

# New England News

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Deval Patrick  
Becomes Governor



The Wild Weather



Patriots Beat the Jets



Learning and Technology:  
Mel Levine

Photo by Chris Walton



On January 4, 2007, **Deval Patrick** was **inaugurated** the **governor** of **Massachusetts** on the steps of the state house in **Boston**. He gave a speech and there were many festivities. The word **inaugurated** means he was made the **governor**. The **governor** is in charge of working to help lead the state. A **governor** helps create the budget for the state, helps form new laws for the state, and works to lead the state. Just as a teacher leads a class, a principal leads a school, the **governor** leads a **state**. By Samuel Sennott

## About Deval Patrick

By Samuel Sennott

**Deval Patrick** was born in 1956, and grew up in a tough neighborhood in the south side of Chicago. He went to high school in **Massachusetts** at Milton Academy. He then went to College at Harvard University. After spending a year in Africa working in Sudan, he returned to Harvard University to study to become a lawyer. **Deval Patrick** is a member of the democratic party. The democratic **governor**, **Deval Patrick**, was elected back in November. He won the election by many votes.

Deval  
Patrick's  
Speech  
Part 1

Deval  
Patrick's  
Speech  
Part 2

Deval Patrick TV

## AFC WILDCARD PLAYOFFS Sunday, January 7



Box Score	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	F
PATRIOTS	7	10	8	14	37
JETS	3	7	3	3	16

by Samuel Sennott



The **New England Patriots** beat the New York Jets this past Sunday. It was a warm and sunny 50 degrees for the AFC Wildcard playoff **football game**. The score was 37 to 16. **Quarterback** Tom Brady threw a **touchdown pass** and also ran for a **touchdown!** The Patriots sacked the New York Jets **quarterback** two times. An important factor in the **game** was that the Patriots had 158 yards running the **football** and the Jets only had 70 yards. Also, the Patriots made 26 first downs and the Jets only 18 first downs. The **Patriots** play the San Diego Chargers next Sunday in the **playoffs**. The Chargers have the excellent running back La Dainian Tomlinson, who was the NFL's most valuable player, MVP.

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# The Wild Weather

by Samuel Sennott

Have you noticed that it is not quite as cold this winter in New England? The ground is not frozen here in Massachusetts. Lakes and ponds do not have ice! I saw someone wearing shorts today! This is not a usual winter! In fact it is on track to be one of the warmest ever recorded. The Boston Globe reported that November and December were the warmest on record and averaged 45.1 degrees. Do you think it will get colder in January? We will find out!

<b>Mon</b> Jan 8	Rain / Wind	49°/34°	90%	49°F
<b>Tue</b> Jan 9	Mostly Sunny	41°/31°	10%	41°F
<b>Wed</b> Jan 10	Partly Cloudy	35°/23°	10%	35°F <a href="#">Check Boat &amp; Beach Forecast</a>
<b>Thu</b> Jan 11	Sunny	39°/33°	10%	39°F
<b>Fri</b> Jan 12	AM Clouds / PM Sun	54°/43°	10%	54°F



Dr. Mel Levine

## How Do You Learn?

By Samuel Sennott

**Dr. Mel Levine is a doctor and an educational specialist. He focuses on helping people understand how they learn. He also helps teachers understand how children and young people learn. He graduated from Harvard Medical School and presently lives in North Carolina on a farm where he raises various animals. He has written many books including, *A Mind at a Time*, and *All Kinds of Minds*.**

**Mel Levine spoke on Martha's Vineyard this past Saturday, January 6, 2007. He said three main things as part of his message. First he said that it is important to understand how you learn. People have many different kinds of minds. Second he spoke about how important it is for teachers to help young people develop a passion for something they find interesting. Third, he told about how to focus on strengths we have. Overall, his message about learning was terrific!**



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