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Governor's Office Clips

Gov/LG

Boston Globe: Healey calls for action as AI nudes flood Mass. schools

CBS: Massachusetts governor giving schools guidance on how to handle AI deepfakes

Boston.com: Healey proposes bill to limit time young people can spend on social media

WBUR: Here's how Gov. Healey wants to curb social media for minors in Mass.

Boston Herald: One Boston events mark commemoration of marathon bombings

Boston Today: Boston Marks 13th Anniversary of Marathon Bombings

CBS: One Boston Day honors lives lost 13 years after Boston Marathon bombings

GBH: 'It's changed everything:' Boston Marathon bombing victims honored 13 years later

7 News: One Boston Day ceremonies honor victims, survivors of Boston Marathon bombings

12 News: Governor Healey lays wreath at the finish line for One Boston Day

NBC: Boston honor marathon bombing victims

WBZ NewsRadio: Spain, Massachusetts Announce Expanded Trading Relationship

Rumba 97.7: Spain, Massachusetts Announce Expanded Trading Relationship

NBC: Welcome to Lovable's new Boston office. Please remove your shoes

The Times of Israel: Sheba Medical Center establishes health tech accelerator in Boston

Boston Globe: Healey wants to curb public access to birth and death records in bid to 'prevent fraud'

MassLive: RomneyCare turns 20 — and rekindles nostalgia for a time when politics worked

State House News Service: House Democrats embrace most of guv's MassHealth budget plan

Boston Herald: MA the only state where Gov., Judiciary and Legislature are exempt from public records law

Provincetown Independent: State Is Said to Improperly Deny Records Requests

New Bedford Light: Legal aid program helps immigrants in immigration court

CommonWealth Beacon: Senate passes $3.6 billion environmental bond bill in bipartisan vote

Canary Media: Big grid batteries are finally on a roll in New England

Martha's Vineyard Times: Extensive mapping of deer population is in

Boston 25 News: National Grid Seeks Rate Increase

Boston Globe: Opinion: Credit due, work to be done 20 years after Mass. health reform

Climate

NEPM: Brush fires on the rise in Massachusetts amid dry, warm weather

Transportation

Boston Globe: Battery-electric T buses are (quietly!) whirring their way through Cambridge, Watertown, and beyond

NBC: The MBTA wants help getting better. Riders have a lot of thoughts!

Taunton Daily Gazette: Will South Coast Rail bring Rt. 140 in Taunton back to 'glory days'?

Metro Magazine: MBTA launches wireless delay updates

Boston Uncovered: Under 60 Days To Go: MBTA Launches Its Fastest Express Service To 'Boston Stadium' For The 2026 World Cup With An $80 Ticket

Boston Globe: Opinion: Columbus Avenue center bus lanes hit a dead end at Jackson Square

Education

Boston Globe: Mounting fear of ICE disrupts early childhood education centers

Fall River Reporter: Federation Teachers Massachusetts blames "deportation terror campaigns" as immigrant students fear going to school, backs reserve fund that supports districts facing disruptions

22 News: Mass. DOC tablet program breaks record for inmate education

GBH: Tablet learning is booming in Mass. Prisons

CommonWealth Beacon: Head Start programs face funding squeeze

The Guardian: Hampshire College was 'a magical place' for a progressive education. It couldn't survive this era

Boston Globe: Opinion: The shock and sadness of working at the Croft School

CommonWealth Beacon: Opinion: Massachusetts must have a common, measurable graduation standard for all students

Energy and Environmental Affairs

CBS: Business groups object to paper bag fee in Massachusetts environmental bond bill

Health and Human Services

Boston Globe: Three-alarm fire at Boston Medical Center-Brighton leads to transfer of about 25 ICU patients

Milford Daily News: MA legislators renew push for universal health care. What to know

New Bedford Guide: Massachusetts Lawmakers Pushing Forward with Medicare for All Single-Payer Proposal

Patch: Drug-Resistant Stomach Bug On The Rise: What To Know In MA

Housing

Boston Real Estate Times: Massachusetts Mayors, Local Officials Unite in Opposition to Rent Control Ballot Question

MassLive: 90-unit apartments planned for former Table Talk Pies site in Worcester

Daily Hampshire Gazette: Residents air concerns over plans for 140 units of affordable housing in North Amherst

Economic Development

MassLive: Mass. biotech company to lay off 63 employees after FDA rejects cancer drug for 2nd time

Boston Globe: Raspberries for $18 a pound? Why fruit in Mass. grocery stores can be so expensive right now.

GBH: People are selling their plasma across Massachusetts to deal with rising prices

Public Safety and Security

WCVB: Dozens cited in Mass. school zone safety enforcement

The Daily News of Newburyport: Newbury FD receives $15,500 for safety equipment

Legislature/Constitutional Officers

Boston Globe: Mass. House leaders unveil $63 billion state budget plan amid looming ‘dysfunction’

State House News Service: Anticipating "very, very difficult" year, House budget would spend less than Healey

Axios: What's in the Mass. House's $63 billion budget proposal

GBH: Mass. House proposes state spending boost, warns of economic uncertainty

Worcester Telegram and Gazette: Healey’s supplemental budget includes millions for winter storm relief

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Subject: CIR: Extremism, Discrimination Against Israeli Physicians, and Federal Law Violations

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Dear CIR President Van and other CIR leadership:

CIR is openly supporting sympathizers to groups designated as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTO): namely, Hamas and Hezbollah [1], and discriminates against potential members on the basis of national origin.[2] Several people testified to this on May 20, 2026 at a hearing before the US House Subcommittee on Health,

Employment, Labor and Pensions. [3]

"First do no harm". I'm certain I've heard that somewhere before... oh yes! It's the ethical principle that is the bedrock of modern medical interventions. Yet, it seems that the Committee of Interns and Residents (CIR) is unfamiliar with the concept. Is terrorism harmful? Certainly. Is discrimination harmful? Most definitely. And both happen to also be illegal. Perhaps the credo should be "First commit no crimes".

