



Local Elected Officials Cruise To Victory With Presidential Election Undecided



Before the poll opened at 7:00am on Election Day, voters were observed lined up by the dozens waiting to enter the polling place at the Monsignor Powers building on L Street and the Condon School on D Street. With a record-breaking turnout in Boston, statewide and nationally, local leaders Congressman Stephen Lynch (116,000), Senator Nick Collins (64,000) and Representative David Biele (20,000) were re-elected with large voting numbers in their respective districts. Question 1, the so-called Right To

Repair question was approved by 75% of voters and Question 2, the Ranked Voting question was defeated 55%-45%.

Early voting, both by mail and in person, was massive. Americans had cast a record-breaking 93 million early ballots as of this past Sunday afternoon, putting the 2020 election on track for historic levels of voter turnout. That was almost twice as many pre-election votes as were cast in the 2016 election, according to the U.S. Elections Project, a turnout-tracking database run by University of Florida professor Michael

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EDITORIAL

Loud Parties: Respect Is Returned When First Given

As most residents are aware by now, there is a controversy approaching a near boiling point about large gatherings that turn into noisy parties that rage on well into the night and early morning hours. The Elected Officials and the police are now being brought into the situation. Those who like the parties tend to look upon those complaining about them as being stuffy cranks who are against people - usually younger in age - having any sort of fun

and enjoyment. Those opposing the parties see the parties as immature and out of control and having no consideration for surrounding neighbors.

Do both sides have a point? Maybe. But, let's look at the bigger picture. If the parties would take into account that some people within hearing distance of their loud music and often screaming for no apparent reason could be babies, young children and elderly, all of whom go to bed relatively early and need their sleep, and

not continue to revel into the next day, the number of complaints would most likely be reduced by a lot.

South Boston is not Brighton or Allston where this type of activity is common and has been for years. Think of it this way. How would some feel if the towns, which the party goes come from became the sites of the same type of thing? Would you want your parents to have to put up with their peaceful lives being disrupted by noise all weekend long



and on holidays? We're guessing the answer would be no.

Yes, the population in South Boston has changed to a large degree with the influx of younger people. And we understand that

there will be parties and large gatherings, regardless of what Charlie Baker dictates. But if efforts are made on the part of those throwing the parties and their visiting guests to show more respect and consideration to the local residents and tone it down, that respect will almost certainly be appreciated and returned in kind. Then, this will ultimately go a long way in diffusing the growing tension. But If something isn't done, it could get ugly and no one wants that.

"The government's first duty is to protect the people, {but} not run their lives" - Ronald Reagan

Annual Veterans Day Ceremony To Be Held At The Fitzgerald Post

SBT Staff Report

Next Wednesday, November 11th, is Veterans Day. And like most patriotic neighborhoods in America, this is an important holiday in South Boston where those who serve and have served in the United State military are held in high esteem and

honored as national heroes.

After speaking with members of the Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post #561, it was good to hear that they are continuing their tradition of having their annual ceremony on that day. The schedule of events is as follows:

Everyone is asked to

gather at the post at 715 E. Fourth Street by 9:am. Elected officials who wish to speak are invited to do so at 9:15am. At 9:40am, the assembled veterans and supporters along with color guard will march to St. Brigid Church for a 10:am Memorial Mass. Everyone; whether you are a veteran or not is invited and welcomed to attend the event.

2020 is a special year for the Fitzgerald Post. It is the 100th Anniversary of their charter and a special plaque has been created and will be on display at the post. It will tell the story of Thomas F. Fitzgerald himself and the

great things he did while serving our country.

The Fitzgerald Post's Lew Kneeland also announced that the Post will be accepting donations to be sent to the Chelsea Soldiers Home. Donations of gift cards, new clothing, toiletries, socks, gloves etc. can be brought to

the post the day of the event as well as other times to be announced. Kneeland also stated that people who have torn, tattered or faded American Flags can drop them off at the post and they will be 'Retired' in the proper respectful fashion at a date and time to be announced in the future.



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Commentary on the unsettled Election Results

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John Ciccone

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This column was written on Wednesday morning and we still weren't sure of the presidential election's final results. Un-counted mail in votes were continuing to mysteriously pop up in several states that had not been called; most of course controlled by democrat election officials. This of course was something that had been predicted for months.

