



## LATEST ON EDISON PROPOSAL RAISES POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Last week, multiple reports revealed that Redgate has several ties to the Massachusetts Port Authority. These reports raise questions about potential conflicts of interest regarding Redgate’s proposal to build residential units at the former Boston Edison Power Plant, given Massport’s ability to negate any residential development by virtue of holding a deed restriction. Redgate is currently seeking permission to build over 1.9 million square feet of build-

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# EDITORIAL

## The Amazing Tom Brady and his Team of 'Incredibles'

The 37-31 Patriots' overtime win last Sunday had most everyone on the edge of their seats. What a nail biter. But most would tell you that even though it came down to the wire and made everyone nervous, most Pat's fan would also tell you that as worried as they might have been, way down deep inside there was that confident expectation that somehow, somehow, Tom Brady was going to pull it off in the end and he did, they ALL did.

In New England, Number 12 is beloved by his legions of followers, while around the rest of the country however, not so much. In fact as the story goes, a creative entrepreneur could make a fortune selling voodoo dolls with accompanying pins in Brady's

image in many areas. He is that disliked once you leave the northeast. But even his detractors can't deny that he is probably the best quarterback in professional football today and arguably the best of all time. He is amazing in almost every situation, but especially when under pressure.

Tom Brady is the first to admit that he is just one part of an incredibly talented team. Together they work hard, train hard and play with every ounce of heart and soul they possess. They play to win whenever they take the field and the fans appreciate it. Congratulations to all of the New England Patriots, not only for their great record and a super season but also for all the pleasure they provide to the fans and the pride they pass on as well. Now on to the Super Bowl.



*"The true competitors though are the ones who always play to win" – Tom Brady*

## South Boston Resident Joins NDEC Board of Directors



Pauline Edmonds, R.N., Esq., a lifelong South Boston resident, has joined the Board of Directors of Notre Dame Education Center. Pauline teaches NDEC's Healthcare Prepara-

tion course, which gives students an overview of the healthcare profession. She began volunteering with the Center after her youngest daughter graduated from NDEC's High School Diploma Program. Pauline's daughter is now a medical student at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester.

"Pauline brings not only her medical and legal background to the Board, but also her many years of experience as a volunteer at NDEC," said Mary Rose Durante, Esq., Executive Director and CEO of the Center. "We value her experience."

Pauline has worked for the Massachusetts General Hospital, the Boston Visiting Nurse Association and the Massachusetts Department of Health and Human Services, where she was Director of MassHealth's Community Long-Term Care Programs for many

years. She has also served on the Elder Rights Review Committee of the state Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Pauline earned a Master of Science in Health Services Administration from Emmanuel College and a J.D. from New England School of Law. In addition to her work at NDEC, she still maintains a small private law practice.

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# The Information Center



## *Still Not Sure about Fake News? Just Turn on Your TV*

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If a teacher were to ask a high school class or maybe even a middle school group what 'Fake News' is, it's a good bet that a large percentage of those students would know exactly what it is. Because Fake News on the part of our nation's mainstream leftist media has become so blatant and common that it would be difficult for anyone, even busy and active school kids, not to understand what's going on. And after what went on last week, if there is anyone who still doesn't understand what it is, or who can't recognize it as it comes at us non-stop, then they are probably not paying attention or live in a bubble someplace in California or Amherst, Massachusetts.

First, the so-called news outlet called 'Buzz feed' which is now being referred to by many Americans as 'BS Feed', put out their story that President Trump directed his lawyers to lie to Congress about the unproven collusion in the Russia investigation. With no proof, the other liberal news outlet jumped on it and ran with it, like it was the truth etched in granite. That is until Robert Mueller's office, which is certainly no fan of the President's and probably WISHED it were true, issued a statement saying NO, it was not accurate. When even Mueller disputes it, you know the story must have been BS and yet, even with egg on their faces, which they are constantly wearing now more than ever, the media continued to push it, until they realized that no one in the public but the diehard Trump haters, were believing it. And then they dropped it – fast.

Then there was the big controversy with the teens from Coventry Catholic High School in Kentucky that took place at the annual March for Life in DC over the weekend. This year's March for Life was enormous as tens of thousands of Pro-Life marchers came to protest against abortion. There were so many marchers they

stretch along the route as far as the eye could see, but except for FOX News, the big media outlets gave it virtually no coverage. They deliberately acted like there was no march at all, because the Pro-Life movement doesn't fit their agenda, that is UNTIL, the confrontation between the Catholic school students wearing pro Trump 'Make America Great Again' (MAGA) hats and the Native American/American Indian activist and a group of leftist militants made the news. And here is where the reports became Fake News – once again.

