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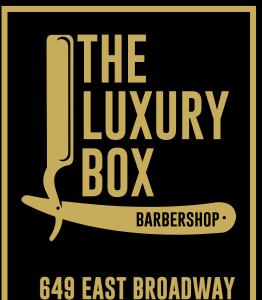


#### **Amrheins Project Tops The List Of Development** In South **Boston Proper**

Boston development team plans to build an eight-story office/R&D facility on the surface parking lot next to Amrheins, the oldest restaurant and bar in South Boston. The Matteson Cos. and GFI Partners have presented the commercial property at 80 West Broadway. The project would keep the historic Amrheins façade as well as the six apartments above the restaurant. It would also allow

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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### Voter Fraud is Real. Make Sure Your Vote Counts!

here are those in the news media and yes, even in the halls of government who insist that 'Voter Fraud' is but a figment of the imagination of the paranoid and of conspiracy theorists. It's also the claim of some people who hold decision making positions in certain political campaigns. But most Americans are smart enough to know better. There is rarely a week that goes by now that some election official, somewhere, is not caught changing ballots, or stacks of ballots aren't being found in trash cans or thrown in the corner of some basement in a bag, only to be discovered after the vote count deadline has passed. Mailin voting ballots are being sent to people who have been deceased for years and in some cases several ballots are addressed to the same name. Yes, arrests are being made but it still continues.

In some precincts in certain cities in past elections there were actually more votes counted than there were registered voters. There have been incidents recorded where illegal immigrants were coached on how to vote. It has not gone unnoticed by the public how one side in the political divide

has become fierce opponents of voter ID laws, when showing an ID is required for almost everything else.

Now that it has become so easy in some states, particularly in Massachusetts, to vote by mail, it has also made voter fraud that much easier to commit. So, as it stands now, the best way to make sure that your vote counts, for those who are physically able, to go to your polling place in person to cast your ballot, make sure your name is checked off by the poll worker and also to make sure that someone has not already voted in your name by mail. Because



rest assured, this illegal practice actually has happened, and the odds are that the attempts to do this will be increasing.

So, what to do? If you find the need to vote by mail or even absentee ballot, you can call the election department in your city or town and have them confirm to you, before election day, that yes, your vote has come in and that it has been recorded. If you vote in the City of Boston, that number is 617-635-3767. Our votes are too important to take even the slightest chance that they may have been tampered with.

"Knowing what's right doesn't mean much unless you do what's right" - President Theodore Roosevelt

#### Councilor Flynn Hosts Community Preservation Act District 2 Info Session



ity Councilor Ed Flynn partnered with the Community
Preservation office to host an information session for District 2 residents on the Community Preservation Act (CPA) on Tuesday, October 13th, 6pm via Zoom. This meeting aimed to provide information and resources for residents, civic groups and organizations in District 2 who may want to apply for funding from the CPA.

The CPA provides funding for initiatives related to affordable housing, historic preservation, open space, and outdoor recreation facilities. The application round for the fall opened on October 5th, 2020

and will close on November 13th, 2020, and interested applicants must complete eligibility forms by this Friday, October 16th.

Recognizing the opportunities that CPA presents for residents and organizations who want to preserve and improve our neighborhoods, Councilor Flynn hosted this meeting to allow residents and organizations to learn more about how they can utilize CPA funding to enhance our community. In the meeting, staff from the Community Preservation office spoke about the funding application process, the timeline, eligible projects, other related information,

and took questions from residents.

"With the new round of applications for CPA funding now available, we want to make sure that our neighbors have the information and resources to take full advantage of this opportunity," said Councilor Flynn. "I'm delighted to partner with the city and CPA staff to host this meeting so that residents can learn more about what this funding can do for our community."

For more information on CPA, please visit https://www.boston.gov/community-preservation. For questions on this informational session, please contact Councilor Flynn's office at 617-635-3203 and ed.flynn@boston.gov.

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#### Amy Coney Barrett Would Make An Outstanding Addition To SCOTUS

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t's not the law of Amy, it's the law of the American people". This is a quote from one of the classiest, most accomplished and qualified people to ever be considered for a seat on the U.S Supreme Court. To sane and rational people, this statement makes perfect sense and would be a welcome view, when fighting for her nomination. But NO. When Amy Coney Barrett states that this is a motto that she will live by when making decisions if finally confirmed to the court, it sets off the corrupt, hatefilled and crazy democrat senators on the panel even more and is just another thing they are outraged by. Why? Because the senators opposing her, and their news media allies believe the Supreme Court should be a place where leftist and liberal ideas always prevail in their ongoing effort to render The Constitution all but null and void. Again, the question is Why? Because the left wing in this country pretty much hates, not only our nation's Constitution, it also hates everything else that doesn't fit in to their Socialist wish list. A quote from Tucker Carlson says it all: "Amy Coney Barrett represents everything that made our country great. Therefore, they despise her". Tucker is right on the mark on this one as he is on pretty much every other topic.

It was predicted by virtually everyone that the campaign of sleaze, destruction and character assassination of the type that they came at Judge Kavanaugh with during his confirmation hearings and especially against Justice Clarence Thomas would rear its ugly head. And it certainly has. They are attacking Barrett's

looks, her character and especially her Catholic faith. The opposition's hatred for all Christians knows no limits. They are smearing her family and her friends. Several years ago, Barrett adopted two Black children from Haiti. She loves them as much as she does the children whom she gave birth to. When Hollywood celebrities adopt minority children, they are praised for being caring, compassionate and forward thinking. As expected, her opponents, including her critics from Hollywood say Barrett is racist and has a 'slave owner mentality' and did it for 'appearances'.

And the hit pieces keep on coming. While the democrat senators attack her during the hearings, often sounding senile and out of touch or like childish bullies grasping for anything and everything they can think of to put her in a bad light, the news media keeps firing off unconfirmed rumor and innuendo filled stories about her like a nonstop artillery barrage. She is being tormented and bombarded around the clock, as they try to rattle her. And the fact that so far, they aren't succeeding in shaking her up, is making her tormentors even crazier. If heads could really explode, we'd be seeing a lot of them going off. Again, all of this is predictable and reminds the American public just how evil the other side is.

But as bad and unfair as her treatment from the usual suspects has been, the nasty and vile attacks on social media actually make those from the afore-mentioned critics look sane. Reading some of the posts coming from those sources, you would think that Judge Barrett is the cause of the

California wildfires, Hurricane Delta, The French Revolution, the Corona Virus and was herself, the spawn of the Devil. If a farmer in Tibet had a goat that suddenly stopped giving milk, it would be because somehow, Ms. Barrett and of course, President Trump colluded to make it happen.

All of this whole embarrassing circus that takes place each time there is a Supreme Court open seat begs the question – why even bother with these hearings? They have turned in to disgraceful spectacles that allow immature But the show must go on.

senators and their supporters to preen for the cameras and to try to make points with their voting bases. No matter what is said at the hearings and what questions are asked and what answers are given, no senator's mind will be changed. They all come into the process knowing whether they will vote to confirm or to oppose no matter what is said. It has become a total waste of the public's time and the taxpayers' money. It's pretty much a sham and most people know it and are tired of it.



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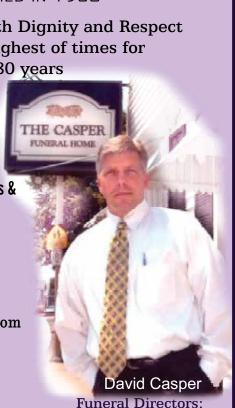
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#### **Window Into The State House**

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.