In addition, CIR is peddling in the tired old lies, that Israel is an apartheid state and is guilty of genocide. In May of 2024, you formally adopted the flawed resolution "Housestaff against Apartheid". Its flawed tenets have been disproved again and again:

• Israel is not an apartheid state (see below for evidence and sources)
• Israel is NOT guilty of genocide (see below for evidence and sources)
• The Boycott Divest Sanction (BDS) movement is illegal in eight states in which you operate. The CIR resolution is out of compliance with New York, New Jersey, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Maryland, Florida, and Rhode Island. [4]
• Denying that antizionism is equivalent to antisemitism is counter to the IHRA definition of antisemitism, [5] which has been adopted by five states that you operate in. You are out of compliance in New York, Florida, Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Mexico. When your new activities in New Hampshire and Rhode Island are operating, CIR will be out of compliance in those states as well. [6]

Apartheid exists when a government systemically segregates one group of people from public facilities, residential areas, schools, job opportunities, and political engagement (e.g., voting rights, political positions). False accusations of Israel being an apartheid state are absurd. Israel is a multi-racial society - where the Arab citizens have full rights (e.g., health insurance, free public school, subsidized university) and participate fully in all industries including law, medicine, and politics (e.g., judges and members of Knesset). Inciting racism or discrimination in Israel is a criminal offense [7]. Did you know that Former South African Defense Minister Mosiuoa Lekota visited Israel and confirmed that it is not an apartheid state? [8]

Regarding genocide: the UN's actual principal court - the International Court of Justice - reached a conclusion that there was NO genocide in Gaza. Former ICJ President Judge Joan Donoghue stated on record, "The court did not decide that the claim of genocide was plausible" - directly contradicting the UN Commission's false narrative [9]. And, as in previous wars that Hamas has started, Hamas leaders finally admitted that they lied about numbers of civilian casualties, and that 72% of casualty numbers were male terrorists [10-11]. Other reports, however, show that 86% of casualty numbers were male terrorists [12-14]. There was NO genocide here.

How about focusing instead on countries where apartheid and/or genocide actually exist? Apartheid is active in countries such as China, India, Myanmar, and Malaysia. Genocide is happening in Sudan, Myanmar, Ethiopia, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. With the world knowing about actual crimes, if you focus only on Israel, that is the definition of antisemitism.

The more important question is: if Israeli and Jewish doctors are being discriminated against by their union, how can we be sure that Israeli and Jewish patients are safe under the care of CIR members? Does this discrimination and hatred extend to patients as well?

As a labor union, you operate as a monopoly. Section 9 of the National Labor Relations Act bestows upon unions the legal monopoly power they enjoy, but only if they fulfill their legal duty to protect all members they represent. 29 U.S.C. §159(a). The quid pro quo is that the union, in exchange for a federally granted monopoly position, must protect all members -- not some members, but all members. In short, your discriminatory practices are illegal.

In addition, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination based on national origin, along with religion, race, sex, and color. This provision applies to labor unions, private employers, and employment agencies. Title VII applies to private employers, labor unions and employment agencies. [15]

It is unlawful for CIR to decline membership to anyone based on national origin or religion. The only reasons membership can be denied are if the person fails to pay dues, fails to follow union bylaws, or prior misconduct. [16]

Also, your managed trust funds, like the Patient Care Trust Fund, often receives funding directly from public health systems including hospitals. Since public health systems and hospitals are federally funded in part, that part of your organization is subject to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This law prohibits discrimination based on national origin, race, or color.

CIR's stated mission is: "We empower interns, residents and fellows to fight for excellence for our patients, our training, and our healthcare system through organizing, collective bargaining, and advocacy." [17] That is admirable, considerable work. Isn't the process of becoming a fully-trained physician exhausting enough? Why divert any energy from your stated purpose to foment a dangerous and racist ideology based on lies and misplaced hatred? Medicine is a noble profession that requires a high degree of intelligence and skill. Why sully your profession and besmirch your members by getting into the mud with terrorists?

We urge you to reconsider the jeopardy placed upon your legal union monopoly by staking out highly divisive political positions that depart from the union's mission and which violate your duty to represent all members. These partisan positions do nothing to advance the union's mandate and impermissibly sow division among the membership, forcing Israeli and Jewish members to effectively forego meaningful representation.

In closing, the following steps must be taken by CIR leadership:

1. Rescind the deeply flawed May 2024 resolution, "Housestaff Against Apartheid"
2. Conduct an immediate review of the support CIR is providing to terror-adjacent individuals, which is threatening to every law-abiding physician, not only the Jewish ones
3. Rescind your previous support of terror sympathizers Mahmoud Khalid and Dr. Rasha Alawieh
4. Immediately stop the unlawful practice of discriminating against Israeli physicians
5. Conduct an immediate review of the use of member dues to ensure they are being used to foster excellence in medicine and not hateful ideologies
6. Ensure there is transparency in all CIR actions and investigations
7. Maintain all documentation and finding for use by local and federal agencies

The physicians and medical professionals who comprise CIR's membership took an oath to heal, to protect, and to serve all patients without prejudice. That oath does not pause at the union hall door. CIR's leadership has a parallel obligation: to represent all members equally, to operate within the law, and to ensure that the union's resources and influence are never weaponized in service of hatred or terror. Failure to take the corrective steps outlined above will leave CIR exposed to legal action at both the state and federal levels, and will invite scrutiny from every oversight body copied on this letter. The time for corrective action is now.

