

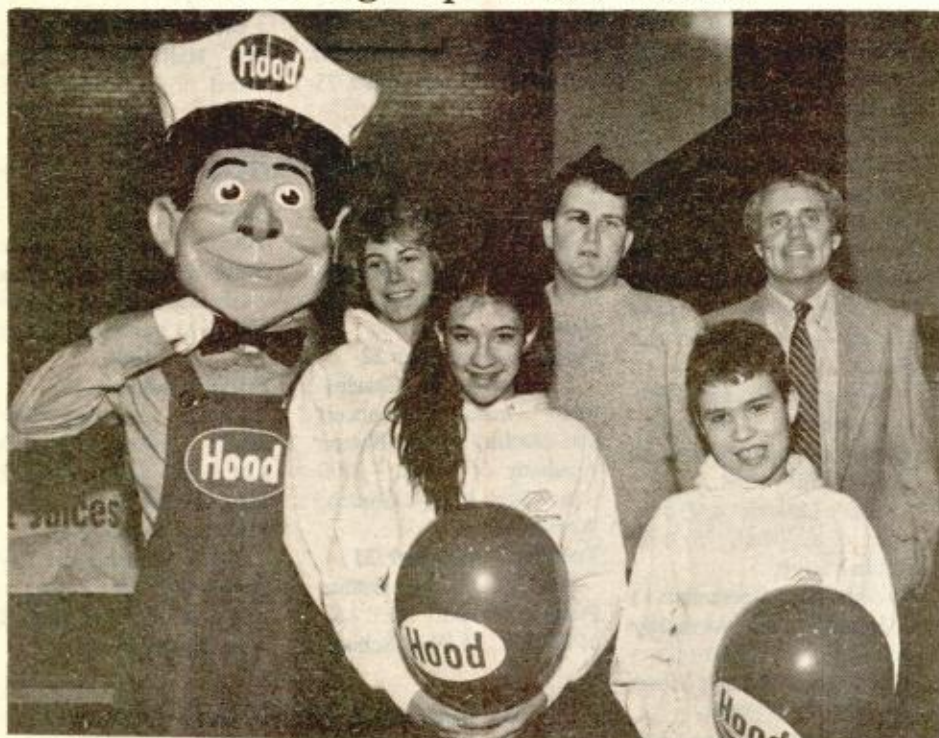
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Teaming Up With Hood



MEMBERS of the Swim Team of the Charlestown Boys and Girls Club "teamed up with Hood" on Saturday, November 30th at a celebration in the Clubhouse, marking the sponsorship of the swim team by H.P. Hood, Inc. Shown front row (l. to r.) Myra Adams and Paul Griffin. Shown back row (l. to r.) Harry

Hood; Shelley Montgomery, Swim Team Coach at the Charlestown Boys and Girls Club; Mark Butler, Assistant Swim Team Coach at the Charlestown Boys and Girls Club; and Ron Young, Executive Vice President of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston.

Dukakis Swears In Kelly To Boston Municipal Court

Governor Michael S. Dukakis swore in Attorney Sally A. Kelly to the position of Associate Justice of the Boston Municipal Court, Department of the Trial Court, on Wednesday, November 27, 1985.

Kelly, 33, of Charlestown, is Administrative Counsel to Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti.

Kelly has argued successfully before the U.S. Supreme Court, representing the Commonwealth this past February in a landmark insurance benefits case. The court's 8-0 decision in favor

of Massachusetts meant that states can legally force insurance companies to provide minimal coverage in a number of areas, including psychotherapy, a decision that had been fought by the insurance companies.

A 1973 graduate of the University of Massachusetts in Boston, she received her law degree in 1976 from Northeastern University Law School.

Kelly joined the Attorney General's office as an Assistant Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Divi-

sion following her graduation. In 1979, she was promoted to Deputy Chief of the division and served four years before she was named Administrative Counsel to the Attorney General in 1983.

She also serves as a member of the board of directors of the Fellsway Inn for Women with Alcoholism, Inc., as a director of the Boston Food Bank, and as a member of the board of the Ford Hall Forum and advisory committee of the Boston Women's Fund.

Tiny Tots Reopens!!!

Charlestown's Tiny Tots Program will reopen on Monday, January 6th at the Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street.

Bob McGann, Program Supervisor at Charlestown Community Schools, announced the opening date and the new site this week.

"We have spent two months locating an appropriate classroom site, hiring a staff and organizing a program that will meet the Office For Children guidelines for pre-school programs. We expect the new Tiny Tots Program, soon to be known as The Children's Learning Center, will offer the same high quality pre-school services Charlestown families have grown accustomed to receiving during the program's

first ten years of existence.

Tiny Tots will operate Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. It will offer recreational, educational and social development skills to youngsters 2.9 to 4.9 years of age. The program will offer a learning environment that stimulates

interest through structured fun activities. Beginners' math, a little science, crafts, speech and language development, music and physical activities will be part of the program format. There will be an initial, non-refundable \$10.00 registration fee.

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Don't forget a gift for "Townie Santa"

Charlestown Community Calendar

This Week At A Glance

Thursday, December 5

Surplus Food Distribution (butter, cheese, and rice) - 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - St. Catherine's School Hall, Tufts Street

Line Dancing for Senior Citizens - 2:00 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Representative Richard A. Voke Office Hours - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street
Friends of the Library Meeting and Election of Officers - 7:00 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Friday, December 6

Parents Discussion Group and Pre-School Story Hour - 10:00 a.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Christmas Dance sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club - 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Saturday, December 7

Christmas Bazaar with luncheon and dinner served - 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - First Church in Charlestown, Green Street

St. Catherine's Christmas Bazaar - 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. - School Hall, Tufts Street

Sunday, December 8

Holy Name Society Meet-

ing featuring a program on the appearance of the Blessed Mother - following the 8:30 a.m. Mass - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street

Boston Senior Park League Championship with Charlestown Townies vs. Roxbury Cobras - 1:00 p.m. - East Boston Stadium

Monday, December 9

"Townie Santa" Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens Street

Tuesday, December 10

Children's Films - 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Auditions for "Ten Little Indians" - 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Police Community Relations Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Dance Lessons - 8:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Wednesday, December 11

Holiday Card Workshop for Children - 4:00 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Auditions for "Ten Little Indians" - 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Upcoming Events

Thursday, December 12

Line Dancing for Senior Citizens - 2:00 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Representative Richard A. Voke Office Hours - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street

Saturday, December 14

Breakfast with Santa - 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

December Dance - 8:30 p.m. till... - K. of C. Hall, 75

West School Street

Sunday, December 15

Concert of Seasonal Music and Carols featuring the debut of The Monument Singers - 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, Warren Street and 3:00 p.m. at Winthrop Square (Training Field)

Monday, December 16

Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Meeting - 8:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Plan Ahead

Saturday, December 21

Breakfast with Santa - 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Sunday, December 22

"Christmas In Charlestown", featuring a concert and caroling by the Boston Academy of Music - 3:00 p.m. - Saint Mary's Church, Warren Street

Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve Dinner Dance - 7:00 p.m. till... - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School

Street

New Year's Eve Dinner Dance - 8:00 p.m. - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street

Friday, January 17

Dance featuring Noel Henry - 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Friday, February 21

Dance featuring the Irish Revolution - 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Appearance of Blessed Mother Topic Of Holy Name Meeting

On Sunday, December 8th, 1985, the Holy Name Society of St. Francis de Sales Parish in Charlestown will present a film and commentary on the recent appearances of Our Blessed Mother in Yugoslavia.

What is unusual about these appearances is that they are taking place in a Communist country where the government has been mounting strong opposition to them.

Although the Catholic Church has not taken any official position with respect to these appearances, Pope John Paul II has encouraged further study into the matter.

The Holy Name Society invites all members of the parish to attend the December 8th presentation, which will be held in the Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Complimentary coffee and donuts will be served.

Bunker Hill Registering Students For Second Semester

Registration for day and evening classes is on-going at Bunker Hill Community College. Bunker Hill's Day Division offers twenty-four degree and certificate programs including: Culinary Arts, Hotel and Restaurant Management, Nuclear Medicine, Medical Radiography, Computer Technology, Media, Business, Office Education and much more.