#### Eviction emergency: Baker unveils \$171 million plan to help tenants and landlords

This is the final deal that WBUR first reported on last week, to wit: With the state's evictions/foreclosure moratorium set to expire later this week, Gov. Charlie Baker yesterday unveiled a plan calling for \$171 million in aid for both struggling tenants and landlords. Not everyone is happy with the dollar amounts involved. WBUR's Beth Healy, MassLive's Tanner Stening and SHNS's Michael Norton have the details.

Enough is enough: Councilor wants crackdown on South Boston house parties

And you thought Allston was bad. From Universal Hub: "City Councilor Ed Flynn says he's had enough with South Boston residents ignoring state and city regulations that ban large parties (and) next week, he will ask the City Council to call in BPD and ISD to figure out how to enforce the Covid-19 regulations that too many people are flouting."

#### 'Why is Baker so reluctant to disclose vital COVID-19 information?'

The Globe really wants the Baker administration to release additional coronavirus data on nursing homes – and it's making its case this morning via an editorial on the topic.

#### Trump country: President dominates in number of contributions from Brockton area

They really like him. Residents of the Brockton area have made twice as many campaign contributions to Donald Trump's re-election than to his Democratic challenger, Mina Corpuz of the Brockton Enterprise reports. Despite the president's advantage in total contributions, the two candidates have received about the same amount of cash from the area.

#### Mass. GOP officially comes out against ranked-choice voting

Some conservative groups have already started mobilizing against the ranked-choice voting proposal on the November ballot. Now the Massachusetts Republican Party has officially come out against the Quesiton 2 initiative, calling it a "confusing and destructive system completely at odds with our democracy," reports the Herald's Erin Tiernan and CommonWealth's Bruce Mohl.

#### Doing their part: Communities roll back license fees to help restaurant bottom lines

Every little bit helps. The city of Newton has slashed its annual liquor license fees by 50 percent, with officials saying the loss of \$200,000 in revenue amid a coronavirus budget crisis had to be weighed against the potential loss of local businesses, Julie Cohen of MetroWest Daily News reports.

Mary Byrne of the Daily Hampshire Gazette reports Sunderland is taking a similar step after members of the Select Board agreed that res-

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#### REP. BIELE PROVIDES UPDATE ON 2019-2020 HOUSE SESSION

Passed legislation related to COVID-19, education and transportation as work continues during extended emergency session

uring the ongoing Massachusetts 191st General Court's 2019-2020 session – which has been extended through legislative action – **State Representative David Biele** joined his colleagues in the House in passing emergency legislation in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as well as major legislation relating to education, and transportation.

Following a decisive vote to extend the formal legislative ses-



sion, the House remains at work on bills vital to the Commonwealth. This action followed the passage of major legislation relating to the COVID-19 State of Emergency that included provisions to extend unemployment benefits, protect public health and institute landmark provisions for remote voting in the House. The emergency legislation also created opportunities for restaurants to serve alcohol, beer and wine for carry out service.

For the first time in the history of the Commonwealth, the House voted on emergency rules to establish procedures for remote voting. These temporary changes enabled the House to vote on items requiring formal votes (such as a measure

facilitating the postponement of the tax deadline) while reinforcing public health and safety.

"I'm proud of the work done by the House session to support residents across the Commonwealth," **said Rep. Biele.** "We have adapted to unprecedented circumstances to pass legislation that protects public health and provides relief to residents and businesses impacted by COVID-19, while authorizing crucial investments in transportation and education. I look forward to continuing the important work of supporting our community as session continues."

Amid a difficult fiscal climate, the House also voted to keep Chapter 90 level-funded at \$200 million for key repairs for the maintenance and upkeep of municipal roads and bridges in Massachusetts. As part of a sweeping economic development bill, the House passed legislation to legalize sports betting, provide supports to small businesses and at-risk populations and make investments in affordable housing. In recognition of the House's commitment to a safe, accessible, and reliable transportation

system, the House also approved an \$18 billion investment in the Commonwealth's **transportation infrastructure.** 

The House passed **health care** legislation to facilitate the use of telemedicine as well as strengthen community hospitals to protect public health and increase access to health care.

At the start of this session, in 2019, the House passed several pieces of landmark legislation including an historic \$1.5 billion statewide investment in public schools – known as the Student Opportunity Act.

The House also passed legislation to reduce distracted driving, ensured that no student in-need would go hungry by requiring breakfast after the school bell and passed legislation to create a care registry to protect persons with intellectual or developmental disability from abuse.

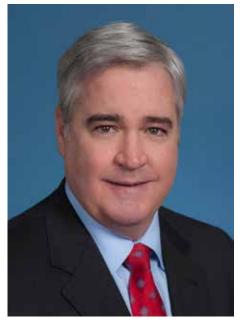
To address the complex health and wellness needs of the Commonwealth's 1.4 million children, the House led efforts this session passing comprehensive legislation to ensure increased access to services and a more holistic approach to **children's health and wellness supports.** 

#### Councilors Flynn & Flaherty File Hearing Order on Large House Parties



oston City Councilor Ed Flynn is calling for a hearing with Councilor At-Large Michael Flaherty at next week's City Council meeting to discuss ways to better enforce rules regarding house parties and indoor gatherings. There have been concerning reports of large house parties in South Boston and the potential for superspreader events due to a lack of proper physical distancing and mask wearing. Neighbors have also highlighted noise and trash removal issues as negatively impacting the quality of life for our residents. This hearing order aims to discuss methods that the city can use to ensure that public health and noise regulations are followed, including the possibility of raising fines.

As we remain in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, large house parties are concerning not only because their potential to become



superspreader events, but also due to their noise and impact on the quality of life for our residents, as these partiers often leave behind trash and litter on the street, attracting rodents and pests. In Governor Baker's COVID-19 Order #52, it states that there should never be more than 25 persons in a single enclosed, indoor space, and failure to comply may result in a civil fine of up to \$500 per violation.

Councilor Flynn held a community meeting last week with the Inspectional Services Department (ISD) and the Boston Police Department (C-6), who continued to encourage neighbors to contact 911 for them to respond and enforce regulations on noise levels and gatherings. If a property is a repeated offender, residents are encouraged to email Aisha Miller, Assistant Commissioner with ISD, at Aisha. Miller@boston.gov to investigate

#### Peabody Essex Museum exhibits rare Salem Witch Trial documents and artifacts

Just in time for Halloween. William Dowd at Wicked Local reports that the Peabody Essex Museum has a new exhibit of rare Salem Witch Trial documents, letters, and other artifacts – as well as 19th century paintings by the American artist Tompkins Harrison Matteson. But the co-curator of the exhibit wants to make one thing clear: He thinks New England has gotten a bad rap compared to Europe for holding witch trials. Just his opinion.

the property and potentially place it on the city's Problem Properties List. As we continue to hear these reports of house parties, we need to talk about stricter enforcement of the Governor's order and further mechanisms to disincentivize people from having large parties, including stricter enforcement, and increasing the fines on repeat offenders.

"I've heard from many concerned residents about the increasing number of large house parties in our neighborhood and across the city. This creates not only a potential public health issue with a superspreader event in the age of COV-ID-19, but also a quality of life issue with noise and trash debris impacting their neighbors - including our seniors, children, persons with disabilities," said Councilor Flynn. "It is critical that we address this issue to maintain the public health and the quality of life for our residents, and look to ensure that everyone abides

by the rules and regulations that help keep our neighborhoods healthy and clean. Thank you to Councilor Flaherty for his partnership, and I look forward to working with the Boston Police, ISD, public health officials, neighbors, and other stakeholders on this issue."

Councilor Flaherty said "House parties have always been a major quality of life issue, both in South Boston and across the city, but the presence of COVID-19 has completely raised the stakes on the matter, shifting it from a quality of life issue to a major public health concern. I am eager to bring all the stakeholders to the table in this hearing to achieve multiple goals, addressing quality of life concerns and getting ahead of a potentially major public health crisis in our city.