With firm resolve,

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Dear Secretary Dr. Mahaniah,

Benny Sharoni here the Consul General of Israel.

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Looking forward to seeing you there!

Warmly,

Benny

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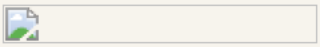
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As early data pour in on summer liquor-law experiment, legislative action could still be a long way off

Boston numbers show a boost in bar spending during World Cup spree



Katie Lannan



The work of the nonprofit sector impacts every resident of Massachusetts. The state's 42,000+ nonprofits are a critical economic engine, generating more than 550,000 jobs and employing over 17% of the state's workforce. With federal actions putting increased strain on these organizations, the Massachusetts Council of Nonprofits encourages you to support policies that champion the sector — **Learn more**.

Pour one out for Massachusetts' summer of looser liquor laws.

The World Cup visitors have long since gone home, and the state law that temporarily permitted later last calls and social drinking districts expired about two and a half weeks ago.

Anecdotally, the verdict was in pretty soon after the first late-night beers were poured — **Boston got fun**, the headlines (and the Scots) proclaimed.

In all, preliminary city of Boston figures show 211 bars and restaurants extended their operations by an hour under the law, with 140 going to 3 a.m. The latest of

the late include World Cup hotspots like the **Dubliner**, a smattering of hotel bars, and spots from various corners of the city: **Bleacher Bar** inside Fenway Park, **Grace by Nia** in the Seaport, The **Jeanie Johnston** in Jamaica Plain, **Croke Park** in Southie, and **Macumba Latina** in Mattapan. Bar spending citywide was up 27% compared to the same June period last year.

Spending spiked higher around the two "social districts" featuring New Orleans-style outdoor drinking — up 166% around Union and Marshall streets by City Hall, and almost 86% in the Temple Place/Park Street area downtown.

The city's early numbers focus on the World Cup dates in June, but the **Downtown Boston Alliance** says it saw positive signs in July, too, like a revenue bump for restaurants and a year-to-year increase in domestic foot traffic.

While the drinks were still flowing, **Boston Mayor Michelle Wu**, a majority of **city councilors** and Gov. **Maura Healey** all threw support, one way or another, behind the idea of keeping later closing times long-term. As for the Legislature that would need to sign off? The third floor of the State House moves at its own pace.

“I think we’re going to digest what’s happened,” Rep. **Carole Fiola**, the House chair of the Economic Development Committee and original sponsor of the later last-call bill, said in July, a month after the law creating the pilot program was signed.

The law tasks Healey’s economic development secretariat with reporting on social drinking districts, extended hours and their effects on revenue and public safety during the trial run.

That report is due by the end of December, which would put it before lawmakers as they’re preparing bills for the new session that starts in January.

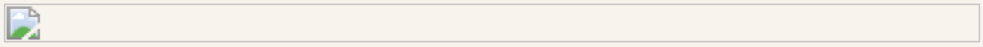
In the meantime, senators who heralded a “Fun Agenda” designed to legislatively keep the World Cup party going signaled they’re not yet ready to force the last-call issue. One item on the fun agenda — an economic development bill amendment giving a permanent green light to 3 a.m. last call — was withdrawn with no debate.

Senators did, though, agree to another amendment that would let cities and towns opt in to creating social drinking districts. That measure’s fate rests on House-Senate negotiations.

Beacon Hill’s full verdict on whether the World Cup-inspired liquor law changes should return in some form probably won’t arrive until 2027. What clues you might

find in the Senate's mixed results might depend on if you're a glass half-full or half-empty type of person.

How full is your glass when it comes to the liquor law changes Beacon Hill's been weighing? Sidle up to my inbox and tell me what's on your mind: klannan@massterlist.com.



MA voters support stronger AI safety: AI safety requires transparency and accountability. A new poll shows that 75% of Massachusetts voters support requiring the largest AI companies to publish safety plans, report serious incidents, and face penalties for non-compliance. — **See the poll**.

HAPPENING TODAY

9:30 | Massachusetts **Pension Reserves Investment Management Board** meets. The agenda includes reports from the executive director and chief investment officer | Email **boardmeeting@mapension.com** for access | **More Info**

10:00 | Gov. **Healey** makes reelection campaign main street visits in Great Barrington with Rep. **Leigh Davis** and others, followed by a meet-and-greet at noon | Locations not announced. Media interested in attending need to contact **kerry@maurahealey.com**

11:00 | Lt. Gov. **Driscoll** gives remarks at Rep. **Christopher Worrell**'s annual Commonwealth Caribbean Breakfast. Labor Secretary **Jones** attends | Great Hall

1:00 | Congressman **Neal** kicks off a "Landmark Laws, Local Investments" with a stop in West Springfield to highlight infrastructure projects that benefitted from federal funding, followed by a 2:30 p.m. press conference at the site of the new Agawam High School | West Springfield Town Hall, 26 Central St., West Springfield

