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Ed Flynn Elected District 2 City Councilor

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Weak and Flynn (Councilor-Elect), with his wife Kristen, daughter Caroline and son Stephen at his side and flanked by his parents, Cathy and Ambassador Ray Flynn as well as his stalwart siblings Nancy, Maureen, Julie and Katy and their families and Ray Jr., as well as his nieces and nephews, graciously and happily declared victory in the District Two City Council race over challenger Michael Kelley. The margin was 7458 to 6950 with 14,408 voters. **CONTINUED ON page 8**

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EDITORIAL =To Our Veterans Who We Owe So Much – Thank You!

hough this Saturis Veterans Day, to most South Bostonians, veterans occupy a special place of honor in our hearts world as dangerous as it and minds every day. The majority of Americans feel this way. It's an indisputable fact that without our veterans, past and current, the United States of America would not be here today. The nation's very existence, from the time the first musket shot

was fired setting off the day, November 11th Revolutionary War to the present day, is because of the men and women who have served. And with the has become, it is because of the courage of the Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force personnel who have been there standing guard ready to defend with their lives all that Americans hold sacred, that we can continue to breathe the

sweet air of freedom.

Our country's veterans have been warriors, both in wartime and peace, with the goal and sworn duty to protect and preserve all the liberties our Founding Fathers, in their wisdom and foresight, have set in place. Though the following words are so often said to those who have served, they are worth repeating at every opportunity to every veteran: "Thank you for your service."



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More Thoughts As We Honored The Memory Of Tom Butler

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY John Ciccone

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L decided to take a break from the usual topics this week and add my thoughts to so many of yours regarding our good friend Tom Butler.

It's often been said that nearly everyone, for one or more reasons has someone who doesn't like them. Its part of life and really isn't any big deal. You can't please everyone, whether you try or not. But something else that has very often been said for as long as most can remember in South Boston and even beyond is that 'there was probably no one, who DIDN'T like Thomas J. Butler, referred to by most as 'Tommy'.

Tommy's name has been mentioned a lot these last few weeks leading up to the big dedication of the park built by Massport in his memory. The Thomas J. Butler Freight Corridor Memorial Park is a beautiful addition to the South Boston Community and it's a fitting way to honor the memory of this good man. Those of you who have lived in South Boston for many years know what a great man he was. To those of you who are new to the neighborhood, we wish you could have known him too. There's no doubt you would have liked and respected the guy as well.

How did Tom Butler win over so many people, make so many friends, receive so much praise and generate so much good will during his life on Earth? I guess you could say it just came naturally to the guy. He was caring and sincere. He was the 'real deal' as one neighbor put it the other day. When Tom made you a promise, you could count on him meaning it and keeping it. His word was like gold. His honesty was refreshing and above all he was sincere in what he did and in what he believed. And what he believed in was helping people, all people, anyone who needed a hand. His family, his friends and neighbors were very important to him and he wished them well always. He was happy when he could make others happy.

Tom Butler was the Director of External Affairs at the Massachusetts Port Authority, a position he held for many years. It's been said time and again by neighborhood people that he was the best thing that ever happened to Massport and many of the brass there have agreed with the statement. By the way he was with his work ethic and dedication to the people that Massport serves, he brought the authority quite a bit of good will. He was a public relations asset to them just by doing his job in his own unique way, and he certainly created a very special bond between Massport and the community - one that continues today.

Locally, he helped bring new resources and improvements and renovations to ball fields, parks, public buildings and programs that were in need of it. If there was a problem, the youth groups, senior organizations and veterans too could pick up the phone and call Tommy and know he would promptly return their calls or come to meetings and do all he could to assist.

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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.

Healey OKs Amherst's sanctuary bylaw that restricts police

Speaking of Amherst, from Diana Lederman at MassLive.com: "Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey has approved the town of Amherst's Sanctuary Community Bylaw approved by Town Meeting in May. The bylaw limits police investigatory authority based on immigration status, prohibits police detentions based on civil immigration detainer requests or ICE administrative warrants and requires reports of the number of civil immigration detainer requests lodged with the town and the town's response to the requests." Remember: The Trump administration has already gone out of its way to target communities with strict sanctuary

rules, so we'll see if this does more harm than good in Amherst.

Pollack: Expect to finally see T improvements starting next year

Can we hold them to this? No doubt, Democrats will. From SHNS's Colin Young at the BBJ: "Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack conceded Sunday that T riders have not yet benefitted from more than two years of work at the transit agency and said she expects the improvements to become more apparent in 2018, when the jobs held by Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito are up for re-election."

Baker re-establishes hate crimes task force

In a sad sign of tense times, Gov.

