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USS CONSTITUTION UNDER SAIL - JULY 21, 1997 This photograph of "Old Ironsides" under sail for the first time in 116 years was taken by William McCarthy, president, Charlestown Cooperative Bank, from the deck of the USS HALYBURTON at noon on July 21st in Massachusetts Bay.

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Charlestown Residents Invited To Join 'America's Night Out Against Crime' On Aug. 5

On Tuesday, Aug. 5, the Charlestown community is being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 14th annual National Night Out (NNO) crime and drug prevention event.

This year, however, is Charlestown's first NNO event and it is being held at the Charlestown High School Athletic Field from 6 to 10 p.m., and everyone is invited.

Mishawum Park/Peabody Properties, Inc., CharlesNewtown/Winn Management, Bunker Hill/ BHA, and their tenant associations have worked together to plan this event for everyone in Charlestown to enjoy. Assistance has come from all sources in the form of volunteers,

donations from local businesses, CHAD, Healthy Charlestown Coalition and Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services.

National Night Out is designed to: heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and send a message to criminals, letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 6 to 10 p.m. on Aug. 5, residents in neighborhoods throughout Charlestown and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside

lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police.

Some of the plans for the event include a disc jockey, pony rides, balloons, games, face painting, K-9 dogs, fingerprinting, refreshments (hot dogs, chips, ice cream, soda), as well as many educational programs. Everything is free! There is no age limit! Everyone is invited! It is requested that children under the age of 11 be accompanied by an adult. Transportation to the field will be provided for residents of Mishawum Park.

For more information. to make donations or to volunteer, contact Nancy Ruby at 395-3540, Kathy Usselman at 242-4016 or Terry Ring at 241-9487.

District Nine Little League Champs



A SPIRITED and talented team of Charlestown Little League players captured the District Nine Championship for the first time in almost two decades. The team went on to win the first round in the state tournament, defeating West Roxbury. Shown in the front row (l. to r.) Jon Jones, Chuckie Kavanagh, Mike Doe, Mike Reid, Steven Awbrey, John Murphy and Matt Manganelli. Back row (l. to r.) Coach Mark Smith, Jimmy Dyer, Jason Flint, Andrew Brennan, Chad Titcomb, Alex Familia, John Allen, Coach Bucky Jones and Derek Garceau. (photo by John Murphy)

O'Flaherty To Host Central Artery/Tunnel Project Neighborhood Meeting

State Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty will host an open neighborhood meeting Monday, Aug. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Teamsters Local 25 building in Sullivan Square to address residents' concerns about the off-ramp planned for Sullivan Square.

"I know Charlestown residents, especially those in the Sullivan Square neighborhood, are upset

about the off-ramp," says O'Flaherty. "I want to involve as many residents as possible in the process of forming a mitigation proposal."

Charlestown residents are encouraged to attend the meeting and offer ideas for a mitigation package, which will then be presented to the Mass. Highway Department Central Artery/ Tunnel project.



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The deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at NOON.

SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Monday

- 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

Monday And Friday

- 9 to 11 a.m. Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.
- Tuesday
- 8 p.m. Al-Anon meeting with help for families and friends of alcoholics, Mary Colbert Apartments (side entrance), 20 Devens St.

Wednesday

- 7 p.m. Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) meeting, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St. Thursday
- 9:30 to 11 a.m. J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866
 Friday
- 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

CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, July 31

• 5 to 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Pop Warner Player and Cheerleader Registration - Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Medford Street Friday, Aug. 1

• 5 to 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Pop Warner Player and Cheerleader Registration - Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Medford Street Saturday, Aug. 2

10 to 11 a.m. - Children's Nature Walk with Park Ranger Jayne Triber - City Square Park
 Monday, Aug. 4

6:30 p.m. - Meeting on residential concerns relative to Sullivan Square off-ramp, hosted by Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty - Teamsters Local

25 Hall, Sullivan Square

• 7 p.m. - Informational Meeting on the demolition of St. Catherine's Convent - St. Catherine's Hall, 13 Tufts St.

Tuesday, Aug. 5

- 10 to 11 a.m. ReadBoston Storymobile Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.
- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. -Children's Films - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 11 a.m. to noon Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 5 to 6 p.m. Stamp Act Debate and Town Meeting with Park Rangers Chris Merullo and Jayne Triber - City Square Park

 6 to 10 p.m - National Night Out - Charlestown High School Field Wednesday, Aug. 6

 noon - "The Early Marines of USS Constitution," a lecture by William N. Moss, captain of the 1797 Marine Detachment - Figgie Theatre, USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• 2 to 7 p.m. - Farmer's Market -Main Street, across from Charlestown Branch Library

• 6 to 7 p.m. - Stamp Act Debate and Town Meeting with Park Rangers Chris Merullo and Jayne Triber - City Square Park

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Youth Hockey Registration - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

upcoming events

Thursday, Aug. 7

• 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Youth Hockey Registration - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, Aug. 8

• 7 p.m. till . . . Dance and Raffle,

sponsored by the Friends of Sheila Brown - K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

Tuesday, Aug. 12

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

Wednesday, Aug. 13

• 2 to 7 p.m. - Farmer's Market -Main Street, across from Charlestown Branch Library

plan ahead

Wednesday, Sept. 10

 6:30 to 8 p.m. - U.S. Air Force Band of Liberty Concert - City Square Park

Sunday, Sept. 14

• 2 p.m. - Tea with Priscilla of Boston - Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square

Sunday, Sept. 28

Following 5 p.m. Mass - Giant

Bola - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, Oct. 5

• 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Annual Craft Fair - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Thursday, Oct. 9

• 7 p.m. - Camp Bunker Hill

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

Thursday, Oct. 23

• 7 to 10 p.m. - "An Evening At The Constitution Museum," sponsored by the Friends of Charlestown Catholic - Charlestown Navy Yard Saturday, Nov. 8

• TBA - St. Catherine's Bazaar -K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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Participate In Elder Pedestrian Safety Training

A team of city of Boston agencies, led by the Boston Transportation Department, is sponsoring pedestrian safety training programs for senior citizens throughout the city. The program was recently presented to residents of Charlestown Senior Housing at 100 Ferrin St.

Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino said, "I am pleased to offer the Elder Pedestrian Safety Program to Boston's senior citizens. Pedestrian safety has been one of the key priorities of this administration. Through a number of different initiatives, we have significantly increased pedestrian safety in the city over the last few years and we have every intention of continuing with these efforts."

The Elder Pedestrian Safety Program works to encourage safe walking habits in older pedestrians thereby reducing the incidence of older pedestrian injuries and fatalities. Elders participate in behavior modification training to reinforce safe walking practices. A few of the safe walking tips discussed with Charlestown's seniors are:



RESIDENTS OF 100 FERRIN ST. recently took part in a safety training program for senior citizens. Front row (l. to r.) Ann Kavanaugh, Peg O'Keefe, Rita Ryan, Millie McNeil, Rita Gautreau and Helen Kelly. Back row (l. to r.) Lois Krohler, manager, Linda Ross, Kathy Porter, AnnMarie Miller, Joe DiFrummolo and Mary Connolly.

 Always check for turning cars before you step into the street. Look for cars making right-on-red turns.
 If you're not sure the driver sees you, be safe and let the car go by.

 If the walk indication is on as you approach a signal, you may not have time to cross the street before it changes. Play it safe and wait for a new walk indica-

 Never rely solely on traffic signals. Always look Po

 Be sure to look left, right and left again before stepping off the curb, even when the light is green, the signal says walk and you are in a marked crosswalk.
 Look left last since that is the direction that cars will come from first.