5:00 | Lt. Gov. **Driscoll** attends **Bova Bakery**'s 100-year anniversary celebration. Boston Mator **Wu** joins at 6:00 p.m. | 134 Salem Street, Boston

7:00 | Auditor **Diana DiZoglio** speaks at a meeting of the Lawrence City Council | 200 Common St. #106, Lawrence

7:10 | Treasurer **Deb Goldberg** presents a more than $176,000 check from the Unclaimed Property Division to **The Jimmy Fund** and **Dana Farber** during the

second and final day of the 36-hour Jimmy Fund Radio-Telethon. The telethon will be broadcast on WEEI 93.7 FM and NESN | Fenway Park, 4 Jersey St., Boston

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GUARDIAN SHORTAGE: A state report finds Massachusetts has a shortage of guardians who are empowered to make medical decisions for incapacitated patients, which can delay hospital discharges and keep beds from becoming available. The report lands at a time of heightened attention on health care costs, but with the Legislature not meeting in regular formal sessions. | **State House News Service** (gift link)

UNDER THE STETHOSCOPE: The Healey administration plans a series of virtual listening sessions to hear input from the public on reducing costs for health care and health insurance. | **Eagle-Tribune**

NEWS NEXT DOOR

BACK TO THE POLLS: Another poll, this one from **Suffolk University** and the **Boston Globe**, gives U.S. Sen. **Ed Markey** a double-digit lead over Congressman **Seth Moulton**. Nearly half of the likely primary voters surveyed said Markey's age makes no difference in their choice. | **Boston Globe**

AUCHINCLOSS CHECKS IN: Congressman **Jake Auchincloss**, facing a primary challenge from Sherborn Democrat **Jason Poulos**, weighs in on tariffs, pharmacy benefit managers, Israel, the Iran war and more. | **Newton Beacon**

PROBABLE CAUSE: Brockton Mayor **Moises Rodrigues** could face an assault and battery charge for allegedly grabbing a high school student earlier this year, after a clerk magistrate found probable cause exists. | **GBH News**

ICY RELATIONSHIP: **ICE Boston** is taking swings on social media at Mayor **Michelle Wu** and highlighting its recent arrests after Wu said she would file public record requests to identify property owners interested in leasing parking spaces to the immigration enforcement agency. | **Boston Herald**

9th BRISTOL: A pair of Republicans running for the House seat Rep. **Chris Markey** is giving up to run for Bristol DA both want to cut costs and back the legislative audit. **Chester Tam** also says he wants to advocate for personal medical freedom, and **Henry Bousquet** opposes the state's lottery admission policy for vocational schools. | **New Bedford Light**

PLANNING FOR COURT: A former planning official in Tisbury is suing the town, alleging she was retaliated against and pushed out of her job for raising concerns around the permitting process at a controversial nine-bedroom property. | **Vineyard Gazette**

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Almost 130,000 people work at Mass. universities. Many are now on the ‘chopping blocks.’

Hospital CEO compensation in Mass. climbs, despite slim margins

Mass. homeowners sue equity lender, claiming predatory home loan contracts

Bystanders make railside rescue in Concord after Commuter Rail train hits

car on tracks

Stow police officer accused of misusing Flock system to track former partner

Driver in deadly Hingham Apple store crash has his bail revoked, DA says

After Pittsfield's third shooting in two months, Berkshire DA Timothy Shugrue has convened a task force to stem the violence

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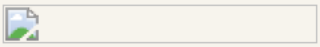
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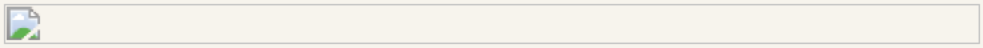
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Two 20-something candidates for open seat know firsthand why young people leave

Plus GOTV weekend plans, DA dollars and a mailer rebuttal

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State Rep. **Tram Nguyen** has lots of company in her bid to become the next member of Congress from the 6th District, with five other Democrats and a Republican in the race.

The contest to fill the seat she's leaving behind on Beacon Hill is lonelier.

"That's been the biggest surprise for me," Andover Democrat **Connor Murray** said. "I expected a five-way primary, a Democratic primary, and more than one Republican."

But that's not how it shook out. Murray's is the only name on the ballot in Tuesday's primaries for the seat that represents Boxford and parts of Andover, North Andover and Tewksbury. Another candidate, Andover Republican **Chris Shepley**, is running a write-in campaign, hoping to earn the 150 votes needed to become his party's nominee in the November general.

Whatever happens in September and November, the 18th Essex District could end up sending the State House a new youngest lawmaker: Shepley is 21 and Murray 23. (Lowell Rep. **Tara Hong**, elected two years ago at age 24, is currently the youngest state legislator).

Neither Andover candidate is new to politics. Murray points to an eight-year history of activism, getting involved in gun violence prevention after the shooting at Florida's Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School and later working on environmental and energy issues. He worked as field director on Hong's 2024 campaign and interned for Sen. **Vanna Howard.**

Shepley serves on the Andover School Committee, which he says has given him a front-row seat to the impacts of the legislative decisions around local aid and education policy. He first dipped his toe in at 18, joining a Town Meeting debate to oppose plans to build a new high school over cost and tax concerns.

And they both have a firsthand perspective on one of the biggest challenges vexing policymakers.

"Young people in general, people in their early 20s, are leaving Massachusetts because they can't afford to live here," Shepley said. "The cost of buying a house or trying to just rent in general is becoming significantly more and more expensive every year, so having young voices at the legislative level I think is very important."

Murray said he can't afford to leave his parents' house and stay in the region.