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Charlie Baker has re-established the governor's task force on hate crimes. Shira Schoenberg of MassLive reports. The group-which first formed under Gov. Bill Weld in 1991 but later faded away—will advise the Baker administration on prevention and response to hate crimes and comes on the heels of a report by the Anti-Defamation League that found anti-Semitism on the rise both locally and across the country.

Here come the Widett Circle properties

Will the Boston 2024 folks get a commission on this sale? The New Boston Food Market plans to put 20 acres of land at Widett Circle up for sale this week and analysts are expecting multiple bidders and a sky-high sale price on property that languished in relative obscurity until the city's ill-fated Olympics bid put it in the spotlight. Tim Logan of the Globe reports that estimates of what the land could fetch are all over the map, and that any development would mean relocation for the food distribution businesses that currently call the site home.

The House's more modest criminal-justice reforms

Before we let the media summarize the House criminal-justice reform bill that was unveiled yesterday on Beacon Hill, check out this legislative summary of the package and make up your own mind whether it's too little, too much or just right. Compared to the Senate's ambitious package, it's indeed more modest. But some of the House proposals would have been unthinkable only a few years ago, showing how far the debate has shifted toward reforms.

Anyway, from the Globe's Jim O'Sullivan: "House leaders, little more than a week after the Senate passed a dramatic overall of the the state's criminal justice system, released a pared-down version on Monday that would nonetheless allow for expunging certain juvenile and criminal records."

Meanwhile, SHNS's Andy Metzger (pay wall) reports that the House has a separate bill that would offer inmates more opportunity at getting out early from prison. Mike Deehan of WGBH also has a roundup of what's in the House bill and how it differs from the senate's package.

Take that, Amazon. CVS to launch same-day delivery in Boston

CVS Pharmacy is trying to preempt Amazon.com's likely entry into the pharmaceuticals-delivery business, announcing it plans to launch free same-day delivery from CVS locations in Boston and in other select cities starting early next year, reports the BBJ's Jessica Bartlett. And the R.I.-based CVS expects to offer next-day delivery nationwide starting early next year. How freaked out is CVS about Amazon jumping into pharmaceuticals? It's now in talks to possibly buy Aetna Insurance as a way to diversify and hedge its bets against Amazon.

Does RNC want to rebuild Mass. GOP – or just bash Warren?

The Republican National Committee says it plans to hire a new Bay State director and staff members to coordinate 2018 congressional campaigns and remain here through the 2020 presidential election, as part of a move to build the party 'mechanism' in Massachusetts, the Herald's Hillary Chabot reports. But this is ultimately and primarily an anti-Elizabeth Warren move should she run for president in 2020, as Chabot points out. Who really believes the RNC will be sticking around these parts after 2020?

Tufts students wants to give 'The Mooch' the boot continued on page 6

The Legacy Of Tom Butler Is Permanent

om Butler would be embarrassed by the litany of kudos heaped in his direction this week at the dedication of the Massport roadway named after him. Son of Southie, Massport's go-to problem solver and consummate community guy, his untimely death sent shock waves throughout his neighborhood. But, he was a hard person to forget. The symbol of a road and bypass is not lost on this author. Tom moved the 'traffic of important issues' down the road to a successful conclusion and 'built a bypass' whenever he

found an impasse.

The dedication of this 3,100foot road known as the Thomas J. Butler Freight Corridor was attended by current and former dignitaries in such numbers that rivaled some of the most influential leaders ever to deserve praise and gratitude.

With a backdrop of a proud family and scores of friends, Governor Charlie Baker led others who were on hand to formalize the legacy. These included local leaders Congressman Stephen Lynch, Mayor Marty Walsh, Speaker Bob DeLeo, City Councilor Mike Flaherty, Senator Linda Dorcena Forry, Rep. Nick Collins, City Councilor Bill Linehan, City Councilor Annissa Essaibi George, Clerk Maura Doyle and Registrar Steve Murphy. Former leaders Hon. William Bulger, Hon. Raymond Flynn, Hon. Robert Travaglini, Hon. Jack Hart, Hon. Paul White, Hon. Jim Brett, current Massport Executive Tom Glynn, and former Director Tom Kinton.

With a lifetime of political engagement and hand to hand

combat at the highest levels of government, Tom found a way to escape the pressures by enjoying an affinity for old cars and State Police horses Scotty and Scout. His sense of humor and timing were his stocks in trade.

Noise, air and environmental mitigation by Massport was always a top priority for Tom Butler. He wanted to improve the quality of life for his family, neighbors and friends. Thank you Tom and we shall tread lightly along your road and will make sure it is well maintained in perpetuity.



NDEC Grad Vanessa Jeudy Addresses World Education

anessa Jeudy, a 2017 graduate of Notre Dame Education Center, was a featured speaker at World Education, Inc.'s annual fundraiser on Oct.26. Vanessa represented World Education's United States programs. World Education is a nonprofit organization that works to improve lives through education and social and economic development programs. NDEC partners with World Education in a pilot Learning Circle program.