The College's Division of Continuing Education offers courses in Business Administration, Communication, Computer programming, Math, Physics, Media, Office Education, Science and Social Science, as well as dozens of non-credit courses and personal development workshops.

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Fri-Sat 12:05 a.m.

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Breakfast With Santa At The Charlestown Working Theater

The Charlestown Working Theater will again be sponsoring Breakfast With Santa. There will be two breakfasts, one on Saturday, December 14th and one on Saturday, December 21st from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street.

Each child will have an opportunity to talk with Santa, and receive a gift from Santa. Storytellers and clowns will entertain.

Each child must be accompanied by an adult. The cost is \$3.00 a person. Reserve early!

Call 242-3534, and leave your name, the date you wish to attend, the number of tickets you need, and your phone number.

Boston Common Holiday Lighting

Boston Common will light for the 1985 Holiday Season on Sunday, December 8 at 4:30 p.m. when Mayor Raymond L. Flynn pushes the switch that will bring the trees throughout the Common to holiday life with lights.

The lighting, scheduled for dusk, will follow a family day of holiday festivities including a parade through downtown Boston at 1:30 p.m. and entertainment on the Common from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The centerpiece of this year's lighting display is a 40 Foot Fir Tree from the Canadian Province of Saint John, New Brunswick, a gift of

friendship from the children of that Province to the children of Boston.

This year's lighting display is made possible by the fourth annual "Light-A-Light" Campaign, the community effort to light Boston Common for the holiday season through the sale of one dollar lapel buttons and a corporate giving program.

Please join Mayor Raymond L. Flynn, Parks Commissioner Robert McCoy and the people of Boston when the 1985 Holiday Season is officially welcomed to the City. For details, call Parks and Recreation at 725-4006.

A new Charlestown tradition, now two years old, will continue when The Charlestown Preservation Society presents its free second annual Winter Festival of Carols on Sunday, December 15 at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Mary's Church. This event will be the debut performance of a new chorus drawn from the community. Called The Monument Singers, this group, under the direction of Charlestown resident, James Busby, promises to become a fixture in town life, offering at least two concerts each year.

This year's concert is also notable for the baritone soloist, Phillip Lauriat, who will sing in the Vaughan Williams "Fantasy on Christmas



PHILLIP LAURIAT
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Carols." Lauriat, who was educated at the Eastman School of Music and the

First Annual Christmas Party

On December 18th, 7:00 p.m. at the Deja Vu Restaurant in South Boston, the Boston Republican City Committee will gather to celebrate the Christmas holidays.

The events of the evening will include a buffet, entertainment, dancing and an award presentation.

For further information, please contact Cathy Day-Nelson at 242-1958.



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Town Invited To Christmas Concert and Caroling

Westminster Choir College and has been soloist with the Boston Classical Orchestra and the Boston Lyric Opera, also teaches voice in Charlestown, where he resides.

In addition to The Monument Singers and soloist Phillip Lauriat, the concert at Saint Mary's will feature The Epic Brass Quintet, a group that has performed extensively in this country as well as in Europe. Organist Rosalind Mohsen will also participate.

The free concert on Sunday, December 15 at 2:00

p.m. at Saint Mary's Church will be followed by a Community Carol Sing in Winthrop Square (the Training Field). The Monument Singers and soloists and The Epic Brass Quintet, all under the direction of Charlestown's most famous conductor James Busby, will lead all comers in rousing Christmas carols.

The Charlestown Preservation Society is sponsoring these two free events for the pleasure of everyone in the community. They invite everyone to attend.

A SNEAK THIEF

Someone lifted a single item on Wednesday, November 27th. It was a gold Omega man's wristwatch. The watch has a round face without numerals and a brown crocodile strap. \$100.00 for its return. Another \$100.00 reward for the thief's name in order to make it public knowledge.

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REAL ESTATE WEEKLY

By Joseph P. Gannon III
Century 21 Silva Realty Associates

PRICING YOUR HOME

Setting a fair price is a crucial first step in putting your home on the market, and it begins with a professional market analysis of the property. You might start by looking around the neighborhood at other houses for sale. Then contact a realtor familiar with your area to get information about the asking prices of these homes and the length of time each one has been on the market. Your realtor will also be able to provide you with information from official records about the actual sale prices of homes similar to your own, as well as the features of each property that might have affected its value, such as the number of rooms, the overall condition, and the extras — family rooms, finished basements, garages or wall-to-wall carpeting. By putting all of this information together, you can establish a market value for your home, or a price range in which it is likely to sell. If you set your price too high, it could take months, even years to sell your home. But if it's priced within about five percent of the established market value, your house should sell fairly quickly.

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COMMITTEE MEETING

The next "Townie Santa" Committee meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens Street. Persons who are interested in helping with this worthwhile and most gratifying project are most welcome to attend. Your help is needed and will be most appreciated.

GIFTS ARE BEING REQUESTED

Donations of gift packages, suitable for an elderly person are being requested. Any gift given to "Townie Santa" will be added to the Christmas basket. Please wrap the gift in Christmas paper and note on the package whether it is appropriate for a male or female, and drop it off at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square.

FUNDRAISING

Look for the "Townie Santa" canisters in your local stores, including these three new locations — John and Roses, Russell Street Variety and Clancy's Market. The committee thanks these stores for joining the fundraising efforts and reminds everyone to drop all that loose change weighing down your pockets into these canisters — "Santa" will be grateful.

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Contributions received thus far have been most generous, but much more is needed! The committee is asking for your assistance in "filling the Christmas stocking". Please mail your donation today!

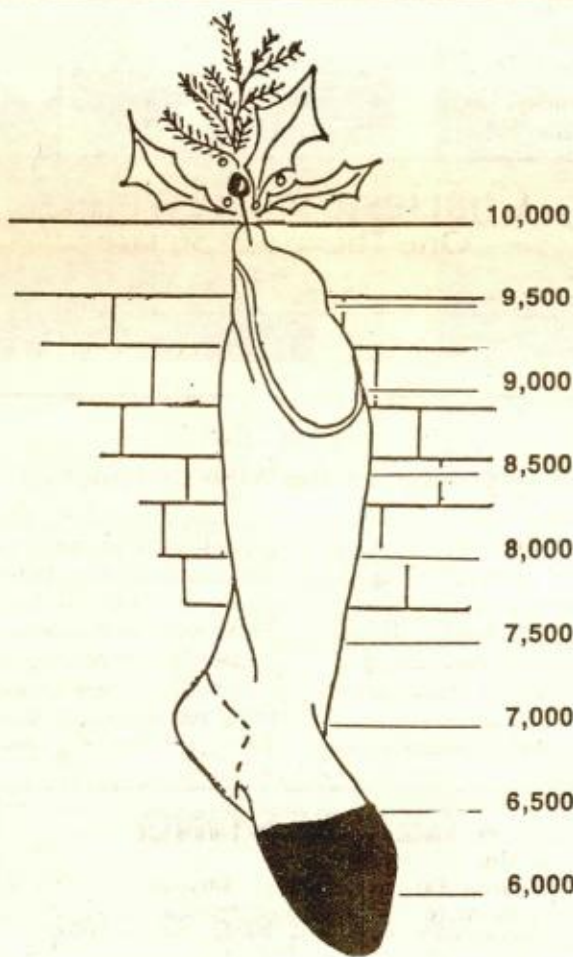
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The Board of Advisors for the Outstanding Young Men of America awards program announced that two Charlestown residents have been selected for inclusion in the

1985 edition of "Outstanding Young Men Of America." They are David R. Flanagan of 47 Soley Street and Greg Leonard of 44 Winthrop Street.

Named To "Outstanding Young Men of America"

These men were selected from nominations received from Senators, Congressmen, Governors, Mayors, State Legislators, University and College Presidents and Deans as well as various civic groups.

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fessional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments and civic and political participation.

Flanagan and Leonard, along with fellow Outstanding Young Men throughout North America, will be featured in this prestigious annual awards publication.

