patriotism and respect when our National Anthem was being played. The two opposing teams lined up at center court, all had basketballs in hand, as they had just finished warming up. The school gym spectator stands were filled with an enthusiastic large crowd of all ages. Though the gym was noisy to this point waiting for the game to start, once the Anthem began to play, complete silence fell over the building.

The crowd stood, the men and the boys removed their hats, as custom and tradition dictates. Many placed hands over their hearts. Veterans in the crowd holding salutes. The girls on the teams, the players themselves, on both squads were also standing perfectly still, almost at attention. Not a ball was bounced on the floor, not a sound was uttered from any member of

either team, until the very last note of the National Anthem had been played. Then, and only then, did the noise and movement resume and the balls begin to bounce. The honor and pride that was displayed and the respect shown for our county's anthem and flag was a beautiful thing to behold.

We hear so many stories about disrespectful rioters burning Old Glory and some schools in places like California - especially certain colleges - doing all they can to discourage patriotism and pride in America. And it can be sad and depressing. But to witness the respect shown to our flag and our Anthem by these high schoolers at that game can restore our faith in the upcoming generation that reminded many of us who attended that night in the New Hampshire small town why we are so proud to be Americans. Well done to those young players, to the school's faculty and to the parents of those kids, who have raised them so well.

Sal Paterna to Receive SBCA John W. McCormack Public Service Award

South Boston Citizens' Association President Tom McGrath is pleased to announce that Salvatore "Sal" Paterna has been chosen to receive the John W. McCormack Public Service Award at the South Boston Citizens' Association's 137th Annual Evacuation Day Banquet, March 17, 2017. "It is an honor for the Association to present this award to Sal for his countless contributions to the betterment of South Boston and The Commonwealth of Massachusetts for well over 40 years.", McGrath said.

The Honorable Salvatore Paterna, a lifelong resident of South Boston, distinguished himself as the Clerk Magistrate at Dedham District Court. For over 25 years, Clerk Magistrate Paterna has served in this important position in our criminal justice system. Over the years, Mr. Paterna worked hard to ensure everyone with business before his court was treated with respect and dignity. In his capacity as the Clerk Magistrate, Sal Paterna also serves as the Chairman of the District Court Clerk Magistrates and a member of the Advisory Committee to Chief Justice.

Prior to his appointment as Clerk Magistrate, Mr. Paterna also served as a Massachusetts Probation Officer and as an

Assistant Chief Probation Officer, supervising probationers and assisting them with reentry services and access to training opportunities and counseling programs. Mr. Paterna is a proud graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Boston, receiving a Bachelor and Master degree.

Mr. Paterna maintains a strong connection to the people of South Boston. He is active in many organizations in the community, including serving as a mentor to many in the LST Handball Club and the LST Racquetball Club, where he won numerous awards in both sports. "Regardless if he is playing competitive sports or working in the courthouse, Mr. Paterna treats everyone with respect and dignity," said Ed Flynn, U.S. Navy (Ret).

Clerk Magistrate Paterna is recognized throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for his professionalism, hard work, and effectively supervising a busy courthouse. He is a recipient of many awards within the criminal justice system, including the Outstanding Service Award from the Norfolk County Prosecutors Association.

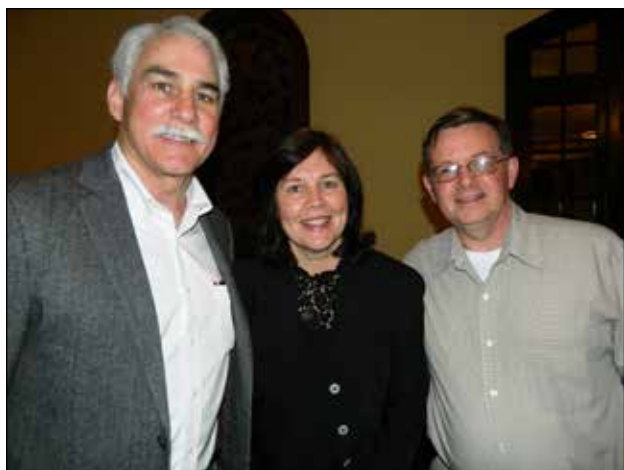
Mr. Paterna is a proud parent of three children: Deborah, Michele and Joseph, who is also an outstanding handball player. His wife Janet is deceased.

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GATEY CYO AWARD RECIPIENTS

On Saturday, February 25, the Gate of Heaven C.Y.O. held its 30th Annual Fundraiser in the Gate of Heaven Church Lower Hall. During the event the Annual Rev. Paul V. Donovan Awards for Outstanding Catholic Youth were presented. These awards have been presented annually since 1980 to individuals who exemplify the best of what it means to live out the Catholic faith in today's society. This award is presented as an expression of our pride in the youth of our parish. Among all the concerns and pressures of their lives, we hope that

they will always recognize in the Church a concerned and true friend, a true home.