 Treat a driveway or alley as if it is a road. Stop and look both ways to make sure it is safe before you

· Be alert to the signs that a

car might back up - look for backup lights and drivers in cars, and listen for engine noise.

The Elder Pedestrian Safety Team consists of the following departments: The Boston Transportation Department, The Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, The Commission on Affairs of the Elderly, The Public Health Commission, The Boston Police Department and The Boston Housing Authority.

Charlestown Residents Receive Partners HealthCare Awards

Partners HealthCare System has named eight Charlestown residents to a clerical support staff honor roll recognizing high standards, service to patients and customers, and overall contributions to Partners' success.

Those honored were: Cheryl Aucoin-North, McLean Hospital; Sherry Brec, Janet Curran, Debbie Duffy, Missy Flynn, Donna Furman and Julie Piotrowski, all of Mass. General Hospital; and Diane Gallagher of Partners HealthCare System.

In thanking the honorees at ceremonies held to recognize them, Partners president and chief executive officer Samuel O. Thier, MD, noted their hard work and dedication and highlighted the contributions they make every day to the network's achievements. Among the milestones he noted were:

- A number of Partners' hospitals and joint venture affiliates, including MGH, Brigham and Women's, Spaulding Rehabilitation, McLean Hospital and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, were recognized as among the top health care providers in the nation in the U.S. News and World Report annual hospital survey. Over 340 Partners doctors are included in the current edition of The Best Doctors in America.
- Partners medical research program grew to its highest level ever, making Partners one of the largest biomedical research entities in the country. Breakthroughs by Partners scientists in treating and preventing disease continue to benefit patients and their families.

 Partners continues to improve the health care choices available to area residents by offering new services through: a partnership with The North Shore Medical Center; a new adult cancer care joint venture known as Dana-Farber/Partners CancerCare; and the more than 750 doctors who have joined Partners Community HealthCare.

Partners, founded in 1994 by the Mass. General and Brigham and Women's hospitals, is developing a comprehensive health care system that includes primary care and specialty physicians, community hospitals, specialty facilities, community health centers and other health related entities. The system's mission is to serve the community through excellent patient care, teaching and research.

Events At The City Square Park

The Mass. Department of Environmental Management invites members of the community to participate in events at the City Square Park.

Saturday, Aug. 2 at
 10 a.m. - Park Ranger
 Jayne Triber will lead a "Children's Nature Walk"

through City Square Park. What will we find besides grass, trees and flowers? Birds, bees, butterflies, and a lot more. Let's find out. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

• Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 5 p.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 6 p.m. - The Stamp Act Debate and Town Meeting will take place as Park Rangers Chris Merullo and Jayne Triber portray Nathaniel Gorham and James Russell Sr., a Charlestown patriot and a Loyalist, who will debate the Stamp Act of 1765. The audience is invited to participate in the debate and decide how the citizens of Charlestown will respond to the Stamp Act.

All programs are free.

The public is cordially invited to visit City Square Park for interpretive programs and special events, to learn about Charlestown history, and to enjoy the beauty of nature in the middle of the city.

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When you buy a house, you're asked to sign an amazing number of documents, especially if you're obtaining a mortgage. While it may seem prudent to read all of these papers before signing, it may not be practical to do this at the settlement. If you're the type who really does have to read everything first, we have some suggestions.

In an ideal world, the settlement attorney would have everything ready for your perusal several days before the big event. What often happens, however, is the lender delivers the paperwork to the settlement office at the last minute — sometimes later than that. If you insist on reading everything, including all fine print, you'll probably draw some serious groans from the others at the table. One solution is to request copies of all standard forms a week before settlement, since most of the papers are boilerplate. Then at settlement, you just check to ensure the blanks were correctly filled in.

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Boston Begins Enforcement Of New Parking Regulation

Enforcement began on July 28 on a new parking regulation implemented by the city of Boston that bans large commercial vehicles and trucks from being parked overnight on local streets.

According to Transportation Commissioner Jack Magee, large commercial vehicles and semi-trailers having a capacity of one ton or over that are parked on city streets for more than one hour overnight, or any time on Sunday, will be towed away by a private contractor hired by the city. In past years, ticketing was the only enforcement measure that could be taken.

Owners of vehicles that are towed under this new

regulation should expect to pay \$55 to cover the cost of the tow and another \$20 for the accompanying ticket. In addition, vehicles left at the tow company for more than 24 hours will be subject to pay a storage fee of \$40 per 24-hour period for a two-axle vehicle, with another \$10 added per day for each additional axle. The towing and storage fee rates are set by the Mass. Department of Public Utilities and are subject to change at the discretion of that agency.

The towing regulation was adopted in cooperation with local residents to improve public safety in Boston's neighborhoods. Large vehicles parked on local streets tend to narrow the travel lanes, reduce visibility and cause parking problems when one semi-trailer or construction vehicle takes up several parking spaces.

In addition, residents have experienced rodent infestation from full dump trucks parked on city streets and residents have been concerned with aesthetic issues that result from having these large commercial vehicles parked throughout the neighborhoods.

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O'Connell Receives Middle School Award Of Merit



TIMOTHY PATRICK O'CONNELL, son of Timothy and Ann O'Connell of Charlestown, a student in Form 1 at Belmont Hill School, is congratulated by Dr. Richard I. Melvoin, school head, at the annual prize day ceremonies held to honor those students who distinguished themselves during the year. O'Connell received a Middle School Award of Merit which is given to boys in grades 7-9 who have shown sensitivity to others, sound moral character, concern for the quality of the school community, and who through their determination and perseverance, have merited recognition either by achieving significant personal growth or by making a significant but unheralded contribution to middle school life.

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Free Safety Awareness And Self-Defense Classes

The Charlestown Community Center and the Boston Police Department are offering a free safety awareness and self-defense program. The "Take A Stand" women's self-defense course is a no nonsense, straightforward effective safety awareness and self-defense class designed to limit one's chance of becoming a victim.

The class will be taught by Boston Police Officer Jose Alfonso, a veteran officer with 16 years experience in the martial arts. This eight-week course will be held on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Community Center, beginning Aug. 7.

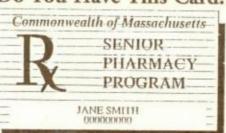
For more information or to register, call the Community Center at 635-5169.

Matignon High School Graduates Charlestown Residents



THREE CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS graduated as members of the Class of 1997 from Matignon High School. Shown (l. to r.) Julianna Ford, Jillian Doherty and James Considine. Matignon High School is a Catholic, co-educational, college preparatory high school in Cambridge founded in 1947 as the first central high school of the Archdiocese of Boston.

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♣ Happy Birthday This Week . . . to former Charlestown "Mayor" Claire Lynch who will party with the best of them on July 31st . . . Shaun Walsh, the new groom Gregg (with three Gs) Nolan, and Carl Stevens, news reporter for WBZ Radio, all share an Aug. 2nd birthday . . . Aug. 3rd is the big day for Sen. Tom Birmingham, Father Ron Coyne, James "Jimmy" Duffy and Kathy Hickey . . . and Jason Ezekiel will mark his 22nd birthday on Aug. 6th, a date shared by Pauline Correia . . . Best Wishes and Happy Birthday one and all!

Congratulations... and happy hunting to Mary Rizzo, Lois Gallagher and Donna O'Leary on their new business venture!

♣ Moments In Charlestown . . . The Bunker Hill Day Parade of June 15th will be cablecast on channel 23 at 6 p.m. tonight, Thursday, July 31, and at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2.

♣ The Boston Parks And Recreation Department Park Rangers... are offering a free program, "Bike the Biggies: Franklin Park and the Arnold Arboretum." Here's your chance to explore our biggest parks by bicycle. The 500-acre "jewel" of the Emerald Necklace and the 265-acre "tree museum" offer lots of scenic views and historic sites to see. Bike a short 6- or 7-mile hilly route, sighting points along the way. Meet at the William Devine Golf Course Clubhouse parking lot in Franklin Park at 10 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 3. For more info., call 635-7383.

