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GE Stock May Be Fun To Watch

s Clark expresses in his blog, General Electric's stock is unloved, underowned and under attack at present. General Electric is the worst-performing stock in the Dow for the last 10 years. The company missed its CFOA (cash flow from operating activities) by a billion dollars in the first quarter alone. After reading these statements, you would probably think it's definitely time to sell. Yet, he says now is exactly the time to buy.

Opportunities to buy great companies at a discount don't happen when the company is firing on all cylinders. What's more, several

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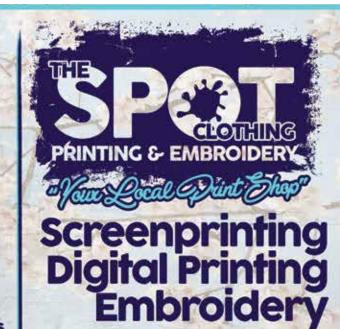
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EDITORIAL

From London to Boston, the Terrorists are Watching

tacks in England over the weekend and the others there just days prior should make it obvious to all that the 'jihadists' have no intention of laying down their arms and 'embracing peace'. Beyond the attacks on 911, they've hit us hard here in America too - in California, Florida and several other locations and certainly close to our homes here during the Boston Marathon bombing. If anyone

believes for a minute that they won't do it again, if given the chance, they are not thinking clearly or perhaps not even thinking at all.

Many terrorism experts agree that Western Europe has become the target of choice. It is a 'soft target' for now because of the leaders in those countries lack of will to take the stands and steps to do what's necessary to put an end to the slaughter. The majority of Americans on the other

hand have refused to let our country become so vulnerable. More Americans now understand the need to regulate, with extreme vetting, who comes and goes here.

Our Constitution protects our rights to possess the tools to defend ourselves and we are certainly not foolish enough to demand that our police go unarmed, as is the case in some Europeans countries. Our willingness to stand shoulder to shoulder with our police and

military and support them with actions when necessary, as well as being able to defend ourselves as individuals, does not go unnoticed by the terrorists. They prefer easier targets and they have found them in England, France and Germany.

So far, America has not gone down the foolish path that Western Europe has. As citizens of the greatest country in the world, let's make sure our elected leaders never allow that to happen.

"We must stop being politically correct and get down to the business of security" - President Donald Trump



Flag Retirement Ceremony Wednesday, June 14th at 11am at Castle Island. Public Invited

ext Wednesday, June 14th, is Flag Day and the annual Flag Retirement Ceremony will take place at Fort Independence at Castle Island. It begins at 11: am. It's open to the public and admission is free. This is a formal ceremony which will demonstrate the proper way to dispose of or 'retire' the Flag of the United States of America – Old Glory/ The Stars and Stripes.

Most know that when disposing of an old, faded or ripped and shredded flag Americans do not simply throw them away. They are incinerated the proper way and that will be on display Wednesday. Any member of the public who is in possession of a flag that should be disposed of is invited to bring it to the ceremony on Wednesday the 14th and it will be retired with other flags. If you do have a flag to

dispose of, please have it at the Fort before 11am as the ceremony is set to begin promptly at 11.

On hand will be a color guard as well as other military units. The event will take place inside the Fort on the parade grounds. The Flag Retirement Ceremony is sponsored by the Castle Island Association, the Paul J. Saunder's VFW Post #6536, The Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post # 561 and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

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Meltdowns Over Climate Deal And More

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Note: talk back to John Ciccone by email at jciccone@southbostontoday.com

hat's becoming one of the favorite pastimes for millions of Americans is watching the reactions of so many 'progressives', regarding the United State's departure from what's called the Paris Climate Treaty and other world events taking place that they find themselves powerless to stop. The foaming at the mouth, the exploding heads, the uncontrollable meltdowns and the stream of hate filled, profanity laced statements coming from the mouths of unfunny comics and other self-described pillars of tolerance is to the point of being hilarious. As far as the climate change deal is concerned if you read it closely - and I did - every page, you know that the people who were expected to foot the lion's share of the astronomical cost were the American taxpayers. Plus, it would be

our country that would be burdened the most with cutting back on energy production, while the biggest polluters in the world get a free pass for years.

Two of the many comments going viral on social media by people happy that we pulled out of that deal pretty much say it all. The first: "There is nothing keeping the nearly 200 other countries from going forward participating in the Paris Climate Accord. They just won't have America to fund their share. So, we'll now see just how important and real climate change is to the Europeans." And the other statement is: "The world says the Climate Deal is unworkable without US participation. Well yes, of course. The whole point was for America's taxpayers to become the world's ATM machine."

It's no surprise that a deal that could have helped cripple the US economy

was pushed so hard by Barak Obama and his disciples. 'America First' was definitely not their priority. Thankfully, with this White House, it is now. And something else that isn't surprising is how the biggest critics - those screaming loudest - over America pulling out of the deal are some of the same people who adamantly refuse to stop flying around in their private jets, being chauffeured in giant SUV's and Limos, sailing in their multi-million dollar polluting yachts and living in mansions that consume 20 times the amount of energy as does the average American home. The names of course are familiar. Among the long list of phonies and hypocrites are John Kerry, Barbara Streisand, Leonardo DiCaprio and the biggest fraud of all - Al Gore. Oh, and did you know that according to the ACLU, America getting out of this deal

is racist? Isn't everything now? Watching these people come unglued really does make my day.