The press took short snippets of video at the scene, which seemed to show the mostly white school kids harassing the activists. And of course, this cut and cropped 20-second-long video is all the press kept showing over and over again with headlines screaming about young white MAGA hat wearing Trump supporters taunting and terrorizing a Native American veteran. However, the media apparently still hasn't grasped the fact that it's 2019 and just about everyone carries a cell phone with video features on it. Those on the scene posted the full version of what took place, which clearly told a different story, not the 20-second edited version the media kept showing. The full version hit social media and suddenly, the American public learned the truth. The students did NOT surround and confront Nathan Phillips, the 64-year-old Indian activist with the drum. In fact, as Phillips later admitted, it was he who approached the students and initiated the confrontation, banging his drum inches away from the student's faces in what clearly looked like a deliberate provocation. Phillips, by the way, has been involved in other such incidents in the past. But the students held their ground and remained in control at all times. A few feet away, as the full video clearly showed, a

group of leftist activist adults were taunting and hurling racial slurs, anti-Christian insults and four-letter words at the Catholic School teens who, to their credit, continued to maintain a remarkable discipline and kept calm throughout. Prior to the full video being released, the Students were chastised by not only the news media, but also by their school's officials and even the local Kentucky Archdioceses and even threatened with suspensions. Once the full story came out, the students received apologies, which they certainly deserved. But of course, not

from the hostile news media, who viciously attacked these kids because of their support of the Pro-Life cause and especially because of the red MAGA hats they were wearing.

As several SBT readers suggested, this was similar to a local incident on a smaller scale to the controversy at the Tynan School several months ago, when racist graffiti was painted on the school's walls and the press unfairly rushed to blame local kids. The details still have not been released, which has caused many locals to suspect it was an example of a cover-up and more Fake News.

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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.

### ‘Walsh hears footsteps’

Peter Lucas at the Herald wrote over the holiday weekend that Mayor Marty Walsh shouldn’t run for higher office, but he knows why he may be thinking of running for higher office: “Walsh hears footsteps, which is understandable given the changing demographics and diversity of a city where minorities now make up the majority.” Peter suggests Walsh might be better off waiting for a higher-office offer (hint: Kevin White almost got one 1972). Meanwhile, Lucas has another Herald column this morning, chronicling Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and Ayanna Pressley’s first days in Congress – and he thinks the Republic may going the way of Rome.

### It’s begun: Rollins vs ICE

This didn’t take long. From the Globe’s Maria Cramer: “Rachael Rollins, the new Suffolk County district attorney, is blasting Immigration and Customs Enforcement for arresting an undocumented immigrant in a Boston courthouse this month when he showed up for

an arraignment on cocaine trafficking charges. Rollins vowed to launch an investigation to find out how ICE learned about the man’s whereabouts when he went to Suffolk Superior Court on Jan. 7.” The case isn’t as simple you might think. Both sides have good points. *Meanwhile, a star is born: Rollins is subject of possible Netflix documentary*

As she battles ICE, it’s also lights, camera and action time for Rachael Rollins. From the Herald’s Laurel Sweet: “Rachael Rollins has been Suffolk County’s first black female district attorney for less than a month, but a group of filmmakers recognized last year a star was born. All eyes were on the prosecutor Monday as a French film crew she said is making a documentary for Netflix recorded her every move, conversation and fan interaction at festivities honoring Martin Luther King Jr. at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center. ‘So it’s exciting to have them here, but it’s awkward for sure sometimes,’ she said.”

### Edison continued from front page

ing space on the 15-acre Edison site, including 1,344 residential units and two hotels. However, the Massport has a residential deed restriction on the Edison site. Massport obtained the deed restriction sometime in 2014 through negotiations with Excelon, the former owner of the Edison site, to avoid conflicts with the bypass road, then under construction. The deed restriction means that residential units cannot be built at the Edison without Massport’s explicit approval. Massport has yet to give approval for residential units, despite over two years of public review regarding Redgate’s proposal. Recently, the Conservation Law Foundation questioned whether

a conflict of interest exists due to Redgate’s prior history as a consultant for Massport’s real estate holdings. On its website, Redgate previously described its history as a consultant for Massport to maximize assets and redevelop real estate properties. However all posts relating to Redgate’s work for Massport appear to have been taken down from Redgate’s website. Given Massport’s concerns expressed in October that Redgate’s residential buildings could clash with operations at Conley Terminal due to its close proximity to the Bypass Road, CLF questioned why Massport has allowed Redgate’s residential proposal to proceed, particularly given Massport’s housing restriction. continued on page 8