For more information, please contact Councilor Flynn's office at 617-635-3203 or Ed.Flynn@Boston.



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For more on Problem Properties visit:

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taurants and bars have been impacted far more than other businesses that require local licensure.

#### Down but not out: Organizers vow to revive Worcester's Columbus Day parade

Maybe next year. Worcester hasn't had a Columbus Day parade since 2018 but Cyrus Moulton of the Telegram reports some hope it will return next year, even as some in the city push to downplay the legacy of the explorer.

#### MAYOR WALSH, BOSTON HEALTH LEADERS URGE RESIDENTS TO GET FLU VACCINATION DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

#### City offers flu vaccine vouchers for uninsured and underinsured



ayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) are urging all Boston residents to get a flu vaccination as soon as possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I got my flu shot today because we know the best way to protect yourself and your loved ones against the flu is to get a flu vaccine every season. And this year during the pandemic, it is more important than ever," said Mayor Walsh. "By getting vaccinated, you will help us slow the spread of the flu and ease the strain on our health-care system that continues to treat patients battling COVID-19."

Most influenza activity in Boston occurs between October and March. During the 2019-20 influenza season, there were 5,131 confirmed cases of flu in Boston residents. Data from the end of the 2019-2020 flu season

may not be complete due to the CO-VID-19 pandemic and shutdown.

The most common symptoms of influenza include fever, cough, muscle aches, headache, runny nose, sore throat and general weakness. Symptoms can range from mild to severe. Pregnant women, infants, people who are 65 years old and older, and people with other medical conditions (asthma, diabetes, heart disease, kidney disease) and weakened immune systems are at higher risk to develop severe illness when they get the flu.

"The flu is a serious virus and it is possible to have both the flu and CO-VID-19 at the same time. While there may not be a vaccine for COVID-19 yet, there is a vaccine for the flu. That is why it is critical that everyone 6 months of age and older get a flu vaccine as soon as possible," said BPHC Medical Director, Jennifer Lo, MD.

"We can all do our part to keep our families healthy and prevent hospitalizations from the flu by getting vaccinated. People who are not at risk for severe illness can pass the infection to their families, friends and neighbors," said Chief of Health and Human Services Marty Martinez. "We're asking everyone six months of age and older to get a flu vaccine. Do not wait. Get yours today and help protect your Boston community."

There are a variety of flu vaccination options available, most of which are completely covered by health insurance:

- Primary Care Provider: Most health insurance plans cover the cost of a flu vaccine from your primary care provider and require no co-pay.
- Pharmacies: Many pharmacies offer the flu vaccine at no cost to the patient. Due to COVID-19 public health emergency, many pharmacists in Massachusetts are now able to vaccinate those who are 3 years old and older. For pharmacies, individuals are encouraged to call ahead to confirm availability and any required documentation.

If residents do not have insurance or if co-pays are a barrier, BPHC encour-

ages them to call the Mayor's Health Line at (617) 534-5050. BPHC is providing vouchers for free flu vaccines to uninsured or underinsured adults.

In addition to a flu vaccine, there are other ways to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses like the flu and COVID-19:

- Wear a face covering
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Cover your mouth and nose with your elbow or a tissue when you cough or sneeze
- Clean surfaces in your home regularly with a household cleaner
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick when possible
- If you become sick, stay home
  For questions about the flu or
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  534-5611. For those with no insurance or if co-pays are a barrier,
  please call the Mayor's Health Line
  at (617) 534-5050. Fact sheets on
  the flu vaccine are available in English, Cape Verdean Creole, Chinese,
  Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Spanish, Vietnamese.

#### Differences between COVID-19 and Flu

Because the symptoms of flu and COVID-19 are similar, it may be hard to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone. Testing may be needed to help confirm a diagnosis

	COVID-19	Flu		
How many days after exposure will I get sick from the virus?	2-14 days, but usually between 4 and 7 days	1-4 days		
How long can someone spread the virus?	2 days before symptoms start to 10 days after symptoms started	1 day before symptoms start to 7 days after symptoms started		
How does the virus spread?	Mainly by respiratory droplets	Mainly by respiratory droplets		
Who is at high risk for complications?	Older adults     People with certain underlying medical conditions     Pregnant women	Older adults     People with certain underlying medical conditions     Pregnant women     Children younger than 5, especially those under the age of 2		
How can a person infected be treated?	Primarily treated with supportive care Remdesivir is an antiviral agent that is currently used for moderate to severe cases of infection	Primarily treated with supportive care  Antiviral drugs should be used as soon as possible		
Is there a vaccine against the virus?	No. Research and development for a vaccine is underway.	Yes. There are multiple vaccines produced annually.		



# Here We Go Southie! Here We Go!

### A Tribute to Kevin Coughlin

By Brian P. Wallace



f you were there you will never forget it. If you weren't you have wished you were or you have lied the past 46 years and told people you were there. By there, I mean the Boston Garden on Saturday March 9, 1974. It is hard to believe that 46 years have passed, almost to the day, when the greatest high school hockey game in the history of the venerable old Garden was played. I woke up that morning and red the Boston Globe sports section first, as I always did. The writers gave the upstart South Boston High School hockey team virtually no chance against the perennial powerhouse Arlington High School. Arlington, unlike Southie, had been in this position many times before. They had the best coach in high school hockey in the legendary Eddie Burns and they had a list of great high school hockey players that would stretch from one end of G Street to the other. Southie had Teddy Cunniff. This was the semi-final round of the State Hockey Tournament. This was where Arlington was supposed to be. Southie, let's say, was Cinderella. That is pretty much what the Globe reporters wrote that morning. "Southie's bubble will burst today," one of them wrote. "This is David vs Goliath and tonight David will be slain," another reporter wrote. "Southie deserves a lot of credit, but they don't belong on the same ice as Arlington. It will be Arlington by five goals," another wrote.

It made the players mad and even more determined to make history that day. Southie's coach Tommy Apprille played for Arlington and was one of those great players I alluded to earlier, but on that day, he stood right behind his Southie kids and stared over at his old coach. When he was asked after the game what he said to his old coach before the game. Tommy smirked and said," I told Coach Burns that I told our kids not to run up the score on him." Both student and teacher smiled at each other knowing that nobody had ever run up the score on Arlington, not here in this rarified setting, not anywhere. And when the game started it looked as though the Boston Globe reporters and everyone else was right, Southie couldn't play with Arlington. The Spy Ponders came out flying and scored 5 goals in less than sixteen minutes. Southie looked helpless and lost. I remember watching some people from Southie getting up and leaving after the fifth goal. A lot more stayed.