It's difficult to refrain from commenting on Hilary Clinton's ever-growing list of whom and what caused her to lose the 2016 election so here goes. Last week, in addition to the Russians and Putin, Talk Radio, the Vast Right-Wing Conspiracy, Sean Hannity, Deplorable Conservatives, Comey and the FBI, the CIA, Wiki leaks, the NRA, sexism, racism, the Military Industrial Complex, police unions and dozens of other entities, she just added the following: voter suppression, a secret group of online hackers from Macedonia and even the DNC. It's suspected that still to come will be Climate Change, sour milk and Tibetan Goat Herders. She's causing so much embarrassment that even some

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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.

Tax collections up, coffers still low

The state's tax collections were actually up in May, ending a months-long slide in revenues that have contributed to a major state budget shortfall, reports the Associated Press at WBUR. Still, even though May's revenues were \$30 million above benchmark forecasts, the shortfall lawmakers are staring at stands at a revised \$439

million, with just a month left in the fiscal year. So what's the administration doing? Gov. Baker yesterday sounded confident that his team can handle it, saying the shortfall is "not that big a number" and that the administration has had months now to make adjustments, reports Matt Murphy at SHNS (pay wall). "Every year things happen, and because things

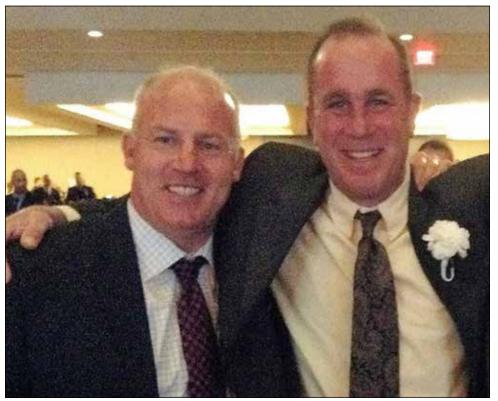
happen there are many line items in the budget that don't end up actually spending their full appropriation," he said.

'Things happen'? With a slight variation, it sounds like a familiar T-shirt saying, not a budget strategy. But if it works for the governor ...

High-tech CEO and economist break ranks, endorse millionaire's tax

Carbonite's Mohamad Ali is not going to be the most popular figure at today's Mass High Tech Annual Meeting, assuming he goes. Ali and Northeastern University economist Alan Clayton-Matthews are breaking ranks with other corporate officials and economists by endorsing the proposed 'millionaire's tax,' saying in a Globe op-ed that it's needed to get the state's education and infrastructure systems back on track. Btw: House Speaker Robert DeLeo is saying there's a "good possibility" that the House and Senate will vote next week to advance the income tax proposal.





Boston Water and Sewer Commission Employees Honored by Boston Fire Department

Pair Awarded Outstanding Civilian Service Award for Courage on Dartmouth Street

wo long time employees of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission were awarded with the Outstanding Civilian Service Award by Boston Fire Department at the 138th Annual Ball and Awards Ceremony held Thursday evening in Boston. On October 21, 2016, Commission employees Billy O'Brien, from South Boston, and John Greeley, from Hyde Park had just finished work on a different job, when they got word

there was an emergency on Dartmouth Street in Boston's South End. Working alongside Boston Fire and EMS, they worked for hours to respectfully assist in the recovery of two workers trapped in a trench, which had collapsed and filled with water during construction work by a private contractor.

Boston Fire Commissioner Joseph Finn commended O'Brien and Greeley's quick response, willingness to offer their expertise in a stressful emergency incident, and their respect for the privacy of the victims and their families. The pair received one of two awards honoring non-fire department personnel during the Boston Fire Department's ceremony Thursday. "The Commission is honored by Boston Fire's acknowledgment of our brave employees' assistance during this tragic accident," Boston Water and Sewer Commission Executive Director Henry F. Vitale. "O'Brien

and Greeley, and the entire Commission, keep the victims and their families in their thoughts and prayers."

O'Brien, a Commission foreman, and Greeley, a special heavy equipment operator, attended the ceremony with their families. Reflecting on their work that day, O'Brien and Greeley share the same thought, "We didn't know who they were; it didn't matter. We kept thinking about their families."





How We're Making Boston an Age-Friendly City

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh

hat does it mean to be an age-friendly city? It means a city that adapts its structures and services to provide accessibility and inclusion to residents of all ages and abilities. That's why we've created the Age-Friendly Boston Action Plan to serve as our City's blueprint to make Boston the best city to live and age in.

Older Bostonians are the fastest growing segment of Boston's population, and we have a duty to focus on making our City as friendly and inclusive to our residents as they age. Together with the community, we've identified important growth opportunities and will provide real, impactful solutions to those who live here.

In 2014, Boston signed onto the World Health Organization (WHO)'s network of Age-Friendly Cities, and we began to look at how we can make our City better for all. In the past two years, we held over 30 listening sessions in four languages, received 3,700 survey responses in six languages, and heard the voices of over 4,000 older adults represented from 23 neighborhoods. Along with the feedback gained from our residents, 70 organizations participated in developing our plan. The result is Boston's firstever Age-Friendly Action Plan, led by our Elderly Commission and involving more than 25 City departments. The plan consists of 75 action items that will make us

an age-friendly city.

Determining how best to make Boston more age-friendly has been a grassroots effort made up of diverse voices ages 50 and over from all of Boston's neighborhoods. We made it our goal to reach every corner of Boston to deeply engage with our communities and find out what their needs are. We wanted to find out what the strengths and weaknesses our City has so that we can keep what's working the way it is and make changes where we should.

