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## Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Looks To July For Start Of \$4 Million Renovation

Over 75 residents filled the main floor of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club's High Street facility on Jan. 21 at a forum sponsored by the Development Committee of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC).

An outline of plans for the club's renovation had been brought to the last monthly meeting of the CNC by Attorney Pat Sweeney, spokesperson for the local clubhouse board. The Development Committee, chaired by Tom Cunha, agreed to act as the sponsor of this meeting to bring abutters with their concerns together with club representatives, con-

struction company officials and eventually architects to work toward a resolution of neighborhood issues and the successful completion of the renovation project.

Sitting on the Development Committee with Cunha were members Edna Kelly, Bill McCabe, Bill Galvin, Peg Bradley, Jim Conway, John Iacoi, Danny Ryan, Peter Looney, Mel Stillman, Judy Brennan, Mary O'Brien and Don Haska.

Also present were Terrence Gagne, chief financial officer of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston; Bart Mendel, senior project manager of Beacon Con-

struction Co.; Kevin Walsh, construction supervisor for Beacon; Jerry Steimel, executive director, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club; and Lois Gallagher, chairman, clubhouse board of directors. Sweeney set the stage for the presentation and Steimel walked the gathering through the plans.

Steimel outlined the use of a renovated High Street facility as to program space. Sweeney noted that plans are not yet finalized for the building and that they were there to listen to the people, adding that he wanted to get as many involved in the process as possible.

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## CCES Grade 4 Students Tour State House



GRADE 4 of Charlestown Catholic Elementary School recently toured the Mass. State House. Senate President Tom Birmingham took them on a tour of his office and Representative Eugene O'Flaherty treated the students to a pizza party in the Great Hall. Stephen Owens, MDC Ranger assigned to the State House, helped coordinate the field trip. Shown front row (l. to r.) Grade 4 teacher Patricia Senier, parent Karen Burns, O'Flaherty, Birmingham, parents Maureen Evers and Linda Vitale, and chaperone Kolleen Hayes. Second row (l. to r.) Melissa Sanchez, Kristine Costa, Kathleen Eddy, Mark Hanscom, Shawn Doherty and Vy Tran. Third row (l. to r.) Kristin Evers, Taylor Murphy, Patrick Langan, Jarrod Marchesi, Nolan Burns and Joseph Hurley. Fourth row (l. to r.) Kasey Owens, Danielle Duncan, Anthony Vitale, Kevin Smith and Padraic Lacey. Fifth row (l. to r.) Adam Ao, Robert Hoell, Terrence Mahan, Manuel Sanchez, Kevin Wallis, Charlene Owen, Kristin Gomperts and Danielle Whalen.

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## around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ **Community Office Hours** . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be holding office hours on Monday, Jan. 27 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

She will be on hand to discuss problems and answer questions on city issues.

★ **Neighborhood Council Meetings** . . .

**Development Committee On Parcel R-87**

Chairman Tom Cunha has announced that the Development Committee will meet to discuss the proposed development of Parcel R-87, located at Lowney, Tremont and

Prospect streets, at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Jan. 23 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Cunha stated that the three developers who submitted plans for the site in November in response to Requests For Proposal, will make a presentation to the committee. This will be followed by a question and answer period from committee members and then from the audience. He said that representatives from the Boston Redevelopment Authority have been invited to attend.

### Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West

School St.

Among the items on the agenda will be a broad overview, highlighting the proposed Constitution School to be located in the Boston National Historical Park in the Charlestown Navy Yard. The proposed independent school is planned for 5th through 8th grades and will provide a classical curriculum rich in exploration, using the extraordinary resources available in the Navy Yard. The school start is planned for the fall of 1997.

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

★ **Kindergarten Registration** . . . Kindergarten Registration in all Boston Public Schools will be held on Monday, Jan. 27, during regular school hours.