"It's simply impossible, even on a state rep's salary," he said. "I'm going to have to save up pretty much all of my money to be able to one day afford to buy a house in the 18th Essex district. That's something that people my age, especially, that grew up here and want to stay here are really struggling with. We can't move out or we have to move away."

The district has flipped between Democrats and Republicans over the past two decades. Either way, this year it will shift to a new generation.

Editor's note: yesterday's MASSterList misstated former state Sen. Dean Tran's party affiliation. He is a Fitchburg Republican.

MA voters support stronger AI safety: AI safety requires transparency and accountability. A new poll shows that 75% of Massachusetts voters support requiring the largest AI

companies to publish safety plans, report serious incidents, and face penalties for non-compliance. — **See the poll**.

HAPPENING TODAY

11:00 | State Fire Marshal **Jon Davine** and **Massachusetts Firefighting Academy** leadership present certificates of completion to 20 recruits graduating from the career recruit firefighter training class | Department of Fire Services, 100 Grochmal Ave., Springfield

..... State Public Health Commissioner **Robbie Goldstein**'s emergency order to temporarily classify all forms of kratom into Schedule I under state law takes effect today. The order says that kratom, a leafy tropical tree native to Southeast Asia whose unregulated products are widely sold at gas stations and convenience stores, is an "imminent hazard to the public safety".....

HEARD AROUND TOWN

Middlesex DA **Marian Ryan** had a busy fundraising day Thursday. Her "Women Leaders" breakfast at the **UMass Club,** according to the **invite**, featured Congresswoman **Lori Trahan**, Attorney General **Andrea Campbell**, Senate President **Karen Spilka**, Sens. **Cynthia Creem**, **Lydia Edwards**, **Cindy Friedman** and **Becca Rausch** and Reps. **Michelle Ciccolo**, **Colleen Garry**, **Danielle Gregoire**, **Kate Hogan**, **Amy Mah Sangiolo**, **Margaret Scarsdale** and **Priscila Sousa**. Spilka, Gregoire and Sousa were also listed among the hosts for a separate afternoon reception in Framingham, along with Reps. **Jack Lewis** and **David Linsky**. Ryan's been highlighting her backing from Democratic pols recently as primary opponent **David Solet**, who's nearly matched her in 2026 fundraising through July, touts endorsements from police unions, the **Boston Globe** and the **Boston Herald**. Solet's supporters take it as a sign she's aligned with insiders and feeling some heat. His campaign schedule for the weekend includes a Tyngsboro block party, the 2026 Laborers International Union Family Day in Hopkinton and a Sunday visit to a Brazilian church.

In other weekend plans: 6th District congressional candidate and state Rep. **Tram Nguyen** plans a Sunday rally with Congresswomen **Lori Trahan** and **Ayanna Pressley**, Attorney General **Andrea Campbell** and other supporters ... Pressley and Sens. **Bernie Sanders** and **Elizabeth Warren** hold a "Power to the People" rally for Sen. **Ed Markey** at IBEW Local 103 in Dorchester Saturday ... Markey challenger Congressman **Seth Moulton**'s Saturday event is a "Rally for the Next Generation" on Lynn Commons, billed as a family-friendly event focused on universal pre-K and working family priorities ... Gov. **Maura Healey**, looking

beyond primary day to November, joins the Yes on 6 campaign at Hammond Pond in Newton Sunday to rally for a ballot question that would dedicate a portion of the sales tax on sporting goods to protecting water and nature.

Progressive Democrats of America endorsed Lynnfield's **Mariah Lancaster**, a veterinarian and former foreign affairs officer, for Congress in the open Sixth District primary. The group says Lancaster "is a progressive fighter who knows what's at risk with the Trump administration and what we can accomplish when we drive MAGA from Congress and the White House."

Cambridge and Somerville Rep. **Mike Connolly** published a **point-by-point rebuttal** to a mailer sent by primary foe **Neil Miller**, calling its claims about his housing record "disrespectful to the voters."

Former Somerville Rep. **Carl Sciortino** endorsed Medford School Committee member **Paul Ruseau** for his old seat. Sciortino said Ruseau, one of three Democratic candidates in the district now represented by Rep. **Christine Barber**, "isn't running because he read about poverty in a book — he's lived the gap between what failing systems deliver and what's actually needed to get ahead." Ruseau worked on Sciortino's first House campaign.

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FROM BEACON HILL

SNAIL MAIL: Secretary of State **Bill Galvin** says if you haven't mailed your primary ballot yet, return it directly to your town hall or a local dropbox instead to make sure it arrives in time to be counted. The elections chief knocked what he called a "lame strategy" from President **Trump** to restrict mail-in voting. | **WBUR**

GREENER PASTURES: Healey administration climate chief **Melissa Hoffer** is decamping to the Green Mountain State to become president of **Vermont Law and Graduate School**. Gov. **Maura Healey** tapped Hoffer for the first-in-the-nation cabinet-level role on her first day in office, and her departure comes amid broader tensions around climate policy. | **CommonWealth Beacon**



Massachusetts lawmakers passed energy bills (S.3166 and H.5175) this year to lower electricity costs through measures like modernized residential solar permitting and flexible interconnection. As lawmakers negotiate the final bill language, they should be wary of an under-the-radar provision that risks undermining the bill's positive reforms. Learn more about how fixed charges raise electricity bills **here**.