The 75 action items we identified touch upon eight main concerns of living and aging well in a city. They are: housing, transportation, outdoor spaces and buildings, community support and health services, civic engagement and employment, social participation, respect and social inclusion; and communication and information.

When looking at housing, it became clear to us that one of the main concerns was whether residents would be able to stay in their homes and neighborhoods as they age. That's why we've decided to focus on increasing access to tax-relief programs, home repair and other homeowner support programs including education sessions for renters, and better coordination of services to prevent displacement.

Transportation was another major concern as reduced mobility is often something that accompanies older age. Together with our Go Boston 2030 and Vision Zero initiatives, we plan to create Age-Friendly walking spaces near high concentrations of

older residents. This means adding improved crosswalk timing and markings, good lighting, places to take a rest and sidewalks that are easily navigable so that those with reduced mobility can get around too.

We know access to outdoor spaces is important to our residents as they age. The Age Friendly Boston Action Plan will make sure that the park redesign planning process is inclusive of older adults, resulting in parks that are good for people of all ages.

Community health and support systems are key to improving the lives of older residents. In our plan, Boston will work to reduce social isolation, improve economic security, and support those with dementia and their caregivers. My own grandmother suffered from dementia, and I know how important it is for families to have access to support and resources they need.

Respect and social inclusion are the cornerstones to happy, healthy communities for all. In our Age-Friendly Action Plan, we will partner with Boston Main Streets to train our local businesses on age and dementia-friendly business practices so that we can make sure our older residents have the respect they need and deserve.

Boston's older residents have a wealth of experience, skills and talent. We will connect older adults to volunteer opportunities, recognize them for their contributions and identify and address the barriers that exist in employment for those over 50. In Boston, we will be mapping opportunities for engagement and identifying any gaps that exist in our programming, as well as looking at the way we promote our events so that more of our older adults feel connected to the community.

Finally, we're making our communications and information services more age-friendly. In compiling our report and action plan, we learned that Boston residents want to know how to get involved and how they can access programs and supports. To do this, the Elderly Commission will create a comprehensive communication strategy to reach older Bostonians.

This plan ties in with many of our other city-wide planning efforts including Go Boston 2030, our transportation plan; Housing a Changing City, our housing plan; Vision Zero Boston, our pledge to end fatal and serious traffic crashes; and finally Imagine Boston 2030, our strategic plan for the decade to come. While our City has many plans, we have one goal: make Boston the best place for each and every one of our unique residents.

This plan wouldn't have been possible without our partners at AARP, the partnership formed between our Elderly Commission and the UMass Boston Gerontology Institute, and support from the Tufts Health Plan Foundation. I encourage you to visit boston.gov/age-friendly to read the full plan, and learn about how we're making Boston an Age-Friendly city.



BCYF Curley Community Center, Mass Kiting, South Boston Neighborhood House, Greater Boston YMCA and YES from South Boston were among the 27 organizations that received Better Beaches Program grants from Save the Harbor/Save the Bay to support free beach events and programs this summer.

Better Beaches Awards Announced

ave the Harbor/Save the Bay awarded more than \$55,000 in Better Beaches Program Grants to support more than 40 free beach events and activities on the Boston Harbor region's public beaches this summer in a ceremony on Boston's Fish Pier on Saturday, June 3rd, 2017.

Among the 27 organizations from Nahant to Nantasket that received grants this year were five with programs in South Boston. BCYF Curley Community Center received \$3500 for the Curley Community Center Summer Series, Mass Kiting received \$1000 for the 3rd Annual International Kite Surfing Film Festival, South Boston Neighborhood House received \$3500 for Family Fun Nights on the Beach and Olliepalooza, Greater Boston YMCA received \$2500 for free swimming lessons at Carson Beach, and YES received \$1767 for their program Outdoor Adventure: Stand-Up Paddleboard for Boston Youth. You can find a complete list on Save

the Harbor's blog, Sea, Sand & Sky at www.blog.savetheharbor.orghttp://www.blog.savetheharbor.org

In 2016, Save the Harbor and the Department of Conservation and Recreation awarded \$219,442 in small grants and additional organizational support to 43 groups in 9 beachfront communities and waterfront neighborhoods. These groups in turn leveraged our funds with \$454,990 in cash and in-kind support from local government and businesses and more than 8,800 volunteer hours to support 107 free concerts, fitness boot-camps, beach festivals, sand raking demonstrations and sand sculpting competitions.

Late last year the Baker/Polito Administration cut \$98 million from the budget, including all funds to support free events and programs on the metropolitan beaches in Lynn, Nahant, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy and Hull this summer. Consequently, all of the grants for the Better Beaches Program



From left to right: Bryan Van Dorpe of YES, Chris Alexander and Jean Dunoyer of MassKiting, Cheryl Itri of the South Boston Neighborhood House, Jeremy Stiles of the YMCA of Greater Boston, Patty Foley; President of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, Susan Hamilton; Metropolitan Beaches Commissioner and Director of Park Operations at the Department of Conservation and Recreation, Joe Newman; Board Chair of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay.

in 2017 come from the proceeds of the Harpoon Shamrock Splash, where 250 brave souls jumped into the cold waters of M Street Beach in South Boston in March to raise money for free programs on their beach.

