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## The Blizzard Of '97 - Friend To Some, Foe To Others



HOW MANY RESIDENTS had tossed out their winter boots, put away the shovels and let the rock salt container reach empty? Quite a few, we are told. The storm that began earlier than the weather forecasts predicted on Monday, March 31, turned into an April Fool's Day nightmare on April 1, except for the youngsters who

finally got their long-awaited snow days. There are as many stories as there are residents and a walk through the town highlights just a little of the activity and storm-related damage. On the left, snow is plowed into a mound at the Thompson Square island and became the perfect spot for a game of "Man on the Mountain" ... In

the center, School Street was impassible as a large part of the stately old tree fell across the roadway ... At the right, Sullivan Street just off Bunker Hill Street provided some of the best sledding in town on Tuesday and into Wednesday while the street remained unplowed and the cars were buried beneath drifts of snow.

### Calling All Actors & Actresses!

Tighe & Doyle Casting Inc. will be holding an open call for extras for a new Ted Demme Film starring Denis Leary, a portion of which will be filmed in Charlestown.

The open call will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. today, Thursday, April 3, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St.

Maura Tighe and Nancy Doyle are seeking "great

urban faces for bar scenes, hockey games, etc.," so all ages and types are encouraged to stop by. No acting experience is necessary.

For further information, call 424-6805.

### Storm Brings Out The Best In Some - The Worst In Others

The "Blizzard of '97," which brought the city to a standstill from Monday night into Tuesday, brought joy to the children who are now entering their third day off due to the storm, as they brought out sleds and skis to try their skills on unplowed hills in the town.

Others took advantage of the situation to become entrepreneurs and start their own snow shoveling business and some did mighty well.

Many adults were dismayed as Wednesday dawned and their streets were hip-high, and more in

snow and ice. Downed trees and utility lines, as well as cars abandoned in the middle of streets made the situation intolerable to some and patience was not one of the attributes of many. Some residents with serious health issues were

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### around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

#### ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings ...

##### Monthly Meeting

The "Blizzard of 1997" resulted in the cancellation of the March meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council.

The next monthly meeting of council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Public Safety Committee Meeting**  
Co-Chairman Bill McCabe and John Dillon have

announced that the monthly Public Safety Committee meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8 at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

#### Central Artery Meeting - Sullivan Square Issues

Ken Stone, liaison from the Neighborhood Council to the Central Artery/Tunnel project, has announced that a meeting on issues relative to Sullivan Square will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Representatives of the

Mass. Highway Department and the city of Boston Transportation Department will be present.

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All CNC meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

#### ★ Meeting On Resident Parking ...

The Boston Transportation Department (BTD) has scheduled a community meeting for Monday, April 14 to review the progress of Charlestown's newest Resident Parking Program, which was implemented in January. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus upper hall, 75 West School St.

The new Resident Park-

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**SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS**

**Thursdays**

- 9 to 10:30 a.m. - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group-Options Program, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866
- 10:30 a.m. to noon - Women's Recovery Group session, Kennedy Center, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

**Fridays**

- 7:30 p.m. - Al-Anon meeting with help for families and friends of alcoholics, off lobby, Armed Services YMCA, 150 Second Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard

**First and Third Sundays**

- 6:30 p.m. - CHarlestown After Murder Program (CHAMP) meeting, St. Catherine's Rectory, 49 Vine St. All are welcome

**Mondays**

- 2 to 5 p.m. - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Nicotine Anonymous support group meeting, Armed Services YMCA, 150 Second Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard
- 7 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous beginners meeting, 55 Bunker Hill St.

**Mondays And Fridays**

- 9 to 11 a.m. - Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.

**Tuesdays**

- 8 p.m. - Al-Anon meeting with help for families and friends of alcoholics, Mary Colbert Apartments (side entrance), 20 Devens St.

**Wednesdays**

- 5 to 7 p.m. - Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.
- 7 p.m. - Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) meeting, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.

**SPRING GED TESTING DATES**

The spring GED testing dates have been set for May 5, 6 and 7. Preregistration is required for initial testing and re-testing. Registration dates are April 7-16.

For more information, please contact Peggy O'Brien at 635-5169.

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**CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**this week at a glance**

**Thursday, April 3**

- 4 p.m. - Meet author Stephen Krensky, a program for children in grades K-3 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Friday, April 4**

- 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 8 p.m. - "Snoopy" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Saturday, April 5**

- 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Flea Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. (rent-a-table \$15, 242-2063)
- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Registration and tryouts for Charlestown Little League - Ryan Park, Sullivan Square
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Rummage Sale - Constitution Co-op Apartments, 42 Park St.
- noon - Meat Raffle to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 6:30 p.m. - Lt. Michael P. Quinn, USMC Scholarship Dinner - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

- 8 p.m. - "Snoopy" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Sunday, April 6**

- 9 a.m. - Annual Firefighters Mass and Communion Breakfast - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Training School for volunteer sailing coaches, sponsored by Mass. Special Olympics - Courageous Sailing Center, Pier 4, Charlestown Navy Yard
- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Rummage Sale - Constitution Co-op Apartments, 42 Park St.
- 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Registration and tryouts for Charlestown Little League - Ryan Park, Sullivan Square
- 4 p.m. - "Snoopy" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Monday, April 7**

- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Registration for Head Start Programs - Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.
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**Tuesday, April 8**

- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Registration for Head Start Programs - Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

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

- 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee meeting - Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.
- 7:30 p.m. - Daughters of Isabella No. 1 meeting - K. of C. Main Hall, 75 West School St.

**Wednesday, April 9**

- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Registration for Head Start Programs - Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.
- noon to 1 p.m. - Sen. President Thomas F. Birmingham Community Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 3 p.m. - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. meeting - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 5 to 6 p.m. - Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Income tax preparation by volunteers from Community Tax Aid - Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St. (call 635-5169 for income guidelines)

**upcoming events**

**Thursday, April 10**

- 3:30 p.m. - Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. - Adult Book Discussion Group featuring "The Woman Who Walked Into Doors" by Roddy Doyle - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Friday, April 11**

- 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Saturday, April 12**

- 7 p.m. - Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Banquet -

K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Sunday, April 13**

- 10 a.m. - Spring Extravaganza to benefit St. Francis de Sales Parish - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

**Monday, April 14**

- 7 p.m. - Resident Parking Program meeting, sponsored by the Boston Transportation Department - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 7 p.m. - English as a Second Language Conversation Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7:30 p.m. - "Frederick Law Olm-

sted and the Massachusetts Legacy" with Lead Park Ranger at the Olmsted National Historic Site, sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Tuesday, April 15**

- 10 to 11 a.m. - Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - Children's Films - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. - Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel Update, sponsored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**plan ahead**

**Saturday, April 19**

- 12:30 p.m. - American Gold Star Mothers Department of Massachusetts Convention Luncheon, honoring Department President Florence Johnson - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Sunday, April 20**

- 3 p.m. - Candlelight Vigil, sponsored by Charlestown After Murder Program (CHAMP) - St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square

**Thursday, May 1**

- noon - Dedication of the Justice Memorial in City Square Park - City Square Park

**Friday, May 2**

- 7 p.m. - Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Reunion - Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville

**Saturday, May 3**

- 7 p.m. - Annual Banquet of the Daughters of Isabella #1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Thursday, May 8**

- 6 p.m. - Old Charlestown Schoolboys Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Saturday, May 10**

- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Bunker Hill Antiques Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - grounds of Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

**Saturday, June 14**

- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Charlestown Garden Tour, spon-

sored by Community Gardens - beginning at the Community Garden, corner of Main and Bunker Hill streets

**BUNKER HILL DAY CELEBRATION  
PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE**

**Friday, June 13**

- 7:30 p.m. - Chief Marshal's Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Saturday, June 14**

- morning - USS Constitution Turnaround Cruise for Charlestown residents
- 10 a.m. - Bunker Hill Day Doll Carriage Parade - Training Field
- 1 to 4 p.m. - Open House, Bunker Hill Monument
- 5 p.m. - Mummers Band Concert - Bunker Hill Monument grounds

**Sunday, June 15**

- 12:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Day Parade - through the streets of Charlestown

**Monday, June 16**

- 7 p.m. - Concert, Laser Show & Fireworks - Charlestown Navy Yard

**Tuesday, June 17**

- 9 a.m. - Bunker Hill Day Ecumenical Service - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St., followed by a procession to the Bunker Hill Monument grounds for the commemorative exercises



## Harvard-Kent School To Showcase Books!

The Harvard-Kent Elementary School announces that it will host a scholastic book fair April 8 through April 17, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school library.