♣ A Story From Behind The Sails . . . As the USS Constitution was being towed back to Marblehead, following her successful sail in Mass. Bay on July 21st, there were several personal moments shared with the ship's crew . . . Petty Officer Third Class Norman Tregenza recited a poem he had written in honor of the day . . . and Chief Petty Officer Select Mark Mykins asked Ms. Lynell Suhr to marry him, she said "yes" and the news was welcomed with cheers and hollers from fellow crew members and guests.

♣ Food Flash ... Rudy Doenges announces a "fantastic" new food outlet is being held every Tuesday between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. in the Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St. ... According to Rudy, you can fill a bag with strawberries, zucchini squash, potatoes, red onions, bread, cereal and more ... for just \$1!

The John F. Kennedy Library . . . and Museum will extend their hours from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday evenings through Labor Day to help accommodate families wishing to see the new exhibit: "Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy: First Lady." . . . Children aged 15 and under will be admitted free from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday evenings . . . For more information, call 929-4523.

AARP Seeks Communications Volunteers... and is currently recruiting public relations and media professionals to volunteer at the state and local level. AARP communications volunteers have the opportunity to network with media friends and make new ones, sharpen their skills, and join in some dynamic communications activities that focus on such issues as Medicare, Social Security, Long-Term Care, Public Benefits Outreach and Consumer Fraud... For more info. on volunteer opportunities, call 720-5600.

◆ Voted The Best . . . A loaf of bread, a jug of wine (or is it beer) and thou . . . the current Boston Magazine, now on the newsstands, features the Best of Boston . . . Included in the listings are two Charlestown firms . . . Tremont Ale from Tremont Brewery as Best Beer and Biga Breads for Best Bread. Congrats!

Historic Burying Ground Tree Inventory...

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department's Historic Burying Ground Initiative is seeking volunteers to take part in a comprehensive inventory of trees located in Boston's historic burying grounds, including those in Charlestown. Volunteers will undergo a half-day training session and will receive a reference guide and a T-shirt for taking part. For further information, call 635-4505, ext. 6516.

♣ Thought For The Week . . . The more things change, the more they remain the same.

- Karr

around the town

* Neighborhood Council Meeting Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council, chaired by Peter Looney, will not be held during August. The next scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept. 9.

★ Bunker Hill Street . . . Mario Susi & Sons began the reconstruction of Bunker Hill Street on on Monday, July 28.

The first block of construction will be from Lowney Way to Concord Street. Residents can park overnight, but need to be off Bunker Hill Street by 7 a.m.

The construction phases are first to excavate the existing sidewalk, then new street light bases and conduits will be installed, the granite curbing will be set or reset and new cement concrete sidewalks will be constructed. Persons with questions on the project may call 635-4963.

* College Fair For International Students . . . A college fair, open to the general public, has been organized by Suffolk University, the Language Institute for English and the Kaplan Education Center in order to provide a university forum for the area's non-English speakers. It will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 6 at the Suffolk University Campus at 150 Tremont St., Boston.

Each school will be represented by an international admission counselor who will be able to provide information on both undergraduate and graduate programs, English language support, financial aid and scholarships and TOEFL requirements.

For further information, contact Ed Weisman at 437-9629.

* Home Composters For Sale . . . The Boston Recycling Program is offering residents the opportunity to reduce waste and help the environment, inexpensively and right in their own back yards!

"The city is offering to sell Boston residents two different kinds of composters for \$23, less than half the regular price," said Marie Louissaint, home compost bin program coordinator. The program is able to offer the bins for the reduced cost through a state grant.

The composting bins are available at three locations: The Franklin Park Zoo, Dorchester, 422-2002; Boston Building Materials Co-op, Mission Hill, 442-2262; and Hyde Park Municipal Building Community Center, Hyde Park, 635-5178. "Composting reduces both kitchen waste and backyard waste, which can be added to the bin all year long. The more you add, the better," said Louissaint.

"We offer two brands of bins that can produce finished compost in four to eight months. This is the perfect gift for gardeners and it is easy to use as well as inexpensive. It is also a great way to reduce waste. People who compost should never again have to store or drag bags filled with leaf and yard waste to the curb," she added.

"A compost bin is a great investment, it's very convenient, inexpensive and easy to use," Louissaint said.

For more information about where to buy a compost bin, contact Louissaint at 635-4959.

- * Farmers' Market Now Open . . . The Farmer's Market, bringing farm-fresh vegetables and fruits to Charlestown, is open every Wednesday between 2 and 7 p.m. through October. It is located on Main Street, adjacent to the Bunker Hill Mall and across from the Charlestown Branch Library.
- * Informational Meeting . . . Peter Looney will chair an information meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 4 at St. Catherine's Hall, 13 Tufts St. The topic of the meeting will be the demolition of St. Catherine's Convent. Father James Di-Perri will make the presentation.
- * Free Computer And Office Skills Training . . . In an environment dedicated to mature workers who are 55 years or older and residents of Boston, Operation A.B.L.E. (Ability Based on Long Experience) is offering a free computer and office skills training program. However, there are several guidelines which must be

Applicants must meet an income requirement and be able to seek employment for a minimum of 20 hours per week as data entry and general office clerks, receptionists, secretaries or customer service representatives. Operation A.B.L.E. provides MBTA pass reimbursement.

Operation A.B.L.E. invites candidates to attend its open house on Fridays at 10 a.m. at 119 Beach St., 4th floor, Boston, or call 542-4180.

* Summer In The City . . . City Hall Plaza

Today, Thursday, July 31, from noon to 2 p.m., there will be a performance of "Poetry on the Plaza" on City Hall Plaza.

A River Radio Station, WXRV 92.5 FM, Concert is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 2. Call 635-3911 for time and details.

Dorothy Curran's "Nostalgia Night" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 6 on the North Stage features Irish and Big Band music. The National Guard 215th Army Band will open the show with a band concert featuring a selection of standards and patriotic songs. Then special guests Liam Tiernan and friends will hit the stage to perform a selection of traditional Irish music.

The Market Place is open on Cambridge Street near the Government Center MBTA stop Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. offering retail merchandise and food.

The Farmer's Market is in the same area on Mondays and Wednesdays, offering freshly picked fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, breads, sweets and potted plants. At noon on Wednesday, Aug. 6, they will be celebrating the Corn Festival with samples, recipes and more.

Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

The Free Friday Flick will be shown at sunset on Friday, Aug. 1. Bring the kids and the popcorn and enjoy the big screen under the stars . . . The Multiple Sclerosis Duck Derby is slated for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2 . . . The Harvard University Band will perform in concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 2 . . . The WFNX Jazz Series will feature a concert at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 3 . . . On Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 7:30 p.m., the WCRB Classical Series will present The S.E. Massachusetts Wind Symphony.

Christopher Columbus Waterfront Park

The Waterfront Jazz Series presents Cosmos Factor, described as "Psychedelic World Grooves," at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 1.

North End Feast

The Feast of St. Agrippina will take place Friday, Aug. 1 through Sunday, Aug. 3 at Hanover, Charter and Commercial streets. The feast will run from 5 to 11 p.m. on Friday, and from noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

* Team Tech AmeriCorps Project . . . The United Way of Massachusetts Bay seeks volunteers for its new full-time, oneyear AmeriCorps *VISTA Team Tech project, a unique partnership between the United Way, AmeriCorps, IBM and Public

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Volunteers receive a monthly stipend, health insurance and \$4,725 education award. Individuals with computer experience and a BA or BS degree who are willing to commit to one year of full-time service, should contact Michael O'Connor at 624-8230.