Toy Safety

On December 6th, the Parents Discussion Group at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street, will present a talk on toy safety. The guest speaker will be Attorney Edward Swartz, author of the book, **Toys That Don't Care**. This program will be for parents and children together. The Pre-School Story Hour will join in to test the toys brought by Mr. Swartz. Parents and children will be able to see for themselves how toys can be dangerous.

The suggested reading for this program is **Toys That Don't Care** by Edward Swartz.

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B.R.A. Presents Development Plans For Navy Yard At Preservation Society Meeting

by Marianne Martin

Development within the Charlestown Navy Yard is a foreign topic to many residents of Charlestown. In an effort to better the understanding of the rapidly changing yard, the Charlestown Preservation Society invited Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) Project Coordinator for the Navy Yard, James English, to their monthly meeting on Sunday, December 1, 1985 at the First Baptist Church on Monument Square.

English was accompanied by representatives from three different projects proposed within the yard.

The first area discussed at the meeting was the Shipyard Park. English explained the sixteen acre public park, located just beyond Gate 4 and First Avenue, is in the fourth and final design phase and should be completed in June 1986. To date, the BRA has invested approximately \$2 million in renovations to the area, which includes a waterfront promenade, a public marina, a children's playground, a wading pool and fountain. An additional \$1.2 million in grants from the Coastal Zone Management Agency and an Urban Development Action Grant awarded to the BRA will be used to repair the drydock adjacent to the park.

Clarissa Rowe, partner in the landscape architectural firm of Browne & Rowe, told the audience her firm was hired by the BRA to investigate possible means of connecting Gate 4 to the waterfront in such a way as to draw visitors to the Naval Yard. Presently, the area does not encourage outside residents to venture within the yard. One reason, in addition to the wall which encloses the yard along Chelsea Street, is according to Rowe, the "hostile fence" separating the yard from the National Park Services area.

Rowe suggested, in addition to traditional shrubs and greenery landscaping along the street, that the National Park Service chain link fence be replaced with a masonry material fence, similar in design to the rest of Charlestown and the Navy Yard. The intent, explained Rowe, is to "warm up the area."

"An important thing to remember," began Rowe, "is the history of the area. Therefore, we are suggesting that the nautical furnishings be left intact." The use of

decking material along the waterfront promenade and naval flags to be flown around the park were also suggested. "We also envision a performing arts center to be located within the park," stated Rowe.

As for the drydock, Rowe told the audience that due to its small size, a small water taxi service could be located within the drydock itself for local transport, while a larger taxi could be docked at the end of the drydock for travel around the harbor. Another possibility for the waterfront adjacent to the park is the docking of the vessels, "The Spirit of Massachusetts" and "The Nantucket", which would serve as tourist attractions.

Another aspect of the architectural firm's contract, stated Rowe, is the design of a tourist map outlining not only the Navy Yard itself, but also the historical attractions of Charlestown and other National Park Service Areas in Boston.

The second proposed development discussed at the meeting was the joint venture of Immobiliare New England, The Congress Group, and TAC/The Architects Collaborative, known as, Immobiliare-Congress Ventures and TAC/The Architects Collaborative Inc. This group presented their plan for the development of Parcels 5, 6, and 7, located in the northeast corner of the yard along the harbor and mouth of the Little Mystic River.

Presently, Immobiliare New England, under the

Land Disposition Agreement signed in 1978 with the BRA, has exclusive development rights to Parcels 5 and 6 and holds a mortgage on Parcel 7. However, due to the financial scope of this plan to create three office/retail buildings, parking facilities, and a botanical garden, they joined creative and financial sources together.

If approved by the BRA, the Botanical Garden, which will be enclosed in a 30,000 square foot "crystal palace", will be located on Pier 11. The development team states the garden "will serve as a second anchor to the Navy Yard, complimenting the U.S.S. Constitution." The cost for the facility, which is expected to attract 700,000 persons annually, is \$19,234,100 (without plantings). According to Dean Stratoule of the Congress Group, the team is planning to set up a nonprofit organization to maintain the garden.

One resident asked why would the development team proposed to construct any facility on a parcel of land which offered a view which captured "a real sense of the city, "adding a botanical

garden would cut that out. It (the garden) doesn't give people any space to sit and enjoy themselves, whether it is to enjoy the ocean, the city, or even the fireworks."

Another agreed, "Why a botanical garden at an end of an ocean? It's a bit strange, no?" Many present commented that the idea of a garden had little or no signi-

ficance to the history of the Navy Yard.

Paul Davis of Immobiliare New England, who, in addi-

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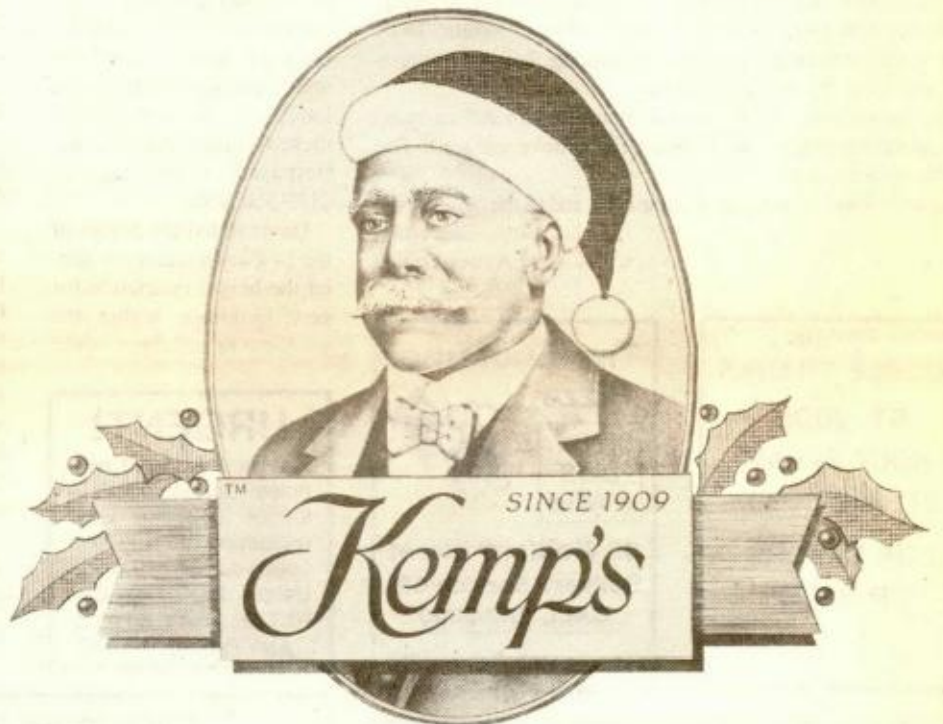
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I assume it has been discarded. If anyone finds a role of movie film, please drop it in the basket outside **The Patriot** office at One Thompson Square. Thank you.

Barbara Thornton

Thank You — And A Look Back

Gloria Conway, Editor
Charlestown Patriot

Dear Gloria,

On Monday, November 25, my husband and I were invited to attend a Thanksgiving dinner for Senior Citizens at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The organizers for this year's affair were Joe Kent and his wife, Margie. To Joe and Margie a sincere thank you for a very lovely, hot, tasteful dinner. This graciously served by enthusiastic young citizens.

We were reminiscing about the past and wondering how many people realize the origin of this particular celebration.

Dot Sheehan Connolly, former administrator of the Charlestown elderly, assisted by Phyllis Bryant and Henrietta Murray, traveled throughout the town seeking donations of turkeys and "fixins". Then these three women, with a volunteer force, would cook, prepare, and serve the dinner.