We are hearing from many directions that when this election is finally decided, it will be time for the country to unite and heal the deep divisions. And that would be nice. And that's always a good policy to follow as stated. But if it is in fact a way to demand that if those who ultimately take power try to impose freedom killing measures and begin to institute plans with the goal of turning America into a Socialist country then, well, millions of patriotic Americans will rightfully have a problem with that. And as patriots, we will have an obligation and in fact a duty to oppose and yes, resist.

For those who may be unsure of what policies, if implemented should be opposed and resisted, let me spell out what it is I mean. Adding even more burdensome taxes, gutting the military, defunding police, throwing open our borders, putting back the crippling restrictions on American businesses; especially small businesses, allowing environmental radical activists to take over government agencies and our economy, returning to making alliances, treaties and pacts with foreign countries who want to dominate the United State and even hate our country – China and Iran are just two that come to mind, Allowing the UN to actually have say and sway over US programs and siphon American tax payer dollars and so many other left wing plans that the

Democrat Party has been pushing for so long. And Heaven help them if they attempt to confiscate the guns owned by law abiding American citizens and try to dilute the Second Amendment in any way.

The above mentioned actions; among others equally as insidious, have been the goals of the left wing in this country for years. And these are things that will tremendously restrict the freedom and the liberties that are guaranteed by our nation's founders. This we cannot allow and as was stated before and cannot be emphasized enough, attempts to do this must be met with resistance.

Again, in my opinion and the opinion of millions of Americans, it is our duty to defend our nation from enemies, both foreign and domestic.

I was and still am a supporter of President Trump and proud of it. And like most of you, I too have friends who do not agree with me. And for the most part, we are still friends. It is not them that I have a problem with nor they with me. My problem is with people who are in positions of power who feel they are our rulers and we are their subjects who work for them and we had better go along to get along with whatever mandate they decide to hand down if we know what's good for us. That's not the kind of country America was created to be. And as far as I'm concerned, it's not the type of country we should ever allow it to be.

Well, for whatever its worth, here you have my take on the incomplete election results as they stood at 10:am on Wednesday morning, November 3rd. Next column, I will have more commentary. And if you have the time, why not send in your responses; pro or con – all of which will be welcome and read, to what I've written here?

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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.

The presidential race: A nail-biter – again

Another presidential election, another wild night. In a race many once thought Democrat Joe Biden might win handily, Republican Donald Trump got another unexpected red-wave boost yesterday, as he did in 2016, and the electoral-college contest was too close to call as of early this morning, as votes continued to be counted in the key battleground states of Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Michigan and Georgia, CNN reports. Biden did win in Massachusetts and

NH, as expected, as WCVB reports.

It's all leading to what some had feared if it came down to a close election, with Trump falsely claiming victory last night (NYT) while Biden expressed confidence and asked for calm (NYT). Meanwhile, from MassLive: "Joe Biden says he's 'on track to win' as race too tight to call; Donald Trump claims without evidence 'they are trying to steal the election.'" The Washington Post takes a look at the key swing states that will decide the presidential outcome. The Herald's Howie Carr

is practically doing a jig over the preliminary results showing the GOP doing better than expected. WBUR has a great town-by-town vote map of the presidential election in Massachusetts. Just click on your town.

Mass. Ballot Questions: 'Right to Repair' cruises to victory, 'Ranked choice voting' rejected

In yesterday's ballot questions voting in Massachusetts, there was one sort-of surprise and one genuine surprise. The "Right to Repair" (Question 1) initiative was ap-

proved, as expected, but unofficial results show it prevailing with 75 percent of the vote, a much higher figure than projected in pre-election polls. WBUR's Callum Borchers has more on the most expensive referendum contest in the state's history. The genuine surprise was the defeat of "Ranked Choice Voting" (Question 2), which had appeared headed for victory in pre-election polls. Unofficial results show voters opposing a change in the state's voting system by a solid 55-45 percent margin, according to early counts. Question 2 backers conceded defeat last night. GBH's Saraya Wintersmith, the Globe's Matt Stout and the Herald's Erin Tiernan have more on the Question 2 vote, as well as on the Question 1 contest.

