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## Charlestown Artists Taking Part In City Hall Exhibit



PICTURED ABOVE are seven of 19 Charlestown artists whose art works are now on display in a

special exhibit at Boston City Hall entitled Community Arts Connection. (photo by Maria Girvin

had work selected for this show. This exhibit is a major collaborative project of the Neighborhood Arts Councils, who were responsible for the selection of the works, and the Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs, which

sponsored the reception.

"COMMUNITY ARTS CON-NECTION" has been successful in helping the Neighborhood Arts Councils afford more artists the opportunity to display their

Charlestown resident and artist

Frank Tagen was one of the

many artists present at the

opening reception for "COM-ARTS

NECTION", a special exhibition

on display through February 27th in the Main Gallery of Boston

City Hall. Tagen, who also has an

oil painting on display in the Bunker Hill Museum was one of

twenty Charlestown artists who

works and more local residents the opportunity to see and enjoy Charlestown Artists taking part in this exhibit are:

Erik Anderson - 30 Harvard Street, Patricia Andreotti - 22 Belmont Street, Ken Beck - 3 Avon Place, Ruth Boyce - 94 A Bartlett Street, Alf Braconier - 38 Mead Street, Joan Caplin - 18 Wall Street, Joseph Connolly - 37 Eden Street, Bonni Knight - 60 Soley Street, Samuel Knight - 16 Cedar Street, Renee Koller - 3 Mount Vernon Street, Joan Lacey - 16 Union Street, Joan Poe - 27 Mount Vernon Street, Sandy Swan - 116 Main Street, Frank Tagen - 22 Essex Street, John Walsh - 2 Concord Street, Wynne Weinreb -10 Monument Square, John Whalen - 3 Salem Street Avenue, Marcus Winder - 6 Monument Square and Sandy Zallen - 116 Main Street.

## **Employment Agreement Outlined**

The Charlestown Navy Yard agreement is but a first step in the very important direction of improving employment opportunities for Charlestown residents. It provides a framework of cooperation in the pursuit of what are assumed to be the common goals of the signatories. But in the final analysis, its meaning will be realized only in its implementation, which involves significant responsibilities for the Charlestown neighborhood to organize and respond to opportunities as we are informed of

This is the task in which we are now involved and about which we will keep the community informed. It will involve coor-dination of the efforts of the Kennedy Center, as well as Little City hall and other neighborhood and organizations, cooperation and support of interested residents. And it would be impossible in this article to project precisely how that will be

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effected. But, in general, it is fair to say that employment opportunities at the Navy Yard will include up to 300 construction jobs, the first of which will be available in perhaps sixty to ninety days; and up to 1,700 operational jobs after construction, the first of which should be available in some eighteen to twenty-four months, according to current estimates. And with respect to these opportunities, a word of caution is in order:

Most jobs will not be available immediately but will be created gradually as the redevelopment progresses.

All jobs will not go to Charlestown residents, although preference for Charlestown residents will be given.

Particularly in the construction phase, most or all job opportunities will require trade union affiliation. Under those circumstances, it will be our objective to at least employ all unemployed construction trade

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union members in Charlestown, and to insure greater access to union apprenticeship programs by Charlestown residents. But it would be unrealistic to expect a significant waiver of trade union affiliation requirements in the Navy Yard project, particularly given the recent history of unemployment in the construction trades

With these words of caution and a request for patience and assistance in our efforts, we look forward to a productive working relationship among the com-munity and the City and the Redevelopment Authority and the developers. With your informed support, we are sure that we can optimize neighborhood benefits in both employment and commercial areas from that important project.

## **Historical Society To Meet**

The Charlestown Historical Society will meet on Monday evening, February 26, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bunker Hill Museum on 43 Monument Square

Professor Robert Bell will speak on "Puritanism: The Force That Created Boston.' Professor Bell is Chairman of the History and Government Department at Bunker Hill Community College. The subject is particularly appropriate since John Winthrop and his followers arrived in Charlestown in 1629-350 years ago. One year later, Winthrop and a majority of his group crossed the river and founded Boston.

Non-members are cordially invited to attend what should be an interesting meeting.