Receives Herald In Education Award

Boston Herald Vice President/Circulation John Hoarty announced the winners of the newspaper's 10th annual Boston Herald In Education Program's "Writing To Win" Scholastic Competition at a recent ceremony at the Marriott-Copley Hotel in Boston.

The Boston Herald In Education Program, through the financial support of business sponsors, provides schools with daily newspapers. Teachers use the newspapers and accompanying lesson plans as educational tools in the classroom.

One-hundred and eight schools participated in the "Writing To Win" competition. Students in grades three through 12 were given a choice of writing an editorial; designing an advertisement; drawing an editorial cartoon; interviewing an interesting person and writing an interview/profile; writing a letter to the editor; writing a feature story; or writing a



CINDY LAU, a student at Charlestown High School, was a student winner in the Boston Herald's "Writing To Win" Scholastic Competition. Milton Brasher-Cunningham, a teacher at Charlestown High School, was a winning teacher in the annual competition.

review. Entries were judged by Herald staffers on the basis of originality, creativity and quality.

Cindy Lau, a student at Charlestown High School, was the school's winning student and Milton Brasher-Cunningham, a teacher at Charlestown High School,

was the school's winning teacher, and each received a \$50 gift certificate to an area mall.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Partners HealthCare System Inc. are CHS's sponsors of the Boston Herald In Education Program.

Mall Salutes Local Conservationists



PATTING A BULLFROG at the Mall at Chestnut Hill, Brookline Conservation Commissioner Betsy Shure Gross (center) smiles gamely as Ernesto Guerrero of Charlestown, mall maintenance man, helps and Stephanie Bacon, president of the Friends of Hammond Pond, looks on. The shopping center is saluting the work of local conservationists with a frog pond, a duck pond and photo exhibition of the protected green spaces in Brookline and Newton.

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Red Sox Talk . . . Charlestown Youngsters Listen!

photos by Ed Loan

SOX TALK - It was a very warm day at Ryan Park and the Red Sox made it even warmer for the many youngsters, who braved the heat. Sox Talk, sponsored by the Boston Red Sox, and hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, returned to Charlestown on July 14 and met with its usual success, or better still, SOX-cess! On hand for the day's activities, which began with the Fenway Challenge, Hit, Pitch and Run competition, were Red Sox Coach Wendall Kim, and players Jesus Tavarez and Walt McKeel. Star of the day, however, was Wally the Green Monster! Special thanks to the Boys & Girls Club, the Charlestown Community Center and the Kennedy Center Day Care for their participation, to the Charlestown Little League and to the Parks and Recreation Department Coordinator Billy Ryan and his staff for making the day a grand success. Special thanks also to FleetBank - the water bottles were very practical!



by Bob D.



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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, Aug. 5 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "The Great White Man-Eating Shark," the story of how a boy pretends to be a shark . . . "Hot Hippo" is the tale of Hippo who wants to live in the water . . . and The Pickle Family Circus teaches juggling basics in "The Juggling Movie."

"The Dog Days of Arthur Cane" tells the misfortunes of a selfish boy. It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are The Great White Man-Eating Shark by Margaret Mahy and Star of the Circus by Michael and Mary Beth Sampson.

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USS Constitution Museum Offers Free Summer Fun

Every Wednesday in August, the USS Constitution Museum will offer free presentations full of facts and fancy. Stories will range from sagas of the sharp-shooting marines who fought aboard USS Constitution 200 years ago to the sharp-tongued wit of Boston innkeeper, Mrs. Broaders, who served up as much scuttlebutt as brew.

Admission to the museum and all programs and events is **free** now through Oct. 31, as part of the museum's Gift to America, which offers free admission in honor of USS Constitution's 200th birthday. The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The program scheduled for every Wednesday in August is "True Tales of USS Constitution," a living history of performances of heroes and heroines of USS Constitution's past. It will be held in the museum's Figgie Theatre at 11:30 a.m., 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

At noon on Wednesday,

Aug. 6, William N. Moss, captain of the 1797 Marine Detachment, will speak on "The Early Marines of the USS Constitution." The 1797 Marine Detachment currently serves aboard USS Constitution and regularly performs re-enactments such as musket firing and marching drills.

The lecture will be held in the Figgie Theatre and the public is invited to bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages will be provided.

For more information, call 426-1812.

Bunker Hill Monument Featured In Recent Historic Traveler Magazine

by Rosemary Kverek

The March 1997 edition of Historic Traveler has a feature article which highlights some of the glorious history of Charlestown, including the construction of the Bunker Hill Monument.

The article is entitled, "Here's to the Losers," which reflects upon the history of the Battle of Bunker Hill and the construction of the historic Bunker Hill Monument, battle scenes, and scenes from the Monument grounds. The iron rings at the top of the Monument that hold the flagpoles are also illustrated as well as a musket ball, and a delightful photo of Soley Street with its glorious gaslights and lovely doorways.

In addition to the history of the Battle of Bunker Hill and the Bunker Hill Monument Association's work, also mentioned in the article are The Boston National Historic Park, The Round House at 121 Main St., The Warren Tavern, The Ironsides Grille, The Warren Street Bed and Breakfast, The USS Constitution, The Bunker Hill Pavilion and the Constitution Museum.

Ethan Beeler and Matthew Walsh of the National Historic Park Service are also mentioned in the article as they bring the history of the area to life for the tourists and area residents. Written by Carol McCabe of Bristol, Rhode Island, the article depicts the battle as the deadliest battle of the Revolutionary War and speaks of the sacrifices made by so many colonists for our freedom.

The issue is no longer available on newsstands, but a single copy can be obtained by sending a check in the amount of \$5 to: Historic Traveler, P. O. Box 420235, Palm Coast, Florida 32142-8977.

If you are requesting just the copy with the Bunker Hill Monument, please be sure to indicate that you are ordering the March 1997 issue. To obtain a subscription to *Historic Traveler*, send a check in the amount of \$11.97 to the above address. The subscription entitles you to six issues per year. The phone number for the magazine is 1-800-829-3340.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

Cookbook

The Cookbook is in the process of being printed. We will let you know when they will be available for sale at \$6 each. They'll make great stocking stuffers.

Giant Bola

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales is conducting a Giant Bola on Sunday, Sept. 28 in the Bishop Lawton Hall. This is a Parish Benefit Bola! There are over 100 prizes - every one a beautiful prize - that have been donated to the Bola by parishioners and friends. Chances are \$1 each!

Bola chances listing all the prizes are available from Chairperson Joan Rae, from the Guild Members, from the ushers at Mass and at the rectory. A \$1 ticket enables you to win one or more of the over 100 prizes. Buy more than one! The more tickets you have in the barrel, the more chances you have of winning! Become a Bola sup-

porter for this parish fundraiser. Thank you.

Craft Fair

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales is sponsoring their annual Craft Fair on Sunday, Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall.

There are a few tables available. Please contact Alice Ringer at 242-0126, Honey McCreevan at 242-4850 or Joan Rae at 242-0147. Refreshments will be available.

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Old Ironsides . . . Home Again . . . Honored For Successful Sail





USS CONSTITUTION arrives at her homeport, Charlestown, following her first sail under her own power on July 21st. The drizzle didn't dampen the spirits of the cheering crowd on hand to welcome home the ship and her crew after the successful sail.

As night began to fall, "Old Ironsides" appeared around the bend of Boston Harbor on July 21 as thousands lined the shore from Castle Island to Pier One in the Charlestown Navy Yard, cheering with excitement. It was a grand welcome home for the ship and her crew upon completing her first sail under her own power since 1881.