Manny Reynoso, Program Administrator for NDEC's College and Career Pathways Program, who has taught Vanessa, said she was chosen because of her personal strengths. "World Education reached out to us and asked if we had a woman student who would be able to speak at their fundraiser. Vanessa immediately came to mind. She's a great example of a student who created a path for herself and took advantage of a number of services at NDEC."

A native of Haiti, Vanessa spoke of the experiences that led her and her family to seek asylum in America. "My father was a politician and businessman, and on two separate occasions those who opposed him tried to kill him," she related. "I survived an attempted kidnapping and had to remain strong for my siblings. I knew I had a greater purpose and huge potential. That knowledge kept me going."

Not long after arriving in the U.S., Vanessa realized she would have to improve her English-speaking skills to advance her education. A friend told her about NDEC. After taking the ESOL placement test, Vanessa was put on a waitlist. "Luckily, I got a call from Manny Reynoso from the Center to enroll in a Learning Circle. For me, it was easy to say yes."

The Learning Circle, says Vanessa, "is perfect for English language learners like myself. It gave me an opportunity to start learning English even while on the waitlist for another class." Learning Circles are small groups designed for ten or fewer students. They are peer-led, teacherfacilitated, peer-to-peer groups in which students can build both their language and social skills. The model includes technology and group support. "Students choose the topics they want to discuss, and the goals they want to reach, and build from there," explains Manny. "The students form a strong social bond and hold each

other accountable, while the teacher's job is simply to coach and facilitate. Many students find skills they never knew they had in Learning Circles."

The Learning Circle helped Vanessa in other ways. "I learned about life in America – how to be social, respectful, and comfortable here. I also learned how to speak up and be in a classroom here. It prepared me to be successful in regular and more demanding English classes." In addition to studying English, Vanessa enrolled in NDEC's Customer Service classes. Both programs serve her well in her job as a cashier at Dunkin' Donuts.

"I'm grateful for my life and its many changes," Vanessa said. "My two sisters and brother are here in

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Some students at Tufts University are pressuring the school to drop former White House communications director Anthony Scaramucci from his position on an advisory board to the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Deirdre Fernandes of the Globe reports. An online petition is circulating and its creator says he was motivated to launch the effort after Scaramucci's new media venture posted an online poll asking the question: "How many Jews were killed in the Holocaust?" The Mooch has held the position since 2016, well before he came to infamy for his Hindenburg-like two-week stint helping to craft the Trump administration's public message.

Bridgewater zoning change would ban tobacco sales

A proposed zoning change in

the town of Bridgewater would effectively make it the first Massachusetts community to ban the sale of tobacco, Sara Cline reports in the Brockton Enterprise. Existing tobacco outlets would be grandfathered, but no new stores could open their doors if the ordinance, slated to be taken up by the town council on Tuesday, passes.

Amherst adopts pot-shop cap, maximum local tax

Boston with me, my mother came up to Boston to be with us, my father is doing well in Florida, and I got married in April of this year. "Adding to all that support, World Education and Notre Dame Education Center have taught me that there is no limit to my learning and that they will support me every step of the way. I hope to continue with my studies and achieve a degree in business management. Even if I face more challenges in life, I know that I am on my way," she concluded.

Located in South Boston, Notre Dame Education Center has been providing quality, goal-driven education to adult learners since 1992. Find them on the web at www.ndecboston.org.

The college town of Amherst has, for, ahem, some reason, been closely watched by recreational marijuana advocates and critics alike for how it would handle retail sales and the results are in: On Monday, Town Meeting members voted to cap the number of shops that can open in town at eight and also to adopt the maximum local-option tax of 3 percent. The town also put a ban on public consumption of marijuana in place.



Flag Retirement Ceremony At Castle Island This Saturday, 11am

SOUTH BOSTON TODAY - By Staff

reminder: This coming Saturday, November 11th is Veteran's Day. If you have a torn, tattered, faded or otherwise damaged US Flag and would you like to dispose of it the proper ceremonial way that respects Old Glory and all that it stands for you can bring it to the annual Flag Retirement ceremony at Fort Independence this holiday and be part of the tradition. It begins promptly at 11am in the courtyard/parade grounds at the Castle Island's Fort Independence, famous historical landmark that it is, and all are invited to be part of this inspiring event. All are encouraged to come; bring the family and be welcomed.

The veterans have been collecting the flags to be retired for the past two weeks from South Boston's two fire stations: the one at K& E. Fourth Street and the one on D Street. The last pickup is tomorrow, Friday at 4pm, but you can bring your flag directly to the event on Saturday morning.

The flag(s) that you donate will be properly retired in accordance with the U.S. Flag Code and this year's ceremony will be dedicated to the memory of Private Brian R. Mahoney.