NEWS NEXT DOOR

INFLUENCING VOTERS: Social media influencers, both in campaign-paid sponsor content and independent videos, talk up Sen. **Ed Markey** for reelection while primary challenger Congressman **Seth Moulton** ramps up attacks on what his campaign calls the incumbent's "tech illiteracy and confusion about the difference between AI and social media." | **State House News Service** (gift link)

SIX QUESTIONS IN THE SIXTH: With no external polling in the Sixth Congressional District, fundraising splits the six Democrats running to succeed Rep. **Seth Moulton** into different tiers, but questions hang over the murky race. Voters will decide if they want an "establishment" Democrat, how much candidates' stances on AI policy and U.S. support for Israel matter, and how much hostility toward Trump is enough. | **GBH News**

GOVERNMENT CENTER: Backing from Boston Mayor **Wu** has drawn attention and super PAC money to state Senate challengers **Daniel Lander** and **Latoya Gayle**, but also created a dynamic where the Democrats have had to affirm their independence from City Hall. | **Boston Globe**

CRAN PLAN: A nearly $2.8 million state grant will help restore 47 acres of retired cranberry bogs in Marston Mills to a wetland state, part of a project that will also collect community stories about the land's history. | **CAI**

WHEN DOLLY CAME TO TOWN: A 23-year-old **Dolly Parton** visited a Fitchburg theater in 1969, years before she became an icon, and performed in Worcester 16 years later. | **Telegram & Gazette**

MORE HEADLINES

MassHousing report confirms fraud findings in Spotlight investigation, says executive lied about conflict

Just outside Boston, a beloved woodland becomes permanently protected for public use

Legacy FC delays White Stadium debut to 2028

ShotSpotter didn't hear the gunfire that killed a man in Central Square, first incident since reactivation, police say

Bicycle shop in Marblehead, Massachusetts won't sell e-bikes to kids: "They're too fast"

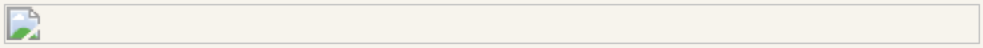
THE SUNDAY SHOWS

KELLER AT LARGE: 8:30 a.m., WBZ-TV. Political analyst **Jon Keller** sits down with Republican candidate for governor **Mike Minogue** to discuss his plans for reviving manufacturing in Massachusetts, closing the MBTA operating deficit and eradicating “waste, fraud and corruption.”

@ ISSUE: 9:30 a.m., NBC 10. Reporter **Matt Prichard** takes a look at the six Democrats running in the Sixth Congressional District. All six full conversations are available now in the @ Issue podcast feed.

ON THE RECORD: 11 a.m., WCVB. NewsCenter 5 anchor **Ed Harding** and anchor/reporter **Ben Simmoneau** host a conversation on primary races in Massachusetts and across the country. Democratic political analyst **Mary Anne Marsh** and Republican political analyst **Ginny Buckingham** weigh in on key local races and White House correspondent **Christopher Salas** discusses consequential national contests.

CITYLINE: 11:30 a.m., WCVB. NewsCenter 5 anchor **Jessica Brown** hosts a program featuring one-on-one discussions with Suffolk County district attorney candidates **Kevin Hayden**, **Rachael Rollins** and **Linda Champion**.



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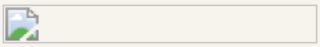
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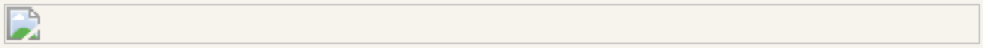
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For governor candidates, Dunkin' iconography serves up a slam dunk

Who'd you rather join on a Dunks run?

 **Katie Lannan**



MA voters support stronger AI safety: AI safety requires transparency and accountability. A new poll shows that 75% of Massachusetts voters support requiring the largest AI companies to publish safety plans, report serious incidents, and face penalties for non-compliance. — **See the poll**.

One of the animating questions in 2000s presidential politics was which candidate you'd rather **have a beer with**. In this year's Massachusetts governor's race, maybe the analogue is who you'd join for a large iced regular.

Gov. **Maura Healey** has long been a fan of a **Dunkin'** reference.

There was the 2024 Saint Patrick's Day breakfast where she and Lt. Gov. **Kim Driscoll** donned orange-and-pink tracksuits as "**DunQueens**" in a send-up of the Super Bowl ad featuring Boston buds **Ben Affleck** and **Matt Damon**.

And, this past March, Healey made national headlines with her "Come and Take It" clapback as U.S. Health and Human Services **Secretary Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.** targeted Dunks' drinks over their sugar content. The **New York Post**, at the time, **dubbed her** "the Masshole in Chief."

As he tries to take over that title, **Mike Minogue** is also leaning in on the local icon. The Hamilton Republican's campaign shop features t-shirts (along with others riffing on a Zyn tin and the **Market Basket** logo) designed **after the Dunkin' branding**, mimicking the font and colors but with the slogan "MA Needs A New Governor."

It's like Minogue himself said in a **June video** marking National Donut Day: "I found something that Democrats, independents and Republicans can all agree on, besides doing the audit: love for Dunkin' Donuts." (That audit point, of course, being a bit more contentious on Beacon Hill...)

Of course, there aren't many voters out there making their pick based on whether a gubernatorial candidate shows the proper respect for the commonwealth's official donut (Boston crème). But the relatability question can pop up in campaigns (remember **John Kerry** ordering his Philly cheesesteak **with Swiss cheese** in 2003?), and tapping into a piece of regional identity is one way to try to create a viral moment that could bring more eyeballs to a candidate's message.