Drizzle was dampening the crowds, but not their spirits as the people gathered on Pier One began shouting and cheering as the top of her masts came into view and this continued until she docked. The National Park Service estimated the crowd in the Charlestown Navy Yard as numbering over 5,000. As USS Constitution rounded the bend, the drizzle tapered off and eventually stopped.

As the excited crowd awaited the ship, Mark Valentine and his crew of volunteers unfurled the 90-foot Mt. Rushmore American flag and, for the first time, unfurled a 90-foot U.S. Navy flag. The people were entertained by St. Eulalia's Chorus singing America The Beautiful,

along with the patriotic music of the U.S. Navy Band and the stirring melodies of the Pipes & Drums of Bunker Hill.

Applause greeted the guests as they disembarked from Old Ironsides with thunderous shouts and cheers welcoming home CDR. Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer of USS Constitution.

As the ship was secured, LTCDR. Claire Bloom led a proud and excited crew off the ship to the approval of the welcoming throng.

Capt. Todd Creekman, USN, served as master of ceremonies for the welcome home program held adjacent to the ship. Guests included Hon. John H. Dalton, Secretary of the Navy; ADM. Jay I. Johnson, Chief of Naval Operations; Mayor Thomas M. Menino; Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham; Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty; James W. Conway, chairman, Bunker Hill Day Commemorative Committee; and CDR. Beck. Father Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church delivered the invocation and benediction.



A PEWTER PLAQUE, commemorating the sail of "Old Ironsides" on July 21, designed by local artist Tom Gorsuch, was presented to ADM. Jay I. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, by the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion. The presentation was made by Killilea Fund Chairman James W. Conway. The \$1,000 presented by the fund in March 1996, was the first donation to the Old Ironsides Pennies Campaign that led to the purchase of her sails.



A PLAQUE, a citation and a Paul Revere Bowl were presented to CDR. Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer of USS CONSTITUTION, by Hon. Thomas M. Menino, Mayor of the city of Boston, at the Welcome Home Ceremony honoring the ship and her crew on July 21.



CDR. ROBERT L. GILLEN, USN (ret.), National Chairman of the "Old Ironsides" Pennies Campaign, was presented a pewter USS CONSTITUTION plaque, designed by local artist Tom Gorsuch, from the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L. at the July 21 Welcome Home Ceremony for CONSTITUTION. Shown (l. to r.) Capt. Al Grinspon, USN, Senior Historian, Naval Historical Center; Killilea Chairman Jim Conway, Past National Historian, The American Legion; Gillen; and Capt. Todd Creekman, USN, Deputy Director, Naval Historical Center.



OLD IRONSIDES was welcomed home to Charlestown the evening of July 21st with gifts and gratitude, cheers and celebration as she docked following the first time she had sailed in 116 years. TOP ROW: At the left, Rev. Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, offered the invocation and benediction ... Second from left, ADM. Jay I. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations, commended CONSTITUTION and her crew on the successful sail

John H. Dalton related the strength and resiliency of the ship to the document for which she was named. He honored the crew with an award for meritorious service, presented through her commanding officer, CDR. Michael C. Beck, USN . . . Second from the right, Beck shares his thoughts on the sail with the gathering . . On the right, Mayor Thomas M. Menino presents Beck with a citation

from the city. BOTTOM ROW: On the left, James W. Conway, displays a plaque of the ship presented to the crew from the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion, in honor of the sail. Beck accepted the plaque on behalf of the crew. Conway spoke on behalf of the Charlestown community as to the pride felt by her residents . . . Second from left, Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham and Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty presented a

joint Senate/House resolution to the crew of CONSTITUTION and, in turn, Dalton presented the two legislators with a Preble Medal . . . Second from the right, Conway was presented with a sketch of Old Ironsides framed in wood from the ship by CDR. Beck . . On the right, CDR, Beck salutes the people gathered on the pier as they, in turn, give him a standing ovation.

(photos by Kathy Whitehouse)

BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

Newtowne Going For TrePeat . . . The Charlestown Roller Blade League is well underway, and, as we entered the week, Newtowne is well on the way to their third division title. Newtowne is atop the league undefeated at 4-0.

Newtowne 7 - Jiffy 4: Rookie Phil Jones' hat trick led the Newtowners to an opening night victory.

Main Street 8 - 5-4-3's 4: Eric Gould had a hat trick but it wasn't enough as Chris Donovan and Joe Lawler combined for seven goals as Main Street ruled 5-4-3's.

Untouchables 6 - Dunstable 3: Pat Kane had three goals, John Murphy had a pair and Phil O'Neil had a single tally as the Untouchables stunned Dunstable Street.

Jiffy 4 - Untouchables 2: Chet Ferreira's pair of goals was the difference.

Newtowne 7 - Main Street 6: Jamie Carroll's fourth goal was the game winner. Chris Donovan had a double pair for Main

5-4-3's 7 - Dunstable 6: Steve Linnane's five-goal outburst kept Dunstable from vic-

Main Street 12 - Untouchables 9: Niko had five goals and Mark Mansfield and Joe Lawler had a pair each spoiling Andrew Grzelcyk's five-goal performance.

Dunstable 9 - Jiffy 8: Dan Murphy and Jon Lent had double pairs to lead Dunstable

Jiffy 8 - 5-4-3's 7: Ryan Godfrey had a hat trick and Pat Doe and Corey Hollien had a pair each for Jiffy. Mark Kempton had three for 5-4-3's.

Newtowne 7 - Untouchables 3: Ryan Connolly had two goals, but Mike Sweeney, Joe Tallent and Paul Hennessey had two goals each for Newtowne.

Main Street 8 - Dunstable 6: Jon Lent had six goals, but Main Street had eight. Sorry, Jon!

Newtowne 10 - Jiffy 5: Mike Sweeney and Jimmy Dyer had hat tricks for the vic-

Main Street 10 - 5-4-3's 4: Chris Donovan had six goals for Main Street.

Dunstable 8 - Untouchables 5: Phil O'Neil had four goals, but Keith Wallace and Jon Lent combined for seven.

Top Scorers: Jon Lent 17, Chris Donovan 14, Niko 12, Steve Linnane 8, Ryan Godfrey 7, Joe Lawler 7, Eric Gould 7, Phil O'Neil 6, Dan Murphy 6 and Andrew Grzelcyk 6.

Standings - Newtowne 4-0, Main Street 4-1, Jiffy 2-3, Dunstable 2-3, 5-4-3's 1-3, Untouchables 1-4.

. JFK Library Visit . . . As part of my Andy Puopolo Summer of Success program, I take my workers on various field trips around the city. This week Ryan Godfrey, Bart Rosher and Mike O'Neil accompanied me to the Kennedy Library in Dorchester. This was their first visit to the library. Boston has a lot to offer and the JFK Library is one of the most inspirational.

Women's Street Hockey . . . Monday and Wednesday evenings the girls take over the hockey court down at Eden Street, and the action is just as furious as the Men's Roller Blade League. It's also great to see some "old" familiar faces back on the courts.

Standings as of July 28 - McDonough 2-1, Matson 2-1, McLaughlin 1-1, Brennan 1-1 and Macomber 0-2.

Monday's star was Corey Gallagher.

PAL Basketball... In hoop action, White remains undefeated at 7-0 to lead the PAL Hoop League down at the Monument Street court. Light Blue is keeping pace with a 6-1 record. Red has a strong hold on third place and Blue and Orange are in the wild card spots. Angel LeBro is the league's top

Pawtucket Red Sox . . . Special thanks to Youth Officer Ted Boyle who took a group of youngsters, many from the PAL Basketball League, on a trip to see the Pawtucket Red Sox. The Andy Puopolo Club provided some of the refreshments, and Shane Fisher of the Summer of Success program accompanied the kids as a chaperone. This was the second Pawtucket trip of the

 Dede Arroyo... Congratulations to Dede Arroyo who recently graduated from the City Year program. Dede will be attending Bay State College in September.