If you've never been to this event; you'll be impressed at the pomp and ceremony that it involves. Taps is played, color guards are on hand, the National Anthem is played and sung and then the flags themselves are disposed of in the manner that has been with our country for generations and one which is fitting and shows the proper respect that Old Glory so richly deserves.

Remember, South Boston's Veterans invite all to be part of the traditional Annual Flag Retirement Ceremony this coming Saturday, Veterans Day, November 11th beginning promptly at 11am at Fort Independence at Castle Island in the court yard/ parade ground.







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The Wine Guy Half And Half APlea From The Wine Guy

Though it's November now, we've still had lots of days that are warmer than usual; some days have been cool enough for a nice red wine, while others have still been warm enough for a cool glass of white. With that in mind, I thought I'd "split" the column into reviews for both categories, as there's no telling how much longer this weather's going to be around.

One of my favorite areas in California, as well as one that was spared from the recent wildfires, is Paso Robles, which is about midway between San Francisco and LA, along the Central Coast. It has over 40,000 acres of vineyards and a wide variety of grape varietals; consistently warm weather, combined with cool Pacific mist in the evenings, give this area an abundance of fantastic premium wines.

Back in 1978, the Hope family, one of California's oldest winemaking clans, took a chance on plantings in Paso Robles; it has paid off with some of the area's best values, especially their Cabernets.

Liberty School Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles, 2014, (\$17.99), epitomizes everything that's great about this area and its wine. On the nose, it gives dark berry, chocolate and smoky tones, with tannins that are there, but not overwhelming. The mouthfeel is satisfying with a medium-bodied finish that allows it to pair with a wide range of meats and cheeses.

Liberty School Chardonnay, Paso Robles, 2015, (\$16.99), is a blend of 90% Chardonnay, 5%Marsanne and 5% Viognier. It's a buttery style of Chard, very similar to La Crema. Notes of melon, citrus and kiwi combine to make for a pleasant mouthfeel and medium finish. This one will be great with both the turkey and the deserts.

Justin Vineyards began in 1981, when Justin Baldwin bought the first 160 acres that were especially rich in limestone, like many of Bordeaux's finest properties. Today, their wines, particularly the reds, display a richness and complexity that is a testament to both the soil and the handcrafted winemaking techniques that have made this brand one of the finest in all of California.

The Justin Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles, 2015, (\$26.99), is an outstanding wine for the money and Fred Holloway, the Director of Wine-



making, describes it this way: "Dark purple ruby core, slightly lighter at the rim showing light staining on the glass. It gives off aromas of bright ripe black cherry and blackcurrant fruit, baking spice, savory dried autumn leaves, subtle violet floral notes with a hint of caramelized barrel sweetness. On the palate, you'll get ripe red and black cherry, as well as blackcurrant fruit joined by vanilla and cinnamon spice notes on the entry. The mid-palate is fresh with sustained ripe fruit, toasty oak notes and softly textured tannins. The finish is moderately long with notes of cherry candy and blackcurrant fruit matched with subtle classic Cabernet savory elements."

This is a Cab that's truly versatile; it enhances everything from a good

burger or cheese plate to a signature filet and everything in between.

The Justin Viognier, 2016, (\$24.99), is a big, Burgundy-styled white. It's 100% Viognier and is aged sur lie for six months in new American oak; it's a big wine, with 15% alcohol, but like a top-tier white Burgundy, it doesn't overwhelm you. Instead, you'll get an immediate sense of the complex structure of the varietal and the way the wine has been stressed by the limestone. Nuanced aromas of citrus, flowers and mango blend into honeved notes of caramel and butterscotch. The Restaurant's Executive Chef, Will Torres, suggests pairing this one with a pork tenderloin in a Lemon Basil cream sauce.

Ask the Wine Guy at jdris8888@ gmail.com

Ed Flynn Elected...

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In a campaign that saw a dark turn, evidenced by what could be characterized as a disingenuous account of Flynn's positions on issues of immigration, equality and choice in a flier produced by Kelley, Ed Flynn stayed the course on his theme of "there's a place for everyone in Ed Flynn's Boston".

The portrayal by both the Boston media, as well as the supporters and political endorsers of candidate Kelley, that the race was a test of the 'new' versus 'old' Boston, ignores the fundamentals of local politics. The adage 'All politics is local' was evident in this contest. It was about deep roots and established relationships, as well as a record of serving others.

In this race, in the core of the City of Boston that is experiencing extraordinary growth, the mantle of public service won out. Flynn overwhelmingly won the precincts in South Boston. Kelley has a similarly strong showing in his core precincts in his South End base.