Mon O'Shea President

#### Free Ice Skating Lessons

Mayor Kevin H. White in conjunction with the Boston Parks and Recreation Department has announced that provided there's ice there will be skating lessons on the pond in the Public Gardens every weekend during the winter. The basic figure skating lessons taught by Christine Yannetty, are for

everyone from the young to the young-at-heart and will be available every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 noon to 4:00

For more information, please call Dorothy M. Curran, Director of Recreation at 725-4008.

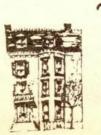
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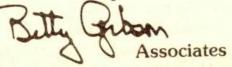
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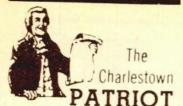




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#### Coin Facts

The first coin minted by the United State Mint was a Half Dime in 1792 and later in 1794 minted as a Half Dime and was discontinued in 1873. (courtesy of Badger Coin)

## Charlestown Community Calendar

Thursday, February 22

Teen Night At The Library - 6:00 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library Friday, February 23

Under 18 Disco — 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. - St. Catherine's Hall

Saturday, February 24

Daughters of Isabella No. 1. Installation of Officers - 7:30 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Open House Merchants Mall - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - One Thompson Square.

Sunday, February 25

Tea Time at the Kent - noon to 4 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Monday, Fdbruary 26

Adult Film Program - 2:00 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library Charlestown Historical Society - 7:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square

Tuesday, February 27

Films For Children - 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - Charlestown Branch

Wednesday, February 28

Puppet Club - 3:30 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library.

Thursday, March 1

Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library meeting - 7:00 p.m. at library - speaker, Joseph A. Glynn, Jr. will lecture on Irish Genealogy

Parents' Discussion Group-10 a.m.-Charlestown Branch Library Pre-school Story Hour - 10 a.m. - Charlestown Branch Library

Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Annual Corned Beef Dinner - 7:30 p.m. -K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Friday, March 9.

Pop Warner Awards Banquet - 7:30 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Friday, March 23

Annual Law & Order Awards Banquet - 7:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L., 27 Chestnut St.

Saturday, March 24

10th Annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner/ Dance - 6:15 p.m. St. Catherine's Hall.

## Solar Eclipse Visible On Monday

One of nature's most dramatic events, a solar eclipse, will occur on Monday, February 26. It will be a total eclipse in a path from the Pacific Ocean crossing the Northwestern United States, and partial in virtually all the rest of the continental U.S.

The Mass. Society for the Prevention of Blindness, Inc., warns that watching the eclipse can be dangerous, and advises precautionary measures. Following, the last total eclipse seen in the U.S. (March 7, 1970), 145 cases of eye injury were reported in a National Society for the Prevention of Blindness

survey, 121 of them eclipse burns. Sixty percent of the casualties had looked at the sun directly with the naked eye. The remainder had tried to protect their eyes with various devices -sunglasses, totally exposed photographic negatives, smoked glass and welder's goggles.

MSPB Executive Director, Jane T. Nagle emphasizes that there is no recommended safe way to look at an eclipse directly, partial or total. Infra-red rays emitted by the sun can burn the retina, causing scarring and resulting in blind spots in the victim's vision. The retina is the light-sensitive layer of nerve cells at the back of the eye that transmits visual images to the

"Usually the sun's dazzling light naturally prevents people from looking directly at it, "Mrs.

Nagle Said, "but in a total eclipse, the moon slowly darkens that light, for brief minutes completely obscuring it. While the light dims, the sun is still emitting its invisible but burning infra-red rays, and since the retina is not pain-sensitive, a burn will not be noticed until the damage is done."

The Society recommends in-direct watching as the only safe way. The simplest indirect way is the "pinhole" method. Take two pieces of white cardboard, make a small hole in one, and with the sun at your back, focus the eclipse through the pinhole onto the second board.

The size of the image can be changed by altering the distance

between the cardboards. Older children and adults might use binoculars or a telescope as the projector, replacing the pinhole cardboard. With the sunlight at your back, position the instrument over your shoulder with the eyepiece down so that the light passing through it focuses on the white cardboard. Using either method, the circle of light on the cardboard will show the sun being slowly obscured by the moon as it passes between the earth and the sun. NEVER LOOK AT THE ECLIPSE THROUGH THE PINHOLE OR THROUGH BINOCULARS TELESCOPE! Photographers should also remember not to look at the sun through their camera

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## Library To Discuss Irish Genealogy

The next meeting of The Friends of The Charlestown Branch Library will be held Thursday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. The subject of the evening will be of great interest especially to those of Irish ancestry.