It looked like it was only going to get worse as Mike Howland was called for a hooking penalty. Southie was not only down 5 goals but were shorthanded. Some more people left. Thank God Kevin Coughlin stayed. On the ensuing faceoff

Mike Farina sent Coughlin in alone and Kevin beat the Arlington goalie and made the score 5 to 1. Seven seconds later Coughlin returned the favor and Farina beat the surprised Arlington goaltend to make it Arlington 5- South Boston 2. I laughed when I saw some of those who left, come running back in and take their seats. And then it started. I don't know who started it but anyone who was there that day will never forget it. "Here we go Southie! Here we go." It was deafening and could be heard back in Southie. A few months later that same chant, here we go Southie! here we go," would take on an entirely different meaning which would be heard around the world, but on that March day in 1974 it was a simple refrain meant to fire up a bunch of underdog kids, and that is exactly what it did. Coughlin struck again at 7:38 on a pass from Billy Flynn to make it 5 to 3. The chant grew louder. Billy Curley set Coughlin up beautifully in front of the net and Kevin 's third goal of the day made it 5 to 4. As the second period ended the chant, "Here we go Southie! Here we go " was deafening

Everyone on the Southie side was hugging each other. The Arlington fans were in utter shock. This had never happened to their Spy Ponders before. You didn't have to be a hockey expert, which I wasn't, to see that Coach Burns had given instructions to his team to shadow Coughlin (59 points on the year) and shut down Billy Curley (43 points) Billy Flynn (38 points) and Mike Farina (36 points). But Southie got to the semi's as a team and young goaltender Mark Bartosiak made some saves that were nothing short of miraculous and the chant continued. After a kick save by Bartosiak the long rebound went right to Mike Lydon (37 points) and Lydon skated past an Arlington defender and at 1;15 of the third period Mike Lydon tied the score at 5. Pandemonium erupted. Now it was Swoop Carrol's

turn (37 points). Paul Carrol put Southie ahead at 1:54 of the final period and Southie led for the first time 6 to 5. The chant grew louder. Carrol again lit the lamp on a hapless Arlington goalie at 2:12 making the score Southie 7 Arlington 5. Southie had scored 7 straight goals after shaking off the garden jitters and Bartosiak looked like Gerry Cheevers in the net. We counted down the seconds, realizing we were seeing a change of the guard in high school hockey. Arlington scored a goal with 3 minutes left and Bartosiak stoned them the rest of the way. When the final buzzer sounded people on both sides were stunned. The student had beaten the coach. Southie had beaten Arlington. "Here we go Southie! Here we go."

A few months later, six buses would roll up G Street hill and the chant "Here we go Southie! Here we go," meant something entirely different. Southie hockey would never be the same, although they would have a few good teams after that year, but nothing like the team that shocked the world on March 9, 1974. We will never know how many state titles Southie would have won. A Federal decree took that away from us and those kids. But we had our one great shining moment and one that has been listed as one of the top ten greatest events ever held at Boston Garden.

Kevin Coughlin died a few weeks ago. Kevin attended Michigan State after graduating from Southie. I have never seen anyone take over a game so completely as Kevin did that day at the Garden. He was immense and unstoppable. The Coughlins were truly one of the greatest athletic families in Southie sports history. Frannie was a great quarterback, who started for Holy Cross. Brian was a great three sport athlete and Kevin was Kevin and we all want to remember him and his teammates for a day in March 1974, which we will never forget. RIP Kevin.

# The Wine Cuy Quick Sips

I thought I'd just put out some wines this week that have been favorites for a number of years. They're dependable, delicious and affordable.

In Argentina's Mendoza region,

the Cuyo area, though relatively small, produces some of the country's ripest, most intense wines.

Tikal Patriota 2017, Mendoza,
Cuyo, Argentina, (\$19.99), is the embodiment of all that makes this place special. It's not only a Wine Spectator "Top 100 Wines" selection; it's been given 91 points by Robert Parker-no small feat!

It presents a deep reddish purple with aromas of bright berry/cherry

fruit and gives the impression of swallowing a whole bowl of mixed ripe berries at once. Big body, yet very balanced, with delicious layers of raspberry, cherry, and cocoa flavors. Just a hint of baking spice at the end brings it all together. This one is a natural with Prime Rib, bone-in, some yorkshire pudding and your favorite roasted vegetables.

The Russian River Valley AVA, in California's Sonoma County, is a growing area to some of the best Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir and Chardonnay wines in the world. Like the neighboring Napa Valley, it's "bathed" each evening by the "Pacific mist", which coats the grapes with cool Pacific fog that burns off late each morning. This allows a slow, full growth and a long hang time, which creates full, rich flavors in the grapes.

One of the best-known vineyards in this area is **Picket Fence**. **Their 2018 Pinot Noir, Russian River Valley, (\$19.99),** is a classic Sonoma Pinot; Winemaker Alison Crowe describes it as:"a wine with rich aromas of raspberry jam and brandy- macerated cherries. Its luxurious density and beautiful structure are hallmarks of this Russian River Pinot Noir. Round flavors and balanced tannins finish with nuances of vanilla and star anise." Pinot Noir is one of the more versatile red wines as far as food goes, so you might want to try this one with game meats, sweetbreads or a lamb dish.

Even though it's Springtime there now, people in Australia love their Cabernets all year round; one of the latest to come to our market is Jim Barry Cover Drive Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

Cabernet Sauvignon, Coonawarra, Limestone Coast, Australia, (\$17.99). This wine shows a dark, crimson red color in the glass. The nose has strong notes of aromatic blackberry and blue fruits, with refined hints of bay leaves and mint. A great line of acidity drives through the wine supporting ripe tannins. Flavors of blackberry and mulberry shine from the mediumbodied composition. Great with some Black Angus sliders and fried sweet potato fries.

Last but not least, you have to throw a good all-around white into an assortment like this, so why not have a glass of **Decoy Sauvignon Blanc 2019,Sonoma County,** 



California, (\$18.99). This enticing wine offers vivid flavors of grape-fruit and apricot, as well as supple notes of honeydew and lemongrass. On the palate, refreshing acidity mingles with a subtle sweetness that carries through to a fresh, lively finish.

## Shed the "COVID 15" Weight Gain

5 Tips to keep your dog or cat in shape

was National Pet Obesity Awareness Day and, as more people are home with their pets during the pandemic, there are more opportunities for them to "treat" their furry friends. This information may also be applied to the upcoming holidays or "feast days."

But beware, table scraps and extra treats can add up quickly—just a 5 oz serving of dark meat turkey for your small dog can be the caloric equivalent of an entire

8-inch pumpkin pie for you!

Research has shown that 1 out of 3 dogs and cats are overweight. In addition, Trupanion data reveals that pet owners with overweight pets spend as much as five times more in veterinary expenses than pet owners with average-sized pets.

So Trupanion, a leader in medical insurance for cats and dogs, looked into its database of over 530,000 pets to uncover the common conditions (along with the condition's avg. cost per year) that dogs and cats may experience from being overweight. PLUS: 5 Tips to keep your dog or cat in shape.

Common conditions of overweight dogs with average cost per year

Cruciate Rupture: \$3,800 Diabetes: \$2,000

Lameness & Limping: \$400

Arthritis: \$300

Common conditions of overweight cats with average cost per year



Congestive Heart Failure: \$1,200

Diabetes: \$1,300

Lameness & Limping: \$300

Arthritis: \$300

#### 5 Tips to keep your dog or cat in shape

- 1. Have your pet assessed by a veterinarian to determine what their ideal weight should be and have them make diet recommendations.
- 2. Be mindful of the number of treats a pet receives throughout the

day. They can easily add up and lead to excessive calorie intake.

- 3. Make sure your pets get regular exercise and playtime.
- 4. Designate one person in the house to be in charge of feeding to make sure that the pets are fed the same amount consistently, and that they aren't accidentally getting extra meals.
- 5. Don't give in when they look at you with sad eyes or when they beg.

#### Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

Property/Type	Price	Sale Date	Rooms	Baths	Sq Ft
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT PH18 Condo	\$4,995,000	8/7/20	5	2.5	2,006
10 Farnsworth St UNIT 5B Condo	\$2,905,000	8/26/20	7	2.5	2,125
22 Liberty Drive UNIT 2G Condo	\$1,950,000	8/28/20	4	2	2,125
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1023 Condo	\$1,890,000	8/20/20	4	2.5	1,249
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1109 Condo	\$1,850,000	8/28/20	4	2	1,201
854 East Broadway UNIT 1	\$1,400,000	8/28/20	10	2.5	2,057
377 West First St UNIT 4	\$1,400,000	8/6/20	5	2	1,840
109 Dresser St UNIT 109 Condo	\$1,370,000	8/5/20	6	2.5	2,071
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1005 Condo	\$1,338,800	8/19/20	3	1.5	812
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1707 Condo	\$1,205,800	8/26/20	3	1	684
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1801 Condo	\$1,175,700	8/7/20	3	1	667
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1112	\$1,174,000	8/26/20	3	1	691
Condo 133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1207 Condo	\$1,159,800	8/7/20	3	1	696
783 East Broadway UNIT1	\$1,135,000	8/14/20	6	3.5	2,464
407-409 East Fifth Street	\$1,080,000	8/17/20	8	4	1900
Two Family 578 East Broadway UNIT 3 Condo	\$1,050,000	8/18/20	5	2.5	1,550
319 A St UNIT 311	\$942,000	8/5/20	4	1	820
Condo 232 Old Colony Ave UNIT 26	\$925,000	8/14/20	5	2.5	1,524
Condo  9 M St UNIT 4	\$890,000	8/24/20	4	2	1,126
Condo 542 Dorchester Ave UNIT PH3	\$875,000	8/10/20	3	2	1,252
Condo 437 D St UNIT 3D	\$870,000	8/31/20	4	1	1,178
Condo  9 West Broadway UNIT 208	\$600,000	8/13/20	2	1	850
Condo 0 Bolton Street Parking	\$65,000	8/12/20			



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#### **Virtual Public Meeting**

#### **Dorchester Bay City**

Monday, October 19 6:00 PM

**Zoom Link:** bit.ly/36h3ZSx Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864 **Meeting ID:** 160 310 9875

#### **Project Description:**

Virtual Kick-Off Public Meeting in connection with the proposed Dorchester Bay City project. This meeting will provide an introduction and overview of the Proposed Project, with subsequent Virtual Public Meetings focusing on specific topics.

Interpretation services (Spanish, Vietnamese, Cape Verdean Creole and Haitian Creole) will be provided. Translation of vital documents is available upon request.

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## MAYOR WALSH ANNOUNCES FINAL BOSTON POLICE REFORM TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS; MOVES TO IMMEDIATELY ENACT REFORMS

ayor Martin J. Walsh announced the final recommendations of the Boston Police Reform Task Force, and immediate next steps the city will be taking to enact reforms, in keeping with the timelines outlined through the recommendations. The Task Force was charged with reviewing a set of current Boston Police Department's policies and procedures, and presenting recommendations for action and reform. Mayor Walsh charged the Task Force with four main areas of review: Use of Force policies; Implicit Bias Training, the Bodyworn Camera Program, and the Community Ombudsman Oversight Panel (CO-OP).

The Task Force today released the following recommendations:

- 1. Create an independent Office of Police Accountability and Transparency ("OPAT") with full investigatory and subpoena power, i.e. the ability to call witnesses and to compel the discovery of documents.
- 2. Formalize and expand the BPD's commitment to diversity and inclusion through the creation of a Diversity & Inclusion unit.
- 3. Expand the BPD's adoption of the body-worn camera program and continue to ban the use of biometrics and facial recognition software.
- 4. Enhance the BPD's Use of Force policies (Rule 303, Rule 303A, Rule 303B, Rule 304) so that they articulate clear and enforceable disciplinary code of consequences for violations and infractions and hold the BPD publicly accountable for the violation of these policies.
- 5. Adopt practices that maximize accountability, trans-

parency and public access to the BPD.

The full recommendations are available on boston.gov/policereform, and have been translated into five languages.

"We must be a city and a country where every single person receives equal protection and equitable opportunity," said Mayor Walsh. "We must commit now to transformational, systemic change. This Task Force is led by individuals from Boston's Black and Brown communities who are leaders on Civil Rights; experts on public safety; and activists for racial justice, and I thank them for their tireless work on creating this report. Now it is Boston's charge to take these bold reforms and use the Task Force's recommendations to create a better, more just city."

Mayor Walsh today took immediate action to support and enact the Task Force recommendations. These include:

#### Pledged to Form the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency

Mayor Walsh today committed to, within the coming weeks, taking the necessary steps to create the key new office recommended by the Task Force: the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT), including a Civilian Review Board with subpoena power. The new OPAT structure will include a Civilian Review Board, absorb the IAOP as part of its office, and, critically, give subpoena power to the OPAT commission. These structures are key parts of the Task Force's final recommendations.

Mayor Walsh announced he will in the coming weeks reconstitute the current CO-OP



board, and adopt the Task Force's recommended reform to a redesigned panel that will be known as the Internal Affairs Oversight Panel (IAOP). The IAOP will be empowered to review completed internal affairs investigations at its discretion and without limitation to the number of investigations it may review. This panel will then become part of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT).

#### Hire an Executive Director for the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT)

The City of Boston today began the process of searching for an executive director to lead the Office of Accountability and Transparency (OPAT), and the job will be posted on boston.gov/ careers this week. The Executive Director will lead the Executive Administration, a branch within the OPAT structure. The City is launching a search to find an executive director who is a member of the Massachusetts bar, and is equipped to lead this pivotal new office, bring on staff members, and execute its charge.

#### Create a Diversity & Inclusion Unit within the Boston Police Department

Through Boston's newly-created Office of Equity, Chief of Equity Karilyn Crockett has been charged with working with Boston Police Commissioner Gross to create a Diversity & Inclusion Unit within the Boston Police Department. This work includes updating their internal policies to reflect the Departments commitments to equity and bias-free policing, and will begin immediately.

#### Pledged to File Home Rule Petitions to Enact Civil Service Reforms

Mayor Walsh committed to filing home rule petitions at the Massachusetts State House, which, if passed by the Legislature, would allow the City of Boston to enact the Task Force's civil service reform recommendations.

This change will allow the Boston Police Department to adopt a hiring preference for high school graduates who have received a degree through the Boston Public School systems, METCO, or schools in the Boston Compact. Such a preference would have the advantage of both increasing opportunities for diversity within BPD and ensuring the staff of the department have a strong connection to, and deep knowledge of, the local community and diversity of Boston's neighborhoods.

"This Task Force has worked incredibly hard to create these final recommendations, and lay out a plan for real reforms in continued on page 11

#### Police Reform continued from page 10

the Boston Police Department," said Task Force Chairman Wayne Budd. "I'm proud of the community voices that went into these reforms, and look forward to seeing these reforms become a reality in Boston."

In addition to Mayor Walsh's commitments today, the Boston Police Department will continue its ongoing work to support the Task Force recommendations that began before the Task Force's creation, and continued throughout the months of the Task Force's work.

Mayor Walsh has previously committed his full support of body cameras being worn by officers during all shifts, including overtime, and Boston Police are actively working toward that goal. In addition, Mayor Walsh announced that moving forward the Boston Police Department no longer uses the hair test for evidence of drug use in officers or recruits, a decision that was made in partnership with the police unions.

In June, Mayor Walsh signed the "Mayor's Pledge" issued by the Obama Foundation's My Brother's Keeper Alliance as one of the strategies to address racism as an emergency and public health crisis. The Mayor committed the City of Boston to review police use of force policies; engage communities by including a diverse range of input experiences and stories; report review findings to the community and seek feedback; and reform police use of force policies. The Boston Police Reform Task Force is composed of members from the community, law enforcement, advocacy organizations, and the legal profession, to ensure that these commitments are translated to actions. Over the summer, the Task Force hosted a series of community listening sessions to gather community feedback related to police reform.

"The Boston Police Department prides itself on our communityfirst policing model, and I have made building trust in our communities my priority as Police Commissioner," said Boston Police Commissioner William Gross. "This report is an opportunity for us to listen to the community, and lead with the changes they want and need. We are committed to working collaboratively with leaders across the Administration, across the community, and on this Task Force, to become an even stronger, more diverse, more open and accountable police force."