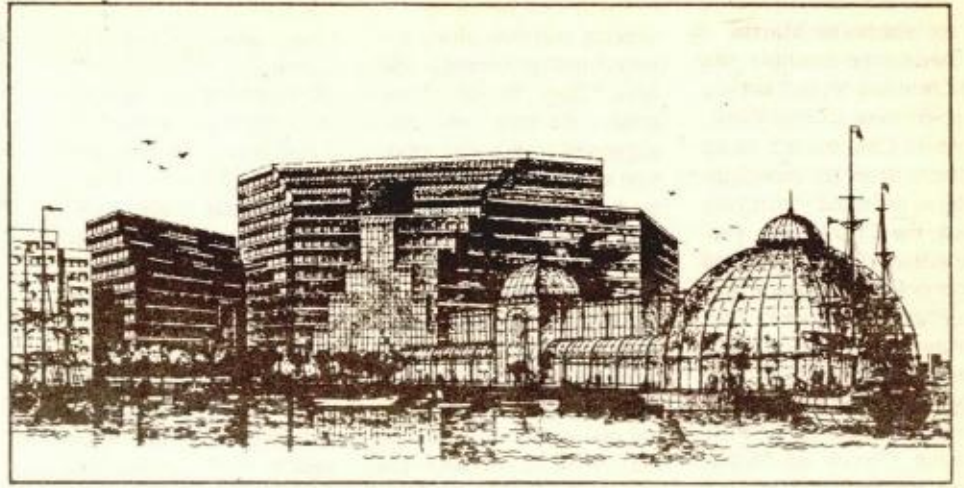
I remember these years well, because it was my privilege to work under Dot as a Vista Volunteer Home Visitor. In no way was I involved in this great undertaking, but was impressed by the energy of these women.

Dot has retired, but Phyllis and Henrietta are still carrying on, caring for and loving Seniors. How lucky we are to live in this community!

Again, thanks to this year's committee and to the originators.

Sincerely,
Agnes O'Neil

B.R.A. Presents Development Plans For Navy Yard At Preservation Society Meeting



ARTIST'S RENDITION OF HARBORSIDE PLACE, the proposed joint venture of Immobiliare New England, The Congress Group, and TAC/The Architect's Collaborative, Inc. The plan is construct three office/retail buildings and a Botanical Garden on Parcels 5, 6, and 7 within the Charlestown Navy Yard.

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tion to developing Shipyard Quarters and Constitution Quarters, lives in the Navy Yard added, "I've lived here for four years and while it is beautiful in the spring and summer, it is harsh in the winter. We've decided to make a capital investment in something that would attract people all year."

Stratoule agreed, "Parks are a peculiar thing. They are only used three months a year. The original concept was to create a winter garden which would be used 12 months a year."

On Parcels 5 and 6, the plan calls for the creation of three buildings, placed in U-shaped fashion, one, 14 stories high with a ten story building on either side which would open up facing the harbor and the Boston skyline. Located within the U-opening would be a fountain-ice skating rink to promote year around public use. Wrapping around the north and east sides of the buildings would be a four story parking facility to accommodate 1300 vehicles (part of which would be underneath the buildings). In total, the development of these two parcels has an anticipated price tag of \$149,701,936.

Davis stated the design of the 14 story building exceeded the height restriction for new buildings within the yard, but he felt there would

be no problem in seeking a variance, should the plan be approved. According to the BRA Design/Development Guidelines for the Charlestown Navy Yard, the height of new structures should be proportioned in scale with Building 106, which is 40 feet at the cornice with the peak of the roof at 60 feet. The literature continues, "While the Charlestown Urban Renewal Plan, as amended, calls for a height limit of 35 feet for Parcels 6 and 7, the BRA will support plan and guideline changes for new structures that generally do not exceed the massing of Building 106."

One concern expressed by residents was the impact of future traffic generated by the proposed activity within the Navy Yard on Charlestown as a whole. Developers stated that while the streets within and around the yard could support the anticipated traffic, there were no recent studies from which to base a definitive opinion.

English stated that the last official traffic study of the area was conducted by the Traffic and Parking Depart-

ment, approximately ten years ago, but added that in 1983 the BRA had, themselves, conducted an in-house study. English did state that parking could be expected to become a problem as the now vacant buildings become homes and offices. Many residents of the Navy Yard presently park their cars on the streets within the yard in order to avoid paying a parking fee, but English added, "We require developers to provide parking so visitors as well as those living there will have somewhere to park at night. There are 700 on-street parking spaces in addition to the garage."

As for the traffic, English stated, in reference to the future North Area/Central Artery reconstruction project, "It's going to get far worse before it gets better. Charlestown is going to be a

four year detour."

English explained in a later interview that the Venture Group, if their plans are accepted by the BRA, would not be required to begin construction for 3½ to 4 years, as was set out in an agreement between the BRA and Immobiliare New England when Immobiliare was named the developer of approximately 50 acres of waterfront property, referred to by the BRA as "The New Development Area." This agreement essentially requires the BRA to designate all remaining buildings within the Navy Yard and reconstruction work to be completed on at least the first floors of each building before they would be required to commence work on these parcels.

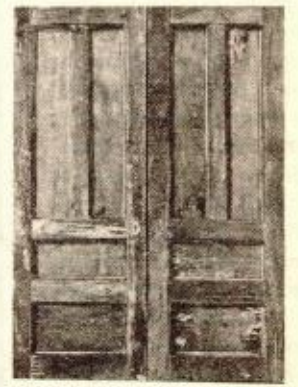
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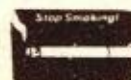
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proposal to create, what one Charlestown resident jokingly referred to as "Charlestown's own Copley Place," the Venture team would be free to submit another proposal without fear of Immobiliare New England losing their exclusive rights to the property.

The Venture Group also discussed their suggested revision of the BRA Master Plan for development within the Navy Yard. While not asked to do so, Stratoule told the audience that when the Congress Group began the reconstruction of Buildings 149 and 199, of which they are the developers, "It became painfully obvious that the Navy Yard was being developed under a ten year old master plan and was essentially nine different things, lacking any cohesiveness. There is a need for a development theme and identity in the Navy Yard."

Stratoule reiterated many similar sentiments of Clarissa Rowe, stating, "The Navy Yard is a self contained area and is not publicly inviting, with the wall and barbed wire not helping the image. What we wanted to do was open up the area and make it less a fort, as well as tie together what was going on within the yard."

Among the changes proposed by the revision, according to Stratoule, would be to open Gate 5 to keep vehicular traffic in the northeast section of the yard in that area. Another change would be the narrowing of First Avenue in order to create wider sidewalks for pedestrian use, similar to the design of Second Avenue.

Added features to tie the history of the Navy Yard throughout the area would be the creation of bronze figures representing past workers at the Navy Yard and the placement of machinery, now located within the former shops, on the grounds. For example, Stratoule referred to the former Chain Forge Shop, Building 105, that was the only shop of its kind in the United States. In fact, he added, "They say now the Navy gets its chain from Sweden."

Several residents questioned the development team as

to why they decided to undertake such a project when no one asked them to do so. Davis answered, "We saw the opportunity to update the plan. We've come to the Authority with a rather aggressive proposal." The reasons were based on the fact that both Immobiliare New England and The Congress Group have already made financial investments in the Navy Yard, and in order to protect theirs and future developments, the intent was to improve the master plan and seek a cohesiveness."

"These are only schematic diagrams," continued Davis, "This document has no legal commitment. It is a conceptual design we presented to the BRA, with the request to propose development of several buildings. We took some liberties, but we think they are quite valid. This may, or may not, sit well with the Authority."

Stratoule defended the revision, "A lot of brainstorming and creative thinking went into this."

Kathryn Downing, President of the Charlestown Preservation Society, asked the developers why they did not ask for community input before undertaking this proposal. "I understand the master plan needed to be updated, but it was originally done with a great deal of community input. Many of the people who worked on it may be in this room." Downing compared the Navy Yard development with the recent renovation of the former Schrafft's Candy Factory by the Flatley Company into The Schrafft Center, a multi-use high technology and research facility. "They asked us what the community wanted. I think the first step here is to ask this well organized community what benefits we

want, so that this is a very integrated part of the Charlestown community."

Ed Barry, President of the Congress Group, answered Downing. "We're not in the position to start the public process. Unlike Flatley, we do not own the buildings. It would be presumptuous of us to go forth with a public process without being first designated (developer by the BRA)."

One man in the audience stated he felt it was unfair that the developers be asked to seek public input, noting "that should have been done long before the BRA began asking for any proposals." The man continued on a different point, "There are currently two programs when it comes to development here. There is a linkage (payment program) to the City of Boston and one specifically to Charlestown." According to the gentlemen, while Immobiliare New England and The Congress Group participate in the Boston linkage program, they do not contribute to Charlestown specifically. "If your development teams get all the proposals, Charlestown gets zip."

