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State Senator Scott Brown

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Dear Friends,

In order to keep you up to date on what is happening at the State House, I am sending you an overview of some issues I'm dealing with right now as well as information I thought you would find interesting.

I appreciate any feedback that you may have on current issues facing our state. You can contact me at (617) 722-1555 or Scott.P.Brown@state.ma.us.

Sincerely,
Senator Scott Brown

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MASSACHUSETTS BAR ASSOCIATION PROGRAMS

The Massachusetts Bar Association is now offering a wide variety of programs to the public. Two programs available include:

- **VETERANS DIAL-A-LAWER PROGRAM.** The MBA is proud to announce a supplement to its monthly Dial-A-Lawyer programs: a session dedicated to veterans' legal questions. The free program will run on **Wednesday, April 9 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.** Volunteer lawyers will field calls and answer questions on any legal issue, including those related to state and federal benefits. The Dial-A-Lawyer phone is **(617) 338-0610**. Normal phone charges will apply. This program is open to Massachusetts residents who are veterans of the armed services. The Veterans Dial-A-Lawyer is provided at no charge as a public service of the MBA.
- **LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE,** a free public service of the MBA. There are times when legal assistance is necessary. Whether a constituent is buying or selling a house, starting a business or dealing with a difficult situation, they should find the right attorney to answer their questions and help solve their problems. The LRS has helped more than 150,000 people since 1974. When a caller contacts the LRS, a trained representative screens the caller's legal need, geographic convenience and financial situation in order to determine the appropriate referral. The public can contact the LRS wither by phone to free at **(866) 627-7577**, e-mail at **LRS@massbar.org** or via the website at www.massbar.org.

Should you have any questions, or need additional information regarding other programs, please call the Public Services Department at **(617) 338-0556** or e-mail LRS@mass.org.

CONSUMER WEB SITE FOR BEST AUTO INSURANCE RATES

The Division of Insurance recently launched a sample auto insurance premium web site and comprehensive consumer outreach campaign designed to educate consumers about the benefits of shopping around for the best auto insurance rates. The outreach has been times to coincide with the release of renewable notices for policies effective on or after April 1.

The web site, available at **Mass.gov/Auto Rates**, allows consumers to compare sample insurance premiums from the states auto insurers. This online tool produces premiums based on the following criteria: driving record, years licensed, annual miles driven, vehicle type, zip code and coverage levels. The web site generates a list of sample premiums broken out by company. It also provides corresponding information about the discounts being offered by each insurer. From this site, consumers may contact insurance agents and companies directly for further information about actual auto insurance rates.

Senator Brown encourages you to visit Mass.gov/AutoRates. Over the next few months, television, radio, internet and transit advertisements throughout Massachusetts will urge consumers to become active participants in the new managed competition market. The Division wants consumers to know that savings are possible for all responsible Massachusetts drivers, regardless of where they live.

MEETING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND LOCAL EMERGENCY PROFESSIONALS

The Metro West Center for Independent Living, in partnership with the Massachusetts Office of Disability is hosting a meeting to bring together people with disabilities and local emergency preparedness professionals.

This meeting on March 25, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the office of Metro West center at 280 Irving St., Framingham. The purpose of the meeting is to explore how to ensure that people with disabilities have the assistance they need in times of emergency. In case of snow, the date will be March 27, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the same office.

Members of the disability community will learn about emergency response resources and procedures within their local communities and the steps that can be taken personally to prepare for emergency situations. Persons with disabilities will also receive an “Emergency Go Pack” with essential items that might be needed during an emergency.

Accommodations will be provided. In order to make requests please contact the Massachusetts Office on Disability at 1-800-322-2020. Call the center for any further information at 508-875-7853.

SENATOR BROWN PROMOTES CANN FAMILY FUNDRAISER

Senator Brown encourages you to come out and support an event for the Cann Family Fund on Saturday, March 29th, beginning at 6 p.m. till closing at The Vegas Lounge on 38 Vanderbilt Ave, in Norwood.

Admission is a \$10 donation. The event will have live entertainment, a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. For more information call (508) 348-4307.

The Cann family were victims of domestic violence in where Elizabeth Cann, 44, was shot and killed by her boyfriend, Robert McDermott, who also shot Elizabeth's daughters, Danielle and Brittany Cann, ages 12 and 15, leaving them in critical condition. The girls are slowly recovering and returning to school. Money raised will help the family with food, clothing and basic necessities.