On June 11, 2020, Boston Police Commissioner William Gross announced he completed a review of Boston Police's policies against the recommended use of force policies outlined in the "8 Can't Wait" effort, resulting in clarified rules and the implementation of several reforms. In addition, as part of Mayor Walsh's Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) budget, Mayor Walsh allocated 20% or \$12 million of the Boston Police Department's overtime budget to make a significant investment in equity and inclusion across the City.

These final recommendations represent the tireless work of the Boston Police Task Force members, and valuable feedback from the Boston community. Throughout its process, the Task Force held five separate public listening sessions, and received over 100 pieces of testimony from the community, over the course of two written comment periods.

#### Members of the Boston Police Task Force include:

Chair, Wayne Budd, Senior Counsel, Goodwin LLP & Former U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts

Reverend Jeffrey Brown, Associate Pastor, Historic Twelfth Baptist Church, Roxbury

Allison S. Cartwright, Attorney in Charge, Roxbury Defender's Office

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Superintendent Dennis White, Chief of Staff, Boston Police Department

This report reflects the contributions of hundreds of people and is the result of a collaborative process. The Task Force is grateful to everyone who participated in the process. The Task Force thanks the residents of Boston who actively participated in this process. Their participation helped to ensure that these recommendations reflect residents' voice and will.

Additionally, the Task Force consulted with a number of stakeholders, advocates, practitioners, and subject matter experts during the research and drafting of these recommendations. It wishes to thank them for their generous contribution of time and expertise. The Task Force appreciates: Branville G. Bard, Jr., Commissioner, Cambridge Police Department; Larry Mayes, Former CO-OP Panel Member; Natashia Tidwell, Former CO-OP Panel Member; Julien Mendele, Esq., Boston CO-OP Panel Member; Christina Miller, Esq., Boston CO-OP Panel Member; Jassie Senwah, Boston CO-OP Panel Member; Meredith Shih, Esq., Boston CO-OP Panel Member; the Honorable Regina Quinlan (Ret.), Boston CO-OP Panel Member; Susan Lee, Deputy Mayor of Public Safety, Chicago Civilian Office of Police Accountability; Johnathan Darche, New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board; Jerika Richardson, New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board; Yojaira Alvarez, New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board; Dr. Atiya Martin, All Aces, Inc; Dr. Tracie L. Keesee, Center For Policing Equity; John Gibbons, United States Marshal District of Massachusetts; Maria Cheevers, Director of Research and Develop-

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The Task Force also thanks its legal counsel, Marielle Sanchez, Esq., of Goodwin, LLP for her outstanding contributions to this work.

#### South Boston Catholic Academy News Highlights from K1-C at South Boston Catholic Academy

rom Ms. Michaela Johnson...K1-C students are off to a fantastic start this school year at South Boston Catholic Academy! They have done a wonderful job

adjusting to new routines and precautions in order to maintain a safe and fun learning environment. It has been a very busy few weeks in K1-C!

We start our day with a morning

meeting, a read aloud, and a question of the day. This is a great way to learn more about our classmates. We have started our OWL (Opening the World of Learning) curriculum

which emphasizes the importance of hands on, center-based learning. Play dough, water play, apple printing with paint, name writing, sand, blocks, and dramatic play are some of the centers we have been working on so far. Recently, we took advantage of the beautiful weather and had recess and a picnic lunch at the park!











#### M STREET SOFTBALL SEASON RECAP

By Mark Senna

nother year of M Street softball has come to a close, leaving many of you thirsty for more thrilling action and with your sights already set on the 2021 season opener. Before we can move forward, let's reflect on the 2020 softball season, as it was one of a kind.

With the pandemic hysteria in full swing during the spring months it was pretty certain that M Street wouldn't be having a season. We were follow-

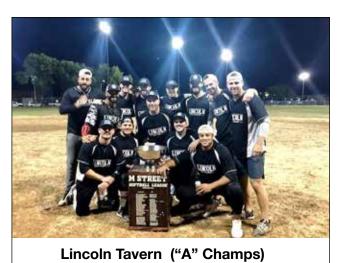
ing the news closely and saw many other leagues and tournaments around us (Cape Cod Baseball, Little League World Series, college sports, etc...) announce their cancellations. With nothing to lose we waited it out and thankfully it paid off. On July 9th, nearly three months later than our usual opener, we got the green light from the city to return to the field.

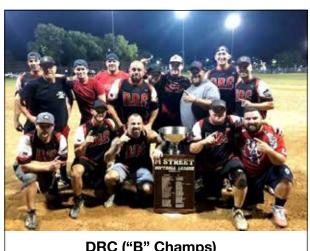
Although excited and looking forward to feeling "normal" again, the regular season endured a couple of

hiccups as our players were finding that wearing a mask and social distancing while playing softball was easier said than done. On top of that, we also saw some of our pitchers revert back to the "sling/open" style of pitching that was once a staple at M Street. The topic became a bit of a rules clarity headache but we navigated through it and will be better prepared to handle it next season.

With twenty-one teams competing the league was split into three divisions of seven teams. The Larry Lucas division ("A") featured the defending champion Pat Simpson Club along with Lincoln Tavern, Los Bravos, STATS, Pirates, Telegraph Hill, and the Kekambas. These seven teams would have their own playoffs and their own championship – this was the best of M Street.

The remaining fourteen teams competed in two "B" divisions and continued on page 14





DRC ("B" Champs)



#### Wreaths Across America Radio Airs Holiday Greetings from Deployed Troops

Holiday Greetings are a Safe and Easy Way to Share Messages of Love and Support This Holiday Season

uring a time of year when families have empty seats at their tables, and deployed troops are missing home, Wreaths Across America Radio (WAAR) airs messages from troops from across the country and overseas, and encourages folks at home, to send a holiday greeting to them in the form of an internet radio greeting.

The "Holiday Greetings" program provides American military families and civilians the opportunity to extend holiday greetings and thanks to service members and veterans through our international internet radio station at https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/radio (hashtag #WreathsRadio.) Last year, messages connected many families from all over the globe. Be sure to email your friends and loved ones and let them know about this program.

"The United States currently has 1.3 million active duty members, reservists and guards serving within our borders and abroad. Additionally, more than 24 million veterans have faithfully served our country in the past," said

Karen Worchester, Wreaths Across America Executive Director. "I am honored and thrilled to be able to offer these soldiers and their families the opportunity to share their Holiday greetings on air. It's especially important for sharing love and support for their sacrifices at this special time of the year."

Anyone can participate by calling (833) 369-1351 to record a short holiday greeting. Wreaths Radio will play Holiday Greetings on-air during the holidays to help bring families, loved ones, members of our military, and American's closer together for the holiday season. These special Messages will be broadcast between November 23rd and December 31, 2020.

Wreaths Across America Radio was founded in 2014 as a 24/7 Internet stream. Its unique format offers a mix of country, rock, bluegrass, and Americana music interwoven with informational and inspiring content about members of the U.S. armed forces, their families, military veterans, and volunteers throughout the country and overseas who support the nonprofits' mission to remember,



honor and teach.

You can sponsor a wreath for \$15 at https://www.wreath-sacrossamerica.org/. Each sponsorship goes toward a fresh balsam veteran's wreath that will be placed on the headstone of an American hero as we endeavor to honor all veterans laid to rest on Saturday, December 19, 2020, as part of National Wreaths Across America Day.

Wreaths Across America is the non-profit organization best known for placing veterans' wreaths on the headstones of our nation's fallen at Arlington National Cemetery. However, the organization, in total, places more than 2.2 million sponsored wreaths at over 2200 participating locations nationwide and offers other programs throughout the calendar year. These programs include The Mobile Education Exhibit, Wreaths Across America Radio, and the Wreaths Across America Virtual Concert now streaming on Showcase NOW).