In keeping with the special March programs in observance of Irish History Month, the subject will be Irish Genealogy

and the speaker will be Joseph A. Glynn, Jr. of Newton.

Mr. Glynn conducts courses on Irish Genealogy at Emmanuel College and at Stonehill, and has lectured on this subject in the libraries at Holyoke, Waltham and Lawrence. In addition to being co-founder of the Irish Family Historical Society he has compiled the "Manual On Irish Genealogy'

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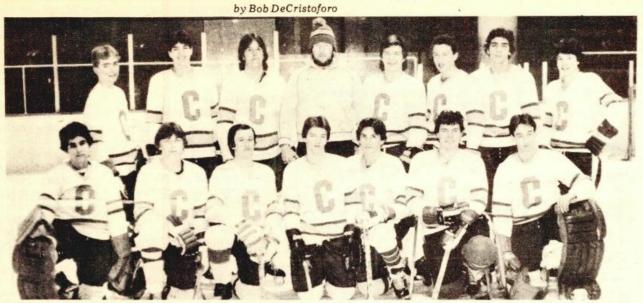
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#### Small Business

#### Conference

If you operate a small business and would like to acquire practical skills and better techniques to make your business succeed, then you are invited to participate in six conferences to be held in March. This program is co-sponsored by the Small Business Administration, the State Office of Minority Business Assistance and Bunker Hill Community College. Some of the topics include: Marketing Strategies, Promoting and Publicizing your Business, Advertising, Direct Mail, Why Customers Buy and Closing the

For further information and free literature, call Bunker Hill Community College at 241-8600.

#### Adult Film Program

"The Comedy Hour" with the films "Norman McLaren's Opening Speech", "The Sad Clowns", and "The Gold Rush" will be the feature of the Adult

Film Program Charlestown Branch Library on Monday afternoon, February 26, 1979 at 2:00 p.m.



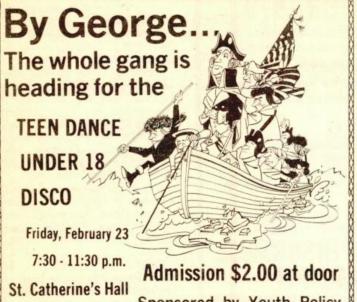


MEMBERS OF THE FRIAR Junior Varsity Team are: front row (l. to r.) Vin Capone, Doug Johnston, Ferruccio Romeo, Jim Greatorex (Charlestown), Gary Murray (Charlestown), Billy Babine (Charlestown), and Richard McDonald. Back row

Featuring D.J.

Dan McGoff

(l. to r.) Joe Sullivan (Charlestown), Bob Nee, Kevin McDonough, Coach Paul Gallivan, Pat Considine (Charlestown), Joe Keaney, Gary Mestone, and Bob Abbruzzese.



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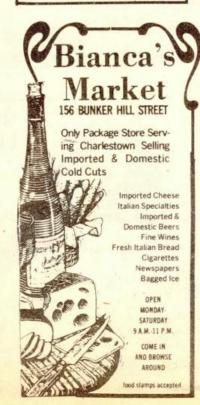
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## St. Catherine's Jottings

Hurray and Halleluiah! Another broken record! Our Penny Sale was a grand success thanks to so many enthusiastic workers and happy patrons. We extend our appreciation to all merchants, organizations and friends who donated gifts and prizes. A special note of thanks to Ann Regan and Pat Russell, our organizors, and to all fifth-grade mothers. Last but certainly not least we want to thank Sr. Franciana and her very special class of students who worked so hard to make it all possible.

As Lent approaches, St. Catherine's looks forward to the beginning of a new spiritual activity that promises to touch many lives in our community. A weekly Healing Service will be conducted by Brother Augustine Horkan of the Maryknoll Order. "Brother Gus" has become widely known for his work in the Healing Ministry and has just been given permission by his Maryknoll superiors to spend full time in this vital service to people. Many people have been helped by him who were troubled spiritually, emotionally and mentally. Brother Gus teaches and demonstrates how prayer and reliance on God's powerful help can bring peace, strength hope to many troubled people.