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**  
Docket No. SU18P2703EA  
**Commonwealth Of Massachusetts  
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Probate and Family Court  
Estate of: Edward R. O'Brien  
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## Local Legend Passes And With Him A Bit of Southie History

By Brian P. Wallace

If you were a kid growing up in Southie, you knew him. If you were a kid growing up in Southie, you felt as if he were one of, if not, the most important men in the town. Our bikes were as important to us as our Dads' cars were to them. If our Dad's car broke down, he had a dozen or so places to take it to get fixed. If our bikes broke down, he was the only game in town. No bike, no adventures.

Being without a bike meant some very boring days, and that is the last thing a 10-year-old kid wants or needs. His shop was located at Emerson Street near I Street, and he had bikes of all sizes, shapes, colors, and a few baby carriages thrown in for good measure



in his bicycle repair shop. He fixed everything from flats to broken chains to bikes that were bent in half. He scared the heart out of me the first time I walked my bike from my West Fifth Street house to his repair shop. "What the hell did you do kid?" he asked as he examined my bike. "I hit something," I replied meekly. "What, a truck," he shot back unapologetically. "No sir, a car." He looked at me and softened for the first time, and I could see that that gruff exterior was just a ruse. "Are you OK?" he asked in a very caring way. "I

am, but my bike's not," I said looking at my prized possession. "Well I can fix that, but I can't fix you," he smiled. "You can fix it?" I said hopefully. "There's not a bike made that I can't fix," he looked at me, "even ones that like to challenge cars." Now the bigger question. "How much?" I asked. "We can work that out later," he said as he picked up my bike and moved in deeper into his store which was called Federico Bike Shop. "Give me two days and be careful going home, no more cars." We both laughed. Two days later he charged me a buck, and I was back in action.

His name was Charlie Federico, and he was as much a part of Southie as Sullys. He was a hero to every kid who owned a bike in Southie. Charlie Federico died this week. He will be waked this Thursday, January 24th at Casper Funeral Home on Dorchester Street from 4-8 pm and buried on Friday at Gate of Heaven at 10 AM, and he will be missed.

That, thankfully, was the only time

I needed my bike fixed. Many years later I was running for State Rep, and my headquarters was on Broadway near I Street and across from Federico's Bike Shop, which was one of the pre-eminent political sign locations in Southie. We were all afraid to ask him if we could put a sign-up. "You're the candidate, You ask him." One of my intrepid volunteers volunteered. I trudged over slowly. "What do you want?" he barked. I was immediately transported back to my childhood. "I'm running for Rep," I stammered. "I know who you are," he stared at me, and I hope you haven't run into any more cars since our last encounter." I was shocked. That was over forty years ago. Now, it was my turn to stare. "I suppose you want to put one of your signs up on my building?" I just nodded. "OK but be careful," he said as he went back into his shop. That was the last time I ever spoke to Mr. Federico.

Thank you, Charlie, for taking care of a little kid and his bike and a big kid and his sign. Rest in peace.

## MICRO PLANT STUDIO ANNIVERSARY RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

Micro Plant Studio—a creative new take on the traditional flower, plant and gift shop—opened a year ago in South Boston and is celebrating its official ribbon cutting and one-year anniversary. Micro Plant Studio is located at 365 West Broadway near the corner of E Street, has its grand opening on January 25, 2018, at 7pm. Our location is conveniently located on the MBTA red line and Bus 9.

The vision of Boston-based artist Julio César Román, Micro Plant Studio's founder/owner and graduate of Boston's School of the Museum of Fine Arts and Tufts University, Micro Plant Studio consist of both a showroom and a flexible arts studio. "It all started with my personal succulent collection, I started after recovering from surgery," César Román's notes. "This expanded into an online website collection and we are now excited to open our South Boston space." César Román collaborated with Boston architect Elvin Saya

on the final concept for Micro Plant Studio's physical studio.

The showroom sells a variety of seasonal fresh cut flowers and houseplants, including 20 different types of succulents and the ever-mysterious Venus flytrap. The showroom also features 50 different styles of micro pots, 100 decorative/fairy garden toys, plant-inspired artwork, and a balloon-stuffing machine that allows guests to custom-fill balloons with small plants, stuffed animals, photos, gift cards, and more. The studio features Roman's own artwork and photographs.

"We carefully designed the showroom to embrace the beautiful elements of nature – green and brown colors, textures, lighting – at the same time reinforcing the company's brand and celebrating the uniqueness of each plant, flower, and product," says César Román. "We want to make sure guests of all ages and backgrounds have fun when they come in to the space, hence playful merchandise



names like our 'Whim,' 'Zoom,' 'Soulful,' and 'Critter' collections."

Guests can also reserve the space to host private, community building workshops and events such as creating terrariums, painting, and making floral vessels. "The studio is a space where people are encouraged to create art, be inspired by art and nature, learn from each other, be part

of a shared community space, and increase their sense of community by networking with others," observes César Román.

Micro Plant Studio is open Mondays – Fridays 11AM – 7PM and Saturdays and Sundays 11AM – 5PM ET.

For more information, call 617-855-8785, or visit [microplantstudio.com](http://microplantstudio.com).



# Compass On The Bay Honors Its Veterans

SB Staff Report

Last Saturday, January 19th, Compass on the Bay hosted a beautiful and very special ceremony for Veterans at the Memory Support Assisted Living Community. Residents, associates and families gathered with members of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald Post #561 to share experiences and recognize veterans for their brave

service to our country.

This upbeat and yet emotional ceremony began with the National Anthem, the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence and later 'Taps' was played in memory of those resident veterans, who have passed away: Harry Hayes, Thomas Gaffney and Thomas Callahan, all of whom served in the United States Army.

The Master of Ceremonies was Merydith Tuit, who is the Senior

Vice Commander of the William E. Carter American Legion Post #16 in Mattapan. The Fitzgerald Post gave each of the veterans US Hand Flags and a hat that corresponds with the branch of the service in which they served. The flags were enthusiastically waved by the Veterans when the hymns from their branches of service were being played. The branches that were represented by the resident veterans were the

United States Army, United States Navy, The United States Air Force and the United States Coast Guard.

Congressman Stephen Lynch presented each veteran with American Flags that were smartly displayed in their traditional cases as well as citations and money clips. Citations were also given from Senator Nick Collins and Representative David Biele at the state level and Councilors Michael Flaherty and Edward



Back row L to R: Boston Councilor At-Large Michael Flaherty, Dining Room Supervisor Marydith Tuit (served USN Retired), Boston Councilor Ed Flynn (USN Retired)  
Front row L to R: Ottavio Cerullo (Two-time Purple Heart Recipient), Yolanda Cerullo (USCG), and Captain Marilyn McGrath (USAF)



From L to R: Frank Atchison, (USN Torpedomans Mate 2nd Class), his son Paul, Robert Santiago, Deputy Commissioner of Veterans' Services pose with a photo of the actual ship which Frank served on for three years.



From L to R: U.S. Congressman Stephen Lynch, Boston City Councilor At-Large Michael Flaherty, Gerald Cohen, USAF (with his two sons in back), Deputy Commissioner Robert Santiago, (USN Retired), Boston Councilor Ed Flynn (USN Retired), State Representative David Biele



Flynn (US Navy Ret.) from the city level of government. Deputy Commissioner Robert Santiago (US Navy Ret.) gave citations and the famous Challenge Coins.

This was indeed an impressive gathering of deserving veterans; American heroes all. Every veteran

mentioned above deserves very special praise and the gratitude of all Americans for their dedication to their country and the roll they played in defense of America’s freedom.

The wonderful staff at Compass on the Bay deserves kudos for their kindness, thoughtfulness, care and the

respect they give to the veterans who have served this great county. And we at South Boston Today thank them for allowing us to join them in recognizing and remembering our Veterans.

Compass on the Bay opened in 1994 and is Boston’s only 100% Memory Supported Assisted Living

Community serving those with varying levels of memory loss including mild cognitive impairment (early memory loss) and diagnosed Alzheimer’s disease. The community is managed by Senior Living Residences (SLR) of Braintree, MA. Learn more at [www.compassonthebay.com](http://www.compassonthebay.com)



From L to R: Robert Molloy (USN – Boatswain’s Mate 3rd Class), Executive Director Caitlyn Mark, Noel Coletti (USA)



Commander Tom McCarthy giving Ottavio Cerullo an Army hat



Back from L to R: Joni Miller, Receptionist at Compass on the Bay, and family  
Front from L to R: Siblings Ottavio & Yolanda Cerullo



U.S. Congressman Stephen Lynch and Captain Marilyn McGrath (USAF – Nurse) Vietnam



State Representative David Biele (left) and Robert Santiago (right) pose with members of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post 561.



L to R: Dianne Paull and Denise McCarthy



Christian Mazzeo (Catholic Memorial Senior) working on Community Service hours, Debbie, Robert Molloy (USN) and Noel Coletti (USA)



L to R: Deputy Commissioner Robert Santiago; State Rep. David Biele, Dave Falvey (Commander of SBAWVC), Colin Smith (Jr. Vice Commander) SBAWVC



# MAYOR WALSH LAUNCHES MASTER PLAN FOR BOSTON COMMON



Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department launched a Master Plan for the Boston Common in collaboration with the Friends of the Public Garden. Mayor Walsh has committed \$28 million from the sale of the City's Winthrop Square garage to augment the current historic levels of investment in Boston Common to fully renovate "America's First Park." A major tourist destination, cultural beacon, and neighborhood park, Boston Common is one of the most treasured green spaces in the world. This investment will ensure future generations will enjoy the park in its full vibrancy.

In preparation for these investments, the Master Plan will provide a vision for the Common, building on existing public and private investment and inform the priorities for expenditures from both the Winthrop Square funds and future City of Boston Capital Plans. The funds will support capital investments as well as investments in the maintenance and activities of the park.

"The sale of the Winthrop Square property has given us an unprecedented opportunity to make substantial improvements to our most famous park, the historic Boston Common," said Mayor Walsh. "In order to maximize our investment, our planning process will guide all aspects of preservation, maintenance, and public use of the park as we move into the

future, ensuring the Boston Common is preserved for all to enjoy."

In 15 years, the nation's first park will celebrate its 400th anniversary. Mayor Walsh's investment in the Common will build on a series of improvements at Tremont Street, Boylston Street, and various pathways within the park as well as significant annual investments made by the Friends for care of the park. Revitalization will consider the extraordinary level of use the Common attracts and ensure investment that preserves and celebrates this green center of downtown.

"As an essential partner of the City, the Friends of the Public Garden is very excited to participate in this once-in-a-generation opportunity to work collaboratively with the public to create a bold plan to bring the nation's first public park up to the highest standards for the millions of people who enjoy it every year," said Elizabeth Vizza, Executive Director of the Friends of The Public Garden.

Boston's Weston & Sampson design studio will lead the master planning efforts for the Common. Their award-winning preservation work with the Friends of the Public Garden and thoughtful restorations throughout the Common to date give them unique insight into these beloved parks. Weston & Sampson strategically develops sustainable design strategies and carefully selects materials to support their park/recreation improvement and historical/environmental restoration efforts. The firm's successful master planning work at signature parks throughout the region is a testament to their enthusiasm for and commitment to a robust and engaging public process.

As an integral part of an interdisciplinary firm, Weston & Sampson's landscape architects will work closely with their civil, structural, and infrastructure engineers, environmental site professionals, and stormwater experts. With their collaborative teaming approach, Weston & Sampson will deliver creative, innovative, and technically sound plans that can withstand heavy use, New England weather, and the test of time - a vital goal for this landmark park with its complex infrastructure over garages, tunnels, and supply lines.

## "Every Little Thing Wants to Be Loved"

By Lisa Gilbert

Every little thing wants to be loved. And so it is with animals in a shelter. Last week St. Peter Academy collected blankets, towels, and sheets to donate to the Animal Rescue League of Boston. Led by their teacher, Mrs. Christine Miller, our kindergarten students decorated some blankets in their classroom. When they were finished, they announced that they "filled them with love" as they were painting them, so that the animals would always be "surrounded by love." Even kindergarteners know that every little thing wants to be loved.



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Similarly, the Boston Globe reported that Redgate Principal Ralph Cox was previously a top executive at Massport. Indeed, Redgate's biography for Mr. Cox confirms that Mr. Cox served as a Director of Maritime and Real Estate for Massport prior to joining Redgate.

Massport, in responding to the Globe, stated that it has taken no action on releasing the deed restriction to allow for residential buildings at the Edison. Through a statement, Massport also commented that "once the project has definition and the community agrees to proceed, and as we do with similar real estate transactions, we intend to present the project and the deed restriction issue with the Massport Board at an appropriate time should it become necessary."

In response, Redgate stated that its consulting work for Massport ended in 2014—before Redgate acquired the Edison property—and that potential conflicts can be overcome. In a comment to the Globe, Mr. Cox stated, "We continue to work with a variety of stakeholders to establish

the conditions on which residential development can occur at the site without creating conflicts for the continued operation and growth of Conley Terminal."

Given these latest developments, numerous questions remain. In light of Massport's statement, will Massport refuse to bring the deed restriction up for a vote if the community does not support the project? This question is crucial given the opposition in the community, as a petition opposing the Redgate proposal was signed by over 1000 South Boston residents and delivered to city and state officials last month.

Similarly, given the opposition in the community, what work remains between Redgate and stakeholders? Despite two years of community meetings, substantial opposition to the current proposal remains. Will Redgate make any changes or revisions to the current proposal? Lastly, given the potential conflicts of interest between Redgate and Massport, will there be a public process put in place to oversee the deed restriction?

As always, do stay tuned.



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| 348 E Street<br>Single Family        | \$1,079,000 | 8/2/18    | 7     | 2.5   | 1715  |
| 825 East Fourth St Unit 5<br>Condo   | \$949,000   | 8/3/18    | 4     | 2     | 1274  |
| 183 D St UNIT 5<br>Condo             | \$940,000   | 8/6/18    | 4     | 2     | 1150  |
| 39 A St UNIT 2<br>Condo              | \$899,000   | 8/2/18    | 5     | 2     | 1025  |
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| 925 East Broadway UNIT 2<br>Condo    | \$850,000   | 8/2/18    | 6     | 2     | 1213  |
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| 19 Colebrook Street<br>Single Family | \$740,000   | 8/3/18    | 5     | 2     | 1274  |
| 35 Woodward St UNIT 2<br>Condo       | \$629,000   | 8/3/18    | 3     | 2     | 986   |
| 45 West Third St UNIT 305<br>Condo   | \$601,000   | 8/3/18    | 3     | 1     | 658   |
| 176 Emerson Street<br>Single Family  | \$565,000   | 8/6/18    | 8     | 1     | 1218  |
| 39 A St UNIT 3<br>Condo              | \$554,000   | 8/6/18    | 2     | 1     | 471   |
| 194 N Street<br>Single Family        | \$550,000   | 8/3/18    | 4     | 1     | 650   |
| 350 West Fourth St UNIT 210<br>Condo | \$515,000   | 8/7/18    | 4     | 1     | 728   |
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| Haymarket Station      | Wednesday, February 6  | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  |
| Ashmont Station        | Wednesday, February 13 | 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM  |
| Sullivan Station       | Tuesday, February 19   | 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM |
| Forest Hills Station   | Wednesday, February 27 | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM  |
| Malden Center Station  | Monday, March 4        | 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM  |

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# SPORTS

## PATRIOTS FAVORED IN SUPER BOWL

SBT Staff

The New England Patriots enter the bye weekend as a 2-point favorite over the Los Angeles Rams in Super Bowl LIII.

Believe it or not, the Patriots actually opened as a 1-point underdog, but that line quickly changed as bets rolled in on Sunday night in the hours after the AFC Championship had concluded. In the eight Super Bowls that the Patriots have advanced to under Bill Belichick, they've only closed as an underdog once, in Super Bowl XXXVI against the Rams.

The Pats were a 14-point underdog in that game back in 2002

against "The Greatest Show on Turf." The Rams were looking for their second Super Bowl championship in three years, but the Patriots won 20-17.

In Super Bowl XLIX against the Seattle Seahawks, the closing line was "even." Belichick's Patriots were favored in the other six Super Bowls.

And in case you were wondering, entering the bye weekend, the Over/Under for Super Bowl LIII is 58. If that's where it stays, it will be the highest Over/Under in Super Bowl history, behind Super Bowl LI, when the Patriots and Atlanta Falcons Over/Under closed at a record high of 57.

## Tweet of the Week



**Tedy Bruschi** ✓  
@TedyBruschi

This is exactly how Tom wants it to be.  
Everything on the line, ball in his hands.  
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# WHAT TO WATCH

## NFL SUNDAY, JAN. 27

Pro Bowl 3 P.M. ESPN/ABC

## NBA SATURDAY, JAN. 26

Golden State at Boston 8:30 P.M. ABC

## NHL SATURDAY, JAN. 26

All-Star Game 8:15 P.M. NBC

## PGA THURSDAY, JAN. 24 -

## SUNDAY, JAN. 27

Farmers Insurance Open 3 P.M.

Golf Channel/CBS

## WWE SUNDAY, JAN. 27

Royal Rumble 7 P.M. WWE Network

## RIVERA BECOMES FIRST UNANIMOUS HOF'ER

SBT Staff

Mariano Rivera, Edgar Martinez, Roy Halladay, and Mike Mussina were the four players voted into the Baseball Hall of Fame on Tuesday.

Rivera and Halladay are first-ballot Hall of Famers, with Rivera becoming the first player to be voted in unanimously by receiving 100 percent of the vote. Halladay received 85 percent of the votes.

Martinez also got 85 percent of the vote. It was his 10th and final year on the ballot. Mussina received 77 percent of the vote in his sixth year on the ballot.

Notable names who did not get voted in were Curt Schilling (61 percent of the vote), Roger Clemens (60 percent), Barry Bonds (59 percent), and



Manny Ramirez (23 percent).

You need 75 percent of the vote to be enshrined into the Hall of Fame, and you can't be on the ballot for more than 10 years. Schilling, Clemens, and Bonds each only have three more years left. Though, each player saw an increase in votes from 2018, with Schilling seeing the largest increase of the three, going from 51 percent of the vote to 61 percent.

This was Ramirez' third year on the ballot. He only received four more votes than he saw in 2018.



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## This week, Danny looked back at his Preseason NFL predictions:

**Y**ou have to move forward in life. I understand that. But with a weekend of no football before the New England Patriots and Los Angeles Rams do battle in Super Bowl LIII, I figured this would be a good time to look back at my preseason predictions and see how I fared.

Before the regular season began, I picked every division winner and wild card team. And I even went through the NFL Playoffs, round by round.

I ended up getting four of the NFL's eight division winners correct. I also correctly predicted that the Indianapolis Colts would be the No. 6 seed in the AFC, and that the Rams would defeat the New Orleans Saints in the playoffs. But my most proud — and probably most meaningful — preseason prediction was picking the Patriots and Rams to meet in Super Bowl LIII.

I told you there would be a rematch of Super Bowl XXXVI this year, and here we are, with a rematch of Super Bowl XXXVI.

Here's a look back at my preseason picks in more detail:

### AFC EAST

**Prediction: New England Patriots**

**Winner: New England Patriots**

-The Pats didn't finish with the 13-3 record that I thought they would, but 11-5 was good enough to win the division for the 10th consecutive season. And here they are now in their third straight Super

Bowl, and their fourth Super Bowl in the last five years. If you had to predict the AFC East title for next season, right now, who would it be? If you're taking Miami, Buffalo, or New York, you're crazy. This one will always be easy, until Tom Brady retires.

### AFC NORTH

**Prediction: Pittsburgh Steelers**

**Winner: Baltimore Ravens**

-The Ravens won their final three games of the regular season, and had a must-win in Week 17 to get into the playoffs. They got the job done with Lamar Jackson under center, which is not something I had envisioned this season. The Steelers, meanwhile, seem to be falling apart from within. Somebody send that memo to ESPN's Seth Wickersham.

### AFC SOUTH

**Prediction: Houston Texans**

**Winner: Houston Texans**

-I had a feeling that Deshaun Watson's return would've been huge for Houston, and it was. After losing their first three games of the season, the Texans went on to win nine straight and eventually finish with an 11-5 record as the No. 3 seed in the AFC. They had a very good year, but being upset by the No. 6 seed Colts in the Wild Card round was not a good look.

### AFC WEST

**Prediction: Oakland Raiders**

**Winner: Kansas City Chiefs**

-Excuse me for thinking Jon Gruden was going to try and win in his first season

back as an NFL coach. Boy was I wrong with this one. Oakland finished 4-12, while Kansas City took the division and the No. 1 seed in the AFC. This will be the Chiefs' division for the foreseeable future.

### AFC WILD CARD

**Prediction: Denver Broncos,**

**Indianapolis Colts**

**Winner: Los Angeles Chargers,**

**Indianapolis Colts**

-I didn't have the Chargers in the playoffs, but I did predict a solid year for the Colts. If Andrew Luck can stay healthy, then Indianapolis will make things interesting in the AFC next season.

### NFC EAST

**Prediction: Washington Redskins**

**Winner: Dallas Cowboys**

-My Washington pick looked great early on, but then Alex Smith's brutal leg injury ruined everything for the Redskins, and Dallas was the team to step up and take the division.

### NFC NORTH

**Prediction: Green Bay Packers**

**Winner: Chicago Bears**

-I did not think Green Bay would miss out on the playoffs again, but perhaps an Aaron Rodgers knee injury in Week 1 affected the Packers. Actually, forget the knee injury. Rodgers still had the opportunity to win more than six games this year. Green Bay underachieved, and Mike McCarthy paid for it by getting fired. And congrats to the Bears. They had a great 12-win season.

### NFC SOUTH

**Prediction: New Orleans Saints**

**Winner: New Orleans Saints**

-New Orleans was the No. 1 seed in the NFC. I knew they would have a big year. That said, the Saints should be preparing for the Super Bowl right now. The refs cost them the NFC Championship by not calling pass interference on the Rams late in the game. I expect Drew Brees to make another serious run next season.

### NFC WEST

**Prediction: Los Angeles Rams**

**Winner: Los Angeles Rams**

-Another division that I nailed, but this was an easy pick for me. The Rams have so much talent on both sides of the ball. I saw big things from them from the beginning, which is why I had them winning the NFC.

### NFC WILD CARD

**Prediction: Minnesota Vikings,**

**Atlanta Falcons**

**Winner: Seattle Seahawks,**

**Philadelphia Eagles**

-Minnesota choked, and Atlanta, who knows what's going on with Atlanta.

### SUPER BOWL LIII

**Prediction: Patriots over Rams**

**Winner: TBD**

-I'll be back next week with "Pic's Picks" for Super Bowl LIII.

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## South Boston Catholic Academy News

# STEM Learning Bolstered Through Innovative Spaces

Submitted by: Jamie Brown

South Boston Catholic Academy is a pre-school through grade 6 school located in the heart of Boston. Recently, the Academy has spent time carving out two spaces within their building to dedicate to STEM learning for all students, beginning at age 3. The IDEA Lab for preschoolers, and Math & Science Lab for the upper grades serve as spaces for learning experiences that are both authentic and deeply connected for all students.

South Boston Catholic Academy's Early Childhood Program serves almost 150 students. The Early Childhood Program, in partnership with the Lynch Early Childhood Project, provides experiences for students to learn through play and seeks to provide students with opportunities to approach tasks with an inventive and inquisitive nature.

On Thursday, November 8, South Boston Catholic Academy unveiled the new IDEA Lab! The lab is intended to be a space for Early Childhood students to Imagine, Design, Explore, and Achieve. There, students are inspired to build and test out ramps and gears on a magnetic wall, explore concepts of color and transparency at a light table,

perform on a stage, write on the walls, and build with oversized blocks and lego walls! The lab provides countless opportunities for students to predict, experiment, tinker and work together in a room full of possibilities!

The IDEA Lab is designed and dedicated in loving remembrance of an actively involved and admired school and community member, Lori Miller. Lori was a familiar face at the school for more than 15 years, as a mother and volunteer. Lori's love for South Boston Catholic Academy was clear in her involvement there, and her daughter, Kristen, continues her legacy working in the preschool as a teacher.

Also new this year is the Academy's first Math and Science Lab. If you walked in there on any given day, you would see students working around tall Collaboration Stations engaging in hands on science. In the lab, students have access to an interactive whiteboard, two 3D printers, chromebooks and virtual reality headsets.

South Boston Catholic Academy has done a great deal of reflection on practice in STEM this year in order to ensure that we are providing rigorous, standards aligned instruction in math and science. Study and learning in the both sciences and mathematics has been bolstered by shifting our thinking towards more STEM education, and thinking of how we can integrate science, technol-

ogy, engineering and mathematics in order to help students make sense of the world around them. Students in grade 6 recently created a "Christmas Village" that asked students to construct gingerbread houses from nets and then calculate various aspects of their structure, including finding volume and surface area. Through our partnership with Engineering is Elementary and the Museum of Science, students in all grades K2-5 will have experience a full EiE unit.

In addition to in school experiences, we also take our students on regular field trips to experience science in the real world. Classrooms visit the Museum of Science, New England Aquarium, Stone Zoo, and MIT for Robotics classes.

We look forward to highlighting our student learning during Catholic Schools Week and opening our doors to prospective families. Our Open House will also be held on Wednesday, January 30th from 9-1. For additional information about South Boston Catholic Academy, or to schedule a tour, please visit their website at [www.sbcatholicacademy.org](http://www.sbcatholicacademy.org) or call 617-268-2326.

Jamie Brown is the Assistant Principal of South Boston Catholic Academy.



Grade 4 visits the New England Aquarium



Grade 6 learns about 3D Printing at MIT.



Kristen Miller (teacher) at the Opening of the IDEA LAB



Students exploring light in the IDEA LAB.



We welcome Ms. Anne Damiano, as our new STEM Coordinator. She is here with our grade 5 students sorting and organizing the Robotic Kits for the STEM Initiative.



Gr. 6 sorting and organizing the Robotic Kits for the STEM Initiative.