This reading event will offer students, parents and teachers the opportunity to see the latest works by popular authors and illustrators of books for young readers.

Books featured in a scholastic book fair are carefully selected by a committee of reputable editors and

educators. Many hours are spent considering hundreds of books from around the world in search of selections that excite and motivate students to become lifelong readers. Special attention is given to find books that will appeal to the emergent, the experienced and the reluctant reader.

Along with winners of prestigious state and national awards, the scholastic book fair will present hundreds of titles from over 100 publishers.

Included will be how-to-books, biographies, timeless classics and a wonderful variety of the newest titles in children's literature.

Proceeds from the fair will help the Harvard-Kent School generate important funds for school reading activities and for additional books for the school library. Any interested parent is encouraged to volunteer.

For more information, contact Erin Farley at the school at 635-8358 or at her home at 242-1920.

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

### Firefighters Mass & Communion Breakfast

The annual Firefighters Mass and Communion Breakfast will be held this Sunday, April 6, at the 9 a.m. Mass. Father Patrick Healy, O.M.L., will be the Homilist at the Mass. The breakfast will follow the Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall. Tickets are \$8 for a sit-down breakfast catered by Dominic's Union Caterers. **All tickets must be paid for by Friday, April 4.**

**No tickets will be sold at the door.** This is an opportunity for all of us to say thank you to firefighters for all that they do. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you cannot attend the breakfast, join us at the 9 a.m. Mass.

### Spring Extravaganza

The Parish of St. Francis de Sales is sponsoring a Spring Extravaganza on Sunday, April 13 at 10 a.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall. The Extravaganza Raffle will consist of 25 beauti-

ful, expensive prizes, such as a two-day/one-night trip for two to the Irish Village, a two-day/ one night trip for two to the Foxwoods Resort Hotel, a Madonna and Child Hummel, etc.

Tickets are \$1 for a chance on the 25 magnificent prizes and are available from Guild members, the ushers at Mass and at the rectory. This is the ONE MAJOR fund raiser for the parish taking the place of the Christmas Bazaar. We truly need your support.

## Menino Samples BHCC Culinary Creations



MAYOR Thomas M. Menino and his wife, Angela, paid a visit to the Bunker Hill Community College booth at the recent Spinnazola Foundation fund raiser at the World Trade Center. Student chefs and their instructors created an array of specialties that were sampled at the event. Among the students are Lisa Getchell, at the far right, formerly of Charlestown.

### HAIL MARY

Pray 9 Hail Marys for 9 days. Ask for 3 wishes, 1 involving business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your wishes will be answered, even though you may not believe it. **W.**

## MEAT RAFFLE

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## Announce Engagement



DANIEL P. MANDRACCHIA & JESSICA A. HANEY

Jessica A. Haney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Doherty of Charlestown, is engaged to marry Daniel P. Mandracchia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Mandracchia of Everett. A 1998 wedding is planned.

## Birmingham To Hold Office Hours On April 9

A member of Sen. Thomas Birmingham's staff will be available for community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, April 9 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Charlestown

Branch Library, 179 Main St. The public is invited

In the event that a constituent is unable to attend, he or she should contact the senator's office at 722-1650.



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\$35,000 is needed to put the Bunker Hill Day Parade on the streets of Charlestown on Sunday, June 15. A grand celebration is planned this year, marking the 222nd anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, the 200th anniversary of the commissioning of *USS Constitution*, and the 100th anniversary of Charlestown being the homeport of *USS Constitution*. The success of the celebration depends on you - the residents, merchants and organizations. Donations of \$25 and over will be publicly acknowledged.

Donations have been received from:

Senate President Thomas Birmingham	\$200
Oren C. McCleary	25
Stickney Associates	25
Acme Bookbinding	25

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## Old Charlestown Schoolgirls To Hold Reunion On May 2

The Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association will hold its annual reunion on Friday, May 2 at the Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville.

The event will get underway at 7 p.m. and will feature music by John Nolan.

During the reunion, a drawing will be held for the \$500 Winifred Talbot Duffy Scholarship. This is scholarship open to Char-

lestown girls entering their sophomore, junior or senior year at a four-year college or university. Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square.

To make reservations for the dinner or to obtain an application for membership in the association, write to the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls, P.O. Box 276, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

## Healeys To Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM P. HEALEY will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on April 13. The Healeys resided in Charlestown and Woburn before moving to Naples, Florida. So, if you're in sunny Naples, wish them a Happy 50th!! Mrs. Healey is the former Dorothy Fick.

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**Saturday, April 5**

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## Not for nothin' . . . But have you heard . . .



◆ **Don't Forget . . .** to "spring forward" this Sunday, April 6th, and turn your clocks **ahead** one hour! . . . This is also a good time to check and/or change the batteries in your smoke alarms.

◆ **The K. of C. Hall . . .** will be a busy place this Saturday, April 5th, with the Charlestown Lions Club hosting its annual Flea Market in the upper hall between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. . . . a Meat Raffle getting underway in the lower hall at noon to benefit Camp Bunker Hill . . . and the Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner at 6:30 p.m. . . . Come on down!

◆ **Annual Firefighters Mass . . .** will be held at St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St., on Sunday, April 6th at 9 a.m. . . . A Communion Breakfast will immediately follow the Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall.

◆ **It's Birthday Time This Week . . .** and it starts today, April 3rd, for Skipper Correia . . . April 4th is the big day for Eleanor "Cissy" Santosuosso . . . Mike Murphy will party hearty on April 5th . . . Eileen McClellan celebrates on April 8th . . . FF Ronnie Ridings shares his April 9th birthday with Jack and Marty's Mom - Mary (Geswell) Pierce, Mary (Hitchman) Bird and Mary Jane Dewey. . . Happy Birthday wishes to you all!

◆ **The Old Ironsides Penny Campaign . . .** needs your help! Funds raised during this campaign will go to purchase sails for the ship which has not been powered by sails since 1881. She has recently undergone major restoration and as preparations are made to kick off her 200th anniversary this summer, it is hoped that she will sail out into the harbor under her own power during this celebration. Donations, in any amount, are welcome and can be sent to: Old Ironsides Penny Campaign, Charlestown Cooperative Bank, P.O. Box 38, Charlestown, MA 02129.

◆ **Congratulations . . .** to Danny Tucker of Everett, formerly of Charlestown, who was recently sworn in as an Everett Police Officer by Everett Mayor John R. McCarthy.

◆ **Planning To Buy A Recreational Vehicle? . . .** The New England Spring Camping and RV Show will be held at the Valley Expo Center in Methuen today, Thursday, April 3rd, through Sunday, April 6th. Show hours are 5 to 9 p.m. today; noon to 9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Come on by and look ahead to summer.

◆ **Seeking Volunteers . . .** The Kennedy Center is seeking volunteers to teach basic computer skills to community residents . . . If you're interested in volunteering, please call Martha or Brian at 241-8866.

◆ **East Boston High School . . .** Class of 1942, is searching for classmates for its 55th reunion to be held on Saturday, Oct. 18th at Lombardo's in East Boston. For further information, call co-chairperson Rose (Belli) Bilotta at 389-9149.

◆ **Would You Like To Be A Tutor? . . .** If you speak English, the City-Wide Friends of the Boston Public Library need you. Students are waiting. Open orientation for English as a Second Language (ESL) tutors will be held on Tuesday, April 15th at 6:45 p.m. in Conference Room 5 of the Central Library, Copley Square, Boston. For further information, call the CWF at 536-5400, ext. 341.

◆ **March Of Dimes Boston WalkAmerica . . .** Give every baby a fair chance to have a healthy start in life, and join in on the March of Dimes Boston WalkAmerica, which will be held on Sunday, April 27th and will begin and end at noon at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade . . . Registration begins at 11 a.m., and a post-walk concert will be held at 1:30 p.m., provided by Eagle 93.7 "Fortune" with Brian Maez of the Peter Wolf Band, formerly of the J. Geils Band.

◆ **Volunteers . . .** are needed to work as telephone counselors on The Parental Stress Line and on the United Way's First Call for Help Line . . . Training classes begin soon. If you are interested, call 437-1990, ext. 100.