The Outstanding Catholic Youth Female Award recipient was Maggie Hart and the Male recipient was Matthew Hogan. A group of alumni and friends of Father Paul White, who started the Gatey C.Y.O. and High School basketball programs back in 1964, have contributed to a scholarship fund in his memory to go along with the Catholic Youth Award. So, both Maggie and Matt will receive a one-thousand-dollar college scholarship in Father

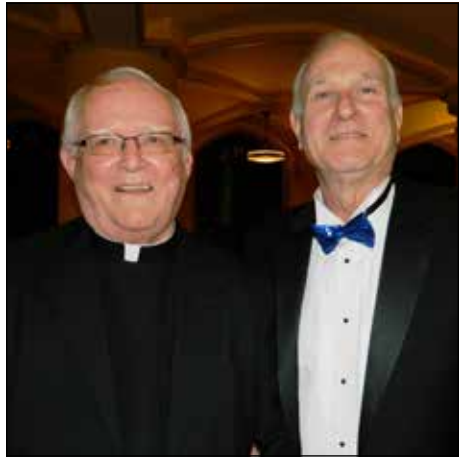
White's name. We congratulate Maggie & Matt on their award and wish them the best of luck in all their future endeavors.

The Rev. A. Paul White Award is presented annually to a woman in our community whose dedication and commitment has had a positive impact on the youth and families of the South Boston Community. Congratulations to Patricia Strumm on her award and we thank Tricia for all her hard work.

The Jack McDonough Award, which is presented each year to the outstanding male member of

the community who exemplifies Christianity in today's society and the goals of the Gate of Heaven C.Y.O. and its Alumni Association. This year's recipient was Al Florentino. We congratulate Al and his family for being selected this year's Jack McDonough Award recipient.

We would like to thank all those who attended and all our supporters who contributed and helped make this year's fundraiser a success. Thank You to all our coaches, players, staff, sponsors, alumni & friends who help make the Gatey C.Y.O. the best around.





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ing those heavy, soggy, frozen, woolen, revolutionary uniforms. 1775 was one of the coldest up to that time.

Toward the end of January 1776, Colonel Henry Knox was able to write to General Washington from Framingham that, “A noble train of artillery,” consisting of 59 pieces was ready to be turned over to the American Army at Cambridge. In late February, some 35 cannon were brought from Cambridge to Roxbury. Then, when March began, the cannon were brought from Roxbury to the area we now call Andrew Square.

Today, South Boston rises towards the middle and eastern end with large tracts of flat land on north and south coasts on the West End. Back then, the ocean on the south came up to almost Eighth Street. Moakley Park did not exist. It was water. On the north “A” Street met the Ft. Point Channel and the ocean came almost up to Second Street. Farragut Road was the shore between the ocean and Castle Island. The land itself had steep rises and deep gullies and had five points prominent above all others.

The first point is what we know to-

day as the Dorchester Heights. Then it was actually two high points called the “Twin Hills”. Just behind Perkins Square, a long, sloping, rocky hill began its climb, reaching its high point around Dorchester Street and Emerson Street. This hill reached as far west as the City parking lot on West Broadway and it was known as “Leek’s Hill”. M Street Park, before it was flattened, was known as “Bush Tree Hill” and towered over the Harbor looking directly toward the British warships anchorage. At the extreme easternmost point, the land rose to about 40 to 50 feet above the ocean at what today is Farragut & Broadway. At that time, it was called “Dorchester Point”. Finally, all the way to the west at what is now “B” & West 3rd Street stood a hill probably topping at 125 feet known alternately as “Foster’s Hill” or “Nook Hill”.

These five hills or heights were the reason and the final destination of Knox’s miraculous journey. The difficulties of this journey are wonderfully depicted in the oil paintings adorning the walls of the former South Boston Savings Bank, now Bank of America. Stop in the bank and check them out.

Part II next week. Take care till next week.

*Thank You To My
Lord God, Blessed Mother,
St. Joseph, St. Jude, St. Anthony
And my guardian angels and saints
For prayers answered.*

K.B.

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU17P0206EA

**Commonwealth Of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court**

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: John J Kelly

Date of Death: 06/21/2016

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

Thomas Kelly of 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:

Thomas Kelly of Boston MA

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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 03/30/2017. 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.