When it comes to their campaign spending, Minogue and Healey are only putting a little bit of their money where their Munchkins are. **Office of Campaign and Political Finance** records from 2026 show one Dunks run charged to Healey's account, a $54.71 meeting with supporters in New Bedford. The Minogue camp spent a combined $250.54 across three visits to Dunkin locations in Burlington, Boston and Gloucester.

Neither Healey or Minogue, for what it's worth, reported any spending this year at Starbucks.

Thanks to everyone who wrote in with answers to yesterday's trivia question, all correctly guessing Dennis Democrat Chris Lambton. The HGTV host and season six Bachelorette contestant won his primary in the 1st Barnstable House district. Send me your favorite lawmaker (and candidate) fun facts at klannan@massterlist.com.

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HAPPENING TODAY

9:00 | Mayor **Wu** and Boston Public Schools Superintendent **Mary Skipper** join the BPS Re-Engagement Center to thank volunteers and then knock doors to engage families and encourage students with a history of chronic absenteeism to return to school | Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building, 2300 Washington St, Roxbury

1:30 | Gov. **Healey** joins state and union officials to break ground on the North Station Draw One Bridge Replacement project. Transportation Secretary and MBTA General Manager **Eng**, MBTA Board Chairman **McGee**, Chair of House Ways & Means **Michlewitz**, Sen. **Edwards**, and Reps. **Ryan** and **Bowen** will join | Nashua Street Park, behind 125 Nashua Street, Boston

5:00 | Lt. Gov. **Driscoll** gives remarks at the 42nd Annual Gloucester Schooner Festival Opening Reception and then visits the Gloucester Main Street Block Party | Maritime Gloucester, 23 Harbor Loop, Gloucester

7:00 | Auditor **Diana DiZoglio** speaks at the Central Mass. AFL-CIO Labor Day Dinner | The Manor, 42 W. Boylston St., West Boylston

…Deadline for campaigns backing or opposing statewide ballot questions to file 60-day reports with the **Office of Campaign and Political Finance**. Ballot question committee did not have to report on their finances between Jan. 20 and September. After Friday, which marks 60 days until the Nov. 3 general election, ballot committees must file reports on the 5th and 20th days of each month leading up to the election...

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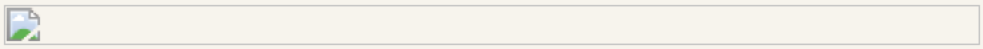
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RECOUNT WATCH: Sen. **Will Brownsberger** and his challenger **Daniel Lander** both pulled petitions for recounts in their razor-thin race. Two South Coast Democrats, **Edward Pacheco** and **Stephen Medeiros**, are also pursuing a recount in their primary fight for the seat held by outgoing Rep. **Chris Markey**. | **State House News Service** (gift link)

2028 APPROACHES: Gov. **Maura Healey** has said abortion is on the ballot this year, but **Massachusetts Family Action** is working to officially get it on the 2028 ballot. The group filed initial paperwork in a bid to put a question before voters repealing a recent state law making it easier to get an abortion later in pregnancy. | **Boston Globe**



Massachusetts lawmakers passed energy bills (S.3166 and H.5175) this year to lower electricity costs through measures like modernized residential solar permitting and flexible interconnection. As lawmakers negotiate the final bill language, they should be wary of an under-the-radar provision that risks undermining the bill's positive reforms. Learn more about how fixed charges raise electricity bills **here**.

NEWS NEXT DOOR

SORTING THE MAIL: Federal Judge **Indira Talwani** questioned the Trump administration during a Boston hearing about whether the **U.S. Postal Service** can implement the president's plan restricting mail-in ballots, saying it felt like the government is running an experiment to see if the system will work. | **Associated Press**

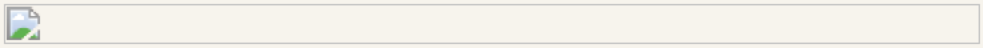
REDESIGN REVAMP: Boston and **MBTA** officials plan four community meetings on a reworked plan for the reconstruction of Blue Hill Avenue. The new proposal preserves a controversial center bus lane and scales back bike lanes to one side of the street to free up space for more parking and vehicle travel. | **Dorchester Reporter**

SPRINT TO NOVEMBER: The general election race is on in the Sixth Congressional District, with Republican **Micah Jones** issuing a debate challenge and Democratic nominee **Dan Koh** expected to appear at a Lynn event with Sen. **Elizabeth Warren** Saturday. | **Eagle-Tribune**

LEGAL GAMBLE: The city of Springfield argues that **MGM** has not lived up to its promises, in a lawsuit the company calls "frivolous" as it looks to sell the resort casino to a Canadian firm. | **The Republican**

LAND WAR: Nahant won its eight-year battle with **Northeastern University** over an expansion of a science center. The Supreme Judicial Court ruled that the tiny North Shore town had a right to seize land Northeastern had owned for decades and preserve it for conservation. | **CommonWealth Beacon**

RESOLUTE DISPUTE: A judge heard motions last week in a case seeking to overturn a **Northampton City Council** resolution urging the city to divest from assets identified as linked to Israel. The resolution is non-binding and the local government has taken no steps to implement it, but the plaintiffs say it's an overstep into foreign policy. | **Western Mass. Politics & Insight**



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More than 1,300 Encore workers set to strike Friday morning

Trump praises Sen. Markey's primary win: 'I couldn't stand Moulton'

World Cup grant documents indicate lack of transparency on security spending

What a canceled battery project in Tewksbury says about New England's aging power grid

Lawrence mayor waives court appearance, arraigned on $1.5M pandemic fraud allegations

Trump again denies disaster aid for February Mass. blizzard; Healey says 'I'm outraged'

MIT Professor Dies of Injuries Sustained In Previously Unreported Crash On Memorial Drive

THE SUNDAY SHOWS

KELLER AT LARGE: 8:30 a.m., WBZ-TV. Political analyst **Jon Keller** talks primary winners and losers with WBUR senior politics reporter **Gin Dumcius** and MASSterList editor **Katie Lannan.**

@ ISSUE: 9:30 a.m., NBC 10. Reporter **Matt Prichard**'s guest is U.S. Sen. **Elizabeth Warren**.