◆ **Ford Hall Forum . . .** Educational theorist, E.D. Hirsch Jr., comes to the Ford Hall Forum at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 17th, to discuss the reforms he considers crucial to the success of our schools. His address, *The Schools We Need*, takes place at Faneuil Hall and will include a question and answer period. The program is free and open to the public, with doors opening at 6:45 p.m. For further information, call 373-5800.

◆ **Thought For The Week . . .** We cannot hold a torch to light another's path without brightening our own.  
- Ben Sweetland





## around the town

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ing Program is in effect on the following streets: **Austin Street, Devens Street, Harvard Street, Lawrence Street, Old Rutherford Avenue, Park Street, Prescott Street, Seminary Street, Union Street and Washington Street.**

The meeting will be conducted by Richard W. Loring, the acting director of Traffic Management and Engineering for BTM, and Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services.

Boston Transportation Commissioner John F. Magee said, "Despite some initial problems, the overwhelming response to the Resident Parking Program has been positive and it appears that the new regulations have eased the parking crunch for residents in the area."

"However," he continued, "the three-month pilot program that was agreed upon is now over and this meeting is an opportunity for residents to voice their comments, suggestions and complaints with the program. I urge neighborhood residents to attend."

**★ Sail Training For The Crew! . . .** In preparation for the July 21 sail, **USS Constitution** crew has begun their sail training.

Training started on March 31 and will continue until the sail date. The crew will train every day from 7 to 9 a.m. The ship will remain open to visitors during normal tour hours, 9:30 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. However, the training areas will be secured for safety purposes.

"Old Ironsides" crew members have been training periodically since September 1996 on different areas of the ship. This training is the first time they will be solidifying the actual crew member position assignments for the July 21 sail.

Some objectives the command is working toward are: assignment orientation, bracing (turning) the sails simultaneously and simulations of wearing (turning) the ship. On a weekly basis, the command will determine progress. Objectives will be adjusted and adapted into the training schedule accordingly at that time.

The crew of **USS Constitution** thanks

you for your support and interest.

**★ Board Of Appeal Hearings . . .** Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, April 11 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

- Christopher and Robert Connors are seeking to change the legal occupancy of 28 St. Martin St. from a three-family dwelling to four apartments, installing a basement apartment. (BZC-18723)

- Richard Zenga is seeking to erect a one-family dwelling at 22 Sackville St. (BZC-18689)

- Cork Realty Trust (by Michael Moxley) is seeking to sub-divide this Lot A at 56 Park St. with a one-family dwelling from Lot B with a one-family dwelling at 54 Park St. (a two-family dwelling was previously known as 9-10 Common St.) (BZC-18694)

- Cork Realty Trust (by Michael Moxley) is seeking to sub-divide this Lot B at 54 Park St. with a one-family dwelling from Lot A with a one-family dwelling at 56 Park St. (a two-family dwelling was previously known as 9-10 Common St.) (BZC-18695)

Persons with questions or concerns may call the board at 635-4775.

**★ To Celebrate Greek Independence Day . . .** Mayor Thomas M. Menino, joined by Mayor Demetrios Avramopoulos of Athens, will be the Grand Marshals for the third annual Greek Independence Day Parade on Sunday, April 6. The parade will start at 2 p.m. from Boylston Street, travel to Tremont Street, Cambridge Street then to City Hall Plaza for the Greek Festival at approximately 4 p.m.

Leading the parade along with Menino and Avramopoulos, will be the Kalamata Municipal Orchestra from Kalamata, Greece. This year's parade includes more than 25 spectacular floats representing different cities of Greece.

The parade and festival are sponsored by the Mayor's Office of Special Events and Tourism, in cooperation with the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England, the Greek Orthodox Dio-

cese of Boston and the Consulate General of Greece.

**★ Foster Care Informational Meeting . . .** The Department of Social Services' Harbor Area Office will hold an informational meeting on foster care on Wednesday, April 9, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at 151 Everett Ave., 3rd floor, in Chelsea.

DSS desperately needs foster parents in the communities of Charlestown, Chelsea, East Boston, Revere and Winthrop. There are presently over 11,500 children in foster homes in Mass. and 378 children are from the above communities, but only 197 are able to stay in their community. Unfortunately, the children in care of DSS in these areas have to be placed outside of their community because of the lack of foster homes.

Last year, there were over 90,000 reports of abuse and neglect in the state. The rise in drug abuse and domestic violence has put children in serious jeopardy.

DSS needs loving and nurturing people who will commit to the communities' neediest children. Foster parenting is a rewarding experience, but it is also very challenging.

People interested should call 1-800-KIDS-508 or 423-0690 to attend the informational meeting or for more information on foster care.

**★ It's Not Too Early To Plan On Walking . . .** in the 28th annual Walk For Hunger. The walk is on Sunday, May 4 with registration between 7 and 9 a.m. on the Boston Common. Proceeds from the

event will benefit, among other agencies, the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry.

To learn how you can participate, call Project Bread at 723-5000.

**★ Central Artery/Tunnel Update . . .**

**Closure of Summer Street**

Summer Street in downtown Boston between Atlantic Avenue and Dorchester Street is closed from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. at night until Friday, April 4.

**Closure Of Haymarket Off-Ramp**

The I-93 southbound exit at Haymarket will be closed between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. until Thursday night, April 10/Friday morning, April 11 (except Friday night/ Saturday morning and Saturday night/ Sunday morning). Traffic is being detoured via the Dock Square off-ramp, then a right turn on North Street, a right turn on Congress Street and then to New Chardon Street.

**Closure Of High Street Off-Ramp**

The High Street off-ramp of the southbound central artery will be closed at night from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. until Friday night/ Saturday morning, April 19/20, with the exception of every Saturday night/Sunday morning.

**★ Stop Smoking Program . . .** The MGH-Charlestown HealthCare Center is offering continuous free five-week programs to help you stop smoking. Sessions, which are free of charge are held each Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. in the second floor conference room at 73 High St. Space is limited, so call 485-6210 to register.



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## First Church Presents Music By Berlin And Gershwin

The First Church in Charlestown on Green Street will present Ben Sears and Brad Connor in a cabaret concert of Irving Berlin and Gershwin music. The concert will begin

at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 13 at the church. There is no admission charge.

Sears and Connor have entertained extensively in the Boston area and locally

for many years. They have also recorded three CDs of such show tunes.

All are invited to come along, bring a friend and enjoy some very special entertainment.

## ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

★ **CYO Girls Softball Spring League** - St. Catherine's CYO Softball Spring League will begin play on April 12 at the Charlestown High Field. Anyone wishing to register for the league may do so at the rectory. The registration deadline is April 11 and the fee is \$20 per person.

★ **CYO Softball Summer League** - St. Catherine's Softball Summer League will begin play in early June. Anyone wishing to play can sign up at St. Catherine's School hall from 5 to 7 p.m. on April 15 and 22. We hope to have five teams this summer. Register early so we can turn in the proper paperwork by May 1. Teams must be under the ages listed as of Sept. 1, 1997: Juniors - under 19; Cadets - under 16; Bantams - under 14; Midgets - under 12; and Beginners - under 9.

The registration fee is \$20. Birth certificates must be presented at the time of regis-

tration. If there are any questions, call Jack Schievink at 241-7767 or Sheila Brown at 242-1638.

★ **Girls Annual All-Day Olympics** - The annual Sports Olympics for girls will be held on Wednesday, April 23, at West Roxbury Community School. St. Catherine's team is now being formed. Charlestown girls in the 7th and 8th grades from public or parochial school are invited to participate. Events include basketball, volleyball, gym hockey and water basketball.

For further information, call Candace Griffin at 241-9398, Kelleigh Mahan at 242-4102 or Father DiPerri at the rectory, 242-1750. You may sign up at the rectory.

★ **CYO Softball Coaches Needed** - If you are interested in coaching a team for the summer league, please call Jack Schievink or Sheila Brown.

## Children's Author Stephen Krensky At The Library

Stephen Krensky, author of the Lionel early reader books, will be a guest at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., today, Thursday, April 3,

at 4 p.m. He will discuss how his ideas turn into stories and will read to the children.

"My goal is to create a book that I like, a book I

hope children will like too. With grades K-3, I focus on one or two of my ideas and simply explain how they became stories. Then I read one of these stories aloud to show how the idea grew into the story itself," said Krensky.