"In May the House and the Senate restored funding for this program for FY2018," said Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's President Patty Foley. "I urge the Governor fully fund Metropolitan Beaches line item in the budget, and to make the funds available as soon as possible, so we can continue to invest in these free programs, which are so important to the region's kids and families,"

This year's Better Beaches Program Grants will fund concerts and sand sculpting competitions, beach festivals, movie nights, free kayak lessons and aquatics instruction, Art on the Shore and Storytelling by the Sea on public beaches from Nahant to Nantasket.

Save the Harbor also thanked their foundation funding partners,

The Boston Foundation, the Richard Saltonstall Charitable Foundation, and the Harold Whitworth Pierce Charitable Trust for their support.

Thanks as well to corporate sponsors Harpoon Brewery, JetBlue, P&G Gillette, National Grid, Beacon Capital Partners, LLC, Airbrush Unlimited, Inc., Comcast, Google and the hundreds of individual participants and donors to the Harpoon Shamrock Splash, and a special thanks to Syam Buradagunta and the Blue Sky Collaborative, whose fundraising platform has helped make the Better Beaches Program a success since its inception in 2008.

To learn more about the Better Beaches Program visit Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's blog, Sea, Sand & Sky at www.blog.savetheharbor. orghttp://www.blog.savetheharbor.org/, or follow savetheharbor on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

You can make a contribution to help Save the Harbor "Share the Harbor" this summer herehttps://act.myngp.com/Forms/-5097381485476444160>.



A Big Southie shout out to the Summer Interns at Julie's!

From L to R - Bob Monahan, Executive Director of Julie's, pictured with Summer Interns assigned to Julies; Lorranye Britto Assis from Emanuel; Madison Smith from Colgate and Emily Brideen McCarthy from Emanuel being introduced to the weekly Farmers Market on West Broadway.

























The South Boston Farmers Market Is Officially Open!

SBT Staff Report

he South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation (SBNDC), sponsor of the South Boston Farmers Market, celebrated their 15th season of bringing fresh fruits, vegetables, meats and not to forget homemade goodies like cookies, pies and cakes to their Monday location on 446 West Broadway. Now, mind you the weather was giving Maren Tobler (Manager) and her staff Coleman Flaherty and Grace Stanfield a wet and windy challenge, while setting up for the event's opening.

The theme for this year's opening day is "Health and Wellness". Music

was provided by Lou & Jan Borelli of Borelli Music. Toes were tapping, a few twirls were seen and a few choruses of 'Singing In The Rain' could be heard! The Spring bounty was plentiful as Kelly from Freitas Farm in Middleboro and Wenger's Farm in Bellingham displayed their produce, jams and baked goods for sale. The popular items from the farms were fresh tomatoes, lettuce, cucumbers, asparagus and zucchini. Remember what Mom always said, eat your vegetables! Also present was Jay from Shamrock Hive Farm in Sterling, selling fresh beef, chicken and pork, no hormones, no antibiotics. I'll tell you the rib eye looked delicious.

Representing the "Wellness" part

of the day's theme was Alisha and Lauren from South Boston Yoga, raffling off a gift card to the studio. South Boston Community Health Center was there as well as Elysha from Tufts. Both health care affiliates came with informative brochures about what each has to offer and great give away items. South Boston Community Champion was there with their display of how much sugar is in an array of popular drinks that people of all ages consume. Actually seeing the amount will make you stop and think...save your health, teeth and waistline, H2O is the winner every time!

The Market season runs from June 5th thru October 30th, from Noon to 6:00PM every Monday and it's rain or shine. Maren and her staff are not afraid of a little wet weather as you can see and Maren, in her third year managing the Market is determined to spread the word and assist people to be healthy.

A few friends stopped by to see the Market and say hello. Bob Monahan from Julie's Learning Center was showing the new interns around the Market and District Two City Councilor Candidate Ed Flynn came to show his support. New vendors and guests will be joining the Market as the season progresses, so stop by on your way to work, home from work, lunch or just strolling Broadway and help support the Farmers Market for another season.



Sail Boston Unveils South Boston Transportation and Access to Viewing Areas

he long awaited Grand Parade of Sail, featuring over fifty magnificent ships from more than a dozen countries, will mark the official start of Sail Boston 2017. This free celebration of maritime culture and history unfolds in and around Boston's waterfront from June 17 – 22, and the Parade of Sail on June 17 kicks off the five-day event in grand style.

In anticipation of thousands of spectators along Boston's waterfront, the City's Police and Transportation Departments, along with the Coast Guard, Massport, MBTA, and representatives from Sail Boston, recently completed a series of public briefings in those communities that will experience the greatest influx of attendees to watch the Parade of Sail. To ensure everyone's safety and maximize enjoyment of this stunning spectacle, a number of measures will be implemented, mostly on Parade of Sail day only, to limit vehicular access as well as implementing stadium style screenings.

These security protocols are very similar to those employed in recent years by the organizers of the Bos-

ton Pops July 4th celebration on the Esplanade, as well as the Boston Marathon from Kenmore Square to the finish line in Copley Square. Measures include street closings, restricted vehicular access and parking, and screening entry points along the Boston waterfront from Castle Island in South Boston, to Charlestown Navy Yard, and in East Boston as well.

STREET CLOSINGS AND RE-STRICTIONS THAT WILL BE IN EFFECT IN SOUTH BOSTON

Parking will be prohibited on the following roads on Saturday, June 17 from 12:01 AM to 4:00 PM.