Everyone is invited to share in this wonderful faith experience each Sunday afternoon beginning March 4 at St. Catherine's Church at 2:30. A more complete explanation of what the healing service consists of, and what its purpose is, will be given at all Masses on March 4 weekend and at the services themselves.

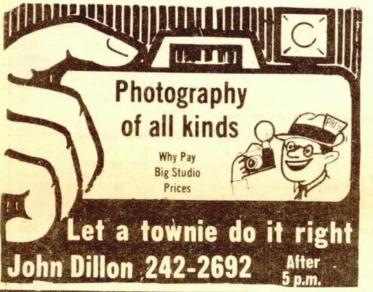
#### Spring **Boating Course**

Hub Division Five, U.S. Coast Guard a Auxiliary, has announced its Spring Boating Course schedule. Course locations nearest to the Charlestown community are:

Sailing Course (14 lessons) which convenes on March 7, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the USCG Base Boston, Building 8, 7th floor, 427 Commercial Street, Boston, Mass.

Boating Skills Course (13 lessons) which convenes on March 7, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. at the Curley Recreation Center, Day Boulevard at L Street, South Boston, Ma.

For more information contact, the Director of Auxiliary, U.S. Coast Guard, 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Ma. Telephone 223-





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#### What Is LNG?

"What is LNG?" is the topic of the Parents' Discussion Group of the Charlestown Branch Library on Friday morning, March 2, 1979 at 10:00 a.m. The Speaker will be a staff member of the Boston Gas Company.

Pre-schoolers are welcome to attend the story hour held at the same time. They must be at least three years of age.

#### Films For Children

The Film Program for Children at the Charlestown Branch Library will present "Ferdinand the Bull", the story of Ferdinand who would rather smell flowers than fight in the bull ring and "Noah's Journey", a poem narrating Noah's talk with the animals on Tuesday, February 27. This program will be a 10:30 a.m. for Pre-School Children and repeated at 3:30 p.m. for School Aged Children.

Book displays accompany these films and storytelling follows the 3:30 p.m. show.

## **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.

#### Task Force Speaks Out

To the tenants of the Bunker Hill Housing Project:

In the past two or three previous issues of the Patriot it seems that the Project always becomes a topic of conversation. On behalf of myself and the Task Force, I would like to clarify a few things

In the first place I would like you all to be assured that our Project is not going to be turned over to anyone. It seems that rumor has it that outside people want to take it over (The Kennedy Center, and even an Insurance Company). Again let me assure you that none of the aforementioned is true. If anything like that were going to happen, you, the tenants would be the first to know, because it would be your decision to make and no one elses.

We are in the process of trying to get funding in order to turn the whole place around. They are not going to write us off, because we would never let it happen. As your elected representatives, we are doing everything in our power to get the money we need to make our dream a reality.

They are working on the roofs now (weather permitting) and hopefully we will get all of them done. The next thing will be security doors and roof doors. We are also trying to keep and maintain our own Security Force. In conjunction with all of this we hope to get back the Rehab crews and continue getting apartments ready for new tenants, as well as some "break throughs" for larger families.

So as you can see we are not idle. All we need is your faith in us and in our new manager, Bob Mc-Nabb. He has been working very hard in behalf of all of us and has been our most valued asset toward the implementation of all of these projects. Bob not only relates very well to the Task Force, but he has faced just about every problem a manager could face with many obstacles in his way. However, if we all have patience and faith, we will come out of this with much better living conditions

If you have any questions, you need only call one of your Task Force members: Ed Sweeney, Chairman (241-9396); Cecelia Wagner, Co-Chairman; Martha Jones (241-9755); Beverly Johnson; Helen Sweeney; Faith Cate; Edna Boyle.

Edward B. Sweeney

#### **Announcing Camp Joy 1979**

Mayor Kevin H. White and Parks Commissioner Alan M. Austin announce that the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will once again conduct Camp Joy, its summer recreation program for children and adults with special needs. The Camp Joy program is conducted in July and August.