This program, recommended for children in grades K-3, is free and open to the public.

For more information, call 242-1248.

## Tseng Wins Zone Three American Legion Oratorical Contest



**BUNKER HILL POST 26**, The American Legion was the sponsor for the recent Zone Three High School Oratorical Contest held at the Hull Room, Building 5, in the Boston National Historical Park, Charlestown Navy Yard. Shown seated (l. to r.) are first place-winner Erick Tseng of Hingham, a senior at Milton Academy, sponsored by the William G. Walsh Post 369, A.L. of Dorchester; fourth-place winner Justine Kasznica of Hingham, a sophomore at Notre Dame Academy, sponsored by the Cyril P. Morrisette Post 294, A.L. of Quincy; second-place winner Caitlin Fowkes of Braintree, a sophomore at Notre Dame Academy, sponsored by the Hough's Neck Post 380, A.L. of Quincy; and third-place winner Ronaldo Rauseo-Ricupero of East Boston, a freshman at Boston Latin School, sponsored by the Joyce Kilmer Post 316, A.L. of Boston. Standing (l. to r.) are contest judges Carol Bratley, president, Bratley Associates Inc.; Hon. Mary M. Brennan, retired Presiding Justice, Charlestown District Court; Attorney William J. Galvin Jr., owner, Bunker Hill Real Estate; Charlie McGonagle, faculty member, Roxbury Community College; and Warren Radtke, executive vice president, Right Management Consultants; and Past National Historian and Contest Chairman Jim Conway of Charlestown.

## Head Start Registration Begins April 7

The John F. Kennedy Center Head Start Program will be taking applications for the September 1997-98 school year. Registration will take place at the Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 7, 8 and 9, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. If you are unable to come on these days, call

241-8866 to set up an appointment.

To register for Head Start, you must bring a birth certificate, two proofs of Boston residency and documentation of your monthly income.

The children must be at least 3 years of age by Sept. 1, 1997, reside in Charlestown and that the family's

income falls within federally required low income guidelines.

In addition, the Kennedy Center offers full-time day care for 3- to 5-year-olds, after school day care for 6- to 12-year-olds and Wrap Around Child Care for preschool 3- and 4-year-olds needing additional child care hours.

## Book Discussion Group To Meet

The Adult Book Discussion Group of the Charlestown Branch Library, will meet on Thursday, April 10 at 7 p.m. at the library, 179 Main St.

The book that will be featured this month will be **The Woman Who Walked Into Doors** by Roddy Doyle.

"The book belongs to Paula. By her own admission, Paula is a '39-year-old widow-woman with a

hollow leg. A wreck of a woman with gaps where her teeth should be and a hole where her heart should be. A ruin, a wreck, a failure." Roddy Doyle traces the life of a woman who lives in a Dublin public housing-project, and explains her family relationships in this book.

New members are always welcome. For further information, contact Tess Francisco at 242-1248.

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### 'The Mayor's Office Of Community Services' At The Charlestown Library

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be the guest speaker at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 4.

For 11 years, Evers has been acting as a liaison to the mayor's office for community residents of Charlestown. She will talk about the issues and concerns that she deals with in her job.

The city's basic service delivery, code enforce-

ment issues, zoning issues and community meetings are all part of Evers' routine. Questions will be welcome.

The program is free and open to the public.

For more information, call the library at 242-1248.

### It's A Boy . . .

Nicole and Stephen Poliskey of Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Brenden Patrick, at the Boston Regional Medical Center in Stoneham, on March 17. He weighed 6 pounds 8 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are George Cream of Gloucester and Cheryl Lake of Belmont.

The paternal grandparents are Michael Poliskey of Charlestown and Ann Mainey of Somerville.

Brenden was welcomed home by his brother Stephen, age 3, and his uncle, Chris D'Anjou, age 11.

### Featured In Magazine Article

The Boston-based CPA firm of Schwartz & Schwartz, P.C. is being featured in the April edition of *Yahoo's Internet Life* magazine. Both Andrew and Richard Schwartz are current Charlestown residents.

The firm's website was selected by the magazine as one of the "essential do-it-yourself sites for the savvy taxpayer." The site features a monthly newsletter on a general tax topics as well as answers to questions submitted via the internet.

Andrew Schwartz was also recently interviewed by CNBC television about the website.

Schwartz & Schwartz, P.C. specializes in the tax issues relating to health care professionals.


### 'Literacy In The Home' With Dr. Lonnie Carton

We are only three short years away from the 21st century. Will your child have the literacy skills needed to be successful at school and in life?

Dr. Lonnie Carton, senior editor of "Education Today," will be the guest speaker at a special presentation at the Char-

lestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Thursday, April 17 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Learn some easy, quick, important listening and reading activities you can enjoy with your child.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 242-1248.

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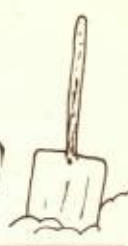
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# Charlestown Digs Out From 25 Inches Of Snow (Not Counting Drifts!)





## Storm Brings Out The Best In Some - The Worst In Others

(continued from page 1) more than worried and the Fire Department and Emergency Services did their share of assisting.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, said the city is calling this "a digging storm," not "a plowing storm" with the focus on snow removal. She said that reports on Wednesday were that every piece of equipment in the city was out and that it was estimated that it would take approximately an hour to clear each street.

The small trucks with plows were ineffective in

this storm as they did not have the weight to break through the snow. In fact, there were a number of reports that pick up trucks with plows were stuck themselves, and had to be towed out of the snow.

The ice coating the road under the snow made it so only the heaviest pieces of equipment could push through the towering snow banks. There was no estimate at press-time as to when the snow removal operation would be completed.

Evers did note, in response to numerous inquiries, that rubbish pick up, which was cancelled for Wednesday, would be one

day later for the remainder of the week.

One of the victims of the blizzard was the USS Constitution at its Pier One berth in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

According to Cmdr. Robert L. Gillen, USN (ret.), former commanding officer of "Old Ironsides," at approximately 7:30 p.m. on Monday night, with the winds clocked at 65 to 70 knots, four top gallant royal masts on the ship snapped. He said that there were no injuries and no significant damage to the rest of the ship.

Gillen said that the repairs to the mast should be in 30 to 40 days with the

completion date by June 1. He said that as soon as the materials arrived, the broken masts would be replaced, which wasn't a difficult but was a time-consuming task. He added that this same piece broke during a storm in 1985.

Gillen stated that "no adverse impacts were expected on the planned June and July cruises."

So with continued brilliant sunshine and warm spring temperatures, it is hoped that the town will soon be clear and passable.

One comment heard from many is that Mother Nature sure played a cruel April Fool's Day prank!

## Zontians To Honor

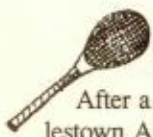
### Dr. Selma Botman-Birmingham

Dr. Selma Botman-Birmingham has been chosen as woman of the year by the Zonta Club of Chelsea, based on her achievements in the academic field. She is the wife of Senate President Tom Birmingham.

"Selma truly exemplifies the objectives of Zonta by being a role model for the youth in her community. Her position as Vice President of Academic Affairs at the University of Massachusetts enables her to have a direct impact on many young lives," stated Joanne DeFelice, presi-

dent of the Zonta Club of Chelsea. Zonta is a service organization supporting many local charities including educational scholarships, hospice, the community food kitchen and area libraries.

Botman will be honored on Thursday, May 1 at Caruso's Diplomat, Saugus, with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. For more information and ticket reservations, call Diane Cambria at 884-2170, Barbara Lawlor at 884-2111 or Roberta Bayne 884-6410.



## CHAD Tennis Team Beats Winchester



After a couple of weeks off, the Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) traveling tennis team was out on the road again looking for some competition last Saturday.

They found it in the town of Winchester, where they met its junior team in an entertaining match.

The kids played a round-robin tournament, with the win going to the team with the most total games accumulated. This time, the local kids came away with a close victory, edging Winchester by a total score

of 23 to 21 games.

The match was played in a very fun and friendly atmosphere where both teams graciously competed on and off for nearly two hours. Once again the CHAD kids showed a lot of improvement and enthusiasm by striking great shots from all areas of the court with confidence.