State Approves Budget for New School Building in Chinatown

Facility Will Be Future Home of Josiah Quincy Upper School

The Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) voted unanimously on Wednesday, October 28 to approve the budget for the new Josiah Quincy Upper School (JQUS) building at 249 Harrison Avenue in Boston. Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the City of Boston, and Boston Public Schools (BPS) have diligently pursued a permanent home for the school since 2011, and the recent vote marks a significant step forward in the ongoing project.

"The approval of this fully accessible, state-of-the-art facility reaffirms the City of Boston's commitment to preserving our communities and investing in the education of our young people," said Mayor Martin J. Walsh. "I am grateful for our continued partnership with the MSBA, which has resulted in beautiful new school buildings and dozens of facility renovations in

schools throughout our City."

Construction will begin in 2021, and the new building is slated to open in time for the 2024-25 school year. Serving 650 students in grades 6 through 12, the proposed modern, six-story school will house learning spaces for music, art, and science as well as a gymnasium, library, auditorium, and cafeteria. There will also be an outdoor instructional space on the roof featuring photovoltaics and a school garden to promote active learning about the environment. The project has a \$193 million budget, and will result in upwards of \$52 million in reimbursement to the City of Boston.

JQUS opened in 1999 as a pilot program for sixth grade students from Josiah Quincy Elementary in Chinatown. Students, staff, and families hoped to extend both the educational and cultural atmosphere of the elementary school to the new program. In the following decades, JQUS outgrew its original facilities. The school now serves over 500 students in grades 6 through 12, and every student is enrolled in its nationally-recognized International Baccalaureate (IB) program, including those with disabilities and English Language Learners. This rigorous curriculum requires a full range of academic, social, cultural and physical education courses.

"It's always exciting when we move closer to providing more students in the City of Boston with innovative 21st century learning environments," said BPS Superintendent Brenda Cassellius. "I am thrilled to see this project continue to develop. The new JQUS facility will support our high school redesign work to increase rigor, close opportunity gaps, and advance equitable learning experiences for all of our students, from preschool to career."

In 2011, the City proposed constructing a new building to better accommodate JQUS's growing interdisciplinary programs. Because of its close ties to Quincy Elementary and the surrounding communities, rebuilding the upper school in Chinatown was a primary goal. Today's vote enables the City and the school district to keep JQUS in Chinatown for generations to come, allowing students and staff to build on their existing partnerships in the community.

"Education is a cornerstone of Chinese culture," said JQUS Head of School Richard Chang. "Fittingly, the new school building will provide both an excellent International Baccalaureate academic program and a social and cultural gathering place for Chinatown neighbors and organizations."



In the past several years Mayor Walsh has strengthened the City's relationship with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). This has resulted in an unprecedented amount of collaborative work with BPS and the City of Boston's Public Facilities Department, leveraging over \$100 million in reimbursement for projects like the new Dearborn 6-12 STEM Academy which opened in Roxbury in 2018, renovation of Boston Arts Academy in the Fenway, currently in construction, and the Carter School in the South End, which is currently in design. In addition, the City has been approved for 27 repair projects, resulting in \$41 million in reimbursement from the MSBA at various BPS schools since 2015 to create more energy efficient buildings by replacing roofs, windows and boilers.

Councilors Flynn, Flaherty & Breadon to Hold Hearing on Large House Parties



This Friday, November 6th, at 11am, Boston City Councilors Ed Flynn, Michael Flaherty, and Liz Breadon will be hosting a virtual hearing regarding large house parties. The Councilors filed this hearing order in mid-October to discuss ways to better enforce rules regarding house parties and indoor gatherings. There have been concerning reports from neighbors regarding large house parties and their potential to become superspreader events due to a lack of proper physical distancing and mask wearing. Neighbors have also highlighted loud noise and trash removal issues as negatively

impacting their quality of life. 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 parties 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 Zoom meeting last month with 90 neighbors and officials from the Inspectional Services Department (ISD) and the Boston Police Department (C-6), who continued to encourage residents 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 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.