Newtowne, Hingston At Southie . . . Two teams from Charlestown took part in the South Boston Invitational Street Hockey Tournament over the weekend. Newtowne made its debut, and "old timer" Jimmy Hingston had his team in the hunt. Word is the JAFT crew overslept! Both Charlestown teams finished in the quarterfinal round, and it was good to see the "rookie" Newtowne team involved as well as so many new recruits - Joe Brennan, Chet Ferreira and Niko, to name a few, on the Hingston team. This keeps our Charlestown Pride on the road!

More Pride . . . Let's give a big congratulations to our Little Leaguers and their coaches who advanced far into the state tournament before falling to Norwood in an extra-inning game. We're proud of you!

Tidbits . . . Is Red Store Diane getting a Harley? . . . Ellie loves the Pool . . . Ryan says the bus had insurance . . . Mrs. B, our favorite CHS Cafe worker, was spotted at Fenway Park. Word is she wanted to meet Wally the Green Monster! . . . North End Pride Weekend takes place at the North End Park Saturday and Sunday - come on over!

Smile!

St. Catherine's News

* Whale Watch - We will be going on a Whale Watch on Saturday, Aug. 2. The cost is \$25 and you may sign up at the rectory.

* Riverside Park - A trip to Riverside Park is planned for Monday, Aug. 11. The cost of \$20 covers transportation and admission. Please sign up at the rectory. Please submit your money by Friday, Aug. 1.

★ Interparish Baseball League - On behalf of the parish I wish to thank all of those youth who signed up for baseball. Two teams were established for the Charlestown parishes. Unfortunately, there were no other city teams submitted. You should be proud of your efforts. Deposits may be picked up at the rectory. Thank you, Matt Stillman.

★ Christmas Trip - St. Catherine's is sponsoring at trip to New York City, featuring reserved seating for Radio City Music Hall's Christmas Show, for the weekend of Nov. 22 and 23. The trip includes roundtrip accommodations on a luxury motor coach, a one-night stay at the Belvedere Hotel in Manhattan, two meals, tours, taxes and tips. Reserve your seat now. For more information, call Anne at the rectory at 242-1750.

Charlestown Residents Crew On The 'Spirit Of Massachusetts'



CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Francine O'Neil, Shaunna O'Neil and Jennifer Griffin embarked on the "tall ship" the "Spirit of Massachusetts" recently for a five-day educational sail. Fourteen girls ages 14-16 along with two adult youth workers from Boston Community Centers learned to crew the 19th century sailing vessel replica. They also learned basic nautical skills, seawomanship, an appreciation of maritime heritage and respect for the sea. Mayor Thomas M. Menino stopped by the Charlestown Navy Yard to wish the girls bon voyage. Shown front row (l. to r.) Shannon Barrett, Katie Lunnon, Jennifer Stone, Janice Hill and Shaunna O'Neil of Charlestown. Second row (l. to r.) Boston Community Centers Director Evelyn Riesenberg, Jennifer Griffin of Charlestown, Mayor Menino, Cristina Dellorusso, Jessica Hill, Lisa Reilly and Francine O'Neil of Charlestown. Back row (l. to r.) B.C.C. Programming Director Ginny Guild, B.C.C. Director of Planning and Development Daria Fanelli, Nadia Bartolucci, Kate Whitaker, trip sponsor, Ted Wilson, executive director of Schools for Children, Lori Miller, Melissa Visconti and Suzanne DeVoe.

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Townies Beat West Roxbury In First Round Of State Tourney

by Brian Wallace

A large Charlestown crowd was on hand last Saturday at Evans Field in South Boston as the District 9 Little League Champs from Charlestown took on the District 10 Champs from the Parkway Little League in West Roxbury in the first round of the state tournament. For the past 15 years, the District Championship games have virtually belonged to West Roxbury. The Parkway program has won 13 of the last 15 District Title games and were looking to knock off a young Charlestown team to advance in the states.

But a funny thing happened to the Parkway team on the way to the state championship. They met a tough, talented well-coached Charlestown team, who had already knocked off South Boston to win the District 9 title. There was no question that the Townies were the underdogs as

the game got underway. Adding to that feeling was the fact that the Parkway team jumped all over Townies' starting pitcher, Jon Jones in the top of the

The first three West Roxbury batters hit safely and by the time the top of the first had ended, Charlestown found themselves down by a 3-0 score. With many of the Parkway faithful already talking about facing Norwood in the state tournament, the Townies showed what they were made of. Charlestown jumped all over West Roxbury starter, Greg De-Angelis, and struck back for four runs in the bottom of the first inning. The big blow was a mammoth tworun homer by catcher Chad Titcomb

West Roxbury scored two runs in the top of the second and Charlestown again countered with one run in the bottom of the second to tie the game at 5.

The game settled down a little from that point on as Jones found his stride and began to set the West Roxbury hitters down one right after another. Lead off hitter for Charlestown, John Murphy, continued his torrid hitting as he collected three hits. Jones, Titcomb, Mike Doe, Matt Manganelli, Andrew Brennan, Mike Reid, Jason Flint, Derek Garceau, Jimmy Dyer, Chuck Kavanaugh, Steve Awbrey and John Allen continued great defense in the fields and continued to hit and pressure the Parkway squad.

In the bottom of the fourth, Charlestown struck for two big runs to take a 7-5 lead and Jon Jones became Roger Clemens. Jones struck out the last two batters to face him in the fourth inning and then struck out the side in the fifth inning. With five straight strikeouts, Jones

had the Parkway team back on their heels and facing elimination. Hits by Jason Flint, Derek Garceau and Matt Manganelli gave Jones another run to work with as the Parkway top of the order came to bat in the top of the sixth, trailing 8-5. He didn't need it. Jones got the West Roxbury team in order in the sixth with some great defensive plays by Chuckie Kavanaugh and Andrew Brennan and an incredible job behind the plate by Chad Titcomb.

The Charlestown - West Roxbury game, can be seen this Sunday, Aug. 2 on BNN's Channel A23 at 10 a.m. The game is produced and directed by Charlestown resident Kevin Burke and "Moments in Sports." Moments also filmed the Charlestown -Norwood game which will be shown on A23 on Sunday, Aug. 10 at 10 a.m.

(Brian Wallace is a writer and cable television announcer.)

Sailing Center Offers Instruction And Summer Fun For Children

The Courageous Sailing Center invites young people ages 8 to 20 to come by and enjoy free sailing instruction on Pier 4 in Charlestown every day in August. Classes are open to children of all skill levels.

Whether a youngster is a beginner sailor, advanced racer, or has never been at the helm, this program offers the opportunity to participate, learn and compete in the great sport of sailing. Courageous' classes range

from a brief overview of the sport to advanced racing techniques. Students may even move up through the program to become instructors themselves.

Scheduling is flexible you can enroll for mornings or afternoons, for one week or several - there are many options! Enrollment is underway now. For more information on how to register, contact Brian Peugh at the Courageous Sailing Center, 242-3821.

Townies Host Blizzard

The Charlestown Football Townies will play host to the Maine Blizzard this Saturday, Aug. 2 at Hormel Stadium on Locust Street in Medford (behind the Meadow Glen Mall).

Kickoff is scheduled for 3 p.m. and a long awaited first victory for Townies in the young Eastern Football League season is on the agenda.

Both teams are currently winless but are much better than their records indicate. Maine has yet to play a home game, while the Townies have played well enough to win their

last two outings.