- Farragut Rd. Northbound Lane/Park side
- Day Blvd. G St. to Farragut Rd.
- Northern Ave. Congress St. to Tide St.
- Tide St. Drydock Ave. to Northern Ave.

Parking will be prohibited and the following roads will be closed to traffic on Saturday, June 17 from 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

- B St. inbound Congress St. to Northern Ave.
- WTC Ave. Massport Haul to Northern Ave.
- Northern Ave. B St. to Congress St.

- Seaport Ln. Hotel Entrance to Northern Ave.
- D St. outbound- Beyond garage exit to. Northern Ave.
- D St. inbound Park Ln. to Northern Ave.

The following roads will be closed to traffic beginning at 6:00 AM on June 17 and will reopen at 4:00 PM.

- Shore Rd. Farragut Rd. to Day Blvd.
- Day Blvd. East Broadway to Castle Island

Public Viewing sites will be on the Harborwalk and at Castle Island. Prohibited Items Include:

- Coolers on wheels
- Backpacks
- Firearms, Weapons, Sharp Objects or Fireworks
- Glass Containers
- Cans
- Pre-mixed Beverages
- Grills, Propane Tanks or Open Flames
- Alcoholic Beverages
- Pop up Tents/Canopies
- Bicycles
- Wagons or Pull Carts
- Pets (Except Service Animals)
- Drones

Allowed Items Include:

- Blankets or Tarps (MAX Size 10'x10')
- Folding/Beach Chairs
- Coolers, carried in by shoulder strap or single handle
- Small clutch bags/purses that are easily searchable
- Diaper bags that are easily searchable
- Baby Strollers
- Umbrellas
- Glass baby bottles

For the most up to date information on street closings, event schedules, and more please visit www.sailboston.com & download the Sail Boston App for Android & iPhone



FLYNN TO HOST TIME IN SOUTH BOSTON

d Flynn, candidate for **Boston City Council** ✓ District 2, will host a campaign event on Thursday, June 15. The event will take place at Touchie's Shamrock Pub at 6:00pm. Flynn's campaign has been picking up momentum in recent weeks with significant endorsements from local elected officials, organized labor, and a growing campaign organization. Flynn said, "I'm excited by the momentum we've been experiencing out on the campaign trail. Every day, I'm out meeting with voters and talking about our shared priorities for Boston - great schools, safe neighborhoods, open and responsive government, and the need to stand up for our communities when it comes to development." He continued, "As City Councilor, I will be an independent voice for the entire district, ensuring that residents always come first."

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leaders of the Democrat Party are asking her to please, just go away.

I'll close with this. The attacks in Britain and other European countries are tragic, but not surprising. The Islamic terrorists are doing exactly what they said they would do - infiltrate that continent and then start killing innocent people. This of course is exactly what they have planned for us as well. The attackers cannot be reasoned with or appeased and as

soon as the reality challenged Europeans realize this, if they ever do, the quicker they will be able to defend themselves. If they aren't willing to do what's necessary to fight back, how long it will be before they are living under the control of Sharia

Law is anyone's guess, but some historians believe it might not be all that long. Thank God, most Americans haven't lost that rugged individualist spirit that has kept us free and relatively safe and the will to do what's necessary to remain so.

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125 B St UNIT3B \$855,000	5/8/17	3	2	1055
Condo				
355 K St UNIT 2 \$855,000	5/8/17	5	2.5	1198
Condo				
41 Farragut Rd UNIT 2 \$845,000	5/5/17	6	2	1405
Condo				
150 Dorchester Ave UNIT 606 \$820,000	5/4/17	3	1	1116
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858 East Second St UNIT 3 \$790,000	5/5/17	4	2	1231
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776 Summer Street LLC

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HRP 776 Summer Street LLC. (the "Proponent") seeks to redevelop an approximately 15.2-acre site located at 776 Summer Street in the South Boston neighborhood of Boston. The rehabilitated and new buildings are anticipated upon completion of the full build-out to contain approximately 2.1 million square feet of residential, office, hotel, retail, restaurant, and other commercial uses, together with ancillary parking (the "Proposed Project").

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Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary



Family Fun Day at Marine Park

espite Mother Nature's gloomy mood for the month of June thus far, The South Boston Mom's Club brought a ray of sunshine to Marine Park for Family Fun Day. Children of all ages were entertained, participated or spectated in one of the many shows, dances, games, bouncy castles and slides throughout the day.

It was great fun that the whole fam-

ily enjoyed together. Walking through the crowd it was easy to see that fun was certainly the theme of the day. There was music to please the ears of all, great food, and the ice cream truck sold lots of Minion and Spiderman ice creams. Then there was the bubble machine, who doesn't love bubbles! The shrieks and laughter of happy children filled the air from start to finish. Mayor Walsh stopped by to say







































hello as well as City Councilor At- Large, Michael Flaherty, along with District Two City Councilor Candidates Ed Flynn and Michael Kelly.

This event is sponsored by the South Boston Mom's Club and has become a much anticipated pre-summer tradition. When it was over, the kids were exhausted (and of course, the parents were too) from a day of excitement and a wonderful and positive experience at Marine Park as it has been each and every year. Family Fun Day has been held and will hopefully continue to be for many years to come. Congratulations to the South Boston Mom's Club for another year of success and a job well done...Bravo!