"As we continue to hear about COVID-19 cases spiking not only nationally, but with rising positivity rates locally in the city and state, these reports of large house parties in our city remain a serious concern," said Councilor Flynn. "The Governor has stated for several weeks that our young people are driving the single biggest rise in cases. It is critical for our young professionals, and all residents, to refrain from reckless and inconsiderate behavior with no physical distancing or mask wearing that could potentially create superspreader events, along with other quality of life concerns. With winter approaching and the potential for a second wave locally, it is crucial to discuss strict enforcement, higher fines and penalties for offenders."

For more information on the hearing, please visit <https://www.boston.gov/public-notices/13670436>, or contact Councilor Flynn's office at 617-635-3203 or Ed.Flynn@Boston.gov.

May God Bless Our Veterans on Veterans Day and Every Day

SBT Staff Report

Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, it doesn't matter in which branch of the United States Armed Forces our veterans served, those men and women put their private lives on hold for the purpose of defending our very way of life. To serve one's

country; often putting themselves in harm's way to do their part to protect their fellow country men and women is something each and every American should be grateful for.

Since our nation was founded more than 200 years ago, to the present year of 2020, the United States Military has been the life line that has allowed America to continue to exist and to prosper. If not for our veterans throughout our history, there would be no America today. It's just that simple. Our military has also been a force for good that has literally saved the world from falling victim to brutal and cruel forces of corrupt monarchies early in our history, and in modern times, from the evil that is Communism and Fascism. Today, the new challenge is terrorism which they are meeting head on. But it's not just during war time that US



troops save the day. During times of peace, when and where there are natural disasters anywhere in the world, the American military rushes to the rescue. Our veterans can take pride in who they are and what they've accomplished. They have earned the respect, the love and the pride Ameri-

cans in turn, feel for them. Our Veterans deserve very special praise, not just on Veteran's Day but every day. From the entire South Boston Today Team to every veteran and their family members, we say God Bless You and Thank You all, so much, for your service and for your sacrifice.

Richard Cardinal Cushing

August 24, 1895 to November 2, 1970 50th Anniversary November 2, 2020

Richard Cushing was Baptized at Gate of Heaven Church in August 1895.

He grew up on O Street and would later become a parishioner of St. Eulalia Parish (now St. Brigid Parish). His parents were Patrick and Mary Dahill Cushing. Both Irish immigrants. Cushing was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Boston on May 26, 1921. He would celebrate his First Mass at St. Eulalia's Church located on the corner of Broadway and O Street. In 1939 he was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Boston. On September 25, 1944 he was named the 3rd Archbishop of Boston following Cardinal O'Connell's death. On December 15, 1958 he was named Cardinal.

He went on to build many Churches, Schools and Convents in the Archdiocese - including St. Brigid Convent and School. Cardinal Cushing celebrated President Kennedy's Funeral Mass in 1963 at St. Matthew Cathedral, in Washington DC. Cardinal Cushing so enjoyed growing up in South Boston and his love for the neighborhood and the local Parishes was evident up until his death on the Feast of All Souls, November 2, 1970.

We remember with gratitude Cardinal Cushing this week on the 50th Anniversary of his death. Rest In Peace!



South Boston Catholic Academy News Highlights from Halloween 2020!

South Boston Catholic Academy is a proud partner with the Lynch Foundation. With the help of Lynch and our amazing Early Childhood Educators, we are creating a strong learning environment for all our young students.

K0 and K1 celebrated the Halloween season by creating "Franken-

faces", Halloween shaped collages, bat marble painting and listening to Halloween stories. All the students had a chance to wear their Halloween costumes and have a Halloween party in their classroom! All of us at South Boston Catholic Academy, hope everyone had a very Happy and Safe Halloween!



The Wine Guy

California Sippin'

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

Back in 1978, the Hope family, one of California's oldest winemaking clans, took a chance on plantings in

Paso Robles; it has paid off with some of the area's best values, especially their Cabernets. *Liberty School Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles, 2017, (\$17.99)*, epitomizes everything that's great about this area and its wine. On the nose, it gives dark berry, chocolate, and smoky tones, with tannins that are there, but not overwhelming. The mouthfeel is satisfying with a medium-bodied finish that allows it to pair with a wide range of meats and cheeses.

If you're looking for a holiday Chardonnay, *Liberty School Chardonnay, Paso Robles, 2018, (\$16.99)*, delivers every time. It's a blend of 90% Chardonnay, 5% Marsanne and 5% Viognier. It's a buttery style of Chard, very similar to La Crema. Notes of melon, citrus and kiwi combine to make for a pleasant mouthfeel and medium finish. This one will be great with both the turkey and the deserts.