Applications are currently being accepted for the components which provide services for:

- 1. Mentally retarded campers, age seven (7) years through adult. Behaviorally handicapped campers, age seven (7) through eighteen (18) years.
- 3. Physically handicapped campers, age seven (7) through adult.
- 4. Multiple handicapped campers, age seven (7) through adult. 5. Pre-school special needs campers, ages three (3) through seven

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February 16, 1979 To The Editor:

"If You Lived

Here"

Luxury apartments in Bunker Hill Project? Certainly not for the present tenants!

Curiosity: Why is the Kennedy Center pushing a housing plan that inevitably will make it impossible for the present tenants to live there?

Perhaps they are aware that a "different class of people" will also bring about a different kind of voting return to the town.

We have become a town without personal any representation. Now we shall see the day when the blue collar worker has been put to the streets

Point to ponder: Charlestown destined to become just another West End? Then we could have our own sign on Bunker Hill Street "If you lived here, you'd be home now'

Thank you. Mr. McGoff



## Boys' Club News

by Charlie McGonagle

Believe it or not, Nate Hurwitz Basketball Tournament time is nearly upon us once again. The Hurwitz, which has been running for more than fifty years, is believed to be the oldest amateur basketball tournament in the nation. Over the years its format has been altered from time to time, but basically it has remained a showplace for future and professional hopefuls.

The senior, or Open Division, has annualy oozed with talent, with outstanding ex-collegians and, in some cases, exprofessionals dotting the team rosters.

It was not all that long ago when Joe Beaulieu, now of Boston College, Ronnie Perry of Holy Cross, Jimmy Sullivan of the University of Connecticut, and many other prominent high school stars of their time performed on the Boys Club court.

In an effort to put more emphasis on quality rather than quantity, the trend in recent years has been toward limiting the numer of entrants in each of the four divisions. There were vears when more than one hundred teams would compete in the Hurwitz, with the preliminary rounds being held on the three small courts running across the gym floor. Only those of us who experienced, first hand, those nights when horns, whistles, buzzers, and bells were used to control three games at one time, can appreciate the great strides the Hurwitz has taken in recent

Picture, if you will, two large cloth nets being dropped from the ceiling separating each of the courts. Between each court, where the nets were draped, there may have been three feet of out-of-bounds territory, this territory to be shared by teams playing on adjoining courts. Court number one would use a huge bell to start and stop action. It was driven by a dry cell battery which would quite frequently breath its last at a crucial point in a ball game. Court number two would use a metal horn from the scorer's table, while court number three operated on sound from an electric buzzer, whose cord was often accidentally kicked out by spectators crowded into limited space around the

Officials in each contest would, of course, use whistles, and even though teams were instructed beforehand as to the signalling device to be used (bell, horn, buzzer) to start and stop play on their court, a whistle from court number two could often stop play on courts one and three. It was not all that unusual for a player, driving unmolested toward the basket in quest of a layup, to stop dead in his tracks upon hearing a whistle from another game.

For the past several years, however, all games have been contested on the main court. Given the amount of time there is available in Boys' Club programming for the event, it was necessary to limit the

number of teams to sixteen in each division. As the Hurwitz does not operate under an invitational format, teams are chosen on a first come, first served basis.

It is important, therefore, to act early if you are a coach or member of a team who aspires to participate in the 1979 Nate

Hurwitz Basketball Tournament Complete tails concerning the tourney may be obtained by writing to Physical Education Director Joe McGonagle, Charlestown Boys' Club, 16 Green St., Charlestown, Ma. 02129 or by calling Mr. McGonagle at 242-1775 between the hours of 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

#### **Project YES Means Business**

Boston businesses, large or small, needing extra manpower but not a bigger payroll, should contact Project YES-- the City of Boston's youth employment program.

The Boston Plan Project YES provides jobs in business, nonprofit organizations government, for economically disadvantaged youth, 16-19 Eligible youth who agree to complete their high school education can get jobs through Project YES.

Project YES enrollees' wages are paid by the City of Boston. Enrollees are insured for injuries or accidents on the job under the City of Boston's Workmen's Compensation plan.

Any employer who can guarantee six months of parttime work during the school year or eight weeks of full-time work

during the summer for a high school youth may be able to hire YES Project enrollees. Businesses provide the new employees with any training or supervision needed on the job.