However, in the wake of the controversy over voter intimidation in the precincts populated by the Asian communities, two precincts had their vote tallies delayed, while ballots were being challenged by Flynn lawyers. Finally, nearly three hours after the polls closed, those precincts were reported. The results of one tightened the race somewhat. In the final precinct, the Flynn campaign reported that, were the contested ballots rejected, as they expected, Flynn won Ward 3 Precinct 8 by a handful of votes. This underscored the success Flynn had in attracting support outside of South Boston. Flynn also noted the support of the Latino communities, especially those in public housing.

Flynn stated in his acceptance speech that "I am grateful for the trust that the voters placed in me and I pledge to be a Councilor for all of those in the District, especially those without a voice, who need to be heard. I will be their voice."

At Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty again proves his citywide appeal garnering over 51,000 votes as incumbents roll in a municipal only election that saw a 28% turnout of registered voters. It was no surprise that Mayor Marty Walsh cruised to a re-election that seems to be a mandate to finish his agenda. With several new councilors having been elected, there is a healthy balance of both seasoned and fresh officials who should get things done over the next two years.

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that put everyone at ease and made all he came in contact with feel like they've known him for years, even if they were meeting him for the first time. When he walked into a room, no matter what the occasion, his arrival was greeted with smiles and handshakes by people who were legitimately happy to see him and glad he came. And again, it wasn't an act, it wasn't rehearsed, it was who he was and how he was.

As you know by reading the neighborhood newspapers and viewing the local social media sites, many kind words, sharing good memories, have been written about Tom Butler over the last couple of weeks leading up to the memorial dedication. I wanted to add my sentiments as well. Because like so many of you, I miss the guy too and will always be happy and proud that I had the opportunity and the honor to call him a friend.

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276 Bowen St UNIT 3 Condo	\$790,000	7/17/17	5	2	1080	
474 East Fourth St UNIT 3 Condo	\$780,000	7/17/17	4	1.5	1439	
530 East Broadway UNIT 3 Condo	\$759,000	7/19/17	4	1.5	892	
45 West Broadway UNIT307 Condo	\$740,000	7/17/17	4	2	962	
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Never Forget Our Veterans

By Kevin Devlin

I n 1918, as the clock struck the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month on the killing fields of Europe, the first major world war, World War I, also known as The Great War and the war to end all wars, ended. Soldiers on both sides of their foxholes in No Man's Land cheered with relief that the horror had ended and they were going back home. The bloodshed was over for now, and they had faithfully served their respective countries. They were the lucky ones and would never forget their fallen comrades.

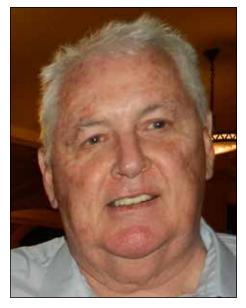
American casualties in this war paled in comparison to the losses suffered by the other combatants, but were substantial nevertheless. The following November, seizing the moment, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11, 1919, as the first commemoration of what would be known in American history as Armistice Day.

"To us in America," Wilson declared, with a heavy heart. "...the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the council of nations."

In the spring of 1938, Congress passed an act that made the eleventh of November each year a legal, national holiday which was to be "dedicated to the cause of world peace and thereafter celebrated...to honor veterans of World War I." Nine years after the conclusion of World War II, the 83rd Congress amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and replacing it with the word "Veterans." This legislation passed in June of 1954 and became our day to pay homage to American veterans of all of our wars.

In 1968, Congress passed the Monday Holiday Law which established the fourth Monday in October as the new date for Veterans Day. This calendar change was unsettling to many Americans, they lobbied Congress, and in 1975, new legislation was adopted to revert back to the original November 11 date. This change took effect in 1978 and today Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11. The date doesn't change no matter what day the holiday falls upon.

This upcoming Saturday, November 11, we will honor our veterans who have served, without reservation, in the military. It's a day to thank them for keeping



us safe and preserving our freedoms. They deserve our admiration. They deserve our respect. They've earned our gratitude beyond expectation.

We shall never forget their unselfishness, heroism, and patriotism. And we must never forget President Abraham Lincoln's words of wisdom that "A nation that does not honor its heroes, will not long endure."

But one of the biggest reasons to be at CAPO next Monday night is to get to meet the veterans themselves and to interact with some of the nicest people you could ever want to meet. Here you can learn about all the activities South Boston's veterans' organizations are involved in and all the good things they have done and continue to do in the community. You'll also get the chance to sample some of the great complimentary appetizers that CAPO has to offer while enjoying each other's company and relax while doing it.

Remember, everyone is invited whether you are a veteran or not or perhaps a veteran who hasn't been active with local posts and would like to become involved and learn more about the neighborhood posts. Remember also, that on Veteran's Day itself, Saturday, November 11th, the annual gathering and march to St. Brigid Church will take place. The Vets and all those who want to join them will meet at the Thomas Fitzgerald Post on E. Fourth Street at 9:15am. From the post, they will march to the church for the annual Memorial Mass. This is one of South Boston's long standing and oldest traditions.