Justin Vineyards began in 1981, when Justin Baldwin bought the first 160 acres that were especially rich in limestone, like many of Bordeaux's finest properties. Today, their wines, especially the reds, dis-

play a richness and complexity that is a testament to both the soil and the hand-crafted winemaking techniques that have made this brand one of the finest in all of California.

The Justin Cabernet Sauvignon, Paso Robles, 2018, (\$26.99), is an outstanding wine for the money and Fred Holloway, the Director of Winemaking, describes it this way:

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

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



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

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

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McDonald. McDonald calculates that, nationally, voters had cast nearly 68% of the total votes counted in the 2016 election. "We continue to pile on votes at a record pace. We've already passed any raw number of early votes in any prior election in U.S. history," McDonald told NPR on Oct. 26.

In Massachusetts, As of Saturday, 47% of the state's 4.7 million registered voters had already cast their ballots, according to state election data. Through a combination of early in-person and mail-in voting, 2,282,879 ballots have been received by local election officials, data show. Secretary of State William Galvin predicted record turnout in this year's presidential election, eclipsing the 2016's 3.3 million votes. "What I've been struck by — not just here in Massachusetts, but throughout the country — is the enthusiasm and determination of voters despite the COVID situation to vote," Galvin said on Sunday on WCVB's "On the Record."

Nationally, despite the reported gap in polling numbers showing Former Vice President Joe Biden leading President Donald Trump by as many as 10 percentage points, the progressive Democrats were very nervous Wednesday, the

day after Election Day, and continue to be, while the final votes are still being counted. Mail-in ballots are continuing to be counted in many of the so-called swing states and there is reason to believe on both sides that the electoral college target number of 270 can be reached by either candidate. However, and preemptively, Trump has raised the specter that Democratic-led cities have been plotting to somehow steal the vote, promising a court battle that would likely go to the Supreme Court.

The mainstream media has been called to task over the way it has reported on the Trump Administration over the last four years, as well as the campaign itself during the four weeks leading up to the election. The television reporting on election night on how the candidates were trending in the early states has caused an uproar on talk radio and on television and cable news outlets.

Many observers say that the political pollsters, who had been predicting a 10-point spread in many cases between Biden and Trump, have a lot of explaining to do, given that the results are still in doubt. It remains to be seen how the political polling industry will adjust its survey message to deal



with the random selection process, given the fact that less and less people use their land lines and more and more people are not willing to give their cell phone numbers up. The industry sector should be reeling from the effects that their clear disparities that were incessantly propagated on the public. While polling is a legitimate service, pollsters are being called out for their use as a partisan political weapon, depending upon the political party influencing or underwriting the survey. If polling is

to be trusted, it needs to be fully transparent. Many partisans, especially the Trump supporters, believe that the media outlets nationally need to be shaken up from top to bottom. But that is a longer process, if it even happens.

As this newspaper goes to print, given the threats of law suits by the Trump campaign, there is still no absolute projected winner in the following states: Nevada, Arizona, Michigan, Georgia, North Carolina and Pennsylvania. In each state the differential is +/- 1%.

Recent South Boston Real Estate Sales

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133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1709 Condo	\$2,082,100	9/2/20	4	2	1,209
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1509 Condo	\$1,895,000	9/14/20	4	2	1,209
48 Middle Street Three Family	\$1,529,000	9/4/20	15	3	3,465
133 Seaport Blvd UNIT 1516 Condo	\$1,493,300	9/30/20	4	1	845
50 Liberty Drive UNIT 7G Condo	\$1,460,000	9/9/20	3	1.5	1,015
328 West Third St UNIT 2 Condo	\$1,450,000	9/25/20	8	3.5	2,095
550 East Broadway UNIT 1 Condo	\$1,295,000	9/9/20	8	3.5	1,771
271 Gold St UNIT 2 Condo	\$1,260,000	9/24/20	7	3	2,014
75 Old Harbor Street Three Family	\$1,125,000	9/1/20	14	3	2,904
419 East Seventh Street Two Family	\$960,000	9/10/20	8	2	1,643
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Virtual Public Meeting

Dorchester Bay City

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The next topic-specific Virtual Public Meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, November 4th: Open Space, Public Realm & Resiliency
- Monday, November 16th: Transportation & Infrastructure
- Wednesday, December 2nd: Topic TBD

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This week, Danny gave "Pic's Picks" for Week 9 in the NFL:

I went 3-2 against the spread in Week 8, bringing my record to 24-10-1 on the season, from when I began making my 2020 NFL picks in Week 2.