Requests for Project YES enrollees can be made by phone and are usually filled within a month. Call the Boston Plan Project YES at 725-3527 for more

## Tastes In Childrens' Books Changing?

An informal poll taken during the Christmas Open House at the Charlestown Branch Library a couple of months ago shows that a wide variety of books are read by both the children of today and yesterday. People of all ages were asked to vote for their favorite books read during their childhood. The top favorites included The Tale of Peter Rabbit, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Are You There God, It's Me Margaret, and the Christmas Cookie Tree.

Many other "honorable mentions" were named, among them books ranging from Batman and Star Wars to Little House on the Prairie, Heidi, Black Beauty, and the Encyclopedia Brown stories.

From this brief survey, it appears that tastes are as varied as ever, and many of the old favorites are still enjoyed by the children of today. As a further note, the library staff invites all members of the family to browse

through its interesting collection of adult and children's books.

The library will be hosting a long series of programs in March in honor of St. Patrick's Day, and everyone in the community will be encouraged to attend.

#### It's A Girl ...

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Jarvie of 483 Charles Street, Malden, are pleased to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter. whom they have named Carc Provost Jarvie, on Sunday, January 21, 1979, at the Malden Hospital.

Waiting patiently at home for a first look at his baby sister was little Alexander Paul Jarvie, age two years, ten months.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alexander T Jarvie of Bunker Hill Street. Charlestown and the maternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Provost of Weymouth Landing.

## Pro Family Gala In Washington March 27

by Freda Getherall

A Pro Family gala celebration will take place at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. on March 2, 1979.

The Gala will honor Phyllis Schlafly, the National Stop ERA movement, state legislators, and members of Congress for their seven years of dedication on behalf of constitutional government and against the Equal Rights Amendment.

Phyllis Schlafly said that "it will be a constitutional land mark....the expiration of the seven years set by Congress when it passed the Equal Rights Amendment on March 22, 1972. This is the first time in the history of our country that the time limit set on a constitutional amendment has expired without ratification by the necessary three-fourths of the states. There is absolutely no way that ERA can have 38 valid ratifications by March 22.

The most recent loss must have been exceedingly painful for the "libbers" as the Senate in Illinois, Phyllis' home state, refused to change the rules there for ERA ratification for passage, failed and severely limited ERA's chances in the next two years.

Tickets for the Washington celebration are \$25 and reservations should be sent to: F Family Gala Committee, Hugh Newton & Associates, 398 Press National Washington, D.C. 20045. Telephone (202) 638-1039.

Despite the brazen tactics of the IRS, Congress scheduled hearings on the tax exemption for private school issue early this week (Feb 20,21). Will report on that later, but on the docket to testify were the NAACP and ACLU. Is that reason enough to be concerned?

#### Card of Thanks

The family of the late MARY F. BROGAN wishes to thank their relative, friends and neighbors for the spiritual gifts messages of condolence, visits and floral attributes sent them at the time of their sorrow. This sympathy gave us much comfort.

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## **Charlestown Police Line**

by Thomas J. Hennessey--District Fifteen, Charlestown B.P.D.

Monday, February 12, 1979

A 17 year old Charlestown youth reported he was assaulted by a cook at a sub shop on Medford St. He will seek complaints in court for assault and battery.

A 1974 Ford, stolen in Melrose, was found on Old Landing Way with the ignition broken. The owner was notified and responded.

Officers responded Monument St. regarding an open fire hydrant to find that some unknown "jerks" had opened the hydrant and let the water spill onto the street. The Fire Department was notified and closed the hydrant. These 'jerks'' who open these hydrants apparently have no brains. They do not realize that this is very hazardous to motor vehicles which pass on these streets, especially this time of year. Also, it hinders the fire department's operations if a fire is working in that area. If any persons in the Charlestown area observe 'creeps" opening hydrants call the station and give names. You will not have to give your name or address. This is one way of stopping these beauties. Another way is that you . . . . well. . . . . I think it is best not to mention it in he public newspaper, . . . but if you readers observe this incident please notify the station or the ocal fire house.

A Lexington resident reported persons unknown stole her battery from her motor vehicle while parked on Cambridge St.

A 20 year old Charlestown man was arrested on a Brockton warrant for using a M/V without authority. He was booked at District Fifteen and turned over to the Brockton P.D.