Veterans Social Monday Evening, Nov 13th at CAPO

All are invited SOUTH BOSTON TODAY - By Staff

B y next Monday, November 13th, the Veterans Day weekend activities will be over with for another year. But the South Boston Allied War Veterans have a special 'Social' planned and everyone is invited. You don't have to be a veteran to be welcomed next Monday evening at 'CAPO' restaurant at 443 W. Broadway, from 6-9pm, they are welcoming all. Admission is free.

The event is the first of its kind for the Allied War Veterans organization. They would like as many people as possible to come and meet the group's new commander, Dave Falvey and the new Vice Commander Bernie Trager. On this night, the group will update all on how the planning is going for next year's big St. Patrick's Day/Evacuation Day parade. They will unveil the new logos both for the Allied War Veterans themselves, as well as one for the actual parade. The logo for the parade is the creation of local artist Casey Smith. If you are someone who would like to become active in helping with the parade, Monday night will be a good time to let them know. The vets can always use extra help – it is after all the second biggest St. Patrick's Day parade in the world.



BOSTON'S CHRISTMAS TREE ARRIVES Nova Scotia's 100 Year Friendship

The annual gift of an evergreen Christmas tree from Nova Scotia will arrive by police escort at Boston Common at approximately 11 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21. This year commemorates 100 years of friendship between Nova Scotia and the people of Boston

after our city provided emergency assistance when Halifax, Nova Scotia's capital, was devastated by a wartime explosion in 1917.

Boston's official 2017 Christmas tree is a 53-foot white spruce tree donated by Bob and Marion Campbell and family of Blues Mills in Inverness County on Cape Breton Island. The gift will be celebrated with a public tree cutting ceremony at the Campbell's property on November 15. There will be a final public farewell at Halifax City Hall on November 17 before the tree begins its journey by truck to Boston. In addition, Nova Scotia is donating smaller trees to Rosie's Place and the Pine Street Inn.

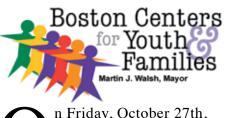
"It's exciting to carry on this great tradition with this beautiful tree donated by the people of Nova Scotia," said Mayor Martin J. Walsh. "We thank the entire Campbell family for sending this gift that will be displayed for all to see on Boston Common, serving as our city's official Christmas tree and bringing joy to thousands of residents and visitors."

On November 21, the official 2017 Christmas

tree will be escorted by the Boston Police Department beginning around 10 a.m. from Billerica via Route 3 South to Route 128 North to Interstate 93 South to Sullivan Square to Rutherford Avenue over the Charlestown bridge and will weave through downtown Boston on North Washington, New Chardon, Cambridge, Tremont, Boylston, and Charles Streets to enter Boston Common at the corner of Beacon and Charles Streets at approximately 11 a.m.

Boston Parks Commissioner Chris Cook, an official Nova Scotian town crier, Santa Claus, and local schoolchildren will greet the tree at its final destination near the Boston Visitors Center at 139 Tremont Street. The tree will be lit at approximately 7:55 p.m. on Thursday, November 30, as the City of Boston's Official Tree Lighting is celebrated on Boston Common from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The 76th annual Tree Lighting on Boston Common is sponsored by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, title sponsor The Province of Nova Scotia, Jumbotron sponsor JetBlue, and presenting sponsor Distrigas/ENGIE with additional support provided by WCVB-TV Channel 5, Magic 106.7 FM, IKEA, The Christmas Tree Promotion Board, the Boston Herald, and the Boston Globe. For further information, please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505 or visit us on Facebook.



n Friday, October 27th, the Tynan Council held its annual Halloween Party, but with a twist this year. We added a bouncing house for our youngsters. Then, instead of having our party in the cafeteria

BCYF Tynan Council Halloween Party

this year, we decorated the gym in a spooky design, rented a bouncing house and added an obstacle course. The attendees enjoyed snacks and beverages along with candy bags donated by Dedham Savings Bank. To top it off, we had a surprise visit from the Boston Police Department ice cream truck, which the kids loved! The Tynan Council does a great job partnering with BCYF and over the years. It has provided many programs and events for the community that wouldn't be possible without their volunteering their time for the youth and families of our great community! So a thank you to our council members! **President:** Mary Maiullari; Vice **President:** Amy Donovan Matthews; **Secretary:** Teresa Fitzgerald; **Treasurer:** Sean Monahan **Members:** Kathy Aldred, Richard DeVoe, Donna Feeney, Jane Good, Mary McCarthy Collins, Rita McCarthy, Edward McGuire, Amanda Nee, Pat Nickerson, Ginny Noto, Nick Zaferakis







Gatey Hoop Season Begins

By Kevin Devlin

ast Sunday, November 5, the Gate of Heaven CYO basketball program officially started the 2017-2018 season at the Martin F. McDonough Gym located within the James "Stretch" Walsh Community Center.