ON THE RECORD: 11 a.m., WCVB. NewsCenter 5 anchor **Ed Harding** and political reporter **Sharman Sacchetti** sit down with Republican U.S. Senate candidate **John Deaton**.

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Benny

From: Chamberlain, Casey L (EHS) <Casey.L.Chamberlain@mass.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2026 11:39 AM
To: Benjamin Sharoni- Consulate General of ISRAEL to N <Cg@boston.mfa.gov.il>
Cc: Chamberlain, Casey L (EHS) <Casey.L.Chamberlain@mass.gov>; Doris-Pierce, Molly (EHS) <Molly.Doris-Pierce@mass.gov>; James, Olivia (EHS) <Olivia.James2@mass.gov>
Subject: Personal invite: Mind & Startup — Reshaping Brain Health (Sept 9)

WARNING: External Email - exercise caution **אזהרה: מייל חיצוני - נא לנהוג בזהירות**

Good morning Benny.
I hope you are doing well!
Secretary Mahaniah would be thrilled to join you for this event. I will register him shortly.
Please let me know if you need anything else from us.

Thank you,
Casey
Cell 774.487.2283
Casey Lea Chamberlain, MA Notary Public
Sr. Executive Assistant to Secretary Kiame Mahaniah, MD, MBA
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- **Time:** 6:00 PM
- **Location:** Somerville, MA *(Exact location provided upon registration)*

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Looking forward to seeing you there!

Warmly,

Benny

Event: Attending "Mind & Startup — Reshaping Brain Health"

Start Date: 2026-09-09 22:00:00 +0000

End Date: 2026-09-10 00:00:00 +0000

Organizer: EOHHS.Scheduler <EOHHS.Scheduler@MassMail.State.MA.US>

Location: Basis Tech (1070 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144)

Class: X-PERSONAL

Date Created: 2026-09-09 13:36:44 +0000

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Alarm: Display the following message 15m before start

> Reminder

Good morning,
Thank you for registering for the upcoming event, Mind & Startup: How Israeli Tech is Reshaping Brain Health. We look forward to seeing you then. Please see the event information below, and feel free to email me with any questions.

Wednesday, September 9th @ 6 PM
Basis Tech (1070 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144)

Please allow for extra time to get through security. No large bags or laptops will be permitted, and there will not be a place to store any items.
Best,
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Date: Wed, 9 Sep 2026 14:21:07 +0000
Importance: Normal

Great! Thank you! I had emailed them so we are double confirmed. I updated the invite as well.

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Sent: Tuesday, September 8, 2026 5:41 PM
To: Chamberlain, Casey L (EHS) <Casey.L.Chamberlain@mass.gov>
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Apologies
I actually got an address earlier this morning

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Good afternoon.

I hope you are doing well!

We wanted to circle back with you. We never received confirmation for Secretary Kiame Mahaniah, for tomorrow evening's event.
Is he confirmed? Also, what is the address of the event if would you kindly share it when you have a moment?

We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you in advance!

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To: Kiame.j.mahaniah@mass.gov, Haitham Amal [redacted]@gmail.com>
Subject: Dr. Amal - Autism - An event in Somerville
Date: Sat, 26 Sep 2026 14:44:51 -0400
Importance: Normal

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To: "Haitham Amal" [redacted]@gmail.com>
Cc: "Bovell-Ammon, Allison (EHS)" <Allison.Bovell-Ammon@mass.gov>
Subject: RE: Dr. Amal - Autism - An event in Somerville
Date: Mon, 28 Sep 2026 11:30:43 -0000
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image001.png

Dr. Amal,

I would be delighted to host you here along with Undersecretary Bovell-Ammon.
I will ask Casey to work with you to find a mutually agreeable time.

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To: "Kiame.J.Mahaniah@mass.gov" <Kiame.J.Mahaniah@mass.gov>
Subject: Jewish Mental Health Invite
Date: Mon, 5 Oct 2026 23:28:13 +0000
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Invite_Jewish_Mental_Health.pdf
Inline-Images: image001.jpg; image002.png

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Best,
Shira



Shira

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To: "Shira Fishman" <shira_fishman@williamjames.edu>
Subject: RE: Jewish Mental Health Invite
Date: Mon, 12 Oct 2026 14:03:19 -0000
Importance: Normal
Inline-Images: image003.png; image004.jpg; image005.png

Shira,

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I have forwarded to my scheduling team, so I should be letting you know soon. I know of one potential conflict, so we're trying to work it out.

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Subject: FW: Jewish Mental Health Invite
Date: Tue, 13 Oct 2026 21:25:20 -0000
Importance: Normal
Attachments: Invite_Jewish_Mental_Health.pdf
Inline-Images: image001.jpg; image002.png

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Date: Tue, 13 Oct 2026 15:04:48 +0000
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