Tuesday, February 13, 1979
The security of the Shipyard reported persons, unknown,

entered the office and stole a

large amount of pens and a calculator.

A 1975 Chevy, stolen in Boston, was found on Walford Way with the front wheels missing and the ignition damaged. The owner was notified and responded.

A 1978 Chevy, stolen in Everett, was found on Essex St. The Everett P.D. was notified and will notify the owner.

A 1972 Ford stolen in Malden was found on Rutherford Ave. The owner was at the scene and the vehicle turned over to him.

#### Wednesday, February 14, 1979

A 1975 Ford which was stolen on District One was observed on Polk St. being operated by one of our "steady customers." The officers gave chase and the car fled the scene. The youth operating it was identified and complaints will be sought in court for using a M/V without authority. The vehicle was found later and turned over to the owner.

A student of the Holden School found a typewriter on Pearl St. and turned it into the headmaster. The item was found not to be the property of the school and was turned over to the property clerk in the City of Boston.

#### Thursday, February 15, 1979

Two Pearl St. residents reported a local man damaged their motor vehicles while parked in front of their homes. They will appear in court to get complaints for Malicious Destruction of Property.

A Washington D.C. resident reported persons unknown entered his truck while parked on Medford St. and stole a C.B. radio and a tape deck.

#### Friday, February 15, 1979

A 16 year old Charlestown boy was arrested on a warrant from the MBTA charging him with B & E with intent to commit larceny. He was booked at District Fifteen and turned over to the MBTA police.

A Bunker Hill resident reported while overhauling an apartment on that street he found a .32 caliber handgun in the walls. He notified the station and officers responded and turned the gun over to the department ballistician.

A 1976 Ford, stolen in Malden, was found on Caldwell St. The owner was notified and will remove the vehicle from the scene.

#### Saturday, February 17, 1979

A Charlestown resident reported persons, unknown, broke two windows of the first floor of their home by throwing rocks.

A 1976 Ford was found on Rutherford Ave., apparently abandoned. The Registry was notified and will contact the owner.

#### Sunday, February 18, 1979

A 1972 Datsun, stolen in Cambridge was found on Brighton St. The owner was notified and responded to the scene.

A Monument Sq. resident reported persons unknown entered his apartment and stole a television and a tape recorder. A description of the youths were given and detectives are now investigating.

A 1979 Dodge, which was stolen in Somerville, was found on Medford St. The owner was contacted by Somerville P.D. and will respond.

A Carney Ct. woman reported a man entered her apartment and ripped it apart and then assaulted her. She will seek complaints in court for A & B.

A 1975 Mercury, stolen in Boston, was recovered on Carney Ct. The owner was notified and will respond.

We at District Fifteen would like to welcome back Officer Herbie "The Beard" Langlois, who has returned to District Fifteen after a short lived career in another division. Herbie was assigned to another unit in the city to prevent possible racial trouble. After making several arrests and doing a "hell of a job", little Herbie has returned to his much loved division, District Fifteen.

Welcome back Herbie.

#### Recently Baptized

Danielle Marie McGonagle was baptized on February 4th at Sacred Heart Church in Roslindale. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. McGonagle, Jr. of Roslindale. Mrs. McGonagle is the former Maryann Roche of Charlestown. Godparents of the baby are Margaret Quinn of Charlestown and William McGonagle of Roslindale.



LESTER AND EMILY is the title of this oil rendering done by Charlestown artist Joan Caplin now on exhibit at Boston City Hall. (photo by Maria Girvin

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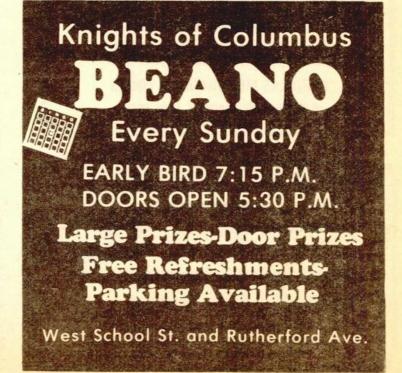
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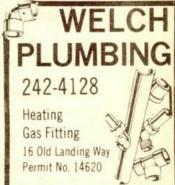
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