For more information or to sponsor a wreath please visit www. wreathsacrossamerica.org.

#### Amrheins continued from front page

for Amrheins, which has operated for 130 years, to continue to operate onsite in a ground-floor bar and restaurant. Thery also plan 25 parking spots underneath the proposed 123,400-square-foot facility.

"The Project will preserve a beloved, older corner apartment building and replace the surface parking lot with a new mixed-use building," the developers wrote in an expanded project notification form filed Oct. 8 with the Boston Planning and Development Agency. "The Project will contribute to the revitalization of the Broadway Station corridor, and will complement both the existing neighborhood fabric and newer development projects." The developers expect to break ground next fall and take two years to build.

The area surrounding South

Boston's Broadway MBTA station has seen a boom in new development proposals, including a lab for CRISPR Therapeutics at 105 W. First St. and another proposed lab at 99 A St. Mul's Diner, which operated diagonally across Broadway from Amrheins for more than six decades, has now moved its operations into the Amrheins space to make way for another development. And the BPDA in 2017 approved a plan to develop 65 apartments and retail space at the Gulf gas station site immediately across Broadway from Amrheins, but no development has occurred since the approval.

#### 555-567 East Broadway

567 East Broadway, LLC proposes to construct a five-story, mixed-use development totaling approximately 30,961 square feet. The proposed project will have fourteen (14)

condominium units which includes two (2) IDP Units, an approximately 3,182 square feet of commercial retail space, and fourteen (14) garage parking spaces.

#### 457-469 West Broadway

Navem West Broadway, LLC is requesting Notice of Project Change of mixed-use development now Under Construction to change from rental housing units to condominiums. Project is an approximately 65,282 square foot building containing 44 units with 66 garage parking spaces and includes six (6) IDP Units (affordable) and 13,500 square feet of commercial retail space.

#### **515-519 East Second**

515 East 2nd Street LLC propose to construct a five-story, residential development totaling approximately 39,750 square feet. The proposed project will have thirty (30) condo-

minium units which includes four (4) IDP Units, and thirty-five (35) garage parking spaces.

#### 333 Dorchester Ave.

The proposed project consists of the construction of a 21-story mixed-use building with approximately 265 residential units, 47,000 square feet of commercial space, approximately 14,500 square feet of retail space, and a below-grade parking garage.

472 West Broadway

East Way Development, LLC propose to construct a five-story, mixed-use development totaling approximately 21,482 square feet. The proposed project will have sixteen (16) condominium units which includes two (2) IDP Units, an approximately 1,825 square feet of commercial retail space, and eleven (11) garage parking spaces.

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would also crown their own champion. The Buckey Feeney division had Roza Lyons, DRC, Dukies, Dorchester Brew Crew, VMT, Playwright, and the Broadway Bombers. On the other side we had the Sam Moran division with Southside Tavern, The Banshee, Betty's/Publico, Big Ballers, Fat Baby, Pastoral, and the Silkworms.

After a fast-paced nine game regular season where all of our teams qualified for the playoffs, the second season began in late August with single elimination games. VMT narrowly edged the upstart Brew Crew, 12-8 and the Dukies crushed the hopes of the Playwright Shamrocks, 13-1. The next evening we saw the Banshee hold on for a 7-4 win over

the Silkworms and DRC squeak out a win against the Broadway Bombers, 9-8. Remember that one folks! The following Monday the elimination games continued with Fat Baby doubling up against the Ballers, 14-7 and we saw the Bravos flex their muscles for the first time on their way to a 12-3 win against Telegraph. The playoff field was now shrinking as the last three games separated the contenders from the rest of the bunch. In those games, Betty's mercy ruled Pastoral 14-1; Lincoln outlasted a scrappy effort by the Kekambas (10-4) and STATS kept the Pirates offense in check, 6-1.

Each division now had four teams remaining who would now pair off in a best of three semi-final series.

Moran: Betty's edged the Ban-

shee two games to one as their offense (40 runs in three games) proved to be too tough to match.

**Moran:** in one of the few playoff upsets we had this season, Fat Baby swept the first place Southside Tavern squad in two games, 13-10 and 14-4.

**Feeney:** Dukies took on DRC and as many expected, this series would go down to the wire. In the end, DRC needed to come from behind and win two straight to advance. After a low scoring first game (5-4), the DRC offense erupted (27 runs) in games two and three proving they were too much to contain.

**Feeney:** Roza Lyons made quick work of VMT as they swept them by the scores of 15-3 and 20-7.

Lucas: by the flip of a coin, STATS drew the difficult task of taking on the Pirates in round one and now the defending champion, Pat Simpson Club, in round two. The task proved too tough as Simpson narrowly out paced STATS in a thrilling three game series. Game three was a classic, a 3-2 win for Simpson.

Lucas: the Bravos had Lincoln right where they wanted them but then let their foot off the gas pedal and it cost them game one, 10-9. They rebounded in game two (13-1) that set up a "winner take all" game three. In that game, the Bravos defense suffered mental lapses and then quit when they fell behind. It was painful to watch as they had a decent inaugural season.

**Feeney:** the division finals lived up to the hype as DRC and Roza split the first two games of the series which then set up a winner take all game three and it was a dandy. Behind the pitching of Jason Maxwell, DRC hung on for the 8-6 victory that put them in the championship.

Moran: in a reversal of what we saw the series prior, Fat Baby never got on track in this one and were quickly dispatched by Betty's, 14-6 and 18-2. Betty's was moving on to face DRC in the "B" championship.

**"B"** Championship: facing superior pitching it was important for Betty's to get the bats going early against DRC's Jason Maxwell. They feared well in game one but lost a nail biter, 8-7. In game two, it was

DRC dominating from the outset. They got the hits, the power, and the pitching as they cruised 19-6. The frustration of getting outplayed and swept was starting to mount by the time game three rolled around and it was more of the same, DRC continuing the train and rolled along to a 10-5 series ending victory. At the conclusion of the series, Maxwell was named the series MVP and let out a loud scream of excitement when given the news.

"A" Championship: prior to the start of the series expectations were high for the Simpson Club as they were looking to make it two championships in a row. Nobody could have predicted what was about to unfold. In a tightly played game one, the score was tied 2-2 in the late innings when Taylor Ferguson cleared the bases with a double. Lincoln held on to win that game 5-2 which put the pressure on Simpson to answer in game two. They responded like champs do and were holding onto a 9-5 lead heading into the bottom of the sixth. However, Lincoln's offense responded by scoring six runs over the last two innings of play to snatch the victory right out of Simpson's hands. They were now faced with having to win three in a row but Lincoln's play would quickly put an end to that as they cruised to a 9-2 series ending victory in game three. Pitcher, Chris Boyd was named the well-deserved series MVP.

After the season had ended the two championship teams were given time to spend with the M Street Cup. From all accounts, the Lincoln players represented the hard fought cup very well. Photos and videos of them parading around several South Boston watering holes became instant classics on social media. Days later, several of the Lincoln players sobered up and made it onto the field at Fenway Park for some batting practice. Two of them, Max Vigliotti and Taylor Ferguson, hit homeruns over the Green Monster - way to go boys!

That will wrap up another season of competitive softball at M Street Park. Reminder, "Like" our M Street Softball League page on FaceBook to catch new announcements and other softball related news. For past articles, news, photos, and more go to www.sbsports.com.





went 4-1 against the spread in Week 5. My record on the season is now 14-5-1, from when I began making picks in Week 2.

As you know, NFL schedule changes have been made throughout the NFL, and Week 6 will see no Thursday night game Instead, there will be two Monday night games.