The final presentation made at Sunday's meeting was by the development team for Building 114, which is located in the northwest corner of the Navy Yard, adjacent to Gate 5 on one side and Parcel 5 on the other.

Joseph Timilty of Frontier Associates, partner with Robert Keane of Housing Associates, spoke on behalf of the proposal. According to Timilty, theirs was the only

proposal submitted to the BRA for the building, with the original intention to create back office space. The BRA accepted the proposal. However, upon the request of the newly formed Harborpark Advisory Committee to incorporate marine uses for all undeveloped waterfront property, the development team has changed their proposal into an office marine park. The 81 year old former woodworking shop will become half marine service repair and half marine business office space.

This is a first of its kind facility for the City of Boston. Currently, there exist marine repair shops, but there is no public gasing facilities closer than Gloucester or Hingham for mariners. Tom Hale, from the Hale family, who for the past 25 years has operated the Martha's Vineyard Boat Yard, will operate the repair facility which will provide major repair, emergency services, and winter boat storage for approximately 80 boats.

Joseph Hennefield of the Housing Associates presented a slide show depicting the present Building 114 and surrounding area and included plans for the building,

which he called, "attractive, economically feasible, and different." According to Hennefield, the limited size of the building will necessitate that this be a small operation with no room for expansion, unless, he joked, "Parcels 5, 6, and 7 become available."

Among the added features of the proposal, stated Timilty, is the creation of 85 to 125 jobs, which will include marine repair technicians, office support personnel, and summer jobs. Timilty has also discussed the possibility of establishing a marine repair training program in the Boston Public School System with School Committee President John Nucci.

Another aspect of the plan is private and public docking facilities and possibly docking for excursion boats. Pre-

sently, excursion boats are utilizing Rowe's Wharf, where there are no catering facilities and parking for passengers is limited. Building 114 is located across from Building 199, which will become a parking garage. Since most of the cars will be parked in the garage during the business hours and most excursion boats operate during the evening hours, "This makes a tremendous amount of sense."

One resident applauded the proposal stating, "This is the most appropriate use for a former shipyard."

As the meeting concluded, many present expressed an interest in hearing any and all proposals for future development not only in the Navy Yard, but in Charlestown as a whole.

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North Area Issues Updated At Recent Community Meeting

The main topic at the North Area/Central Artery meeting held on November 19th, was a report from the consultant teams and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works describing the status of many issues of concern to the community. Residents stated at a recent meeting that they wanted to know what was being done about some issues that had been raised at a previous community meeting and how the decisions were made.



A list of 41 separate issues and outstanding questions was presented on a flip chart by Peter Smith of CBT/Central Artery project. Twelve items specific to the part of the project south of Rutherford Avenue (Section 1) were dealt with first.

Smith explained that because of suggestions from the community and agencies, many issues have gone back to the study stage. In some cases, recommendations have been made by the consultant team and submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

UNDER STUDY

Location of Boston Sand & Gravel access road - The proposal shows road bisecting Bunker Hill Community College parking lot. An alternative emergency access road is being studied by the consultants.

Location of fences in the "infield" area surrounded by new loop ramps west of Rutherford Avenue.

Landscape design for the "infield" area.

Traffic re-analysis as it pertains to the detour roadways - Increases in traffic have necessitated a new study.

New location for Massachusetts Department of Public Works maintenance building - Originally proposed for the loop ramp area in Cambridge, discussion with Cambridge has caused a new study.

Streetscape - Streetscape designs, the design of the pedestrian environment and all the elements that make it up - pavement patterns, street furniture, landscaping, etc. - are under study.

DECISIONS

Maintenance road through Paul Revere Landing Park - This is currently being designed as a road for Massachusetts Department of Public Works and MBTA maintenance vehicles only.

Pedestrian connection along Charles River to Esplanade - Part of the MDC long-range plan is to connect the Charlestown side of the Charles River to the Esplanade, and this desire will be taken into account when the design of the Paul Revere Landing Park is done.

Pedestrian/bicycle path to Charles River from Rutherford Avenue - Path is not recommended because of a lack of security in the loop ramp area and the industrial environment. However, a right-of-way will be secured for eventual future use.

New location for YMCA - Some discussion about locating it on Rutherford Avenue near Bunker Hill Community College, but issue is beyond the scope of the project.

Lowering Rutherford Avenue as method of noise reduction - Studied and determined to be unfeasible and not a cost-effective way of achieving a lower noise level.

Pedestrian bridge over B & M train tracks - The Federal Highway Administration is funding the design of the bridge, but is not committed to funding its construction. Funding from other sources may be available for construction.

Visual appearance of loop ramps - Steel supports will be

used for the double-decked ramps and concrete T-shaped supports for the single ramps. Steel box beams will hold the roadways, and there will be no ledges that could serve as roosts for birds.

In Section 2, the area north of Rutherford Avenue, 29 issues were discussed at the meeting. Peter Smith presented the status of the issues, indicating many of the issues are under study and will be presented at the next community meeting in January.

UNDER STUDY

Parcel heights, density, and architecture - The guidelines for development on the newly created parcels will be worked on with the aid of development consultants from the Codman Company.

Issue of land uses for the parcels - Codman Company will advise.

Analysis of Parcel 5, City Square - Initial design showed large buildings in City Square; new study will evaluate what size buildings, if any, should be there and the character of the open space for this important part of the project area.

View corridors - Unobstructed views of the water and Boston from City Square and along Warren Street will be restudied to determine their appropriateness.

Freedom Trail alignment - The path that the Freedom Trail will take during and after construction is undetermined and under study.

Parking on Chelsea Street - City of Boston Transportation Department has indicated that it wants to widen proposed Chelsea Street by eight feet to allow for parking. Originally the community preferred no parking in order to keep the street narrow, but now many community members would agree to parking, even though the street would be widened by eight feet; issue is under study.

DECISIONS

Noise barriers - Special meeting was held on November 18th for the abutters, at which statements of preference were made to the MDPW. After 14 days, the Massachusetts Department of Public Works will evaluate the written and oral comments received and make a decision about whether to install a noise barrier in either location.

Gas lights vs. replicas in City Square - Lighting plans have been submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works that call for gas lights in City Square; along Main Street to connect with gas lights being installed under a separate Urban Systems street reconstruction project; and along the Warren Street extension to Water Street. The Federal Highway Administration has not yet approved the concept.

Sunscreens - No funding from the Federal Highway Administration has been assured yet, but the design of the portal area is proceeding as if there will be sunscreens, and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works has requested them.

World War II Veterans monument in City Square - Consultant team recommends temporarily locating the monument, if veterans groups agree, in the John Harvard Mall to keep it visible during construction and to protect it from being damaged.

Gate 1 "plaza" - With construction of proposed Chelsea Street, the intersection of Water and Chelsea streets at Gate 1 will be redesigned and a small new open space will be created.

Architectural designs of walls approaching tunnels - Plans that received favorable reaction from the community have been submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, showing a step-

ped wall with 36-foot spacing of brick pilasters with granite caps and concrete panels in between. However, there is no guarantee that these plans will be approved for funding.

Water-Warren street configuration - Initial design of 1982 has been submitted. This configuration is a curved road around the Maxwell Box Company building. Massport, the owners of the property at the end of Warren Street, have made an informal agreement not to build on the property under which is an 84-inch sewer easement. This agreement ensures that views of the waterfront will not be blocked.

Lack of connection from Route I-93 to Route 1 during construction - Access to the Tobin Bridge and Route 1 from Route I-93 will be possible only by exiting at Sullivan Square, proceeding along Alford Street then to Broadway, connecting to Revere Beach Parkway and then to Route 1 in Chelsea. For drivers familiar with the area, another though unsigned, route will be from Sullivan Square, down Rutherford Avenue, through City Square to Water Street to the Tobin Bridge.