How about this stat? Every week I make one "Lock of the Week" pick against the spread. Well through Week 8, I've yet to get a "Lock" of the Week" pick wrong.

Let's get back to work. Here are my picks for Week 9:

GREEN BAY PACKERS (-5.5) over San Francisco 49ers

-I don't usually pick the Thursday night game, but I couldn't resist here. The 5-2 Packers are coming off a Week 8 home loss to the Minnesota Vikings. The Vikings are no good this year, and the Packers are much better than what they showed on Sunday. I expect Green Bay to bounce back strong against a 4-4 49ers team that will be without their starting quarterback. Jimmy Garoppolo was put on injured reserve this week with a high ankle sprain. The Packers will take full advantage of a banged-up 49ers squad. Give me Green Bay by 10 on a short week.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (-3)

over Buffalo Bills

-I'm not a big fan of West Coast teams playing a 1 p.m. game on the East Coast, so I do make this pick with caution. But I've watched the 6-1 Seahawks more than most teams in the league this season, and I have no problem picking Russell Wilson every week — given a reasonable spread, of course — until he proves me wrong. I don't believe he'll prove me wrong here, as Seattle heads to Buffalo to take on a 6-2 Bills team that's won two straight and is coming off a big divisional win over the Patriots in Week 8. Problem with that is, the Patriots played the game without some of their best players in Julian Edelman and Stephon Gilmore, and still, the Bills almost lost, if not for a Cam Newton fumble in the final minute of the game. So are the first-place Bills for real? That will certainly be tested this Sunday. And with a low spread of 3 points, I'm not betting against Wilson and the Seahawks. Seattle wins by a touchdown.

ARIZONA CARDINALS (-5) over Miami Dolphins

-Both the 5-2 Cardinals and

4-3 Dolphins are on a three-game winning streak. This has a chance to be one of the more exciting games of the week, with Kyler Murray going up against Tua Tagovailoa. Arizona is coming off the bye, but before that, the Cardinals had their biggest win of the season, handing Seattle their only loss of the season, to this point. Much like I questioned whether the Bills are for real in my previous pick, I'll ask the same question here about Miami. Are the Dolphins for real? I'm going to say no, not yet. Soon, but not yet. Give me Arizona by a touchdown at home on Sunday at 4:25.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (+5) over Tampa Bay Buccaneers

-This one is the NBC Sunday Night Football Game of the Week. As it should be. And it's a must-win for both teams in a tight battle for first place in the NFC South. The 6-2 Buccaneers have won three straight and are in first place. The 5-2 Saints have won four straight and are in second place. This is a rematch of Week 1, when the Saints beat the Bucs in New Orleans, 34-23. That was the only game we've seen Saints star receiver Michael Thomas

play in this season, as he's missed the last six games with multiple leg injuries. We might see him return on Sunday night. Still, this is a different Buccaneers offense from what we saw in Week 1. Tom Brady is much more comfortable with his weapons now, than he was then. And oh yeah, Antonio Brown makes his Bucs debut in this one. So, I think Tampa Bay will win the game. But I think it will be close. Give me the Saints to lose a three-point game in Tampa Bay, but cover the 5-point spread.

LOCK OF THE WEEK: NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (-7) over New York Jets

-You probably think I'm crazy with this one. But the 0-8 Jets stink. I realize the 2-5 Patriots have lost four straight, but I think their defense causes some turnovers on Monday night and gets New England a 10-point win.

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PATRIOTS LOSE FOUR STRAIGHT, FACE JETS ON MNF IN WEEK 9

SBT Staff

Who would've thought that the Patriots' Week 9 game against the New York Jets on ESPN's Monday Night Football would be a battle of the AFC East's basement dwellers?