Participants in Saturday's match were: Brian Nowak, Andrew Flink, Deacon Howard, Phil Jones, Saba Asmelash, My Yen Tran, Quyen Tran and Jannette Nguayan.

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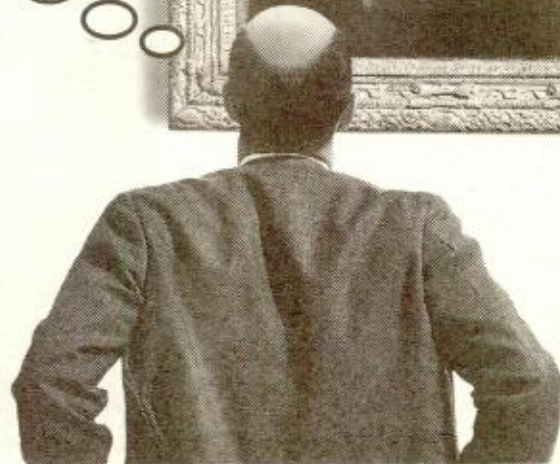
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# CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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## ★ 1997 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SUMMER CAMP

The Charlestown Boys and Girls Club 1997 Summer Camp Program will offer three Two Week Sessions starting June 30. There will be an additional one-week session from Aug. 11 to 15. The summer camp program will end Aug. 15. Camp hours will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Each camp will offer a unique learning experience for the child as well as the traditional camp experiences, such as swimming, beach trips, cookouts and physical activity. It is our hope that your child will consider registering in several different camps so that their summer experience is as varied and enjoyable as possible.

Registration fees are \$75 per camp session. There is a reduced rate of \$60 for each additional child registered in the same session. There are a limited number of campships available for families with the greatest need. A separate application must be submitted for campships. The one-week session will be \$40 for each member. There is a reduced rate of \$30 for each additional child for this session.

Extended hours are being offered to parents who must either drop off their child early or pickup their child late. The extended hours are 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 per session for the extended hours option. **NO** child should be dropped off before 8:45 p.m., unless they are registered for extended hours.

Beachcomber Camp: for ages 6 to 12;

Super Camp: for ages 6 to 12;

Sports Camp: for ages 6 to 12;

Discovery Camp: for ages 6 to 12.

## ★ GAMES ROOM/ SOCIAL RECREATION

**Tournaments** - will take place this week. Stop up to compete in a variety of Games Room tournaments. There will be prizes for the champs! Tournaments for ages 10 to 13 will begin at 3 p.m., and 4 p.m. for ages 6 to 9.

**Thanks** - to everyone who helped "hunt and hide" at the Easter Egg Hunt last Saturday. Approximately 70 kids took part and everyone found some eggs filled with candy. Joe Pinto and Nevin Lonergan both found a "Golden Egg" which they traded in for a full Easter Basket!

**Volunteers** - Thanks to everyone who volunteered during the month of March. Forty youth volunteers contributed over 70 hours of service to the club. Tashiana Wolfe was the top volunteer with seven hours!

## ★ TEEN CENTER

**Adventure Challenge** - Congratulations to Geoffrey Ferreira, Billy Walsh, John Fabiano, Brandon Swales and Sean Rae, who completed their Adventure Challenge group last Saturday. These guys literally "learned the ropes" and were climbing all over the club gym on the ropes course. It was the local sequel to Cliff Hanger, starring Billy, the Answer Man, Brandon Belayer Extraordinaire, Spider Man Sean, Geometric Geoff and the truly Fabulous Fabiano.

Later, these climbers were joined by past Adventure Challenge grads Samuel Ruiz, John Castro, Ryan Mainey, Phil O'Neil,



"BEST YEAR" students enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon of laughter and excitement playing bingo recently at the club. Winning just about every game was Jon "Jackpot" Jones. Pictured left to right are Brian Mahan, John Burke, John Burns, Pedro Santana, Donald Twomey, Chris McGrath, "Jackpot" Jones and Steven Awbrey.

Michael Kelly, Ryan Connolly and newcomer John Garvey. Mr. Connolly, unfortunately, was not able to stay with us due to previous "commitments," and missed the daring exploits of his comrades, such as Mr. Castro's blindfolded leap to the trapeze and his and Mr. O'Neil's 180 jumps to the same trapeze. And, as for Sean Noonan, there's a basketball with your name on it in the Cabin Room.

## ★ PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**Nate Hurwitz Basketball Tourney** - The tournament is ending soon with some of the strongest teams in the area matching up. The boys 19 & under semi-finals on April 8 will match BABC vs. Greater Bos-

ton II and Greater Boston I vs. Metro West AAU. Both of these games promise to be great as well as all the other semi-final games leading up to our finals on April 10. So stop by and pick up one of Sharon's "Hurwitz Hot Dogs" before they are gone for the year.

**Golf Lessons** - Once again the Physical Education Department will try to run golf lessons for kids ages 9 to 12 in the gym. Our last session in the fall was cut short due to vandalism, but hopefully our net will stick around and help with some of our kids' handicaps. If you are interested, call Derek or Stephen in the gym for more information.

## POP WARNER CORNER



### Registration

Registration for the upcoming 1997 season will be held on Friday, May 9, from 5 to 7 p.m., and Saturday, May 10, from noon to 3 p.m., at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St. The annual fee has been increased from \$40 to \$50 per player or cheerleader and \$10 for each additional family member. This compares to \$125 to \$300 per player in the programs throughout the league. We are doing our best to keep the cost of participation at an affordable level. The

program will provide bus transportation to away games this year.

### Coaching Opportunities

The Charlestown Pop Warner program has head coaching and assistant coaching positions available for the 1997 season. This is a great opportunity for local, current and former high school football players to gain coaching experience and apply your knowledge of the game. Interviews of prospective candidates will be conducted during the next six weeks prior to registration.

Anyone interested in coaching should apply in writing to: Charlestown Pop Warner, 334A Main St., Charlestown, MA 02129.

### Home Field Issue

The all-important meeting regarding the league opposing Charlestown High School as our home field has been scheduled for Thursday, April 10 in Randolph. There is no common ground as far as we are concerned.

- Pop Warner Board of Directors

## Money Matters

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### HOW DIVORCE AFFECTS YOUR TAXES (PART 2)

The prior column, Part 1, discussed the importance of tax planning in a divorce settlement. This is especially true if you sell your house just before or during the divorce. Failure to plan ahead, or even choosing the wrong filing status, can result in a tax headache.

Normally you can defer paying capital gains tax when you sell your principal residence if within two years you buy a new house costing at least as much as the sales price of the old. If, however, you divorce soon after the sale, each spouse will be liable for tax on one-half of the gain unless you each buy a house costing more than one-half of the sale proceeds. If only one of you buys a new house, the other spouse will still be liable for his or her share of the gain. And if you filed a joint return in the year of the sale, the IRS can seek to collect the tax from either spouse, regardless of any agreements you may have made in the divorce settlement. For this reason, it may be advisable to file separate income tax returns in the year you sell a principal residence.

Another problem can arise if you separate before selling your house. In this case, one spouse may no longer be able to claim the house as a principal residence and may be liable for his or her share of capital gains tax if he or she buys a replacement house.

Couples over age 55 who sell a home during a divorce should also think carefully before using their one-time exclusion of \$125,000 to avoid capital gains tax. If they use the exclusion before they divorce, neither of them can use it again, even if they remarry and the new spouse has never used the exclusion.

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## Crowley Participates In Evacuation From Albania

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jay P. Crowley of Charlestown, recently participated in the evacuation of nearly 900 American and foreign citizens from Albania. Crowley is assigned to the amphibious transport dock USS Nashville, homeported in Norfolk, Virginia.

Helicopters and boats from Crowley's ship evacuated citizens from the US

Embassy in Tirana, Albania. Civil unrest plunged the country into anarchy, forcing hundreds of citizens to flee the country.

USS Nashville and the dock landing ship, USS Pensacola, were already deployed to the Adriatic. As the situation in Albania worsened, the US Ambassador there recommended the evacuation of Americans.

Amphibious ships, like the USS Nashville, are forward deployed around the world to maintain a US presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis. Sailors and Marines like Crowley are often the first to arrive in situations ranging from humanitarian efforts to combat operations.

Crowley, a 1988 graduate of Everett High School, joined the Navy in 1991.