If you can not make the event Senator Brown encourages you to consider a donation to the following Charities:

The Danielle and Brittany Cann Hope Fund
c/o any Bank of America
Donations can be made at any branch, or mailed directly to us at:

The Danielle and Brittany Cann Hope Fund
c/o Wayne or Melissa Cann
574 Foundry St
South Easton, MA 02375

For Tax Deductible Donations make checks payable to the:
Fatherhood Coalition (Anon-profit organization)

In the memo field please write Cann Family and mail checks to:

Fatherhood Coalition
PO Box 310,
Turners Falls, MA 01376.

SENATOR BROWN PROMOTES VOICES FUNDRAISER

Senator Brown encourages you to attend a fundraiser benefiting Community VOICES on Saturday, May 10, 2008 from 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. at the St. John of Damascus Church Hall, 300 West Street, Dedham, Massachusetts 02026.

Appetizers will be served, and a silent action will take place. The event will have live entertainment, DJ MIKE RUTKOWSKI and a special performance by Senator Brown's daughter, Ayla Brown, American Idol season five finalist.

Admission is in the amount of \$20.00 per person. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Sandy DiBacco at 508-541-6360 or on our website via PayPal www.communityvoices.net, click on upcoming events and then go to the ticket link. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a tax deductible donation, please visit our website www.communityvoices.net

Community VOICES stands for Voices Of Involved Citizens Encouraging Safety Inc., a non-profit organization of mothers helping Massachusetts Citizens take an active role in their Safety through Advocacy, Education and Awareness. They offer advocacy, resources and educational information to community groups, individuals and community leaders, with the goal of raising awareness regarding sexual assault, child sexual assault and Internet Predators.

SENATOR BROWN ANNOUNCES INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES





Senator Brown is now accepting applications for Summer 2008 internships in his State House office. Only college students and recent high school graduates will be considered. Decisions will be made on merit, but priority will be given to candidates from the Senator’s district.

Interns will gain experience in areas including legislative research, constituent services, and communications. During the summer the legislature hosts a lecture series for interns. Intern tasks will vary, but may include: attending legislative briefings on issues affecting the District, researching pending legislation, drafting correspondence, and monitoring news. Flexible scheduling is available.

Please forward resumes to the Office of State Senator Brown at State House, Room 520, Boston, MA 02133 or contact Maria Vurmo (617) 722-1555 or by email at maria.vurmo@state.ma.us.

BROWN PINPOINTS THE LOWEST GAS PRICES IN HIS DISTRICT

Are you tired of paying through the roof at the gas pumps? The US Department of Transportation has indicated the rate of gasoline will continue to rise over the next year and with the increase in demand, it looks like the Massachusetts fuel prices are not going to subside anytime soon. With gas prices hovering way over \$3/gallon, Senator Brown is helping you not overpay at the pump with the below listing of the lowest gas prices in his district. Saving a few bucks each time will amount to hundreds over time!

<u>REGULAR</u> 	<u>PLUS</u> 	<u>PREMIUM</u> 	<u>DIESEL</u> 
Getty 644a Pleasant St Attleboro \$3.049	Gulf 651 Washington St Attleboro \$3.079	Valero 584 Washington St Attleboro \$3.159	Hess 946 Washington St Attleboro \$4.059
Getty 63 S Washington St North Attleboro \$3.079	Gulf 55 Robert Toner Blvd Attleboro Falls \$3.099	Getty 63 S Washington St North Attleboro \$3.199	Sunoco 591 Kelley Blvd North Attleboro \$4.199
Hess 194 W Central St Natick \$3.139	Gulf 9 Eliot St Natick \$3.199	Gulf Mile 117.6 (exit 13) Eastbound Mass Turnpike Natick \$3.329	Hess 207 Worcester St Natick \$4.059