LGBTQIA Artist Alliance's Celebrates Arts Culture

he Boston LGBTQIA Artist Alliance's (BLAA) latest exhibition, Hydra Effect*, opens June 5th at the Midway Studios Gallery in Fort Point, and features the work of 15 Boston area artists working in a range of media. A closing reception is planned for July 7 from 6-8pm. Hydra Effect is an exploration and celebration of the cultural value and significance of the arts in the current political climate, and a testament to the determination and resilience of LGBTQIA artists who have continued

making work over the years despite hostile conditions.

Harking back to the "NEA Four" and the conservative establishment's attack on arts funding in the 80s/90s, the imminent future promises to be a historical moment in which the arts are again directly challenged. History repeats itself. This multimedia exhibition serves as a platform for LGBTQIA artists to engage with this moment in their own unique and distinctive voices. Work ranges from revolutionary to visionary, from angry to celebratory, from local to global.

How do we make art when there are urgent political crises taking place around us? What makes art important and vital, to ourselves and to others? When our resources are cut off, how do we combine forces and propagate our ideas? How do we respond when threatened? Overall, the show functions as part of a larger collective conversation about the necessity of the arts in society.

The show runs June 5- July 14, 2017 with a closing reception on

July 7 from 6-8pm.

Artists- Lauren Alindogan, Dave J Bermingham, Leah Corbett, Nicholas Costopolous, Jamieson Edson, Ena Kantardzic, Topher Lineberry, Jill Ma, Kolin Perry, Joey Phoenix, Mary Provenzano, Renee Silva, Oona Taper, Dennis Tsai, and Abigail Wamboldt.

About the Juror-Silví Naçí is a curator and artist living and working in Boston. Her family moved to the U.S. from a war zone (formerly Communist) for a better life in 2001, two months prior to 9/11. Naci studied at the Instituto Cultural de Oaxaca (Oaxaca, Mexico 2004), Studio Art Centers International (Florence, Italy 2008), and graduated from the New England School of Art & Design at Suffolk University with a dual degree in Fine Arts & Graphic Design (2011). She was a curatorial intern at MIT's LIST Visual Arts Center (Cambridge, MA), the Cloud Foundation (Boston, MA) and Artists for

Humanity (South Boston, MA). Naci served as Assistant Director at Samsøñ (Boston, MA), Art Director at the Liquid Art House (Boston, MA) and curator at the Fourth Wall Project (Boston, MA), the Distillery Gallery (South Boston, MA), and the Blanc Gallery (Dorchester, MA). Currently, Naci works on her studio practice, as independent curator, staff writer and editor at Big Red & Shiny.

About BLAA- The Boston LG-BTQIA Artist Alliance is an artist run, volunteer organization that is dedicated to building community through exhibition opportunities, events, workshops, artist talks, performances, and other creative social outlets. We welcome all who identify under the LGBTQIA Spectrum, or produce creative work that falls under these categories. Learn more at www.blaa.us

*Hydra Effect: The hydra effect or hydra paradox owes its name to the Greek legend of the Lernaean Hydra which grew two heads for each one cut off, and is used figuratively for counter-intuitive effects of actions to reduce a problem which result in stimulating its multiplication.

Youth Ambassadors Partner with Habitat for Humanity

n a sunny Saturday during Memorial Day weekend a group of teens from the SB Community Health Center's Youth Ambassadors Program spent the day constructing a home for a deserving family in the Boston area. Working side by side with the family and members of Habitat for Humanity, the teens helped with building the house's second story by cutting and preparing the wood for framing. For the past twelve years the Youth

Ambassadors program has engaged teens ages 12 -18 in community service projects, health education and art-based activities. Alumni from the Youth Ambassadors also joined the group and used the skills they've gained on past nationwide disaster relief service trips to Mississippi, New Orleans, New York, Alabama and Detroit.

Throughout the years Youth Ambassadors have donated countless hours of service and, in the process,

gained a great sense of gratification from helping others. The Youth Ambassadors meet weekly during the school year to plan projects and activities designed to expand their knowledge of how to live a healthy and satisfying life. In addition, many work during the summer on neighborhood beautification projects in South Boston

Joining in this day were Youth Ambassadors alumni Taylor Kimball and Shayne Perkins along with Youth Ambassadors Agustin Esnal, Devin O'Neill, Brooke Steadman and Noah White. Boston College Graduate Student Intern Grace Coughlin coordinated the day and Mayra Rodriguez-Howard also participated.

It was a great day of hard, rewarding work!

If you would like more information about the Youth Ambassadors program please contact Linda Doran @ the South Boston Community Health Center 617-464-7463.

Student Fares MBTA Available in July and August

or the first time, student fares will be valid and available to qualifying middle and high school students this summer, providing reduced-fare MBTA access to 50,000 students.

Student fares in previous years were only available during the school year from September 1 through June 30, causing students to purchase the full fare of a trip or pass during the summer months. After a vote last year by the Fiscal and Management Control Board

to expand the student program, student fares became available year-round last September.

During this school year, up to 29,000 students per month used a monthly pass. In the busiest month, approximately 1,600 student passes were loaded at fare vending machines with 27,500 school-purchased student passes per month. Students use the MBTA more often than the average rider with a median of forty-two unlinked trips compared to thirty-six for all monthly passes. Students also use

their cards for stored value with approximately 18,000 students using stored value at least once between October and April.