Children who will be 4 or 5 as of Sept. 1, 1997 are eligible. To register and receive an assignment, ap-

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#### SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Thursdays

• **9 to 10:30 a.m.** - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group-Options Program, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866

• **10:30 a.m. to noon** - Women's Recovery Group session, Kennedy Center, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

#### Fridays

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

#### First and Third Sundays

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

#### Mondays

• **2 to 5 p.m.** - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** - Nicotine Anonymous support group meeting, Armed Services YMCA, 150 Second Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard

• **7 p.m.** - Narcotics Anonymous beginners meeting, 55 Bunker Hill St.

#### Mondays And Fridays

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

#### Tuesdays

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

#### Wednesdays

• **5 to 7 p.m.** - Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.

• **7 p.m.** - Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) meeting, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.

## CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### this week at a glance

#### Thursday, Jan. 23

• **3:30 p.m.** - Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on Parcel R-87 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

#### Friday, Jan. 24

• **10 a.m.** - Adult Discussion Group and Preschool Story Hour -

Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **3:30 p.m.** - Winter Stories & Crafts for children - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Saturday, Jan. 25

• **8 p.m. to midnight** - Annual Nite Before Fund-Raising Dance to benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Sunday, Jan. 26

*Go Patriots!*

#### Monday, Jan. 27

• **9 a.m.** - Opening of Catholic Schools Week Mass - St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square

#### Tuesday, Jan. 28

• **8:30 to 11:30 a.m.** - Open House at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School - Tufts Street

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

### upcoming events

#### Thursday, Jan. 30

• **3:30 p.m.** - Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Friday, Jan. 31

• **10 a.m.** - Adult Discussion Group and Preschool Story Hour - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **11:30 a.m.** - Charlestown Catholic Elementary School Catholic

School Week Prayer Service - St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square

#### Monday, Feb. 3

• **7 p.m.** - "Townie Santa" Committee meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - Daughters of Isabella No. 1 meeting - K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 4

• **10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.** -

Children's Films - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council meeting - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 5

• **3 p.m.** - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. meeting - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

### plan ahead

#### Monday, Feb. 10

• **7 p.m.** - Abutters meeting on proposal to renovate Charlestown Boys & Girls Club - Clubhouse, High Street Building

#### Tuesday, Feb. 11

• **noon to 6 p.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club presents "Fat" Tuesday Spaghetti Feast to benefit the Mass. Lions Eye Research Fund - K. of C.

Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Friday, Feb. 14

• **8 p.m.** - An Evening with Tommy Makem to benefit the Pipes & Drums of Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Saturday, Feb. 15

• **7 p.m.** - Country & Western & Valentine Dance, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1 - K. of C.

Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Saturday, Feb. 22

• **7 p.m.** - \$5,000 Drawing Dinner-Dance to benefit Charlestown Catholic Elementary School - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Saturday, April 12

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

### Wrap-Around Day Care At The Kennedy Center

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If you have any questions or would like more information, please call JoAnn Doherty or Sherry O'Brien at 241-8866.

### CHAD Supports Concept Of A Recovery House In Charlestown

At a recent Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) meeting, CHAD members voted to support the concept of a recovery house in Charlestown.

The idea for the recovery house is still in the conceptual stage, no sites have been chosen and no concrete selection or programming strategies are in place.

However, the CHAD organization believes that the idea is valid and timely for the community and has encouraged organizers for the recovery house to meet with the community to make people aware of all of the research and investi-

gating they have done on this matter.

CHAD Chairman Peter Looney stated, "The Charlestown community needs to be aware of the potential benefits of having a recovery house located in our neighborhood. The statistics are grim. Charlestown is first in drug-related deaths out of all Boston neighborhoods. This is a reality we need to face and deal with."

"We need to continue to improve and utilize our existing support network and create new systems to deal with this problem. This is what CHAD is all about."

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K.W.

#### PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands 3 times. Say this prayer 3 consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted for you. Grateful thanks.

M.D.

#### PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days and then you must publish it and it will be granted to you.