Eighty-four-inch storm drain - Boston Water & Sewer Commission wants to put in a gravity line that would run along Chelsea Street, but the proposed scheme recommends an inverted siphon that would shorten the length of the pipe and not reduce the size of the development parcel on Warren Street.

Hoosac spur acquisition - The railroad tracks that run from the B & M tracks through the Paul Revere Landing Park to the Hoosac Pier have officially been abandoned by the Boston & Maine Railroad.

Signage during construction - Plans are now being worked out for temporary signs directing traffic and pedestrian flow during construction in both Charlestown and points north.

Detour structure and Water Street on-ramp - The Water Street on-ramp will be built as part of the detour structure and will be managed under traffic management plans.

Construction impacts - The concerns of the community about construction disruption are being considered and everything that can be written into construction specifications to help mitigate the problems will be done.

Interim roadway - Plans for the interim roadway configuration are still being worked out, but the temporary detours and rerouting will be essentially the same as what was submitted in 1982.

Planters - Planters at the tunnel portals were submitted in the recent plans that were submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

Gate 4 underpass - During the construction of the Chelsea-Water Connector plans for an underpass at Gate 4 were put on hold. These plans will be included in those for the North Area project and the underpass built.

Ellwood Street easement - In response to concerns of a particular homeowner, the MDPW has been notified about a problem of access to the rear of the property and will work with the homeowner.

Warren Street connection to Lowney Way - After re-study the community decided that it would not be in its best interest to add a connection to Lowney Way and agreed to locate the bus stop on relocated Chelsea Street.

Agency ultimately responsible for parcel development - The agency (agencies) that will be in charge of parcel disposition will be decided upon next year.

Ramps and historic stairs - Plans for a spiral ramp from Rutherford Avenue to the Paul Revere Landing Park have been submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and historic commissions for comment along with details for the relocation of granite stairs after the Charlestown Bridge is reconstructed.

Pedestrian signals - The pedestrian signals on Rutherford Avenue are pedestrian actuated, with a required wait for the cycle to be completed.

Following the presentation, more questions were asked about the other "old" issues, including turning radii, archaeology and an ordinance from the 1790s prohibiting a building in City Square, and construction impacts and pedestrian paths during construction.

Traffic routing and parking issues dominated the remainder of the meeting, with questions about the proposed detour route from I-93 to Route 1 that would involve traveling on poorly maintained streets and underpasses. Paul Porell from Berger-Lochner said that some of the streets required for the detour will be upgraded.

One of the issues that is going to require fairly quick resolution is that of whether to widen proposed Chelsea Street eight feet to allow for one parking lane. Joe Beggan of the Boston Transportation Department stated that the City would prefer to have parking in order to eliminate the danger of illegal parking, creating queuing problems at the intersections that could significantly impair their operation. Peter Smith asked for comments from those in attendance on whether they favored having parking on proposed Chelsea Street.

Bill Lamb of the North Area Task Force indicated that he favored parking, because parking would make the street more like a city street as opposed to a highway. Other community members echoed the comment and said that parking might help to integrate the development parcel to the community. The issue of flexibility was raised by Steve McHugh of the North Area Task Force. McHugh suggested that the issue not be solidified right now, but should be decided later when things are more settled. Porell said that because the Federal government is funding the project, certain restrictions are imposed.

The next community meeting will be in January and the topics will be City Square analysis and streetscape design.



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Murder At The Charlestown Working Theater

On Tuesday, December 10th from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, December 11th from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., the Charlestown Working Theater's Children's theater will be holding auditions for their winter production of Agatha

Christie's murder mystery, **Ten Little Indians**.

Roles are for students ages 13 through 20. Also students who are interested in learning about props, lighting, sound, set design, costumes and directing are encouraged to come to the auditions.

Ten Little Indians will be directed by Jennifer Justice. Justice is the Artistic Director of the children's theater program at Charlestown Working Theater. Last spring she directed the successful production of **Voices**

From The High School, which has been touring around Charlestown this Fall.

Come and join the fun, improve your acting skills, or try something you've never tried before. Don't miss it!

Head Of New Academic Advising Center Named At BHCC

Alyce Curtis has been named Coordinator of the Academic Advising Resource Center at Bunker Hill Community College.

The newly formed Academic Advising Center, funded by a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education Division of Occupational Education, will be used to track the academic progress of 170 educational-

ly disadvantaged students.

Curtis will work closely with other student services in advising students in academic program choices, career alternatives and course selection. Curtis comes to Bunker Hill Community College from the University of Missouri at Columbia, where she was in Personnel Services.

Holiday Films For Children

This holiday season, the Children's Room at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street, will be showing a series of Christmas films along with the regularly scheduled film program. The films are shown each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The schedule is:

- December 10 - "The Night Before Christmas", "Christmas Customs Near and Far", and "A Very Special Christmas"
- December 17 - "Feliz Navidad"
- December 24 - "The Little Drummer Boy"



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It is important that all parents of the cheerleaders call Matt Stillman at 241-7771 so additional information may be obtained before the tickets can be mailed.

Tickets are priced at \$5.00 per person and anyone else who wishes to purchase tickets can also call Matt Stillman at the above number.

Pop Warner Football League would like to thank,

once again, all the companies and organizations who donated to the Charlestown Pop Warner. Without your support, we would not have been able to have Pop Warner here in Charlestown. Also, thanks to Lester Boyce, Charlie Doe, Bob Collier, Helen Garafano and Tom Jackson for all the help they have given this year, and a special thank you to the **Charlestown Patriot** for the space in the newspaper each week.

Matt Stillman

Pop Warner Football Receives Donation



AL SULLIVAN (left), Vice President of the Charlestown Lions Club, presents a check to Bob Collier (right), Treasurer of Charlestown Pop Warner Football League, to assist the local youth league with their program.

(photo by John Dillon)

Columbus Friars Attend Cosell Award Dinner

Five members of the Christopher Columbus High School community had the unique opportunity of meeting ABC Sports Broadcaster Howard Cosell at a dinner, which honored him for Media Excellence.

Paul Tizzano of the North End, Michael Rakes of Dorchester, Tommy Brooks of South Boston, Steve Chiappa and Jimmy Donovan of

Charlestown, along with Athletic Director Bob DeCristoforo, were guests of the Saint Anthony Club of Boston at the Award Dinner, hosted by Northeastern University.

Also attending the dinner at the Marriott Copley Place were many local sports stars, including Boston Bruin Great Bobby Orr and Boston Celtic Star John Havlichek.

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Errands For The Elderly

The members of "Youth Leadership", a teen group gathering under the guidance of the Boys and Girls Club, would like to announce a special service dedicated to our older "Townies." Each Thursday, beginning December 5th, from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m., the members of Youth Leadership will be available to run errands for the Elderly Citizens of Charlestown.

So, if you're elderly and find it harder and harder to get to the store, if the milk is getting heavier and the walk home seems longer than it used to, let us go for you! If you're not a senior citizen but know of an elder in your family of neighborhood who could benefit from this service, please let them know about it.

To request an "errand runner" simply call the Boys and Girls Club at 242-1775, Tuesday through Thursday from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. and ask for Cathy Kennedy or Kay Cowin, or leave a message with your name and phone number and we'll call you back as soon as possible.

Facts About Drugs - F.A.D.

In the no-so-distant-past, the pharmaceutical industry tried hard to convince doctors and patients that minor tranquilizers, such as Valium, were not dangerous. They said the pills just reduced anxiety and made people relaxed. But, in truth, Valium is just another variation of the theme of alcohol and has the same tendency to produce adverse effects and dependence. Valium has been over prescribed.

Many doctors prescribed Valium to help their patients cut down on alcohol. All that produced was patients with two addictions: Valium and alcohol. One expert called Valium "whiskey in a pill". Prolonged heavy dosage can result in a physical addiction that may be even more dangerous than alcohol addiction. Trying to come off Valium causes severe withdrawal symptoms: convulsions, tremors, sweating.

Combining alcohol and Valium is a dangerous action. The alcohol gives more power to the Valium and it is almost impossible to judge the effect. Driving skills are impaired. Combined with alcohol, a person becomes drowsy, less coordinated and has slower reaction time.