At any time during the calendar year, the Student Stored Value CharlieCard (S-Card) allows qualifying students from participating schools to purchase half-price trips on subway, bus, commuter rail, and ferry and also allows the purchase of a monthly Student Pass for \$30 (regular monthly passes are available for \$84.50). Student CharlieCards with

school-purchased passes during the school year (M7s) will also function as S-Cards during July and August, allowing all students the half-price fare and discounted \$30 monthly pass.

Middle and high school students should keep the Student CharlieCards provided by their school. Lost cards can only be replaced by a student's school. All cards will expire on September 1 and students will receive new cards at the start of the next school year.

For more information regarding student passes and fares, please visit mbta.com.

What's up with Construction at Murphy Rink?

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY - By Staff

outh Boston Today has been contacted recently by neighbors concerned by what they say seems to be a halt in the construction at the DCR's Murphy skating rink. It appears that there has been a slow down or perhaps even a work stoppage at the site and residents want to know why. The word around town is that there could be a problem with the installation of new compressors which are part of the \$5 Million renovations funding package that has been promised for the rink.

South Boston Today contacted the DCR and they responded promptly with the following:

"Currently, the DCR is on schedule for the installation of the new state of the art compressor for the Murphy Memorial Rink in South Boston. The agency is taking proactive steps to install the energy efficient compressor which will replace an antiquated, unreliable system which will ensure that the people of South Boston are

provided with excellent ice skating opportunities for years to come. Importantly, the compressor upgrade serves as another example of the Baker-Polito Administration's dedication to renovating the Murphy Rink which recently received over \$5 Million in improvements."

These include:

- -Improvements to the locker room facilities including toilets, showers, heating and lighting. -Improvements to the existing lobby...
- -A new Skate Shop area.
 -Improvements to the ice rink's dasher boards, protective glass and protective netting around all rink areas.
- -New handicapped accessible team bench areas and rink access.
- -Expansion of ADA seating and circulation.
- -Upgrades to the fire alarm system and for facility wide detection and notification.
- -Placement of a new scoreboard emblazoned with the 'Murphy Rink' name.
- -Upgrades to the new multimedia system including new

audio equipment and television.
-Improvements to the ice rink roof structure.

DCR's statement concluded by saying "While work schedules can be complex, the DCR anticipates the opening of Murphy Memorial Rink for the season in mid-Fall 2017."

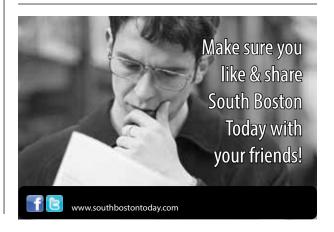
The improvement list is certainly impressive and when all is complete, it will be an excellent facility and hopefully it will be widely used by the neighborhood. What still isn't clear at this writing however are two points: The first is by stating the anticipated opening will be by mid-Fall, does this now negate the promised September opening? The second is why has there been what appears to be a halt in the work taking place and when will it resume? These questions are important to the many people of all ages who look forward to the skating season; including the hockey programs that must plan their schedules ahead of time. South Boston Today will continue to seek answers to the remaining questions and keep our readers informed.



GE Stock May Be Fun To Watch Continued from front page

tailwinds for the stock are present. President Trump's corporate tax reform, regulatory relief, and infrastructure stimulus plans are still on the table. Clark believe these efforts will get approved and will substantially impact General Electric's bottom line.

So, why not make the daily monitoring of GE a little more interesting. Add following GE stock to your daily alerts from Southie Community Bulletin or coffee shop buzz. Could be a nice Christmas or could be more coal.





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SOUTH BOSTON SR BABE RUTH TAKES HOME OPENER

he South Boston Sr. Babe Ruth team opened up the 2017 season on Sunday, June 4th as the locals welcomed the Wollaston Black team to Joe Moakley Park. The game was high scoring affair that saw a combined 22 runs scored between the two teams before a large and lively crowd who came out for the home opener.

Wollaston jumped on South Boston starter Ray Ortiz to take a quick 3-0 lead after scoring a run in the first inning and then pushing across 2 more in the top of the 2nd inning. The Southie offense put runners in scoring position in each of the first three innings but the Wollaston defense clammed down at the right times with timely plays to keep the home team off the scoreboard.

The big inning for the Southie bats came in the 4th inning where the team exploded for 7 runs after taking advantage of several fielding miscues by Wollaston. After trading runs in the 5th inning Wollaston made the game interesting plating 3 runs in the top of the 6th to pull within 2 making it 9-7 Southie. The drama was short lived

though as Southie took advantage of a tired Wollaston bullpen for another offensive outburst of 6 runs in the bottom half of the 6th inning to make it 15-7 good guys which is how the game would end.

Starter Ray Ortiz earned the win after 4 innings on the mound. Knuckleball specialist Chris Baio kept the Wollaston hitters off balance with two innings out of the bullpen and hard throwing righty Nate Duncan slammed the door shut in the 7th inning. Hitters for Southie included Reinaldo Pimental (single, double, 2

RBI's) and Joey Maiullari (deep double) while Brian Baez, Ray Ortiz, Morgan Curtis, Pat Lynch, Tim Lynch, Ryan Richards, Corey Kelly, and Kyle Cheever all added a single apiece.

Looking ahead the team will travel to Milton on Thursday June 8th to take on the defending league champions before returning to Moakley Park for home games against Wollaston Red on Friday June 9th and Monday June 12th against Norwood. All games time are 6pm and all are welcome to attend.