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WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong

First Justice of this Court

February 15, 2017

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of

Probate

March 2, 2017

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU17P0248EA

**Commonwealth Of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court**

Probate and Family Court

Estate of: Marion E Morani

Date of Death: 11/02/2016

Suffolk Probate and Family Court

24 New Chardon Street,

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To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by

Marian Lowd of 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:

Marian Lowd of Boston MA

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

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WITNESS, Hon. Joan P Armstrong

First Justice of this Court

February 16, 2017

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of

Probate

March 2, 2017



*This week,
Danny talked
Celtics with
Brandon Wahlberg:*

DANNY PICARD: I want your thoughts on what the Boston Celtics did — which is nothing — before the NBA Trade Deadline.

BRANDON WAHLBERG: I'm pretty disappointed. I mean, I'd rather them do nothing than make a small trade that might kind of screw things up. If they were going to make a deal, it was Jimmy Butler, for me. I wanted them to bring Jimmy to Boston.

DP: I look at what transpired before the trade deadline, I look at the Celtics doing absolutely nothing, and I guess I'm just starting to think about what the plan is. Is the plan to keep the Brooklyn pick, which, the odds are it's going to be the No. 1 overall pick? If the Celtics are set on making that pick, why would you sign Al Horford? I ask that question because, what are you going to do with Isaiah Thomas? He's a free agent after next year. If he keeps playing like this, he's going to be a max player. At least, he deserves to be.

BW: Absolutely. If he plays 80 percent of what he's doing this year, next year, he'll get a max deal.

DP: The top-two projected players in the draft are point guards. So are you drafting a point guard at No. 1 overall and keeping Isaiah and

signing him to a max deal? Is that where the Celtics are at right now? Because to me, that doesn't seem like a very wise strategy. Look, I wanted the Celtics to trade that pick and go get, like you said, Jimmy Butler. I wanted them to go get Paul George. But if you are going to make this pick and it's going to be a point guard, to me, the thought process would be to then try and trade Isaiah Thomas.

BW: Unless something happens in the NCAA Tournament that drastically changes. If Jayson Tatum goes off for Duke, he could potentially jump in there because he was the No. 1 or 2 prospect coming in. But, I think there's still hope to trade that in the offseason. I think that really happens, and I think Butler will still be the guy. I think it all depends on what happens with Chicago at the end of this year. Because Chicago is slowly breaking down the team. Tom Thibodeau is gone. And they just traded Taj Gibson, who was close with Butler. It just seems like they're slowly breaking the team down around him. And I think he still could be moved in the offseason.

DP: I think the Brooklyn pick, at least this year's, has turned out to be Danny Ainge's own worst

enemy. And I think that combines with the Cousins trade, where that's an absolute steal for New Orleans. I think he sees that and says to himself, "I'm not giving up this pick." I also think he feels that he's getting shafted by other general managers, because other general managers know he has this Brooklyn pick. And any time they're calling Ainge, they're going, "We want that pick." Other teams know that the Celtics want to make a trade and need to make a trade, and they know that they have those Brooklyn picks, so they're not going to settle for anything less when they're talking to the Celtics.

BW: I feel that Danny is in no rush to trade the Brooklyn picks because he's seen how far this team has come. If anyone out there can say they saw this team being the No. 2 seed in the East just four years after that Brooklyn trade, they'd be a liar. This team is so far ahead of schedule of what they should have been when they got rid of Paul Pierce and Kevin Garnett, that Danny shouldn't be in a rush. He shouldn't do anything that he thinks is giving up too much. This team is in better shape than it should be, and I think he takes solace in a lot

of things he sees around the league. I mean, the year before Golden State won the NBA championship, they were knocked out in the first round. So, it just takes some coming together.

DP: When I look at the the deadline, I ask myself, "What is it that Danny Ainge needed to do to help this team compete with Cleveland?"

BW: First and foremost, another go-to scorer that could create his own shot.

DP: Bingo. And it sucks to even think about it, because I would have loved to see Jimmy Butler in a Celtics uniform. I think that if you lose a playoff series against Cleveland, as currently constituted, it would be because the Celtics lacked an elite scorer on that wing that could help — with Isaiah — keep up with LeBron James and Kyrie Irving. I think if you got Butler, you could then add a big that would be serviceable enough where he could give you enough rebounding and enough defense, to where you'd then be able to keep up with the Cavaliers in a seven-game series.

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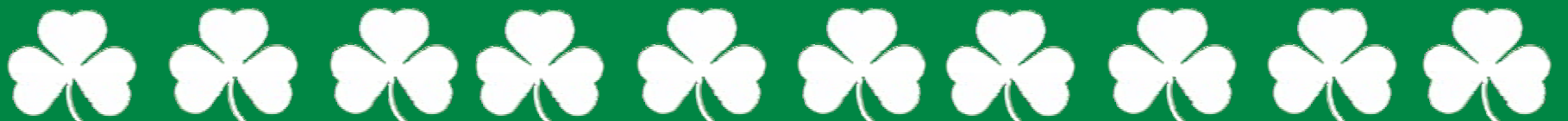
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