How can one tell if one is addicted? When you begin to depend on the drug to cope with your life. Usually you will have very uncomfortable feelings, as the ones mentioned above, if you attempt to stop taking the drug. As a person continues to use, there is a breakdown in close relationships. Needing to be sure of one's supply, many people fill prescriptions from different doctors. Wise use of Valium and other minor tranquilizers must be monitored by a doctor.

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Monday, December 9 - Macaroni & cheese, cheese sauce, grated cheese, Tuscany blend vegetables, 3-bean salad, brownie, whole wheat bread with oleo.

Tuesday, December 10 - Omelette, Creole sauce, lyonnaise potatoes, spinach, fresh fruit, cracked wheat bread with oleo.

Wednesday, December 11 - Meatball stroganoff, whipped potato, green beans, apple sauce with crunch topping, crusty roll with oleo.

Thursday, December 12 - Knockwurst or chicken patty with gravy, baked beans, cole slaw, Hunters pudding, dark bread with oleo.

Milk served with all above meals.



GRADE FOUR of Saint Mary's Grammar School posed for this class photograph on April 6, 1972. The teacher of this class was Sister Alice.

Tiny Tots Reopens

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There will be no additional costs through June 1986.

Registration for Tiny Tots will be held at the Kent Community School, in the community room, December 16th through December 20th. Twenty-four tots will be enrolled on a first come first served basis. A waiting list will be developed to fill vacant seats as they occur.

Tiny Tots should not be considered a baby sitting service or a drop-in program. Families utilizing Tiny Tots should expect their children to be enrolled full time mornings. Parents may call Liz

Starr or Debbie Lent starting Monday, December 9th, at either 242-2770 or 242-1835, to arrange appointments for registration.

At registration, parents will be provided with health forms for completion by family physicians. A record of the child's immunization schedule and a birth certificate will be required in addition to the health forms, prior to the start-up of program activities, January 6th.

"Right now we are looking for donations of toys, big wheels, puzzles, books, records and games. We have a

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The public is cordially invited to attend and personally greet Dr. Wilson on Sunday afternoon, December 15, 1985, from 2:00 to 4:00

p.m. at the School Committee Building, 26 Court Street, Boston (near the Government Center MBTA Station and the State Street MBTA Station).

Stanton states, "We welcome the opportunity to bring together those most concerned with and dedicated to the education of our children, in an informal and friendly atmosphere. It should be a splendid afternoon."

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Staff Writer

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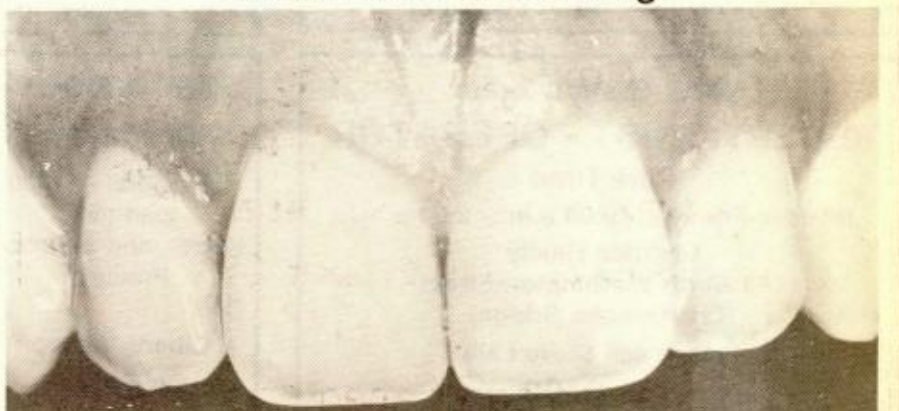
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Thinking Out Loud...

by Sal Giarratani

HOMELESS POLITICS

The Flynn Administration is calling on state government to reconsider the deinstitutionalization of mentally ill patients because these former clients of the state Department of Mental Health are now roaming the streets and alleys of the Commonwealth in search of new homes.

The drive for deinstitutionalization began back during the Sargent Administration (1969-74) and continued through the first Dukakis Administration (1975-79). When the state pushed people out of state mental health facilities, these mentally ill people were thrown into the streets without adequate community support systems in place to meet their needs as "free" people.

The homeless issue has reached a crisis point and unless the state takes effective measures to deal with it, the crisis will heighten as temperatures plummet.

Richard Ring, executive director of the Pine Street Inn recently testified at a special Boston City Council hearing on the homeless, that hundreds of mentally ill patients are fending for them-

selves because state mental health facilities don't provide services to help them get by. Nearly fifty percent of those seeking shelter at the Pine Street Inn have mental health problems.

Ring told the City Council that, "The situation is getting out of hand. They're overwhelming the shelter... Pine Street has 380 beds. We've already had 595 on one day this year..."

"We refer them to mental health agencies... either they get no care or minimal care and are sent back to the streets," he said.

Mayor Flynn is correct in saying, "The concept of deinstitutionalization must be seriously reconsidered by the Commonwealth and other states," Flynn, who chairs the US Conference of Mayors Committee on the Homeless, told the City Council that the mentally ill homeless are draining resources at shelters throughout the city and that the state Department of Mental Health should be dealing with this growing problem.

Carol Johnson, coordinator of homeless services for the state Department of Mental Health, advised the City Council that her department has created a Boston Mental Health Department Task Force on the Mentally Disabled Homeless which works with the city's Emergency Shelter Commission.

Johnson admitted "we have a very big problem," but said several state agencies are currently working on it. However, this can be taken with a bit of skepticism when Johnson stated, "...we're addressing the

solution. But the problem is bigger than the solution..." After all, doesn't every problem look bigger before solutions are found?

As a state Department of Mental Health employee who has worked in both support services and well as direct patient care, I feel, as Mayor Flynn, that deinstitutionalization should be reconsidered. Having former DMH clients walking with streets and pouring into overcrowded shelters is not an appropriate answer. Patients should not have been transferred from back wards to back alleys.

Homeless shelters are not mental health centers and the

state must find solutions instead of rhetoric and endless task forces. The longer the agony of the homeless goes on, the more painful it will get.

Sadly, it appears the real problem in the homeless crisis is exploitation by too many politicians who would rather use the homeless as a campaign issue, using homeless people the same way other politicians used forced busing, abortion or the nuclear freeze. Solving the problem doesn't seem as important as having it available. If the homeless issue were solved, what would take its place as campaign fodder?

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Homeless people are powerless folk. They don't threaten the livelihood of elected officials because being homeless makes one voiceless at the polls. Remember, before you can register to vote, you must have a voting address.

Politicians rarely move unless they are pushed by events, constituent pressure or a combination of both. Now is the time for taxpayers to demand that state government do something about the homeless population, especially the mentally ill homeless who were kicked out of state hospitals back in the early seventies.

When one part of our society is in trouble, everyone is in trouble. The state has an obligation to aid the homeless by enacting policies and legislation which would create more affordable housing for poor and working people and by creating a real community support structure to help former mental health clients make it outside the walls of state facilities.

Kudos to all those politicians, especially Mayor Raymond Flynn, who are asking the right questions and demanding answers from a state government that isn't working for far too many people!

ten test for ability to interpret hypothetical rules and regulations, verbal reasoning, number series, table interpretations, and reading comprehension. The Recruiting Office encourages applicants to read the "Entry Level Police Service Examination Orientation Booklet" which can be obtained at their Information Center, Second Floor, One Ashburton Place

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Holiday Card Workshop For Children

On Wednesday, December 11 at 4:00 p.m. the Children's Room at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street, will feature a holiday cards workshop.

Children, ages five years and older, are invited to come to design their own holiday cards using a variety of methods. There will be a demonstration of potato printing, stenciling, and sponge printing, just to name a few. All materials will be provided by the library. Come and join the holiday fun!

For further information, please call the library at 242-1248.

It's A Boy...

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dillon of 71 Dunstable Street, Charlestown announce the birth of their son, Mark Patrick, born on November 20, 1985 at the Malden Hospital.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hoey, Sr. of 318 A Main Street, Charlestown and the paternal grandparents are

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dillon of 13 Monument Street, Charlestown.