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To raise awareness of the broad spectrum of

available funding for higher education, the Mass. Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (MASFAA) has initiated a three-month, statewide public service campaign.

According to Doreen Rose, president of MASFAA, in order to take advantage of financial aid programs, consumers need to become better educated about all the available options. "There is a lot of confusion about the financial aid process. One of the most common misconceptions, for example, is the belief that the high cost of tuition places many

schools out of reach. As a result, even qualified students often don't apply to their 'dream schools' because they are unaware of all the financial aid packages that exist. In fact, these programs can often help defray the cost of higher education."

The MASFAA campaign includes a number of outreach initiatives including:

- A toll-free hotline, 1-800-442-1171, staffed by financial aid professionals, which continues every evening from 5:30 to 9 p.m. through Feb. 13. Hotline staff will field inquiries,

and provide over-the-phone counseling and assistance, free of charge.

- A series of free financial aid clinics in six Mass. communities, including Boston, are scheduled on Saturday, Feb. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and include a detailed presentation and individual assistance with financial aid forms.

- A "how-to" video providing a step-by-step introduction to the financial aid process is available.

For more information about financial aid programs, please contact Sally Connolly at (508) 588-9100, ext. 1470.

## Our Youth — The Pride Of Charlestown

Charlestown was well represented by 25 mostly high school-aged young people at Waterville Valley, N.H. recently on their three-day ski vacation. Their outstanding behavior and cooperation was noted by each of the chaperones, lodging and ski officials and myself. Such good news needs to be properly highlighted for all to hear. We have much to be proud of in the youth of Charlestown.

St. Catherine's CYO basketball and hockey season continues in earnest. Five boys and girls basketball teams and one hockey team participate in the Archdiocesan CYO League. The volunteer coaches and support staff deserve particular mention for their dedication to the youth.

Congratulations needs to be extended to the parish Color Guards for their recent successful competitions. They are a very dedicated group of girls who diligently

practice 11 months a year for a short, yet very competitive season.

St. Catherine's CYO encompasses youth from the other two parishes of Charlestown and other faith groups by offering community-wide programs. This united effort helps to promote our inter-dependence as one neighborhood. May God's blessing rest upon each of our youth and their supporters. God is the ultimate reason for any service offered by the church.

Please leave your pennies at St. Catherine's Rectory for the CYO Penny Drive to help maintain our youth activities by defraying the cost. This annual event is an important fund raiser for our local youth. Any other financial assistance would be appreciated and is much needed.

- Father Jim DiPerrì

## Caminiti Named Chief Resident Engineer For Tishman

Tishman Construction Corporation of New England has announced the appointment of Charlestown resident Debra Caminiti as chief resident engineer. In making the announcement, Dan McQuade, first vice president of Tishman Construction, said, "Caminiti brings a wealth of expertise and experience to Tishman and will play an important role in the company's expansion and growth."

Caminiti, named chief resident engineer for the Elevated Walkways project at Logan International Airport, is responsible for coordinating all shop



DEBRA CAMINITI

drawing submittals with architects, engineers and contractors. Her duties include reviewing all change order submissions and schedules, estimating costs and inspecting for quality/progress.

Prior to joining Tish-

man in Boston, Caminiti served as assistant construction manager for Sverdrup Facilities in Boston, senior contract administrator for Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas in Boston, and as office engineer for the Third Harbor Tunnel in Boston. She has also worked for Tishman Construction Corporation and Lev Zetlin Associates in New York City.

Caminiti holds a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Civil Engineering from Manhattan College in New York, and a Certificate in Construction Management from New York University in Riverdale, N.Y.

## Ice Skating Lessons

Ice skating classes are ongoing at 15 local MDC rinks. Lessons for beginner, intermediate and advanced skills are for children and adults using figure or hockey skates, and are taught by professional instructors.