It's quite possible that something else with the Week 6 schedule changes by the time they kick off, thanks to multiple positive COVID-19 tests around the league. But for now, we'll have to just take the schedule as it is.

Coronavirus be damned. Here are my picks for Week 6:

#### **DETROIT LIONS (-3.5)** over Jacksonville Jaguars

-The 1-3 Lions are coming off the bye to take on the 1-4 Jaguars in Jacksonville on Sunday at 1 p.m. Detroit's record might be somewhat deceiving, considering they've played some of the best teams in the league through Week 5. The Lions have lost to Chicago, Green Bay, and New Orleans, who have a combined 11-3 record. Detroit's lone win came in Week 3 in Arizona, over a Cardinals

team that is primed for a big season. So, the Lions' schedule has been, well, very difficult thus far. The Jaguars cannot say the same, having lost their last two games to the 1-3 Bengals and the 1-4 Texans. Detroit should win this one by at least a touchdown.

#### **CLEVELAND BROWNS**

(+3.5) over Pittsburgh Steelers

-Sure, the 4-0 Steelers are one of four remaining undefeated teams in the NFL, the real story here is, how about those 4-1 Browns? Cleveland is coming off huge wins over Dallas and Indianapolis, and it sure feels like this is exactly what the Browns have been preparing for in the Baker Mayfield era. or is it the Odell Beckham Jr. era? Either way, the Browns are proving they're for real. But this will be their biggest test, Sunday at 1 in Pittsburgh. The Steelers' schedule has been soft, with wins over the 0-5 Giants, 1-3 Broncos, 1-4 Texans, and 1-3 Eagles. So, in a way, this will also be the biggest test of the season for Pittsburgh. I'm expecting an AFC North dog fight, which could be decided by a field goal. That half point is huge. I'll take the Browns to cover, and

quite possibly win.

#### TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

(+2) over Green Bay Packers

-Ok, so maybe I'm picking this one with my heart and not my head. The 3-2 Buccaneers host the 4-0 Packers on Sunday at 4:25. I'm not sure how this isn't the NBC Sunday Night Football Game of the Week. Regardless, my heart is telling me that Tom Brady and the Bucs are going to bounce back from a disappointing 20-19 loss in Chicago last Thursday night. It was a loss in which Brady lost track of the downs in his final possession. He's better than that, and he'll show it against Green Bay. The Packers are coming off the bye, so they'll be fresh and ready to go. My head tells me to stay away. But my heart tells me that the Bucs will find a way to hand Green Bay its first loss of the season.

#### **DENVER BRONCOS (+9)** over New England Patriots

-Let me be clear, I think the 2-2 Patriots will win this game at Gillette Stadium on Sunday at 1, if they even play it. But I do think a 9-point spread here is too high, given the circumstances. This game was originally scheduled

for Week 5, but because of more positive COVID-19 tests in the Patriots organization, the game was pushed back multiple times, until they decided to give New England and Denver a Week 5 bye and have it played in Week 6. So here we are. Can this 1-3 Broncos team beat the Patriots in New England right now? No, I don't think they can. But can they cover a 9-point spread. I think so. Give me the points.

#### LOCK OF THE WEEK: KAN-SAS CITY CHIEFS (-3.5) over **Buffalo Bills**

-The 4-1 Chiefs are coming off a 40-32 loss to the Las Vegas Raiders in Week 5. That's enough for me to lock it in that Kansas City will respond by going into Buffalo on Monday night and beat the 4-1 Bills, who are coming off a loss to the Tennessee Titans. Chiefs win by at least a touchdown.

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## SPORTS TODAY

# PATRIOTS VS BRONCOS POSTPONED TO WEEK 6, FORCES LEAGUEWIDE SCHEDULE CHANGES

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he New England Patriots' Week 5 game against the Denver Broncos was originally scheduled to be played last Sunday afternoon, but was then moved to Monday night after Stephon Gilmore's positive COVID-19 test last Tuesday. The NFL later postponed the game a second time because of another positive COVID-19 test within the Patriots organization, moving it to Week 6, this Sunday.



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**NFL** SUNDAY, OCT. 18 Denver at New England (-8.5) 1 P.M. CBS

Green Bay (-2) at Tampa Bay 4:25 P.M. FOX

LA Rams (-3.5) at San Francisco 8:20 P.M. NBC

MONDAY, OCT. 19 Kansas City (-3) at Buffalo 5 P.M. FOX/NFLN

Arizona (-2.5) at Dallas 8:15 P.M. ESPN

**CFB** SATURDAY, OCT. 17 #5 North Carolina (-13.5) at Florida State 7:30 P.M. ABC

> #3 Georgia at #2 Alabama (-6) 8 P.M. CBS

As a result, both the Patriots and Broncos were forced to have their bye weeks in Week 5.

New England was supposed to have its bye in Week 6. Denver's bye week was originally scheduled for Week 8.

The moves have not just rearranged the Patriots' and Broncos' schedules. They've also caused changes to many other teams' schedules.

Along with the Patriots and Broncos, other teams being affected are the Dolphins, Tennessee Titans, Buffalo Bills, Kansas City Chiefs, Los Angeles Chargers, New York

Jets, Jacksonville Jaguars, Pittsburgh Steelers, and Baltimore Ravens.

Previously, positive tests within the Tennessee Titans organization caused the postponement of their Week 4 game against the Pittsburgh Steelers until Week 7, which also affected the Baltimore Ravens' schedule, as the Ravens were supposed to host the Steelers in Week 7. Instead, Baltimore will host the Steelers in Week 8, which was the originally-scheduled bye week for both Baltimore and Pittsburgh. Baltimore's bye will now be Week 7, while Pittsburgh was forced to have their

bye in Week 4, the same week as their originally-schedule game against the Titans. Tennessee's original bye week was Week 7, which is now the week of their game against the Steelers.

The Patriots are coming off a Week 4 loss to the Chiefs in Kansas City. Cam Newton was unavailable for the Patriots in that game after testing positive for COVID-19.

Denver is coming off a Week 4 win over the Jets in New York, the Broncos' first win of the season.

New England is an 8.5-point favorite at home on Sunday.

#### KRUG LEAVES BRUINS, SIGNS WITH BLUES

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efenseman Torey Krug is no longer a Boston Bruin.
Krug, 29, signed a seven-year, \$45.5 million contract with the St. Louis Blues last weekend on the first day of NHL free agency. It comes out to an average annual salary of \$6.5 million.

According to TSN's Frank Seravalli, the Bruins' final offer to Krug was a six-year, \$6.5 million deal. But according to Krug, the Bruins pulled that deal off the table and left him with no offer at all. "It was pulled from me, I didn't have an

offer," said Krug during his Blues introductory conference call. "When they offered me a year ago and then it's gone, I don't know what I'm expected to do. Just being blunt and being honest with you. Most people don't share that side of it, but it is what it is. I'm very thankful for the opportunity [the Bruins] gave me and I'm very thankful for the opportunity the Blues gave me."

In St. Louis, Krug will have big shoes to fill. The Blues chose him over veteran defenseman and now-former captain Alex Pietrangelo. Following the Blues' signing of Krug, Pietrangelo signed a seven-year, \$61.6 million deal with the Vegas Golden Knights.

Krug spent parts of his first nine NHL seasons in the Bruins' organization after being signed by the B's as an undrafted free agent during the 2011-12 season. He tallied 337 points on 67 goals and 270 assists in 523 total regular-season games. In the playoffs, Krug had 52 points on 11 goals and 41 assists in 75 total playoff games, which included two trips to the Stanley Cup Final in 2013 and again in 2019.

While watching Krug walk, the Bruins signed veteran forward Craig Smith to a three-year, \$9.3 million deal. Smith, 31, has spent the last nine seasons with the Nashville Predators.



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