Irish Genealogy

On Friday, December 13, 1985, The Irish Ancestral Research Association will feature a lecture by author and teacher, James Murphy of Boston College, who will speak on his book, **They Were Dreamers**.

The meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Pope John XXIII Seminary, Route 30, Weston. The lecture is free and open to the public. There is plenty of parking. For more information, call 893-1572 after 5 p.m.

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St. John's Students Give Thanks And Help Others

The third, fourth and fifth graders of Saint John's Grammar School in the North End recently prepared a special mass for the rest of the school.

They wanted to give thanks for their parents, homes, and lives while realizing that not everyone was as fortunate. The students took up a collection among themselves to be used by the Sacred Heart Parish for the holidays and families in need. The presentation was made to Father Ignatius Battaglia, C.S., pastor during the offertory of the mass.

The children plan a "Giving Tree" for December. Under the coordination of Betsy Ustach, Third Grade Teacher and and the Liturgy Group at Saint John's, the

children will make ornaments for the tree and print either "boy" or "girl" on the back of the ornaments.

Each child will select an ornament from the "Giving Tree," purchase a gift for a boy or girl as the ornament indicates, wrap it and bring it back to school for a special mass on December 19th at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church.

Ustach said, "We call this service 'Kids for Kids' because our children will provide children at the Metropolitan State Hospital (for disturbed children between the ages of six and 16) with Christmas gifts."

Father Curran, chaplain from the Hospital, will say the mass and receive the gifts at the offertory.



GIVE THANKS: Tonia Guarino of the North End, and Jason Ezekiel of Charlestown, are shown above with the Thanksgiving Turkey at the altar at Sacred Heart Church for the children's liturgy. The children in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades wrote what they

felt most thankful for on "tailfeathers" of the turkey. The turkey was placed in front of the altar at Sacred Heart Church for the children's liturgy.

Children's Films

The Film Program for Children will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 1985 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street.

The features include: "Playground," where children enjoy all the equipment in a playground; "The Little Girl Chimney Sweep," the tale of how a chimney sweep rescues a rich, young girl from an evil nobleman; and "Sound of Sunshine, Sound of Rain," in which viewers share the experiences of a boy who is blind.

Suggested readings in conjunction with this program include: **Playground** by Gail Gibbons, **The Bird of Times** by Jane Yolen, and **Apt. 3** by Ezra Jack Keats.

In addition, at 3:30 p.m. the film, "Lisa Makes The Headlines," will be shown. Trouble begins when Lisa does not get her facts straight for her newspaper, "The DeGrassi Street Journal." Suggested reading for this film is **Getting Something on Maggie Marmelstein** by Marjorie Sharmat.

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Board of Appeal Hearing

Notice is hereby given that at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 1985 a public hearing will be held by the Board of Appeal of the City of Boston in Room 801, City Hall upon the appeal of Frank Rolinson, seeking with reference to the premises at 5 Badger Place,

Ward 2, Variance from the terms of the Boston Zoning Code (see 1956, c 665) in the following respect: Article: 20(20-1). Legalize occupancy as one-family dwelling

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On November 23, 1985 at 3:15 p.m., Officer Bollen, assigned to the A406D car, observed a vehicle in Sullivan Square being operated without a plate on it. With the assistance of Officers Lynch and Murphy in the N102D car, the suspect was placed under arrest for driving without a license and operating an unregistered and uninsured vehicle.

On November 24, 1985 at 5:45 p.m., Officer Flemming, assigned to the N102 car, responded to the intersection of Monument Avenue and Warren Street on a report of a motor

vehicle accident. Upon arrival, the Officer observed a suspect in a drunken condition, who stated he smashed into a parked car. The suspect was placed under arrest and transported to Area A.

On November 25, 1985 at 8:00 p.m., Officer McCann, assigned to the A406 car, responded to 60 Tibbets Town Way on a report of an attempted arson of a motor vehicle. On arrival, the Officer spoke to District Chief John Warner of the Boston Fire Department who stated the vehicle has been doused with gas and a flare was found outside the passenger's side door. The incident is under investigation by the Arson Squad.

On November 26, 1985 at 3:00 p.m., Detective Barnicle, assigned to the V841 car, observed a suspect in Papa Gino's

in the Bunker Hill Mall taking money from various individuals. A pat frisk of the individual revealed a replica handgun, gaming apparatus, and \$669 U.S. currency. The suspect was placed under arrest for possession of gaming apparatus and transported to Area A.

On November 27, 1985 at 8:30 p.m., Officer Keitha, assigned to the A301 car, was stopped by a victim on Medford Street who stated that a suspect had just struck him with a hammer. Further investigation revealed the suspect had also beaten a six year old boy with a broomstick. The suspect was placed under arrest and transported to Area A.

On November 27, 1985 at 10:50 p.m., Officer McKenna, assigned to the A307 car, received a call to 137 Bunker Hill Street on a report of a disturbance. Upon arrival, the Officer observed a group fighting. The Officer attempted to break up the fight, when one of the suspects became loud and boisterous. The suspect was placed under arrest as a disorderly person and transported to Area A.

Detective Robert O'Toole Appointed Executive Assistant For Operations

Boston Police Commissioner Francis M. Roache has assigned Detective Robert E. O'Toole as his Executive Assistant for Operations to the Commissioner. Detective O'Toole is currently the Director of the Division of Informational Services.

Detective O'Toole's responsibilities will include the monitoring and review of the performance of the Selected Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.). During the holiday season, all depart-

ment personnel will be utilized to reinforce and enhance the S.T.E.P. program. A serious and concentrated effort will be directed at strict enforcement of traffic regulations and the apprehension of drunk drivers.

In addition, Detective O'Toole has been designated as the liaison to the City's Traffic and Parking Commission to coordinate a joint approach to traffic problems in the city. He will also serve on the Steering Committee for Boston's Pedestrian

Education and Safety Program (P.E.D.S.). Detective O'Toole will also develop and evaluate various programs at the direction of the Police Commissioner.

Detective Robert E. O'Toole is an eighteen year veteran of the Boston Police Department. At the Boston Police Academy, he served as the Motor Vehicle Law Instructor and coordinator of the Department's Defensive Driving Program. Throughout most of his career he has been involved with specialized units dealing with traffic

and traffic enforcement. He resides in Charlestown.

In announcing the appointment of Detective O'Toole, Commissioner Roache said: "Detective O'Toole's skills in the area of traffic enforcement and related issues, bring a new dimension and dynamic attitude in the administration in terms of reinforcing the importance of preventing serious injuries by aggressive traffic enforcement. He will also be working closely with the Special Operations Division attached to the Bureau of Field Services. Furthermore, Detective O'Toole will be making recommendations relating to many operational issues which may impact on public safety in the neighborhoods of Boston."

The promotion will be effective with a few weeks.

POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS MEETING
 The Charlestown Police Community Relations Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 1985 at the Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Report Drug Activity

Charlestown residents are being asked to assist the Boston Police Drug Control Unit in cracking down on the sale and distribution of illegal drugs in this community. Information is needed as to the locations of drug activities, the names of persons involved with the distribution of drugs, along with any and all other information on drug trafficking in the community.

Persons with such information are asked to call the Drug Unit at 247-4697 between 8:00 a.m. and midnight, seven days a week.

All information will be held in strictest confidence. Callers may remain anonymous. If a caller wishes to leave his/her name, that person's identity will be protected.

The Police need the cooperation of the residents. Report any drug activity to 247-4697.

It's A Boy...

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen T. Todd of Charlestown are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Stephen Thomas, Jr. Stephen arrived at 6:22 a.m. on November 25th at the Brigham and Women's Hospital, weighing seven pounds five ounces.

Proud grandparents of the new arrival are Mrs. Barbara Devlin and the late Michael P. Devlin and Mrs. Eileen M. Todd of Charlestown.

Mrs. Stephen T. Todd is the former Kathleen M. Devlin.

Oliver Holden Academy News

The Oliver Holden Academy wishes to congratulate two students for their outstanding performance during the first marking period of the 1985-86 school year. Kristine Dow, grade 12, and Christopher Perito, grade 8, have both earned Honor Roll grades for the quarter. Con-

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