Unbranded 268 Boston Post Rd Wayland \$3.089	N/A	N/A	Exxon 28 Boston Post Rd Wayland \$4.099
Sunoco 533 W Central St Franklin \$3.099	Getty 71 E Central St Franklin \$3.199	Sunoco 533 W Central St Franklin \$3.299	Getty 71 E Central St Franklin \$3.999
Unbranded 860 Main St Millis \$3.079	NA	NA	Mobil 972 Main St Millis \$4.059
Unbranded 1032 Highland Ave Needham Heights \$2.959	Hess 207 Highland Ave Needham Heights \$3.199	Hess 207 Highland Ave Needham Heights \$3.399	NA
Valero 120 Washington St Plainville \$3.059	Gulf 139 South St Plainville \$3.179	Valero 120 Washington St Plainville \$3.199	Citgo 116 Washington St Plainville \$4.289
Gulf 461 Worcester St Wellesley Hills \$3.159	Gulf 461 Worcester St Wellesley Hills \$3.319	Gulf 461 Worcester St Wellesley Hills \$3.419	NA
Shell 650 South St Wrentham \$3.039	Shell 650 South St Wrentham \$3.289	NA	Mobil 1001 South St Wrentham \$3.999
Sunoco 2 Rockwood Rd Norfolk \$3.149	Sunoco 2 Rockwood Rd Norfolk \$3.149	NA	NA
Citgo 21 S Main St Sherborn \$3.299	Citgo 21 S Main St Sherborn \$3.399	NA	NA

BEACON HILL REPORT WITH SENATOR SCOTT BROWN

Senator Brown's cable show airs on your local cable access network. The discussion for the newest episode will focus autism and other neurobiological disorders. Senator Brown's guests include State Representative Barbara L'Italien (D-Andover) and Cheryl Gaudino, Autism Advocate - Co-founder and Facilitator of Helping Hands (Helping Heal Autism & Neurobiological Disorders) and Friends & Families of Kids with ASD.

Senator Brown answers constituent questions on the air, so if you have a question you would like to ask him please e-mail it to scott.p.brown@state.ma.us. Be sure to check out Senator Brown's cable show on the following schedule:

Needham Channels

RCN 15 / Comcast 9 / Verizon 29

Tues @ 2:00 pm

Thurs @ 8:00 pm & 11:00 pm

Sat @ 11:30 am

Sherborn Channel 8

Tues @ 12:30 pm

Wed @ 10:30 am

Wellesley Channel 9

Mon @ 12:00pm

Sat @ 7:30pm

Franklin & Plainville Channel 96

Wed @ 5:00 pm

Sun @ 7:30pm

Millis Channel 8 & 11

Daily @ 7:00 or 9:30 pm

Norfolk Channel 22

Daily @ 9:00 pm

Natick Channels

RCN 15 / Comcast 10 / Verizon 28

Daily (Check local listings)

Wrentham Channel 8

Daily (Check local listings)

North Attleboro Channel 15

Sat & Sun @ at 8:00am

WINTER DISTRICT HOURS

As always, State Senator Scott Brown's office will be holding district hours this month. They provide constituents an opportunity to stop in and voice any concerns they may have to Jason Sinclair, Senator Brown's District Aide. No appointment is necessary.

1st Tuesday of the month:

Norfolk – 10:00-10:45am Town Hall (1 Liberty Lane)

North Attleboro – 11:30-12:15pm Town Hall (43 South Washington Street)

Wrentham – 1:00-1:45pm Town Hall (79 South Street)

1st Thursday of the month:

Franklin – 10:30-11:15am Council on Aging (10 Daniel Cahill Street)

Franklin – 1:45-2:30pm Town Hall (355 E Central Street)

Plainville – 1:00-1:45pm Town Hall (142 South Street)

Plainville – 2:-2:45pm Council on Aging (9 School Street)

2nd Tuesday of the month:

Millis – 9:00-9:45am Council on Aging /Town Hall (900 Main Street)

Norfolk – 10:00-10:45am Council on Aging (28 Medway Branch Road)

North Attleboro – 11:30-12:15pm Council on Aging (207 Elm Street)

Wrentham – 1:00-1:45pm Council on Aging (400 Taunton Street)

2nd Thursday of the month:

Attleboro – 10:15-11:00am Council on Aging (25 S Main Street)

Attleboro – 11:15-12:00pm City Hall (77 Park Street)

3rd Tuesday of the month: (except the month of December)

Needham – 10:15-11:00am Town Hall (1471 Highland Avenue)

Wellesley – 11:30-12:15pm Town Hall (525 Washington Street)

Natick – 1:00-1:45pm Town Hall (13 East Central Street)

Sherborn – 2:30-3:15pm Town Hall (19 Washington Street)

4th Tuesday of the month:

Needham - 10:15-11:00am Council on Aging (83 Pickering Street)

Wellesley - 11:30am-12:15pm Council on Aging (219 Washington Street)

Natick - 1:00-1:45pm- Council on Aging (117 East Central Street)

Wayland - 2:15-3:00pm Council on

Aging (41 Cochituate Road)

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