The Gatey girls' house league players and boys' midget house league players competed in pre-season allstar tilts to start the new season. Then, Gatey's 2016-2017 girls' high school championship team was recognized, applauded, when their state championship banner was raised to the rafters. Last March, at the Catholic Memorial gym in West Roxbury, this team defeated Saint Mary's of Franklin, 43-32, to capture the state championship. The team was coached by Allison Baker, Hannah Powers and Brianna Esposito. The players are: Jacqueline Beggan, Jacqueline Czar, Jaelyn Kenneally, Lauren Woods, Catherine Woods, Mari Barry, Julia Casper, Emily Harris, Rebecca Donovan, Grace Tinlin and Allison McGough.

"It was a great way to start the season," said Kevin Lally, Gate of Heaven's CYO Athletic Director. "The all-stars had fun and the girls' state championship team deserved to be acknowledged for their tremendous achievement. So, if you see any of the girls walking around Southie wearing their Gatey championship sweatshirts, give them a thumbs-up. "It seems like last season just ended but here we are beginning another hoop season," Lally added. "And I'm looking forward to this season's games and know the players are excited about playing too."

(Writer's Note: Registrations have already been held but it's not too late to sign-up. The house and travel league teams are open to all youngsters who live in South Boston and to all students who attends school in the neighborhood. Interested youngsters should stop by the Walsh Center or contact Kevin Lally @ lallycompound@aol.com.)



The Gate of Heaven CYO midget house league All-Stars coached by Ed Flynn



The Gate of Heaven CYO midget house league All-Stars coached by Greg Lally and James Schallmo



The Gate of Heaven CYO midget house league 2016-2017 champions coached by Greg Lally



The Gate of Heaven CYO girls' house league All-Stars coached by Marie Laundry and Allison Baker



AABO certified hoop officials James Donovan and Brad Hill



Gate of Heaven CYO girls' high school state championship team wearing their new, gray championship sweatshirts, coached by Allison Baker, Hannah Powers, and Brianna Esposito

L STREET RUNNING CLUB SOUTH BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Congratulations to L St. Running Club Members are Competing Nationwide

The L Street Running Club members have been busy lately. Not content to just run along the beautiful shore line of South Boston and well into the interior of Metropolitan Boston, which is quite impressive on its own, many of its members have been doing some travelling and taking part in several prestigious races and marathons in other areas as well. They have even ventured into Canadian territory to show our neighbors to the North up in

Toronto that LSRC members can com- ent locations, but also for the great members have been busy pete anywhere and on pretty any level. program they have and the excellent lately. Not content to just LSRC has been well represented events they host right here on their

in recent Fall Marathons, which include the US Marine Corps Marathon as well as marathons in Chicago, Providence and Newport, Rhode Island, up in the State of Maine and even as far away as Utah. They certainly get around.

The L Street Running Club is well known nationwide because of its participation in so many events in different locations, but also for the great program they have and the excellent events they host right here on their home turf. LSRC has put out the word that they are always happy to welcome new members to their organization, including runners who may have picked up charity numbers for the 2018 Boston Marathon. People interested in checking the LSRC out can do so every Sunday morning at 8am at the Curley Recreation Center on Day Blvd.



COPLEY SQUARE TREE LIGHTING NOVEMBER 27

BOSTON PARKS RECREATION Martin I. Walsh, Mavor

ayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and The Friends of Copley Square welcome the holidays with the annual Copley Square Tree Lighting on Monday, November 27, from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. The free event will feature appearances by NECN's Jenny Johnson, Santa Claus, and Rudolph along with musical performances by the Boston Children's Chorus, the Boston Pops Brass Quintet, and Berklee College of Music students Britani Washington and Sam Robbins.

The Old South Church bell will toll when the tree is illuminated. Light refreshments will be provided by local businesses New England Coffee, DAVIDsTEA, DASANI SPARKLING, HP Hood LLC, and New England Dairy & Food Council. The Fairmont Copley Plaza will host a family reception immediately following for all in attendance. The reception will include cookie decorating, photos with Santa and treats from the Fairmont Copley Plaza.

Even more festivities will take place in and around Copley Square on November 27. The Boston Public Library and The Catered Affair will host a Storytime and Candy Cane Tea at the library from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The tea is free, but reservations are required by calling (617) 859-2272. For additional information please call the Boston Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4505. To learn more about The Friends of Copley Square, please visit www. friendsofcopleysquare.org.

FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU17P2039EA **Commonwealth Of** Massachusetts **The Trial Court Probate and Family Court** Estate of: James M. Meaney Date of Death: 08/31/2017 Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Elaine M. Grassa of Milton MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

CITATION ON PETITION FOR

The Petitioner requests that Elaine M. Grassa of Milton 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 11/21/2017. 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. UNSUPERVISED **ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM** PROBATE CODE (MUPC) A **Personal Representative** appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the **Court. Persons interested in** the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal **Representative and may** petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, **First Justice of this Court** October 10, 2017 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate November 9, 2017



ast week was a horrible week. Not just for my picks, but also for Deshaun Watson and the Houston Texans, which, in turn, made my "Houston (-13) over Indianapolis" pick look foolish. I had no shot to win that game once Watson tore his ACL in practice on Thursday. In fairness to my picks though, I make them on Tuesday. Enough with the excuses. Let's recover with a few winners and get back above .500 on the season. Here are my picks for Week 10: **PITTSBURGH STEELERS (-10)** over Indianapolis Colts

-The 6-2 Steelers are coming off the bye week having won three straight, and if the playoffs began today, they would be the No. 1 seed in the AFC. Meanwhile, the 3-6 Colts are in last place in the AFC South, and only snapped a three-game losing skid on Sunday in Houston because of Watson's knee injury. Indianapolis' defense is the worst in football, allowing 29 points per game, while Pittsburgh's defense ranks secondbest in the league, allowing just 16 points per game. Even though this one is in Indy, I have a tough time believing the Steelers won't score 30 points in this game, something they've yet to do this season. An

easy pick for me, I'll take Pittsburgh to win big.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (-4) over Los Angeles Chargers

-The big question with this game will be: Did Leonard Fournette get the message? The Jaguars' rookie running back was a healthy scratch Sunday against Cincinnati because he missed a few team meetings and workouts during the week. If he decides to be a good teammate this week, then he projects to have a big day at home against a Chargers team that has the second-worst run defense in the NFL. Los Angeles allows 135 rush yards per game, and should want no part of Fournette, who's looking to run for 130-plus yards for the third straight game that he's played in. The 5-3 Jaguars have won two straight and are tied for first place in the AFC South with the Tennessee Titans. If the playoffs began today, Jacksonville would be the No. 5 seed and would be traveling to Tennessee in the Wild Card Round. The 3-5 Chargers are not currently in the playoff picture. They're coming off the bye week, but I don't see them putting up many points against a Jacksonville defense that allows a league-best 14.6 points per game. Give me the Jaguars at home by a touchdown.

CINCINNATI BENGALS (+5) over Tennessee Titans

-Surprisingly, A.J. Green will not be suspended for his on-field fight on Sunday. Green should be suspended for stupidity, after he decided to throw punches at a guy who had a helmet on. That said, it's a great thing for the Bengals that Green is not suspended for this game in Tennessee. The 5-3 Titans have won three straight and would be the No. 4 seed in the AFC if the playoffs began today. It should be noted, however, that those last three wins came against Indianapolis, Cleveland, and Baltimore. Also, Tennessee is the only winning team in the NFL that has a negative point differential, scoring 181 points while allowing 193. I love the points in this one, as I believe the Bengals are more talented than their 3-5 record shows, on both sides of the ball. I'll take the points.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS(+2.5) over New York Jets

-At first glance, seeing Tampa Bay lose its starting quarterback to a shoulder injury would be reason enough to stay away from the Buccaneers this week. But look a little deeper and you'll see that Ryan Fitzpatrick will be replacing Jameis Winston Sunday in Tampa Bay. This is the ultimate underdog game. The Buccaneers are This week, Danny gave "Pic's Picks" for Week 10 in the NFL:

an underdog at home, led by a QB who's going up against his former team. If Tampa Bay isn't motivated for this one, then it might as well not even play the rest of the season. The 4-5 Jets are coming off a win over the Bills, while the Buccaneers have lost five straight. I expect Tampa Bay to snap that losing skid on Sunday. *BUFFALO BILLS (+2.5) over New Orleans Saints*

-The 6-2 Saints sneakily have the second-longest win streak in the NFL, at six games. It's a pretty impressive streak, considering New Orleans began the season 0-2. Now, the Saints are the No. 2 seed in the NFC, and travel to Buffalo on Sunday to face a 5-3 Bills team that currently holds the final playoff spot in the AFC. Buffalo is one of just two teams in the NFL that's undefeated at home. The Bills have a top-five defense this year, allowing 18.6 points per game. New Orleans' defense has also been pretty good this year, allowing just 19.4 points per game. It just seems strange to me that Buffalo, being 4-0 at home, is an underdog in this one. I'm picking the Bills to end the Saints' win streak. Listen to "The Danny Picard Show" at dannypicard.com and on the PodcastOne network. Also available on iTunes and Google Play.







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