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## St. Francis de Sales Happenings

### Mass For The Anointing

On Sunday, Feb. 9 at 12:30 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall, there will be a Mass for the Anointing for all members of the parish who may wish to receive this special Sacrament of God's love for strength of body and soul.

### Seniors Valentine Party

All the senior citizens of the parish are cordially invited to a parish Valentine Party on Sunday, Feb. 9 in the Bishop Lawton Hall, after the Mass for the Anointing, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The afternoon party will consist of lunch, entertainment and dancing.

If you would like to be a St. Francis de Sales Valentine, kindly sign **your name** at the ushers' table at Mass. Your signature is your ticket! Please **do not** sign up for anyone else.

If they are unable to come to Mass to sign up, please contact the rectory at 242-0147. The Planning Committee has to have an accurate count.

### First Penance And Holy Communion

All second grade pupils in the parish are eligible for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Communion. If you have a second-grade student who attends a Catholic school other

than Charlestown Catholic and your child will be receiving the Sacraments at St. Francis de Sales, please contact the rectory at 242-0417 for further information.

The Sacrament of First Penance will be held on Sunday, March 2 at the 9 a.m. Mass and the Sacrament of the Eucharist will be received on Sunday, May 4 at the 9 a.m. Mass.

### Beano Gift Certificates

Beano gift certificates are available year-round at the rectory or at the Saturday Night Beano. They are available in any denomination.

## Edwards Accepting Applications

The Clarence R. Edwards Middle School at 28 Walker St., Charlestown is now accepting applications for grades six through eight. Parents are invited to visit the school from 8:30 a.m. to noon, during the last two weeks of

January.

There will be student-led tours from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays of these weeks to assist parents in discovering the school.

For more information, call 635-8516.

## Foster Grandparents Needed

The Catholic Charities Foster Grandparent Program needs volunteers. If you are at least 60 years of age, meet certain income eligibility requirements, love children and are willing to volunteer 20 hours a week, you can apply to become a Foster Grandparent.

You will earn a small, tax-free stipend to cover

the cost of serving, be reimbursed for transportation, and receive supplemental accident and liability coverage while serving. All Foster Grandparents receive 40 hours of pre-service orientation and additional monthly training.

For more information, call Mary Harris at 623-3338, ext. 10.

### 'Parenting Skills Part I'

#### At The Charlestown Branch Library

Donna O'Brien, M.A. and M.Ed., member of Group Therapy Associates in Charlestown, will discuss "Sibling Rivalry" at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 24.

She will cover sibling

relationships, dealing with other children in play settings, helping a child develop a sense of right and wrong and building trust in the parent-child relationship.

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

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**To Our Father,**  
**ANDY MIRDIK**

*on January 23rd!*

*Love . . . Andy, Joanie & Donald*

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## On Honor Roll At Latin Academy

Timothy J. Brennan, Peter G. Golden and Duong Trung Ngan, all of Charlestown, have been named to the honor roll at Boston Latin Academy.

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



♣ **Looking For Something To Do . . .** after being stuck in the house because of the cold weather? . . . Take a walk on down to the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, Jan. 25th to Charlestown Youth Hockey's annual fund raising dance which begins at 8 p.m. . . . The donation is only \$10 and it can be paid at the door . . . Music will be provided by Kevin McGoff & "That Old Black Magic," and there will be raffles and snacks.

♣ **Birthdays, Birthdays, Birthdays . . .** Joe Foley will party for sure today, Jan. 23rd, a date also shared by Kelly Lynch . . . Jan. 24th is the big day for both Fran McGonagle and Pete Rizzo, who marks his 84th birthday . . . Connie Ryan will party hearty on Jan. 25th . . . Paul Hennessey will turn 16 on Jan. 26th and Bob Borden will celebrate on the same day . . . Jan. 27th is the birthday of Teresa Pollack . . . Jan. 28th is shared by Donna Lane-Hickey, Arthur Page and Helen Mahoney, who turns 94 . . . and Bob Scalli will observe his day on Jan. 29th . . . