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# **EDITORIAL**

# Animals Lining Up on the Beach two by two Waiting for the Ark



ith the extra rainy month of April that our area has just experienced, now continuing well into the month of May, our damp and soggy neighbors are wondering when, WHEN will spring finally arrive and stay around for more than a day or two? The humorous letters and social media posts have come into this newspaper about reports of animals lining up two by two along the beach patiently waiting for Noah and his Ark to come by and pick them up. Some residents say

they are searching the internet, looking for the best deals on canoes and rubber rafts, so they can shop for groceries. It's nice to see that so many are making the best of and joking about all of this rain and the endless cloud cover. And that's a good thing since there's not much we can do about it besides wait it out.

Of course, there are those who insist it's being caused by 'Global Warming' or the updated term 'Climate Change'. But reasonable and knowledgeable meteorologists have a more accurate term for it

called a 'Rainy Spring'; which have been occurring from time to time for thousands of years. It happens.

But look at the bright side. Inevitably, the rain will stop, the clouds will clear, and that warm spring sun will break through. And as we head into summer, it will cause the grass and trees to burst forth with a lush bright green and the flowers to bloom, letting us forget the lingering gloom. It always happens. But in the unlikely event it does not, well, it wouldn't hurt to reserve a seat on that Ark just in case.

"Anytime you're afraid to try something new, just remember, amateurs built the Ark, professionals built the Titanic" - David Drake

### Princess Cruises Passengers Involved in Crash of Seaplanes During Excursion

#### Cruise Law News

Reports confirm that a total of six cruise passengers died after a U.S. Coast Guard search discovered three missing people following the crash of the two planes in the George Inlet area of Alaska. A total of 16 people were reportedly on the two planes, and 10 people were accounted for, according to the Anchorage Daily News. The article indicated that the guests involved came off the Royal Princess, which left Vancouver on Saturday and is scheduled to return to Vancouver on May 25th after calling on several ports in Alaska.

Princess Cruises states that ten guests from the cruise ship and a pilot were in a floatplane operated by Taquan Air returning from a Misty Fjords tour. A second floatplane carrying four people from the ship on an independent tour was also involved in the accident. Ten patients were admitted to a hospital in Ketchikan. According to its promotional information, Princess Cruises offers three floatplane excursions to its guests in Ketchikan. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) are investigating the accident.

Four years ago, in June of 2015, eight Holland America Line (HAL) cruise passengers were killed when the sight-seeing airplane they booked through HAL crashed near Ketchikan, Alaska. The pilot of the charter plane and all eight cruise passengers from HAL's Westerdam died when the plane crashed about 20 miles northeast of Ketchikan. The aircraft reportedly hit the granite rock face of a southeast Alaska cliff.



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# A Review of and Commentary on Recent Stories

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o review, in last week's column, we asked if there were any readers who agree with Bernie Sander's statement that he wants the Marathon Bomber to be allowed to vote in US elections from his prison cell. And if there were, would they please write in and tell us why they agreed, and they could do so anonymously. Well, no one wrote in to defend Bernie's statement. We did however receive 106 comments from readers saying that the bomber (his name won't be mentioned here; he has already received far too much publicity) should absolutely NOT be allowed to vote. Many respondents had very creative suggestions about what they'd like to see happen to him. There was one respondent, who expressed no opinion on the voting issue but complained that I had twisted Bernie's words. My response to that was I simply repeated the words that the Senator used which were spoken on national TV and rerun on video dozens of times. This column has a policy of leaving the Fake News to sources like CNN.

Among the big news stories in recent days was of course the so called 'trade war' with China. Looking into how the trade deals with that nation have been going over the past decades, China has been taking advantage of our country in a huge way, pretty much sticking it to America at every turn and the last few Presidents did absolutely nothing about it. President Trump made the promise when campaigning for the White House that, if he won, he would get us out of all

the bad trade deals America has been locked into for so many years. One of his mottos was 'America First'. Had former Presidents had the courage and the will to take this action, it's a good bet our nation's economy would have been much better off long before the current President had to come along and do something about it.

We're told that this 'Trade War' with China could cause prices for American consumers on various items to rise. But most of the people I know are willing to pay a bit more to buy American products and those things that may not be made in America can be purchased from other Asian countries such as South Korea, Taiwan, Japan and the Philippines. In a way, you can't really fault China too much for the current situation. Their leaders are looking out for their country, as they have always put 'China First'. They would certainly be expected to try to get the best deals they could to benefit them, just like every other country does. They have now learned that the United States will no longer be a pushover and that finally, America is back. The rest of the world will just have to get used to it and that's a good thing.

"There is always kind of a calmed feeling I tell folks whenever I think of the Holocaust". As we all know now, this statement was made by Democrat Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib. If these aren't anti-Semitic sentiments, I don't know what are. When you look at this person's past statements and the people

she is aligned with, it would be difficult not to believe that she is a radical Islamist. And by those statements, alliances and some of her activities, most are convinced that she doesn't much care for America in general and Jewish people in particular. And yet, Nancy Pelosi and some other leaders in her party continue to defend her; claiming she next election, as they continue really doesn't mean what she is saying, and then demanding that those who criticize Tlaib are the ones who should apologize.

It would make Pelosi and her liberal minion's jobs so much easier if the American people were as stupid as she wishes they were. It's predicted by a growing number of political experts that these people; Pelosi, Steny Hoyer, Adam Schiff, Nadler etc. will lose their majority in Congress come the to shock and disgust American voters by what they say and what they are trying to do to this country on almost a daily basis.

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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.

# Breaking: Company plans \$650M clean energy center in Somerset

This just in, via SHNS's Michael Nortion: "The company that owns the South Coast site of a former coal-burning power plant on Monday outlined plans to transform the 300-acre parcel into a clean energy center featuring 400 megawatts of on-site battery storage and a \$250 million converter to serve the offshore wind industry. Commercial Development Company's Brayton Point LLC announced plans to launch the Anbaric Renewable Energy Center at the Brayton Point Commerce Center in Somerset, where two cooling towers were imploded last month to help the real estate acquisition and development company repurpose the industrial site."

# ICE defends courthouse detentions, citing 'dangerous aliens' on the loose

In response to a lawsuit filed by DAs Rachel Rollins and Marian Ryan, ICE is claiming it has a right to detain illegal immigrants at state courthouses, citing "dangerous aliens" that are on the loose in Massachusetts, partly due to a recent Supreme Judicial Court ruling, reports Sarah Betancourt at CommonWealth magazine.

'Dangerous aliens'? You mean, like the foreign national who had rape, robbery and strangulation charges pending against him when he was recently swept up with 141 other undocumented immigrants with drunken driving records in New England? The Herald's Joe Dwinell has more in a curiously timed ICE-in-action story.

#### 'A resounding victory for Mr. Kraft': Judge tosses key video evidence in prostitution case

It's not quite game, set, match point for Kraft, but it's close. From the Associated Press at WGBH: "Prosecutors cannot use secretly recorded video allegedly showing New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft engaging in massage parlor sex, a judge ruled Monday, striking a serious blow to their case against him and others charged with soliciting prostitutes at the Orchids of Asia Day Spa."

The Globe's Danny McDonald reports the ruling rests on the judge's view of the "sneak and peak" warrant used by law enforcement to video-tape the spa encounters. The New York Times flatly states that the video ruling is a "resounding victory for Mr. Kraft."

# As MBTA hikes repair estimate to \$10B, chamber chief slams slow pace of improvements

The 'patience, patience, patience' strategy doesn't seem to be working. From Bruce Mohl at CommonWealth magazine: "The MBTA estimated on Monday that it would cost \$10.1 billion to fully modernize its assets, a projection that may influence the debate on Beacon Hill over whether the agency needs additional revenue. The T has long used a figure of \$7.3 billion to estimate the amount of money needed to bring the system into a state of good repair."

Meanwhile, SHNS's Michael Norton (pay wall) reports that Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce president James Rooney has fired off a letter to the T's board complaining of the delay in some capital spending, expressing concern over "unreliable service" and urging "bolder solutions," which means ... tax increases? That's what "bolder solutions" usually means in these parts of the republic. We could be wrong.

Separately, Gov. Charlie Baker, who has been resisting any broad-based tax increase to pay for transportation

improvements, is off this week to Washington D.C. with Mayor Marty Walsh to lobby for increased fed infrastructure funds, as Shira Schoenberg reports at MassLive.

# Healey joins price-fixing suit against generic drug companies

This suit has traction. From Tori Bedford at WGBH: "Attorney General Maura Healey has joined leaders from 44 other states in suing a group of drug makers and pharmaceutical executives for allegedly fixing prices on generic drugs. In a press release Monday, Healey announced the complaint against 20 drug companies and 15 pharmaceutical executives, accusing them of 'intentionally' raising drug prices as much as 1,000 percent."

And Healey has an unlikely local ally in this fight: The Boston Herald, whose editorial this morning blasts "sinister" price fixing by drug firms and urges prosecution to the "fullest extent of the law." As we said, this suit has traction – both legal and popular traction.

## Massachusetts firms lose billions in stock market 'bloodbath'

Just thought you'd like to know what the market thinks of protectionism. From Don Seiffert at the BBJ: "The 20 most valuable publicly traded Massachusetts firms had shed \$14.3 billion in market cap on Monday amid a market-wide rout following the imposition of

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# REP. BIELE VOTES TO ALLOCATE \$200 MILLION FOR MUNICIPAL ROADWAYS

Bill includes over \$14.6 million for roads and bridges in the City of Boston

ast week, Representative
David Biele joined his colleagues in the Massachusetts House of Representatives in

voting to pass legislation to fund municipal infrastructure projects across the Commonwealth under the state's Chapter 90 program.

The bill allocates \$200 million projects involving municipal roadways and bridges, and the City of Boston is scheduled to receive over \$14.6 million in funding under the legislation.

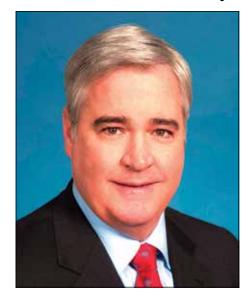
The Chapter 90 bill distributes state funds to cities and towns for 100% reimbursement for eligible roadway infrastructure projects such as resurfacing, sidewalks, traffic control, lighting and drainage. Local municipalities decide how to utilize state funding.

In addition to allocating funds for local infrastructure projects, the Chapter 90 legislation also allocates an additional \$200 million for state rail and transit projects. The bill also authorizes \$1.5 billion in bonding for federal highway projects, with the federal government reimbursing 80% of those costs.

"Transportation and local infrastructure are two of the biggest issues facing our neighborhoods, especially given the growth of the South Boston community and the City of Boston," said Rep. Biele. "I was proud to support this bill which makes crucial investments in local roadway infrastructure, as well as rail and transit systems. We must continue to find ways to invest in our transportation infrastructure."

The bill unanimously passed the House of Representatives and now heads to the Massachusetts State Senate for consideration.

#### Michael F. Flaherty Announces Re-Election Ballot Qualification and Accomplishments



Boston City Councilor At-Large Michael F. Flaherty announced that he is the first candidate to qualify for the preliminary ballot in his re-election efforts. In a strong show of city-wide organizational strength, Councilor Flaherty is the first candidate to collect the necessary number of certified signatures.

"I am pleased to announce that the City of Boston's Elections Department informed me that they certified the minimum 1,500 signatures necessary for me to qualify for the ballot. I am grateful for voters across our city who continue to support our efforts, and I am thankful to my team who asked voters to sign my nomination paper," stated Councilor Flaherty.

As a Boston City Councilor At-

Large, Councilor Flaherty's office continues to work with residents throughout the city to address quality-of-life concerns that impact every neighborhood and community.

"I'm proud of the work I have accomplished through collaborative efforts on the Boston City Council over the course of this term," stated Councilor Flaherty. "To name a few: I called for implementation of citywide parking permits for Personal Care Attendants (PCA) - understanding that time and accessibility are of concern to those who are in need of PCAs. I continue my ongoing commitment to engage in recurring dialogues with seniors, appreciating that the key role they play in the development of our city. Further, as with our seniors, I understand the responsibility we have to the youth in our city. To that end, in an effort to close the achievement gap, I called for a public discussion on the implementation of a Year 13 program in our school system."

Councilor Flaherty additionally highlighted his unique role on the City Council with respect to passage of legislation in Boston. "As the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, I continue to work with the Walsh Administration, my colleagues on the Boston City Council, and a wide variety of advocacy

groups to hold public hearings on a range of legislative proposals," Councilor Flaherty said. "Last year, I heard from numerous stakeholders on the significant concerns surrounding short-term rentals as we resolved to stabilize housing in our neighborhoods. Additionally, as Chair, I have held committee meetings on an array of proposed matters, including

- increasing access to affordable housing through the means of updating the City's Linkage Law and Inclusionary Development Policy;
- strengthening opportunities for civic engagement through various City departments and resources; and
- guiding equitable regulations for emerging industries."

In addition to his role as the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, Councilor Flaherty made note of his role in relation to the City of Boston's Community Preservation Program. "As Chair of the City Council's Committee on the Community Preservation Act (CPA), I recommended nearly \$43 million in funding approval for 91 projects. Every neighborhood across Boston has received funding for a project that falls under the three aspects of the Community Preservation Act historic sites, parks & open spaces, and/or affordable housing. It is great to see how much progress has been made since the passage of the ballot initiative less than 3 years ago, and I look forward to residents' continued efforts to preserve our city."

Councilor Flaherty acknowledges that while much progress has been made, there are still disparities that need our urgent attention. These include: public health and safety concerns surrounding the opioid epidemic; violence intervention and trauma support services; working to ensure that all of our communities benefit from the ongoing rapid growth and development across Boston; sustainable solutions to make Boston more climate resilient and environmentally conscious; and a school system that should implement a district-wide STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math)-based school-to-career pipeline.

As a husband, father, neighbor and proud lifelong Bostonian, Boston City Councilor At-Large Michael F. Flaherty is committed to ensuring that Boston is an accessible, equitable, and inclusive city for our residents to work, play and live in. He looks forward to kicking-off his re-election campaign at Coppersmith Restaurant in South Boston on Thursday, May 30th at 5:30 PM. Councilor Flaherty looks forward to earning the support of voters in the election season ahead.



In the photo: At the New **England** Council's Annual Washington, DC Leaders Conference: Jim Brett, New England Council; U.S. Congressman Stephen Lynch; and John Beatty of South Boston, 2019 Grand Marshal of St. Patrick's Day Parade.

# How We're Investing in South Boston

By Mayor Martin J. Walsh



Very spring, we release our Capital Investment Plan which funds the critical improvements to our infrastructure and facilities in Boston over a five-year period. It is a reflection of our priorities and is guided by the voices of over 15,000 residents, who offered input for our citywide plan, Imagine

Boston 2030. Our Capital Plan funds the essentials of community life -- our schools, streets, libraries, and parks, including climate and resilience projects. It's a commitment to all those who call Boston home and to our future generations.

Here in South Boston, we're making investments across a wide range of projects, including parks and open space, streets and transportation, our schools' infrastructure, and our delivery of City services.

We're allocating much of our budget to infrastructure and transportation efforts in order to make navigating Boston safe, reliable, and equitable. That's why we're investing \$250,000 to complete the reconstruction of Congress Street from Fort Point Channel to West Service Road. This project includes building new sidewalks, street-lights, trees, and street furniture. We're also allocating \$250,000 towards analyzing the transportation capacity and developing the design for future improvements to the South Boston Dorchester Avenue area. And, we're investing \$7.4 million to continue the Crossroads Initiative at Summer Street, which will improve roadways, sidewalks, street lighting, and bicyclist safety in the area.

We believe that funding equitable and accessible community spaces is crucial to keeping Boston not only a beautiful city, but also an open and welcoming one. That's why we've allocated \$600,000 towards a new open, gathering space on L Street that will provide older residents a place to relax and socialize while encouraging young children to engage and play. Additionally, we're making a \$510,000 investment to improve playing fields and other amenities at Orton Field, next to the Condon School. We're also making a \$250,000 investment in new play equipment for children ages 2 through 5 and safety surfacing for the Medal of Honor Park.

We're funding a \$99,000 project to complete exterior and improve the use and access to the backyard at the South Boston Branch of the Boston Public Library. As you may know, our neighborhoods are highly exposed to sea level rise due to our low-lying

coastline. That's why we're making a \$15 million investment to renovate the BCYF Curley Community Center, which will support re-programming and provide resilient protection from climate change. We're also funding \$3.3 million worth of citywide climate resiliency planning efforts, in addition to \$20 million for the design and implementation of a climate resilient waterfront park along the Fort Point Channel. We're also investing \$2 million to implement the Moakley Park master plan, which will redesign the park to mitigate flood risk.

Now that we've submitted Boston's budget, where do we go from here? First, to the City Council, where it will be reviewed and adjusted as necessary. After it's gone through that process and secured approval, it will go into effect, starting in July 2020 and running throughout the next 12 months. We hope you will continue to provide your valuable input on what we as a city can do to raise up your community. If you'd like to learn more about the Capital Plan and how this budget was created, go to budget.boston.gov.









Councilor Ed Flynn, Councilor Michael Flaherty, and Councilor Frank Baker had a great time hosting the students and teachers of the Perry School in South Boston last week at City Hall. They were also joined by Council President Andrea Campbell, Councilor Annissa Essaibi George, and Haley Dillon from the Office of Neighborhood Services. The kids even got to see Mayor Marty Walsh and tour the Model Room with Juan Lopez.

# Flying Blind – Residents Blindsided By Cape Air's Seaplane Plans

May 14th City Point Neighborhood Association meeting became heated, when Cape Air representatives informed the audience that the FAA had already approved the proposal to land seaplanes in the Fort Point and other areas of the harbor off South Boston, with flight paths that include City Point and Castle Island. Cape Air representatives Andrew Bonney and Elysse Magnotto-Cleary gave a presentation, highlighting factors such as day-time only operation, preference of flying over water, open to the public and flight operations away from the city, as being favorable and distinct from helicopter service. The also indicated that both the US Coast Guard Waterways Management Division and The Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) 'did not object'.

It is important to note that, while the company is only just now meeting with the South Boston neighborhood, in the fall of 2016 Cape Air requested and received initial approval from federal agencies including the Army Corps, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Coast Guard, according to a October 11, 2016 letter of reply from the Army Corps to Mr. Bonney...

When pressed for details on who Cape Air had dealt with prior to obtaining approval, Cape Air indicated that they had spoken with Senator Elizabeth Warren, Senator Ed Markey, the Mayor's office and the South Boston elected officials and several City Councilors. Elected officials characterized any contact as introductory only. Senator Nick Collins, Councilor Michael Flaherty and others had advised them over a year ago to meet with the community and go through the public process and their offices had not heard back from them since.

State Representative David Biele attended the public meeting and he faced and responded to the anger coming from those in attendance. Other elected officials were represented by staff. Rep. Biele stated that he has not signed off on the seaplane proposal. He expressed his frustration that he had only learned about

the proposal in a recent newspaper article and had asked Cape Air to meet with the South Boston community. He went on to criticize Cape Air's outreach in coming before the South Boston community only after obtaining FAA approval. He then pressed Cape Air representatives on what additional permits are needed, and stated his office was investigating permitting and oversight at the state level.

Residents in attendance expressed surprise and suspicion that this type of air service, as in the case of controversial corporate helicopter proposals in the past, that would naturally warrant more detailed scrutiny, was being represented as a 'done deal'. These types of air travel services are unique to corporate perquisites and tourist excursions but have no inherent benefit to the South Boston neighborhood. One of the concerns is the reliance on the experience of the pilots to cope with the extremely active harbor that includes not only jet air travel above, but amateur sailboat operators, power boats, ferries, cruise ships, tankers and excursion boats.

Many calls were made to the offices of local elected officials. The following statements were made by those officials.

Senator Nick Collins stated, "Any suggestion that I am in support of Cape Air's efforts to operate seaplanes in the South Boston Waterfront is flat out false. In fact, I have serious concerns about their efforts to avoid transparency and scrutiny, as they pursue the ability to operate a business that they are not in. It begs the question, what do thy not want us to know?"

Representative Biele followed up with, "It is unacceptable that Cape Air engaged the South Boston community only after receiving approval from the FAA. If the company won't be up front while seeking approvals, how will the company conduct itself afterwards? I can't support an organization that shows such disrespect for the community I represent."

City Councilors Michael Flaherty, Edward Flynn and Michelle Wu, all of whom were referenced by Cape



Air representatives as having been met with, stated the following.

Michael Flaherty stated, "I attended a meeting with the South Boston Delegation and Cape Air Representatives nearly a year ago. At that meeting, no commitments or endorsements were made to Cape Air. As I do with everyone who approaches me with a project, concept or idea, I specifically told the proponents to go out to the community and meet with the civic associations and talk to my neighbors."

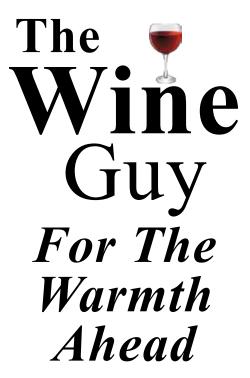
Flaherty continued, "I am extremely disappointed to learn that Cape Air came out to the South Boston community after they had already secured approval from the Federal Aviation Agency -- and 8 months after they engaged the East Boston community about their project. Our community deserves a legitimate opportunity to provide feedback about a project that will impact their quality of life, especially with a loading and landing dock in their neighborhood and particularly in light of the ongoing development the community continues to endure. Just as I led the opposition to the helipad, I will again stand with the community to ensure their voices heard loud and clear."

Ed Flynn said, "As the District City Councilor and a Veteran of the US Navy for nearly 25 years, I'm opposed to the proposal of seaplanes due to public safety concerns regarding flight patterns over the neighborhood of South Boston, as well as maritime concerns. Moreover, I will not support projects that lack transparency and a strong community process. The

people of South Boston deserved the same opportunity to weigh in on quality of life issues as other communities received. I believe our focus should remain on public safety facilities, basic city services, a library, and community space; not an airport on the South Boston Waterfront."

Michelle Wu stated, "Our focus shouldn't be on fast tracking sea plane when regular people cant get to work on time because of crushing traffic and crowded buses and trains that don't come often enough.

Michelle Wu stated, "I have very serious concerns about this sea planes proposal, especially after the neighborhood recently rallied to share concerns about how a helipad would affect the community. I learned of this proposal from a constituent and sent a staff member to represent me at the Harbor Front Neighborhood Alliance meeting a few weeks ago, after which she exchanged emails with Cape Air about finding a time to talk, but I have not had a conversation with them, and look to share my concerns directly. I have spoken with members of the South Boston delegation and stand with them in demanding transparency and meaningful opportunity for community members to weigh in. Finally, it is concerning that the FAA will be the only agency with oversight over flight times and frequencies, especially because they have a poor track record of addressing Boston residents' concerns. We are still dealing with the impacts of their decision to concentrate flight paths over a very narrow range of houses across certain Boston neighborhoods."



hen the warmth inevitably arrives, it'll better to have any or all of these on hand,

than to run out looking for them. The consensus from people in the business is that the 2018 vintage from France will be not only the best quality of the last three years, but the great yields will take some pressure off price increases.

Wine like Figuiere Rose Signature Magali, 2018, Cotes de Provence, (\$22.99) is a great example. Figuiere wines are the product of an unparalleled union between Provence and Burgundy, the La Londe terroir and the mastery of craft winemakers specialized in great Burgundy whites. The result is mineral and fruity wines that are understated and unexpected, with citrus and red berry notes on the nose and strong peach and nectarine flavors on the finish.

Kettmeir Pinot Grigio, 2017, Alto Adige/Sudtirol, (\$22.99), is another. Since 1919, Kettmeir has been at the heart of winemaking in Alto Adige,

the lush Alpine region it calls home. This wine is naturally low in acidity but really bursting with flavors and aromas of stone fruit, citrus, honey-suckle, pear and almond. This style is aromatic (think rose and honey) and richly textured; it'll stand up nicely to spicy Asian food, as well as grilled white meats and pungent cheeses.

Bodegas Muga Blanco, 2017, Rioja, Spain, (\$18.99), is another wine that's been overshadowed by the red wines from this area. Time to take a look at this surprisingly complex, yet, easy-drinking wine, though, as it's now available in greater quantities in our area. Tim Atkins says, "Muga's new-oak fermented white blend of mostly Viura with some Malvasia and Garnacha Blanc is sometimes overlooked by Rioja lovers keen to sample their reds, but it's a very well made wine with subtle wood, toast, pear and citrus flavours and poised, refreshing acidity." This wine is great with vegetable dishes, rice, fish and shellfish, tapas and white sauce pasta recipes.

Domaine William Fevre, 2017, Chablis, AOC, France, (\$29.99), is the quintessential Chablis wine. The 2017 village Chablis has a dusty, chalky, austere, wet granite nose with a great crystalline purity and impressive saline notes. The palate is fresh and crisp, with an acidity that brings out green apples, crunchy fruits, lemongrass, pineapple and lime peel nuances-very complex and layered. Like all the best 2017s, there is a potent marine, sea breeze influence on the finish. As you might guess, a natural for shellfish, especially lobster.

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#### Life Science continued from front page

cal devices, and organizations and institutions that devote the majority of their efforts in the various stages of research, development, technology transfer and commercialization.

More generally, Life Sciences is defined as all sciences that have to do with 'organisms', like plants, animals and human beings. More specifically the following fields of science are included:

Agrotechnology, Animal Science, Biochemistry, Biocontrol, Biodynamics, Bio-engineering, Bioinformatics and Biocomputing, Biology, Biomaterials, Biotechnology, Biomedical Engineering, Biomedical Imaging, Biomedical Systems, Biomolecular Engineering, Biomonitoring, Biophysics, Biotechnology, Cell Biology, Ecology, Environmental Sciences, Food Sciences, Genetics and Genomics, Medical Imaging Techniques, Molecular Biology, Nanotechnology, Neuroscience, Plant Science, Proteome and Proteomics, Smart BioPolymers, and Tissue Engineering.

Alexandria Real Estate Equities, which owns a number of Kendall Square buildings with biotech tenants, is partnering with local real-estate invest-

ment firm Anchor Line Partners on the proposal, to be known as 99 A St. propose to build a six-story life-sciences building with possible ground-floor retail use on the West 3rd Street property now occupied by the Coppersmith Restaurant. They have filed detailed plans for a 95-foothigh, 210,000-square foot building. They plan to tear down the warehouse in which Coppersmith has operated, along with other structures on the parcel, which runs between West 2nd and West 3rd streets, and A Street and the South Boston Haul Road and has asked the city for permission to discontinue a dead end that now juts into the property from Bolton Street. The building would have roughly 75 parking spaces.

At a meeting held on April 29, 2019, representatives of the developers were asked pointed questions as to the type of life science companies that would locate there and what if any safety protocols will be in place to address safety concerns endemic to the industry testing and research activities.

Describing the level life science facility, it is proposed to be no more than a Level 2 facility. Biological safety levels are ranked from one to four and are selected based on the agents or organisms on which the research or work is being conducted. Each level up builds on the previous level, adding constraints and barriers.

the lowest level (BSL) one, the lowest level, applies to work with agents that usually pose a minimal potential threat to laboratory workers and the environment and do not consistently cause disease in healthy adults. Research with these agents is generally performed on standard open laboratory benches without the use of special containment equipment.

BSL two would cover work with agents associated with human disease, in other words, pathogenic or infectious organisms posing a moderate hazard. Examples are the equine encephalitis viruses and HIV when performing routine diagnostic procedures or work with clinical specimens. BSL 2 labs must also provide the next level of barriers, i.e., specialty safety equipment and facilities.

Yellow fever, St. Louis encephalitis and West Nile virus are examples of agents requiring BSL 3 practices and containment. Work with these agents is strictly controlled and must be registered with all appropriate government

agencies. More protective primary barriers are used in <u>BSL</u> <u>3</u> laboratories, including solid-front wraparound gowns, scrub suits or coveralls made of materials such as Tyvek® and respirators as necessary.

Agents requiring <u>BSL 4</u> facilities and practices are extremely dangerous and pose a high risk of life-threatening disease. Examples are the Ebola virus, the Lassa virus, and any agent with unknown risks of pathogenicity and transmission. These facilities provide the maximum protection and containment.

The next steps in the review process, where residents will have the opportunity to comment and ask some probing questions are as follows:

- May 20, 6:00pm Impact Advisory Group (IAG) meeting; Coppersmiths 40 West 3rd Street;
- June 3 Public Meeting Coppersmiths 40 West 3rd Street;
- Comment Period is open to June 7.

Comments may be submitted http://www.bostonplans.org/projects/development-projects/99-a-street#comment Form

For more details on the Four Levels go to https://www.labmanager.com/lab-health-andsafety/2010/12/biosafety-levels-1-2-3-4#.XNsnqhRKjIV

# Real Estate Sales

Property/Type	Price	Sale Date	Rooms	Baths	Sq Ft
301 West Broadway UNIT 8 Condo	\$1,799,000	3/1/19	5	3.5	2,771
150-156 Athens St UNIT 101 Condo	\$800,000	3/11/19	5	2	954
25 Mercer St UNIT 2 Condo	\$765,000	3/7/19	3	2	1,002
301 West Broadway UNIT 1 Condo	\$752,500	3/12/19	3	2	1,244
20 Loring Street Single Family	\$725,000	3/15/19	6	1	1,320
501 East Fifth St UNIT 2 Condo	\$720,000	3/6/19	5	1	936
714 East Fifth St UNIT 2	\$690,000	3/1/19	5	2	1,193
401 West Fourth Street Single Family	\$650,000	3/15/19	9	2	1,885
115 O St UNIT1 Condo	\$570,000	3/15/19	5	2	958
339 East E St UNIT 1 Condo	\$565,000	3/7/19	4	1	683
106   St UNIT 2	\$505,000	3/1/19	4	1	732
522 East Eighth St UNIT 2 Condo	\$485,000	3/14/19	5	1	584
11 Boston St UNIT 2 Condo	\$410,000	3/1/19	3	1	554





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### **Community Meeting**

### **Flood Resilient Building Guidelines & Zoning Overlay**

Wednesday, May 22 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

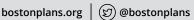
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#### **Event Description**

Please join us for an open house on the City's efforts to promote buildings that are better adapted to coastal flooding and sea level rise. This is an opportunity to learn about the development of flood resilient building guidelines and resiliency zoning, talk to experts, and provide input. This project is part of Climate Ready Boston, the Mayor's ongoing initiative to help the City grow and prosper in the face of climate change. Translation services will be provided.

#### Contact:

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# MAYOR WALSH KICKS OFF INFRASTRUCTURE WEEK IN BOSTON

ayor Martin J. Walsh kicked off National Infrastructure Week in Boston with a live resurfacing demonstration on Ritchie Street in Roxbury, conducted by the City of Boston's Public Works Department (PWD). The demonstration highlights the work of the Public Works Department who resurface more than 30 miles of roadway each year, as well as the historic investments Boston is making in the city's infrastructure.

"Strong infrastructure is critical to our economic success, our safety, and our quality of life, and that's why we're going to continue making the critical investments across our city," said Mayor Walsh. "Investing in infrastructure means investing in our future, and building something that will last for generations. These investments strengthen our future, our middle class, and our communities here in Boston."

As part of Infrastructure Week, Mayor Walsh will join Governor Baker on a trip to Washington D.C. this Wednesday and Thursday to call for more federally funded infrastructure investments in Massachusetts.

"Today's resurfacing demonstration is one of hundreds happening this week, across the nation, to recognize the importance of infrastructure in our daily lives," said Boston's Chief of Streets, Chris Osgood. "Strong infrastructure is critical to our economic success, our safety, and our quality of life."

Under Mayor Walsh, PWD is repairing critical roads and bridges, such as the North Washington Street Bridge, and the Dana Avenue Bridge. PWD is also reconstructing 14 miles of sidewalks, resurfacing over 52 miles of roadway, and continuing to make Boston's streets safe, equitable and efficient for all cyclists, pedestrians, and drivers.

Mayor Walsh's \$2.78 billion fiveyear capital plan allocates significant investments in infrastructure across Boston's neighborhoods, including:

- 10 percent of its budget to projects that make Boston more resilient;
- \$30 million into improving affordable housing;
- Investments in Franklin Park, Moakley

Park, branch libraries and firehouses;
• Investments of over \$1 billion in sidewalks, roads and bridges citywide.

In addition to using city dollars to fund infrastructure improvements, Mayor Walsh is also focused on expanding access to jobs that support building a strong infrastructure. Mayor Walsh launched City Academy in 2018 to connect and train residents for good careers with the City, the program graduated its first class this past January.

Residents can find a working list of streets that the City of Boston plans on resurfacing or reconstructing during the 2019 construction season here. This list is subject to change and may be altered to accommodate necessary underground infrastructure improvements or other unforeseen circumstances such as weather.

More information about Infrastructure Week can be found here: http://infrastructureweek.org.



# The Annual Marine Corps 5K Honor Run had a Massive Turnout

**SBT Staff Report** 

he weather was perfect last Saturday for the Annual Marine Corps. 5K Honor Run held at Carson Beach. It was mild and sunny and just pleasant all around. Some suspected there could have been some Divine intervention helping out, which gave all a break from the cold and rainy spring we've been experiencing. The crowd of runners and spectators numbered into the thousands and the spirit and enthusiasm was at a fever pitch. With country music playing over the impressive sound system, the atmosphere was festive, and everyone seemed to be in a great mood.

Tommy Lyons, one of the found-

ers of the road race, took to the stage to announce the upcoming schedule and to thank everyone for showing up to take part in the race and also to those who showed up to support this big event which seems to get bigger each year. Huge American flags were waving in the breeze all over the staging area which added to the patriotic and pro-military theme of the day.

As the run starting time was rapidly approaching, the participants were asked to line up in the divisions they were entered in. These included a wheel-chair group, fast runners, not so fast runners, walkers, and parents pushing babies in strollers and even a group of people with their dogs on leashes. The dogs by the way seemed to be enjoying the excitement as much as the people were. It was all good.

When the starting whistle blew, the massive crowd filled Day Blvd. and the 5K journey was off and running to the cheers from the crowds on the sidelines. This capped off yet continued on page 12

















# SENIOR BABE RUTH TRYOUTS

ryouts for the Senior Babe Ruth will be held this weekend at King Field in Moakley Park.
Times are 5PM on Sunday May 19 and Monday May 20. We have several openings for new players and we encourage all to tryout.

To be eligible you must be a resident of South Boston and parts of Dorchester that border Southie. You must be 19 or younger this calendar year. The Southie team is a travel team that plays in the South Shore Senior Babe Ruth League. New head coach Jim Williams

with the help of Billy Connor will run the tryouts. The team would like some help from anyone interested, be it a parent or someone who has coached in the past. The season starts on June 10th and runs for about 6 weeks and then playoffs. See you at the field.



# **TYNAN HAPPENINGS**

# BCYF TYNAN COMMUNITY CENTER 'FUN IN THE SUN' CAMP

egistration for the South Boston Summer Collaborative BCYF-Tynan 'Fun In The Sun' Camp will take place on Tuesday May 21st @ 6:30pm. It will be on spin until July. The Community Center will accept registrations Monday through Friday, 3-8pm

'Fun In The Sun' is an on-site (7) week program for children 7-12. Program begins Monday, July 8th and is held Monday-Friday 9am until pm. The camp will include arts for afts, recreational activities, daily Condon Pool Swim, board games, various off-site field trips,

# FUN SUN

as well as weekly special events. Program provides campers with the opportunities for growth and development in physical, educational, social and cultural skills.

The 7-week program fee is \$350 and half price for each additional sibling. We are asking a \$100 deposit

at registration and the balance should be paid at the start of camp. Updated Immunization Records are required before a child can begin camp.

If you have any further questions or need additional information, please contact the Community Center office @ (617)-635-5110.















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another successful Marine Corps Honor Run and when it was over, it was so much fun that everyone seemed to be looking forward to next year's event. Congratulations to the organizers, the runners, the spectators and everyone else who was involved in any way. And of course, to the United State Marines and all the other military personnel.

# Gate of Heaven Parish News

were welcomed, and many came to the 3rd Annual Mother's Day Coffee and Conversa-

n Sunday, May 12, 2019, all tion Breakfast that was held after the 9AM Mass at Gate of Heaven Church. Even though the weather was rainy, cloudy and chilly outside, it was cheerful, bright and warm inside Gate of Heaven's Lower Hall at this Annual Mother's Day Coffee and Conversation Breakfast. Thanks to Mary Maiullari and Family members, Mary McCarthy Collins and Karen Evans

and their helper Meri Thompson, who wonderfully organize and prepare a Coffee and Conversation on the 2nd Sunday of each month at which all are welcome to come to and meet old and news friends.

















# Red Cross: Critical type O blood shortage; donors needed now

All donors who come to give by June 10 receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card in thanks

he American Red Cross has a critical shortage of type O blood and urges eligible donors to give now to help patients facing trauma and other life-threatening situations. As a thank-you for helping replenish the blood supply, all donors who come to give blood or platelets now through June 10 will receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email.

Right now, the Red Cross has less than a two-day supply of type O blood available for emergency rooms, where it can be most critical. That means just six units of type O blood are available for every 100,000 people, but at least 14 are needed every day. While just 7% of the U.S. population has type O negative blood, it can be transfused to patients with any blood type and is what hospital staff reach for during emergencies when there isn't time to determine a patient's blood type. Type O positive blood is the most transfused blood type and is also critical in trauma situations.

"All blood types are urgently needed, but we're facing a critical shortage of type O blood – the blood group most needed by hospitals," said Cliff Numark, senior vice president, Red Cross Blood Services. "Because it's vitally important for hospitals to have type O blood available when every second counts, type O donors are urged to donate now and make a point to donate often."

The Red Cross collected approximately 11,500 fewer type O blood donations than needed

to sustain a sufficient blood supply. Spring break schedules are known to decrease blood donations, and schools, including high schools and colleges, begin to host fewer blood drives in late spring as school years end. Because these drives account for about 20% of blood donations during the school year, less drives can also greatly affect the blood supply.

#### **Donations needed now**

Donors of all blood types, especially type O, are urged to urged to make an appointment to donate using the Blood Donor App, at RedCrossBlood.org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Eligible donors with type O blood are encouraged to make a whole blood or Power Red donation, where available. During a Power Red donation, donors give a concentrated dose of red blood cells during a single donation, allowing them to maximize their impact.

In thanks, all those who come to donate blood or platelets with the Red Cross May 1 through June 10, 2019, will receive a \$5 Amazon. com Gift Card via email. (Restrictions apply; see amazon.com/gc-legal. More information and details are available at RedCross-Blood.org/Together.) Additionally, those who come to give May 24-28 will receive an exclusive Red Cross-branded T-shirt, while supplies last.

#### How blood shortages affect hospitals

Blood shortages are not uncommon and can have a direct impact on patient care. Dr. Atif Shafqat, an oncologist and hematologist at



Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis, says that hospitals face consistent shortages of blood products year-round, even causing some surgeons to delay elective procedures because of individual shortages. "When I ask our blood bank director the toughest part of her job, she always tells me it is these shortages and how to deal with them," he said.

Despite these challenges, hospitals and the Red Cross work to ensure patients have the blood products they need, but that can only happen when a volunteer donor rolls up a sleeve to give. "This is all possible thanks to the volunteers and the blood donors who are giving this generous gift," said Shafqat.

#### How to help

Eligible donors can find a blood or platelet donation opportunity and schedule an appointment to donate by using the free Blood Donor App, visiting RedCross-Blood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Donation appointments and completion of a RapidPass® are encouraged to

help speed up the donation process. RapidPass lets donors complete the pre-donation reading and answer the health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, from the convenience of a mobile device or computer, or through the Blood Donor App.

Those interested in hosting a blood drive can learn more and sign up to sponsor a drive this summer by visiting RedCross-Blood.org/HostADrive.

#### **About the American Red Cross:**

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-forprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

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higher Chinese tariffs. Those 20 companies, which have a combined market cap of \$780 billion, include some of the state's best-known brands," including GE and TJX, among others. File under: 'Destroying the economy in order to save it.'

#### Joe 'Straddle the Fence' Biden storms NH

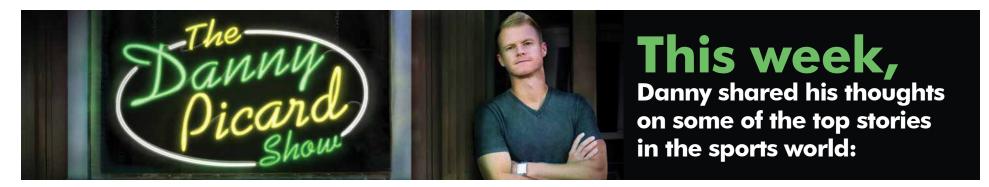
He says he's not a socialist, but he's touting his progressive credentials these days. He's none other than Dem presidential frontrunner Joe Biden, and yesterday he made his initial foray into New Hampshire, the

first-in-the-nation primary state. The Herald's Sean Philip Cotter and the Globe's Jess Bidgood and James Pindellhave the details on Biden's rocky "straddle the fence" strategy as he tries to attract both moderate and progressive voters. The Herald's Joe Battenfeld writes that Biden's biggest enemy right now isn't Donald Trump, but rather dime-dropping progressives out to block Biden's nomination.

# Desperately seeking Alexandria: Warren and Sanders vie for AOC endorsement

One more 2020 presidential-race item: The two most high-profile progressive candidates for the 2020 Demo-

cratic nomination, Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren, are waging a behind-the-scenes battle for the formal endorsement of socialist U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Holly Otterbein and Alex Thompson report at Politico. Sanders would seem to have the inside track -- AOC worked on his 2016 campaign and the two have appeared together several times to tout the Green New Deal -- but Warren has been effusive in her praise of the first-term lawmaker. Speaking of Warren, the AP at the Globe reports that she's vowing to appoint a former public school teacher to head the DOE if she's elected.



he Boston Celtics' season is over, but that doesn't mean the drama in the NBA is over. Talk about a league that is always in the news. We know the NFL strives to be a 24/7, 365 news source. But the NBA seems to be ready to match that.

Not only are the Conference Finals underway, but the drama surrounding Tuesday night's NBA Draft Lottery was just as exciting. Except, of course, for the cringeworthy live commentary from the ESPN broadcast team during that Lottery. It's almost as if ESPN said, "Let's make this the most awkward NBA Draft Lottery of all time!"

The show still went on, and it was the New Orleans Pelicans who ended up winning the lottery and getting the No. 1 overall pick in this year's NBA Draft. Wow.

New Orleans had just a 6 percent chance of getting the No. 1 overall pick. The Memphis Grizzlies also had a 6 percent chance, and somehow ended up with the No. 2 overall pick. The New York Knicks had the worst record in the league, and had the best chance to get the top pick, at 14 percent, but ended up with the No. 3 overall pick.

This year's Lottery was a little different. Instead of the worst team

— the Knicks — having a 25 percent chance of winning the lottery, the league decided to give each of the three worst teams a 14 percent chance. So, not only did the Knicks have a 14 percent chance, but so did the Cleveland Cavaliers and the Phoenix Suns, the second and third worst teams in the NBA this year.

With the top prize in this year's Draft being Duke superstar Zion Williamson, is safe to say that the Knicks got screwed. None of that would matter if Kevin Durant and/or Kyrie Irving decide to make the move to New York, but still, for the Knicks, it would've been nice to get that No. 1 overall pick, whether it be to draft Williamson or to possibly trade for someone like Anthony Davis.

Even though the Pelicans now have the No. 1 overall pick and will be expected to draft Williamson, they'll still probably have to trade Davis this summer, mainly because Davis and his agent have made it clear that they will not be re-signing with New Orleans when he becomes a free agent next summer. So if you're the Pelicans, perhaps you send Davis to the Lakers for the No. 4 overall pick, which Los Angeles received in Tuesday night's lottery.

The Lakers had just a 2 percent chance of getting the No. 1 overall pick, and somehow ended up with the No. 4 overall pick, which obviously helps in their pursuit of a Davis trade.

As for the Celtics, they ended up receiving the No. 14 overall pick via the Sacramento Kings, who had the worst odds at the No. 1 overall pick with just a 1 percent chance. The C's did not get Memphis' pick, because it's top-8 protected. And since the Grizzlies ended up with the No. 2 overall pick, they won't have to give it up to the C's just yet. That means the pick they owe the Celtics is top-6 protected next year, and unprotected in 2021.

—Speaking of drama, the tag line for the TNT television network is, "TNT, we know drama." We see that with their NBA broadcasts. But we'll also now see it with their new partnership with "All Elite Wrestling." TNT (WarnerMedia) and AEW announced the deal on Wednesday, which will include a new weekly show that's rumored to be called "Tuesday Night Dynamite" and is expected to begin in the fall.

Here's part of the press release: "Later this year, WarnerMedia will provide exclusive multi-

platform access for fans to watch AEW events, airing live weekly matches on TNT in prime time, as well as streaming them through WarnerMedia's B/R Live and on pay-per-view. A leading digital sports enterprise, B/R Live's high fan engagement will provide an invaluable opportunity to build AEW's audience."

AEW was founded by Tony Khan, co-owner of the Jackson-ville Jaguars and Fullham F.C., and the son of Shahid Khan. Tony Khan serves as the President and CEO of AEW, a wrestling promotion that will attempt to compete with Vince McMahon's WWE. So far, AEW has the roster to do it, headlined by Chris Jericho, Kenny Omega, The Young Bucks, and Cody Rhodes.

The last time TNT was involved in the pro wrestling industry was with WCW, until McMahon bought WCW and put it all under the WWE brand.

Needless to say, things are about to get interesting.

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### **CELTICS' SEASON** COMES TO AN END. **ROSTER UNCERTAIN**

**SBT Staff** 



he 2018-19 Boston Celtics season is now officially over. The C's were eliminated from the playoffs in the second round last week after falling to the Milwaukee Bucks, 116-91, in Game 5 in Milwaukee.

Boston had won Game 1 decisively, but then lost four straight to put an earlier-thanexpected end to a somewhat controversial Celtics season.

It comes just a year after the C's advanced to Game 7 of the straight to Milwaukee can be Eastern Conference Final, losing to LeBron James and the directions, but perhaps the same game.

Cleveland Cavaliers in that Game 7. They did it without the likes of Kyrie Irving and Gordon Hayward, who were both out for the season with leg injuries.

This year, with the addition of a healthy Irving and Hayward, the Celtics were looked at as one of the favorites to not just win the East, but to also give the Golden State Warriors a run for their money in the NBA Finals, especially with James leaving Cleveland to sign with the Los Angeles Lakers.

But instead of living up to the hype, it seemed that the reinstallment of Irving and Hayward to Boston's roster never worked as smoothly as everyone would have liked. And it resulted in a frustrating fourgame losing skid in the Eastern Conference Semifinals.

The blame for losing four pointed in several different

# Tweet of the Week



Sorry Celtics fans. We came up short of our goal. But I do appreciate your support all season. This one hurts... Go Celtics!



most alarming failure came in 
It was not the "playoff Ky-

and 5-for-27 (19 percent) from Irving is expected to utilize his opt-out clause and When the Celtics needed become an unrestricted free him most, in a must-win agent this summer. Rumors Game 5 on the road, Irving have linked him to both the scored just 15 points on 6-for- New York Knicks and the 21 shooting from the field, Lakers. A return to Boston is and 1-for-7 shooting from the still possible though, as the three-point line, while taking Celtics are able to give him a just two free throws in that larger contract than any other team in the NBA.

## **WHAT**TO**WATCH**

#### **NHL THURSDAY, MAY 16**

Eastern Conference Final Gm 4: Boston at Carolina 8 P.M. NBCSN

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 18** \*IF NECESSARY

Eastern Conference Final Gm 5: Carolina at Boston 7:15 P.M. NBC

#### **HORSE RACING SATURDAY, MAY 18**

**Preakness Stakes** 6:45 P.M. NBC

#### **GOLF THURS, MAY 16 -SUN, MAY 19**

PGA Championship 1 P.M. TNT/CBS

Al Horford and Aron Baynes the form of Irving's offense. rie" that everyone in Boston are also able to opt out this summer. Marcus Morris is an unrestricted free agent. Terry Rozier and Daniel Theis are restricted free agents.

> It's been reported that Horford — who will turn 33 in June — would be willing to restructure and take less than his \$30 million salary next season if the Celtics added two more years to his current deal, which expires next summer.

> NBA free agency officially begins on July 1.

In the four straight losses to expected. And because of that, the Bucks, Irving shot 25-for- the team's roster remains un-83 (30 percent) from the field certain, moving forward. three-point range.

#### ROZIER: 'I MIGHT HAVE TO GO'

SBT Staff

s the Celtics offseason fallout continues, backup point guard Terry Rozier stole some of the headlines this week when he made an appearance on ESPN and told Stephen A. Smith that it might be time to move on from Boston.

Smith asked Rozier, "If the Boston Celtics came to you right now, and they said to you, 'We're bringing everybody back. Same team.

It's going to be exactly the way it was this past year.' Do you want to stav in Boston?"

To that, Rozier responded, "No, I might have to go, I might have to go. I put up with a lot this year, so, I said what I said after the season. I think we all know I'm not trying to step into that again."

So what exactly did Rozier say after the season ended last week?

Moments after their Game 5 loss to the Bucks in Milwaukee, Rozier talked to the media while sitting in his locker, and essentially told the

story of the team's biggest behindthe-scenes issues all season long.

"It didn't go the way we all wanted," he said. "But I thank God for my family and my boys back at the crib. They kept me level-headed all year, because I've been dealing with some [expletive].

"I feel like we still all had that one goal. It wasn't easy with coach dealing with a lot of guys that want to be great, trying to get there."

Rozier later expanded on that, saying, "It just was tough, dealing with all the talent we had. Different guys wanting to be in the limelight, guys already in the limelight."

Celtics president of basketball operations Danny Ainge has some tough decisions to make, and the point guard position might be the toughest. It's clear that Rozier wants to be a starting point guard. It's also clear that he believes Irving stole his "limelight."

Rozier is a restricted free agent this summer. Irving is expected to opt out of his current deal and become an unrestricted free agent this summer.