The Townies lost their home opener this past week to the Leominster Lions in the waning minutes of the ball game. Once again, the reorganized Townies are the youngest team in the league and show a lot of promise as a future contender.

The Town Team could use the fan support on Saturday before they hit the road for three consecutive away games at Granite State and Leominster.

Thank you to the fans and the team hopes to see you Saturday!

Charlestown Faces Norwood In State Quarterfinals

by Mark Smith

On July 28, Charlestown Little League squared off against Norwood who had knocked out Somerville on Saturday.

Norwood scored one run in the top of the first. In the bottom of the first, Charlestown scored twice to take a one-run lead. The hitting was done by John Murphy, Jon Jones, Chad Titcomb and Andrew Brennan.

In the second inning, Norwood scored five times with a huge homerun. After a pep talk by coaches Mark Smith and Bucky Jones, the boys came flying back with eight runs. This scoring was done with timely hitting by the whole

In the third inning, Norwood's strong hitting The came on again. coaches decided to change pitchers with Jimmy Dyer relieving Chad Titcomb. Jimmy pitched an outstanding game, but Norwood was strong. Norwood hit two more homeruns and came charging.

On one of the homeruns, first base was visibly missed by the hitter. After appealing the play to first, the umpire said the runner was safe. This sent everyone into an uproar.

In the bottom of the fourth, Charlestown regained the lead with some great hitting by Mike Doe, John Murphy and Chad Titcomb. With two outs, John Murphy tried to steal home on a wild pitch. While looking clearly safe, the same umpire from the earlier call, called Murphy

Norwood tied the game in the sixth and the game went into extra innings. With Matt Manganelli pitching for Charlestown, the game went to the eighth inning. In the top of the inning Norwood scored two runs led by a homerun.

With Charlestown down 13-11 in the bottom of the eighth, the Townies gave it one last try. They scored one run and had a runner on, but Norwood's pitching shut the door.

Final score: Norwood 13 - Charlestown 12.

The town should be proud of these boys as this is the farthest the town has ever gone in the state tournament.

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9:30 a.m. - Options Group noon - MGH Group (Room will be closed)

Happy July Birthday to Richard Bielski, Kay Blackmore, Ellen Burns, Mary Byrne, Peg Canney, Vera Correia, Gladys Gauthier, Barbara Jamieson, Louise Kenneally, Madeline Keenan, Ann Marie Miller, John Murphy, Albert Nielson, Helen Walsh and

ReadBoston 'Storymobile' Rides Again!

The ReadBoston's "Storymobile" program will travel to Charlestown between 10 and 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 5. Three vehicles will bring storytelling, live theater presentations and free books to young people at the Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

The Storymobiles series is one of the initiatives in the city's ReadBoston citywide literacy campaign whose goal is to ensure that within 10 years all Boston children will read at third grade level by the end of third grade.

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Bunker Hill Associates Celebrate Bunker Hill Day With Annual Breakfast

photos by John Dillon

The Bunker Hill Associates held its 12th annual breakfast at the Knights of Columbus Hall the morning of the Bunker Hill Day Parade. The hall was packed with elected officials, candidates and guests enjoying a hearty breakfast with a dose of comedy.

This year's event was dedicated in memory of Comelius F. "Con" O'Brien, who was a resident of Charlestown for all of his 95 years, having died in 1993. He was a member of the Boston Police Department for 45 years, rising through the ranks to retire as captain in 1966. He was admired by his colleagues for his reputation as a man of principle and integrity and he received numerous commendations and citations. Members of his family joined the associates and their guests in remembering and saluting Con O'Brien in gratitude for his long years of service to Charlestown.

During the program, Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham was presented with a citation by the associates. Hon. Richard A. Voke, former House Majority Leader and master of ceremonies for the annual breakfast, was honored by the associates. Also, an award by President Eugene "Bud" Whelan was given to Edward Kelly, secretary, and Ronan FitzPatrick, treasurer, for their service to the organization.

The annual K, of C. Scholarship was presented to Jillian Doherty at the breakfast. In turn, Voke matched the scholarship from a little-used fund in his father's name.

Also, a \$500 scholarship was presented to Nicole Matson in honor of the deceased members of the family of Thomas Craven. The award is to go to a Charlestown High School graduate. Matson will be attending Emmanuel College in the fall.





In The Race For City Council

Siciliano Seeks District One City Council Seat

Alfred V. Siciliano has announced his candidacy for District One, Boston City Council. Siciliano, 56, and a resident of East Boston for 36 years, is married to the former Karen Hanlon and they are the parents of three sons and two grandchildren.

Siciliano graduated from Revere High School in 1959 and is a graduate of the Northeast Institute of Technology. He has been employed as a letter carrier for the past 23 years. He served in the U.S. Army and is a disabled veteran. He is a lifetime member of D.A.V. Chapter 77 and the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Siciliano's candidacy will focus on several concems including public safe-



ALFRED V. SICILIANO ty; more police visibility, particularly at night; more police walking the streets at night; cleaner streets; and parking problems. pledges to fight to cut car and home insurance rates.

He states that he will be seen in Charlestown as the District One City Councillor and will hold monthly meetings in the town.

(political announcement)

Iannella Seeks At-Large City Council Seat

Suzanne Iannella, a Boston businesswoman, has announced her candidacy for the Boston City Council. She is seeking one of the four at-large council seats in her first run for public office.

Iannella is a lifelong resident of Boston. She attended the Boston Public Schools, St. Clare's High School and is a graduate of Boston College. She has worked in the private sector for over 20 years in real estate, insurance and finance.

Since September, Iannella has served as one of the three commissioners on the state Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission.

Iannella is the daughter of Virginia Nelson Iannella and the late Christopher A. Iannella who served longer as City Council President than any other Bostonian.

Outlining her plans for city council, Iannella said she would push for more commitments to the Boston Public Schools from the city's largest employers.

She noted that many Boston area institutions have large endowments they invest. "With our critical need for affordable housing," Iannella said, "I'd like to see these millions invested here, providing financing so young families can afford to live in Boston. This is a way for the schools to say 'thank you'



SUZANNE IANNELLA for their tax-exempt status."

Although nearly her entire career has been in the private sector, she doesn't feel that is a bar to her current attempt. "I think the city council will be better with input from someone used to working in the bus-

iness world.

"Some candidates for the city council will ask you to vote for them just because they have served in public office before," she explained, "that can't be the only qualification and it may not even be the most important. I was born in Boston, raised in Boston. I live in Boston and I pay Boston taxes. If there's one thing I know, it's Boston."

Vowing to represent all Boston residents and respond to their concerns, Iannella added, "I may not have all the right answers, but I know if I ask all the right questions, I'll get the right answers. That's just good common sense."

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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

Thank you to all who have sent get well and Mass cards to my mother, Gladys Gauthier, and those who remembered her birthday.

It's nice to know she has many good friends like you. Many thanks and appreciation. Alice Baker

Thank You

We would like to say thank you to Dan McGoff, CYHA, Bill Stoddard, Boston PAL and to Stephanie O'Sullivan for an exciting and encouraging week of hockey at the O'Sullivan Hockey Academy.

Stephanie, along with many friends and family, were such positive role models. It was a thrilling experience to have been part of such a great camp.

We wish Steph's brother, Chris, much luck as a member of the Calgary Flames, and we look forward to watching Stephanie during the 1998 Olympics in Japan!

> Thank you, again, Tim, Debbie and Kerry Brennan

Thank You, Charlestown!