## Urquhart Honored By Cablevision As 'Extra Help Student of the Month'

Ian Urquhart of Charlestown, a senior at Charlestown High School, was chosen as the "Extra Help Student of the Month" for February by Cablevision of Boston.

Extra Help, Cablevision's live call-in show that helps students with their tough homework problems, recognized Urquhart for his academic strengths, his many extra-curricular activities and his support for his school and community. A recent Extra Help show featured a highlight piece of Urquhart at school and a live presentation with Henry Ferris, general manager, Cablevision of Boston.

"Cablevision is proud to honor an exceptional student like Ian," said Ferris. "He's bright, ambitious and a role model for our

viewing audience."

"Ian epitomizes what a student athlete should be," said Urquhart's basketball coach Jack O'Brien. "His biggest strength is his consistency - consistency in his studies and in his sports. Ian is a hard worker and this honor is certainly well-deserved."

Along with being a great student and playing on the Charlestown High basketball team, Urquhart works part-time at Sorrelle's bakery, and is a member of his school's Mock Trial Team.

He just returned from a school trip to Washington, DC, where he interacted with students from around the country as well as learned about the political system. Urquhart hopes to attend Bates College in

Maine this fall.

Extra Help is a live TV homework hotline that provides students with after-school homework help in dozens of subjects from Boston Public School teachers. Extra Help can be seen live every Monday through Wednesday, from 3 to 7 p.m. on Cablevision's Channel A-21.

If you know of a student who would be a good candidate for the Extra Help Student of the Month, please contact, in writing, producer Nicole St. Germain at 179 Amory St., Brookline, Mass. 02146, or by FAX at 731-9668. Include the student's name, school, grade and why they should be Student of the Month. The award is based on grades, extracurricular activities, volunteer work and community or positive spiritual involvement.

## Special Olympics To Hold Sailing Training

On Sunday, April 6, Mass. Special Olympics will hold a training school for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer sailing coach.

The training session will be conducted by certified

Special Olympics coaches at the Courageous Sailing Center in the Charlestown Navy Yard. The session will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will provide an overview of the Special Olympics Sailing Program

as well as a model training session with Special Olympics athletes. There is a \$10 fee to attend.

For further information or to register, call George Kent at 1-508-774-1501, ext. 228.

## Charlestown Little League News

### Registration & Tryouts

The next registration for Little League will be held at the Ryan Park on Saturday, April 5 and Sunday, April 6 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on both days. You must register to try out. Minor leaguers must register on these dates.

Major leaguers must also register on these dates, if you aren't registered, you will not be allowed to practice or play until you do so. Registration forms can be picked up at The Red Store, corner of Bunker Hill and

Monument streets.

Please note: In the event of rain or snow, the registration and tryouts will be held on Saturday, April 12 and Sunday, April 13 - same time, same place.

### Our Thanks

Charlestown Little League Board of Directors would like to thank Peter Looney, Bill McCabe, Jim "Stretch" Walsh, John Dillon, Judy Evers, Amy Chardavoyne and Boston Parks and Recreation Commissioner Justine Liff for their help and cooperation

in fixing up the clubhouse and bathroom facility. It is greatly appreciated.

The league would like to thank John Russo of Awards Unlimited for a job well done on the trophies for the banquet. Also, thank you to Charlestown Youth Hockey and the Bryan McGonagle committee for allowing us to conduct our registration at the rink. Thanks also goes out to the Philippi family, the Foley family, the McCarthy family and Gertrude Brown for their generous donations.

### Scholarship Applications Available

#### OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are available for two \$1,000 Old Charlestown Schoolboys' Association scholarships. In order to be eligible for the scholarship, the boy or girl must be a senior in high school, be a resident of Charlestown for 10 or more years, complete a scholarship application, enclose a copy of his or her high school transcript and at least three letters of recommendation, preferably from references listed on the scholarship application. The new second scholarship, named the Palledoes Athletic Scholarship, has the same procedure for submitting applications.

Applications are at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, and at the Charlestown High School office, 240 Medford St. Completed applications should be returned by April 19 to one of the above locations.

Scholarship winners must be present at the reunion dinner on May 8 or the runners-up will receive the scholarship awards.

#### WINIFRED TALBOT DUFFY SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is given annually by the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls' Association through a contribution by James Duffy in memory of his wife. The \$500 award is presented to a young woman who has been a permanent resident of Charlestown for at least 10 years and who has completed her freshman year at a four-year college.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square or by writing to the OCSGA Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 276, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

The deadline for the submission of completed applications is April 25. The winner will be selected in a random drawing at the Schoolgirls' reunion on May 2.

#### MICHAEL P. QUINN SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being accepted for the 1997 Michael Patrick Quinn Scholarship which will be for \$2,500 for the recipient's first year of college only. To be eligible, you must be a Charlestown resident for the past four years and graduate with your high school class of 1997. The application deadline is May 1.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, or by calling 242-5493, 242-5445.

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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



## ♣ Easter In Milwaukee . . .

Two hours from Chicago, one hour and a half from the state capital of Madison, and two hours from Green Bay, here I am in Milwaukee. Whoever figured I'd be spending Easter here on the shores of Lake Michigan. Whoever figured I would be attending Easter services at a beautiful 150-year-old "Old St. Mary's" Catholic church, a few pews behind a person sporting his Green Bay Packer jacket, thanking the good Lord for all he has given and remembering each of you in a special way.

As I write this, I am in the air flying from Milwaukee to St. Louis to Boston, remembering a beautiful weekend, a great experience. This was my second trip to Milwaukee and this year I enjoyed it even more. Maybe it was the familiarity. (This patch of turbulence is rather exciting), maybe it was the rekindling of some pleasant memories, or maybe it was the accomplishment of some wild goals, which will be easily spotted in this Bob D's Beat. I had a great time. Friendships were made even stronger this weekend, and many of the threads that tie Bob D's Beat together each week took on new dimensions and continue to bind us even when we are away from home. As we approach a twinkling St. Louis, whoever thinks that life is not worth living is totally wrong!

♣ **Badger-Land . . .** Education has always been a mainstay of Bob D's Beat, and it will always be stressed here. The importance of getting a good education is a must, and I've said many times, the more you know, the more you grow. With this in mind, my friends at Boston College and at BC High will be happy to know that I spent part of a day walking around the campus of Marquette University, a Jesuit-founded school right in Milwaukee, and I took an even more interesting stroll around the campus of Wisconsin University - the home of the Badgers.

I thought our UMass-Amherst was big, Wisconsin



PLAYING ON THE PARQUET at the FleetCenter in the recent Youth Basketball Clinic was a group of enthusiastic Townies. TOP TOW: At the left is "Charlestown Pride" . . . In the center is hoop star Nicole Matson . . . On the right is who else but Larry Bird. BOTTOM ROW: At the left is Jon Jones . . . In the center is Andrew Brennan . . . On the right is Ed Loan with daughters Lisa and Kerryn. (photos by Ed Loan)

is unbelievable. I now understand why they call the Big Ten, the Big Ten. Standing inside historic Rawdel Field, the football stadium that hosts 70,000 wild Wisconsin fans on Saturday in the fall, was something absolutely amazing. I never thought I would be standing there, but I was. I really wished that football guru Danny Ryan was there, because he would have been even more awestruck than I. I also relearned at Wisconsin U that the world is really a small place.

♣ **Pro Line . . .** It was a bit different looking through the Milwaukee Sentinel and Chicago Tribune to catch up on the activities of our favorite teams and players. Florida has clinched a playoff berth and their 1-1 tie with Tampa Bay gives them a 33-25-18 record for 85 points, and the fourth spot in the Eastern Conference race. In the Western Conference, Phoenix has yet to clinch, but

the Coyotes should in the next few days. Keith Tkachuk has 46 goals and 29 assists for 75 points. Only three teams have clinched playoff spots in the west.

Baseballs are in the air and the umpire has called, "play ball." With the season officially begun, it was very interesting for me to get a glimpse at County Stadium, home of the Milwaukee Brewers, soon to be replaced by \$250 million Miller Park. As you might guess, the Brewers are the talk of the town, and Jeff McGann should note that if he's looking for Yankee tickets, to head to Milwaukee. A redeemable coupon in the newspaper boasted Yankee-Brewer tickets for April 16 and 17 - \$2 for bleachers; \$3 for general admission; \$4 upper grandstand; all 50% off the regular price! Four tickets per coupon.