Certainly, everybody knew that New England didn't get better when Tom Brady left for Tampa Bay as a free agent. Even after the Pats signed Cam Newton, it was well known that they weren't going to be the same team without the greatest quarterback of all time.

But did anyone think the Patriots would be 2-5 to begin the month of November? Yikes.

New England lost its fourth straight game on Sunday in Buffalo, 24-21. Newton lost a fumble at the Bills' 15-yard line with 37 seconds left in the fourth quarter, and that sealed the deal on the loss.

Now, the Patriots head to MetLife to take on the Jets on Monday night. At 0-8, New York is the only winless team in the NFL. Still, the spread is only 7 points, with the Patriots as the favorite.

In normal times, the Pats would be at least a two-touchdown favorite in this game, and probably more. Last week, the Kansas City Chiefs were a 19.5-point favorite against the Jets. Kansas City covered with a 35-9 win.

But forget about the spread. If the Patriots can't beat the last-place Jets, then you can rule out any shot at a playoff spot, if you haven't ruled it out already.

Things won't get any easier for New England after the Jets game. Next week will be a short week for the Patriots, as they'll host Lamar Jackson and the Baltimore Ravens on Sunday Night Football in Week 10.

Tweet of the Week



Dianna Russini
@diannaESPN

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WR FORD, DT MACK ACQUIRED BY PATRIOTS

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The New England Patriots and Miami Dolphins completed a trade before Tuesday's NFL trade deadline. Miami sent wide receiver Isaiah Ford to New England in exchange for a conditional sixth-round pick in 2022.

It marks the first trade between the Patriots and Dolphins since New England acquired Wes Welker in a trade with Miami before the 2007 season. The Patriots gave up a second-round pick and a seventh-round pick in that deal.

Also this week, New England claimed Tennessee Titans defensive tackle Isaiah Mack off waivers.

The acquisition of Ford represents the Patriots' most pressing need. New England played last Sunday's game against the Bills without Julian Edelman and N'Keal Harry.

Edelman underwent a knee procedure and has been placed on injured reserve, while Harry is dealing with a concussion that he suffered two weeks ago against the 49ers.

Ford, 24, had 18 catches for

184 yards and zero touchdowns in seven games this season with Miami. He was drafted by the Dolphins in the seventh round in 2017. In three seasons in Miami, Ford played in a total of 16 games and had 41 catches for 428 yards.

Mack, 24, entered the NFL as an undrafted free agent and has played part of the last two seasons with the Titans. He recorded two tackles in six games this season in Tennessee before being placed on waivers on Monday, one day before the trade deadline, after the Titans acquired cornerback Desmond King in a trade with the Los Angeles Chargers.

GILMORE REMAINS IN NEW ENGLAND AS TRADE DEADLINE PASSES

SBT Staff

As the New England Patriots continued to lose, rumors swirled about the availability of cornerback Stephon Gilmore at the NFL trade deadline. Well, Tuesday's trade deadline has come and gone, and Gilmore is still a Patriot.

However, according to ESPN's Dianna Russini, the Patriots didn't

exactly hang the phone up on teams that called and asked about trading for their top defensive player.

On Tuesday morning, the day of the trade deadline, Russini tweeted: "After speaking with a few GMs around the NFL, I've learned multiple teams who have called the Patriots about CB Stephon Gilmore were told by New England they

want a first round pick and a player in exchange for the 2019 AP Defensive Player of the Year."

Gilmore, 30, missed his first game since 2017 on Sunday against the Bills with a knee injury. After this season, he has one year left on his contract with the Patriots, worth a base salary of \$7 million, which is \$6 million less than his base salary this season.

WHAT TO WATCH

NFL THURSDAY, NOV. 5
Green Bay (-5.5) at San Francisco
8:20 P.M. FOX/NFLN

SUNDAY, NOV. 8
Seattle (-3) at Buffalo
1 P.M. FOX

Miami at Arizona (-4.5)
4:25 P.M. CBS

New Orleans at Tampa Bay (-5)
8:20 P.M. NBC

MONDAY, NOV. 9
New England (-7) at NY Jets
8:15 P.M. ESPN

CFB SATURDAY, NOV. 7
#1 Clemson (-5.5) at #4 Notre Dame
7:30 P.M. NBC



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