Dear Gloria,

On behalf of the Fort Cumberland Guard (The Red Coats) from Portsmouth UK, who were invited to join the Bunker Hill Day Parade on June 15 by CDR, Michael Beck, USN and Capt. Bill Moss, US Marines 1797, I wish to thank the people of Charlestown and Boston for the great reception and welcome we received around each corner of the parade.

The pride we felt on approaching the Saluting Platform and on hearing the words, "The British Are Coming," knowing that we were representing the UK, was almost overwhelming. We have always heard that the Americans love a parade - now we know how much! It was wonderful - thank you all.

Lt. CDR. Claire Bloom, the lady we all love, is visiting the UK the week after the parade and has passed me a copy of "The Patriot" with the parade photos. It would be appreciated if you could send me about 15 copies for the members who participated, if they are available, please.

Yours most sincerely, David Quinton Secretary and Quartermaster

Did You Grow Up During The Great Depression?

As a child, I never tired of listening to my grandparents tell me about their lives as children. Now, as a U.S. History major at Boston College, I have decided to channel this interest into a formal research project. For my senior thesis, I will study the lives of children who lived during the Great Depression. Because my grandparents are no longer nearby, I hope to make contact with those in the area who lived through this time. I believe that listening to first-hand accounts of Depression-era childhoods is the only way to truly study this topic.

If you grew up during the Great Depression, my appeal is directed to you. Please write and tell me about your childhood. Your letter may cover any topic and be of any length. I am interested in hearing about your experiences, and I would be most grateful to receive any accounts that would help me understand what the Depression looked like through the eyes of a child.

Please send your letters to: Jennifer Pish, Boston College, Vanderslice Hall, Room 317, P.O. Box 9105, Chestnut Hill, Mass. 02167-9105. I appreciate your time, and look forward to hearing your history.

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It was great to meet some old friends. It was even greater to see those kids scrap and pull out a win.

Just like I have always said, "You can't keep a good Townie down!"

Missing you all, Jack "The Barber" Luiselli

Thank You

We would like to say "thank you" to all the parents of Charlestown CYO Softball Midgets for their support this year. You all went above and beyond the call of duty with transportation, helping in many ways with practices and games, but most of all just by being supportive parents.

We would also like to thank the players who conducted themselves in a positive way all year and for the respect they showed for each other and the coaches at the practices and games.

Players this year were: Kassi Borden, Erin Caldwell. Alicia Castronova, Megan Daniels, Shannon Devlin, Christine Durham, Jillian Flynn, Jessica Grace, Kerriann Hayes, Leesia Lawton, Bernadine McLaughlin, Taylor Murphy, Casey Schievink, Courtney Schievink, Briana Taylor, Danielle Whalen, Sheilann Williams and Michelle Williams.

Thank You, Jack Schievink, Mary Beth Grace, Bob Lawton & Jimmy Hayes



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A bigger concern is that you resign or lose your job, most plans require you to pay the loan in full. If you can't come up with the money, your loan will be taxed as a distribution and the additional 10% penalty will apply if you're under retirement age. You should only consider a 401(k) loan if you feel secure in your job or have alternative sources of cash if needed.

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Monday, July 21

It was reported that person(s) unknown broke into a storage trailer on Constitution Road and stole several power

A man stated that he was assaulted by a male that he knows while on Corey Street.

A woman reported that her Bunker Hill Street apartment was broken into and a jewelry box was stolen.

A woman stated that person(s) unknown broke into her Bunker Hill Street apartment. Nothing was reported taken.

Police arrested six males for assaulting a male at Bunker Hill and Decatur streets.

Tuesday, July 22

A man reported that a cellular phone was stolen from his motor vehicle that was parked on Warren Street.

A man stated that camera lenses and antique jewelry were taken from his Auburn Street apartment.

A woman reported that her Baldwin Street apartment was broken into and a wallet with credit cards was stolen.

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Wednesday, July 23

A woman reported that her motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Brighton Street and the steering column was damaged.

A woman stated that her motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on 8th Street. Nothing was reported taken.

A woman reported that her Baldwin Street apartment was broken into and a jewelry box was stolen.

A woman stated that her shop on Main Street was broken into and money was stolen.

Thursday, July 24

A man reported that person(s) unknown stole his mountain bike from Pier 8.

A man stated that building permits were stolen from his job site on Trenton Street.

A woman reported that her motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Constitution Road and money was stolen.

Police arrested a male on Main Street on an outstanding warrant.

Friday, July 25

A woman who works on Terminal Street reported that her check was stolen and cashed.

Police arrested a male on Main Street on an outstanding warrant.

Saturday, July 26

A woman stated that person(s) unknown hit her motor vehicle on Rutherford Avenue.

A man reported that a gold ring was stolen from his Parker Street apartment.

A man stated that a male threw an object at his car window, breaking the window, while he was on Dunstable

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

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Street.

Sunday, July 27

Boston Housing Police arrested a female on Medford Street for trespassing.

Monday, July 28

A man reported that his Monument Street apartment had been broken into. Nothing has been reported stolen at this time.

A man stated that his Mystic Street apartment was broken into. Fifty CD's and money were stolen.

A woman reported that her motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Polk Street. A cellular phone was stolen.

A man stated that two tires were stolen from his motor vehicle while it was parked on 8th Street.

Boston Police Bulletin: Protect Against Car Theft And Break-Ins

Officers from Area A of the Boston Police Department ask residents to review some common-sense rules to protect themselves and their possessions against car break-ins, which are so prevalent in the town.

Lock your doors and windows. A thief will insert a wire in a slightly open window to pop up the door lock. An unlocked door is an open invitation to a thief.

Replace your standard door lock buttons with tapered ones. Tapered door lock buttons make it more difficult for a thief to hook a wire or device onto the door lock button to pop it open.

Invest in an anti-theft device. When you buy a new or used car, checking to see if it has an anti-theft device is as important as checking the engine. If there isn't one, you should have one installed. Having an antitheft device can lower the cost of your auto insurance. Never leave valuable items exposed to public view. Remove valuable items from your car or lock them in the trunk.

Car theft results in economic loss, higher insurance premiums and the inconvenience of being without transportation.

If you observe any unusual activity or observe a car theft or a break-in, call 911. If you have information concerning a car theft or break-in, contact the District 1/15 detectives at 343-4248. If you have any other concerns, contact the Community Service Officer at 343-4627.

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Peg & Al's Team Captures Charlestown Little League Championship



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Warren-Prescott School Awarded \$200,000 Annenberg Challenge Grant

Warren-Prescott Elementary School has been selected through a competitive process to receive a fouryear Boston Annenberg Challenge grant totalling approximately \$200,000. The school will implement "whole school change" that will improve student performance.

John Hancock Financial Services President and Chief Operating Officer William L. Boyan, who chairs the Annenberg Challenge Executive Committee, explained, "This is an exciting time for those committed to public education in Boston. The city's business, educational and political leadership is united in its commitment to school reform and a bright future for Boston's schoolchildren."

A total of 22 schools selected across the city will receive a four-year \$200,000 grant for teacher training, leadership development for principals, and networking among schools to share "best practices" for teaching and learning. The Boston Public Schools' Center for Leadership Development will provide professional development and leadership training for the schools.

In addition, Annenberg funding will support reform efforts at the city's 11 Pilot Schools and 27 "21st

Century Schools" coordinated by the Boston Plan for Excellence. Forty-two Boston public schools competed for this funding selection.

Last October, the Annenberg Foundation awarded a five-year, \$10 million Annenberg Challenge grant, the largest private grant in the Boston Public Schools' history, to support the Comprehensive Reform Plan developed to improve student achievement. Since last fall, the \$10 million grant has been matched with over \$10 million in private funding, through a fund-raising effort led by Boyan, and \$10 million in public funding.

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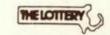
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