Good luck to Jimmy Vesey on the official opening of "The Rack."

♣ **Comet Break! . . .** Looking out the window the famed, and much read, written about comet Hale-Bop, is in full view. It's a glorious sight from this vantage point. I never saw a comet before! The stars are twinkling and the sky is just right for this spectacular sight. This planetarium show is live!

♣ **Townies At The Fleet Again! . . .** Speaking of stars, what a perfect sequel, Charlestown hoop star Nicole Matson and a few of our other stars spent a great day at the FleetCenter, and a few more found themselves "playing on the parquet." Thanks to photographer Eddie Loan, we have a few more photos for our family album. The event was the Boston Globe - Boston Celtic Youth Basketball Clinic.

♣ **Mayor's Youth Summit . . .** Word to the wise, if you're looking for a summer job, you should attend the annual Mayor's Youth Summit this Saturday, April 5 at Boston

Latin School. It's a good place to start. The Youth Summit has become an annual rite of spring. Call the Community Center at 635-4920 for details.

♣ **It's A Small World . . .** Here I am at the University of Wisconsin, and I go into the Shell Field House to call a cab and the stunned look of the attendant caught me by surprise. As I got closer to the desk, I was the one most stunned. I knew this guy and he knew me. Tommy Zaramba was a Christopher Columbus High Grad, class of 1987. After a stint in the military, he decided to pursue his degree at UW. A small world - this tops it!

♣ **College Board . . .** The main objective in visiting Milwaukee was to see the NCAA Division One Ice Hockey Final Four. This year marks the 50th anniversary of college hockey and between periods of the championship game, Jack O'Callahan was honored as a mem-

ber of the Golden Anniversary Team. The Final Four was outstanding hockey. The BU Terriers were defeated in the finals by North Dakota 6-4, having knocked out the nation's number one team, Michigan 3-2 on Thursday. No trip next year - the 51st Hockey Final Four will be held at the FleetCenter.

♣ **Mayor's Youth Council . . .** Applications are now available for the Mayor's Youth Council. Interested juniors and seniors should apply. This is a program that will open many doors for the right people. Application deadline is April 18. Call 635-4490 for details.

♣ **Tidbits . . .** Jimmy Yandle and Mike O'Malley are starting their own Blue Man group . . . Mike Sweeney is sorry to hear that the great gateway arch in St. Louis isn't a MacDonald's . . . Chicken - Soup . . . Countdown: 16 days!

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viduals the experience of traditional seafaring in New England waters.

In addition to its local programs, the vessel voyages from Nova Scotia to the Caribbean for the winter after spending the spring and summer in the northeast, sailing from its base at the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The New England Historic Seaport, now under new management, is a non-profit subsidiary of Schools for Children, an Arlington-based not-for-profit that provides a wide variety of alternative education programs.

For further information about fees and reservations, call 242-1414.

State Treasurer Joe Malone announced that the Treasurer's Office has compiled a list of individuals and organizations who have money waiting for them under the commonwealth's abandoned property law, and that it is available for viewing for the first time on the World Wide Web. The Web address for computer users is [www.state.ma.us/treasury/](http://www.state.ma.us/treasury/)

"This year, over \$85 million has been turned over to my office as unclaimed property," Malone said. "I urge every citizen to check the abandoned property listing because we are eager to return all of this money to its rightful

## State Treasury Seeks To Return \$85 Million In Unclaimed Property

owners." Under Mass. abandoned property law, accounts which have been inactive for more than three years are declared abandoned and turned over to the Treasurer's Office.

Unclaimed property consists of any financial asset that has not had any owner-generated activity for an extended period of time. This includes savings accounts, checking accounts, unpaid wages or commissions, stocks, underlying shares, uncashed dividends, customer deposits or overpayments, certificates of deposit, credit balances, refunds, money orders, paid-up life insur-

ance policies and uncashed benefits checks.

In accordance with the Mass. Unclaimed Property Act, property becomes "unclaimed" when there is no owner-generated activity on a financial asset for a three year period, 15 years in the case of travelers checks.

Under the law, the "holders" (banks, insurance companies, businesses, etc.) must make a determined effort to locate the true owner. If they are unsuccessful, they are to report the names and last known addresses of the owners to the Treasurer's Office, where additional efforts are made to locate

the owners. The money is then deposited in the General Fund. There is no time limit on claiming abandoned property. Owners and their heirs need not pay a finder's fee to anyone to claim what rightfully belongs to them. All funds accrue interest until claimed.

Anyone who see their name on the unclaimed property list may call the Treasurer's Office at 367-0400, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. When calling, respondents should give the name as it appears on the list, plus current address, address three years ago, social security number and daytime telephone number.

## Charlestown Community Centers

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◆ **Family Fun Night** - Thanks to the 25 kids who participated in Family Fun Night last Friday. The kids had a great time decorating Easter Baskets, which they later used for the Easter Egg Hunt. The Charlie Brown classic, *The Easter Beagle*, was shown.

Thanks to all the parents who helped out, and a special thanks to Judy Clough for volunteering her time and for bringing the baked goods. Judy, your help was greatly appreciated.

◆ **Summer Jobs** - The city of Boston's Hopeline opens on Monday, April 14. Youth interested in a Red Shirt or CBO job this summer should call the Hopeline at 635-4673. You must be between the ages of 14 and 17 and be a resident of the city of Boston. The Hopeline schedule is as follows:

April 14 - 19:  
Monday through Thursday, 3 to 8 p.m.

Friday, 3 to 6 p.m.  
Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
April 22 - 25:  
Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
May 12 - 16:  
Monday and Tuesday, 3 to 8 p.m.;  
Wednesday through Friday, 3 to 6 p.m.

Anyone who has Massport applications must return them to Massport by Monday, April 14.

◆ **Swim Team** - Congratulations to Jennifer Swales and the members of the swim team as they wrapped up their season Saturday with a tri-meet against Nashua and Woburn. Despite not making the trip to New Jersey this past weekend, the kids deserve a pat on the back for their extra effort and the fine season they had.

◆ **Community Tax Aid** - Just a reminder that the last night of tax preparation will be Wednesday, April 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

## It's A Boy . . .

John and Maryann Yandle of Gardner, formerly of Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their son, John Patrick, at 5:35 p.m. on March 13, at the Hayward Hospital in Gardner. He weighed 7 pounds 9 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The maternal grandfather is James "Huck" Feeley of Everett.

John Patrick was welcomed home by his big sister, Danielle, age 6.

Mrs. Yandle is the former Maryann Feeley.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor must be signed and include name, address and telephone number for verification. The name will be withheld if the writer so requests. Anonymous letters will NOT be published.



## Thank You So Much!

I would like to thank everyone who supported me and gave me the courage and strength to get through my surgery. I couldn't believe all of the flowers, cards, gifts and phone calls I received, and all of the people who stopped by to visit.

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• **Foxwoods Overnight Trip** - A two-day, one night trip to Foxwoods and the Mohegan Sun is planned for May 13 and 14 for just \$99 per person. This package contains lots of extras!

For more information, please call Snuggles at 635-5175.

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**Tuesday, April 8**  
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10 a.m. - Plastic Embroidery  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch

**Wednesday, April 9**  
9:15 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop

**Thursday, April 10**  
9 a.m. - Coffee  
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**Monday, April 7**  
8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10 a.m. - Seniorobics  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch  
12:30 p.m. - Bingo

**Tuesday, April 8**  
8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10:30 a.m. - Hispanic Coffee Hour

**Wednesday, April 9**  
8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10 a.m. - Healthy Exercise +  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch  
12:30 p.m. - Bingo

**Thursday, April 10**  
8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
9:30 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop  
9:30 a.m. - Drop-In/Goal Setting Group  
5 p.m. - Drop-In/Goal Setting Group

#### PLAN AHEAD

April 22 - Healthy Charlestown  
April 28 - Beans & Beano at 4 p.m. at 55 Bunker Hill St. The cost is \$5. Call to sign up.

*Happy April Birthday to Margaret Boyle, Rose Chalifoux, Anna Carey, Dot Collins, Charlotte Connors, Frank Egan, Mae Hart, Ann Kavanaugh, Anna Roche, Charles Tomkewicz and Rose Walsh.*



# THE CHARLESTOWN POLICE LINE

For more information regarding arrested individuals, contact Community Service Officer Bill Smith, 343-4627

From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway, Commander, District A-1, Boston Police Department

**Monday, March 24**

A woman stated that her motor vehicle was scratched when it was parked on Walker Street.