"Dedham Savings Free Ice Cream Day"

edham Savings will be sponsoring an ice cream give-away event in South Boston on June 21st from 12pm-2pm to celebrate the first day of summer! An ice cream truck from Frozen Hoagies (www.frozenhoagies.com) will be parked at the Laboure Center, 275 West Broadway, in South Boston giving away

delicious ice cream sandwiches! Plus, there will be a raffle for the chance to win a pair of Red Sox tickets when you post a picture of your ice cream sandwich and tag "@DedhamSavings"! Terms and conditions apply while supplies last. This event is not just for kids; it's a perfect treat for the lunch crowd in South Boston too!

*No purchase necessary. You must be 18 years of age or older. You cannot be an employee of Dedham Savings or its subsidiaries or advertising and promotion agencies, or be living at the same address as one of their employees, or be a dependent of one of their employees. One entry per person. In order to enter the raffle, you must post a picture of your visit to Dedham Savings Ice Cream Give-away event on social media and tag Dedham Savings. If you cannot attend the event, you can email your entry to news@dedhamsavings.com. Entries must be received by 11:59 pm on Wednesday, June 21, 2017. Winner will be drawn and contacted via Facebook, email or phone on Thursday, June 22, 2017. The Red Sox are not affiliated with this event.





Outdoor Pools and Family Friendly Beach Open June 17

he City of Boston's two outdoor pools, the BCYF Clougherty Pool in Charlestown and the BCYF Mirabella Pool in the North End are opening for the season on Saturday, June 17. These pools, along with 16 others that are

open year-round, are operated by Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) the City of Boston's largest youth and human service agency. The outdoor pools will remain open seven days a week until Labor Day.

Also opening June 17 is the City's

"Family Friendly Beach" at the BCYF Curley Community Center in South Boston. The beach will also be open seven days a week and offers families access to an enclosed stretch of beach on Boston Harbor, restrooms with changing tables, picnic tables with umbrellas, outdoor showers, beach game equipment, wifi and the use of an indoor area to get out of the sun. All locations will have experienced, certified lifeguards on duty. For membership and programming information for these locations, visit Boston.Gov/BCYF.



This week, Danny shared his thoughts on some of the top stories in the sports world:

already told you that David Price's return to the Red L Sox rotation was huge. In fact, you didn't really need me to tell you that. It was obvious. But after his second start against the Orioles in Baltimore on Saturday night, it's possible that the combination of Price and Chris Sale could very well be the most dangerous one-two punch in all of baseball. That is, if Price continues to pitch like he did against the Orioles, of course. He went out there and put it all on the line, in what was the biggest game of the season for the Red Sox to that point. Price threw seven-plus innings, allowing just one run and striking out seven. His fastball was once again in the mid-90's, and his confidence on the mound was that of a guy who deserves to be paid \$30 million a season. As long as that velocity continues to be around 94-95 mph, Price will begin to consistently live up to the expectations.

--Sticking with the Red Sox, it's time to start giving John Farrell some credit. Entering their three-game series with the Yankees in the Bronx this week,

Farrell's Sox are in second place in the AL East, just two games behind New York. Considering all the key pieces who have missed time this season -- and the fact that David Ortiz is not walking back through that door -- I'd say its pretty impressive for the Red Sox to be where they are in the standings in the first week of June. I'm not trying to tell you that they're winning only because of the manager, but I am here to remind you that he's made a lot of the right decisions to help keep the ship afloat. Recent examples include going to closer Craig Kimbrel for multiple four-out saves, and sticking with youngster Andrew Benintendi when some wanted him either moved to the bottom of the lineup or taken out of the lineup altogether. Both Kimbrel and Benintendi have come though to make their manager look good. So much so that it's time for people in Boston to acknowledge it. Because let's be honest, when Farrell makes a decision that doesn't work out -- even if it's not his fault -- the criticism thrown his way is obnoxiously loud. And when

he makes the right decisions, all you hear is crickets. Which one is it? I'm here to tell you he's done a nice job in 2017.

-- Am I the only one around here who's having a tough time finding teams to root for in both the NBA Finals and Stanley Cup Finals? I can't be, right? The NBA Finals is the obvious one. As a Celtics fan, I obviously don't want to see the Cleveland Cavaliers win it all. And while Golden State is one of the more exciting teams I've ever watched -- in any sport -- there's just something that makes me hesitant to root for them during a game. Maybe it's the fact that Kevin Durant chose Golden State over the Celtics last offseason. Or maybe it's that I can't stand Draymond Green, and how he just verbally assaults the officials every single game. As good a player as he is, his act is tough to watch. So I'm not really pulling for anyone in the NBA Finals. Then there's the Stanley Cup Finals. The Bruins fan in me tells me I can't root for the Penguins. But do I really have to jump on the Nashville bandwagon like many

others? I'd rather just sit this one out, and wait until the B's are making a serious playoff run next year.

--Some people got worked up over a Boston Globe photographer not being allowed into Tom Brady's "Best Buddies" charity event last weekend. Not me. I wasn't surprised to see it, considering the Globe wrote a hit piece a few months ago on Brady and his relationship with Best Buddies. And don't tell me this wasn't related. It was. But I'm perfectly fine with them not letting someone from the Globe into the event. The original story portrayed Brady to be some sort of fraud or scam artist, which he is not. And the only thing worse than that story was the reaction to it from some idiots who actually think Brady is just using Best Buddies as a way to fund his other charities. There's a strong hate in my heart for anyone who honestly believes the "Tom Brady and Best Buddies" relationship is a bad one.

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