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke into his store in the Bunker Hill Mall. Nothing was reported stolen.

**Tuesday, March 25**

A man reported that person(s) unknown stole a cellular phone from his car which was parked on First Avenue.

Members of the Drug Control Unit arrested two males and one female on Dunstable Street on drug charges and warrants.

A woman stated that person(s) unknown broke into her car, which was parked on Chestnut Street, and stole a radar detector.

A man reported that person(s) unknown scratched the right side of his motor vehicle which was parked on Bunker Hill Street.

A man stated that person(s) unknown broke into his Medford Street apartment and stole a CD stereo and two Brooks Brothers men's suits.

**Wednesday, March 26**

A report was taken that person(s) unknown broke into

offices on Eighth Street and stole computers.

Police arrested a female on Old Landing Way on a default warrant.

**Thursday, March 27**

Police, fire and EMTs responded to Old Landing Way on a drug overdose. The victim was transported to Mass. General Hospital.

A man reported that he was assaulted on Moulton Street by a male who fled the area.

**Friday, March 28**

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke into his car that was parked on West School Street and stole the radio.

A man stated that person(s) unknown stole a black pit bull dog from his yard on Arlington Street.

A man reported that person(s) unknown threw a beer bottle through the windshield of his car that was parked on Eden Street.

Police arrested two males on Dunstable Street on outstanding warrants.

Police arrested a male for shoplifting at the Store 24 on Main Street.

**Saturday, March 29**

Police were notified by an unknown male that there were

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drugs behind the gas station in City Square. Police found three glassine bags of what is believed to be cocaine.

Police arrested a male for stealing a motor vehicle on Washington Street.

A woman reported that person(s) unknown broke into her motor vehicle that was parked on Main Street. Nothing was reported taken.

**TIARA To Meet On April 11**  
 The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a business meeting followed by a program on Friday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall at Boston College.  
 This month's program will feature John McColgin PhD., an archivist at the city of Boston Archives.  
 Prior to the regular meeting, the TIARA computer user's group will meet at 6 p.m. in Room 304. This month's session will feature Christine Donoghue, who will demonstrate Broderbund's database, "Family Tree Maker" available in both Mac and Windows versions.  
 TIARA is an organization of amateur, family and professional researchers who meet to exchange information about Irish family history. There is no admission charge and the public is welcome.

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 • **Snoopy! Opens Tomorrow!**  
 CWT's Junior Players' production of *Snoopy!* opens tomorrow, Friday, April 4, at 8 p.m. Showtimes are Friday and Saturday, April 4 and 5 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 6 at 4 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, April 11 and 12 at 8 p.m.; and Sunday, April 13 at 4 p.m. Tickets for *Snoopy!* are \$10 with group discounts available for groups of 10 or more. Call the theater for more information. This show is made possible through the dedication of the CWT youth program workers and volunteer effort. Please support the show!  
 • **Charlestown Chorale**  
 Christina Wilhelm will be heading up Charlestown's first adult community chorale. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. at the theater. The chorale is open to ages 15 and older, and all levels are encouraged to attend, particularly beginners. If you are interested, please call the theater.  
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## Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

A fisherman's wife uses his wishes greedily in "The Fisherman and his Wife" . . . Patrick's music makes the countryside more beautiful in "Patrick" . . . and

Jessie's toys mysteriously disappear in "There's Something in my Attic."

Amos, the church mouse, assists Ben Franklin in "Ben and Me," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **There's Something in my Attic** by Mercer Mayer and **Patrick** by Quentin Blake.

## English As A Second Language Conversation Groups

The Charlestown Branch Library at 179 Main St. will be hosting conversation groups for adults learning English during the months of April and May.

The group is open to all levels of ability and provides an opportunity to practice speaking English

aloud. The groups will meet on Mondays, as follows: April 14, April 28, May 5 and May 19. All sessions will be from 7 to 8 p.m. Trained tutors will be present each evening to assist the conversation.

Please spread the word!



## Paul Revere's Midnight Ride – Separating The Facts From The Myths

On Monday, April 21, Patriot's Day, Mass. residents commemorate the 222nd anniversary of Paul Revere's midnight ride and the battles at Lexington and Concord which followed. While nearly every American knows that Revere made a ride at the beginning of the Revolution, few are aware of the ride's purpose or what actually happened on that fateful night. To help separate fact from myth, Patrick Leehy, research director at the Paul Revere House, in collaboration with the museum's research department, has written a book *What Was the Name of Paul Revere's Horse? 20 Questions about Paul Revere – Asked and Answered*, soon to be published by the Paul Revere Memorial Association. Excerpts from the book focusing on Revere's ride follow:

### Was Paul Revere the only midnight rider?

By no means. An unknown number of riders, at least several dozen, spread the word of the British advance on the night of April 18-19, 1775. The best known of these riders, Paul Revere and William Dawes, were sent to Lexington, Mass., by separate routes, to warn patriot leaders Samuel Adams and John Hancock that British regular troops were marching to arrest them.

Dawes left Boston first but arrived in Lexington later than Revere because he took the longer land route out Boston Neck and around Back Bay to the south before turning north again. Revere took a shorter route directly across the Charles River by boat to Charlestown. Along the way, both Revere and Dawes were to "alarm" the countryside, which they accomplished not by racing through each town crying out the alarm (which would have accomplished little beyond getting them captured very quickly), but by stopping at each house. Other riders then carried the news to outlying villages and farms . . .

Revere arrived in Lexington a few minutes past midnight, and approached the house where Adams and Hancock were lodged. When a sentry challenged him and requested that he not make so much noise, Revere replied, "Noise! You'll have noise enough before long. The regulars are coming out!"

After delivering his message, Revere was joined by

Dawes; the two men decided to continue on to Concord, where arms and provisions for the colonial militia had been collected. Along the road they were overtaken by Dr. Samuel Prescott, a local man whom they recognized as a "High Son of Liberty." Soon afterward all three were stopped by a patrol that had captured other riders some time earlier. Prescott escaped almost immediately, jumping his horse over a fence and disappearing into the woods. Familiar with the local terrain, Prescott was the only one of the three to reach Concord that night.

According to tradition, Dawes managed to elude his pursuers by means of a ruse, making it appear that he had arranged an ambush. Revere, an experienced express rider who was probably well-known to his captors, was held for some time, questioned and released. Deprived of his horse, Revere returned to Lexington on foot in time to witness part of the skirmish on Lexington Green.

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### Did Paul Revere finish his midnight ride?

Both Revere's and Dawes' primary objective was to contact Samuel Adams and John Hancock in Lexington. It appears that they were given a fairly specific, perhaps written, message to deliver to the patriot leaders [which they did]. In addition, the two riders were supposed to "alarm" the countryside as they went. A third objective was almost certainly to continue on to Concord to verify that the "Colony Stores" – provisions and ammunition for the Mass. militia – were safely dispersed and hidden.

The fact that they might have been halted at any point was assumed by both men. They were well aware that many British officers were patrolling the roads that night for the specific purpose of intercepting messengers like themselves.

The alarm system devised by the patriots, and set into motion by Revere and Dawes, was specifically designed to insure that the capture of any one rider would not keep the alarm from being sounded. The mission was too important to leave to one rider alone, even one as experienced and trustworthy as Paul Revere.

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## Shannon Appointed Probation Officer

Carolyn Wrenn Shannon of Charlestown has been appointed a probation officer at the Chelsea division of the District Court Department, effective March 3.

Prior to her appointment to the Mass. Trial Court, Shannon was employed by Boston Community Centers as program director. In her capacity as program director, Shannon supervised a large field staff, developed the budget and planned city-wide events for the

program which offered services to over 25 community centers in Greater Boston. Prior to her work there, Shannon served as the program supervisor for Charlestown Community Centers.

Shannon holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Boston University. She has served as chairperson for the annual Mayor's Youth Summit and is a past recipient of the city of Boston Peace Award and Distinguished Citizen Award.

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Thank you, Carolyn, for the champagne and the book about Charlestown.

I'm slowly getting settled in, and I think it will take another week or so before the reality of it being my own place will set in, and I'll really enjoy it. Thanks for all your help.

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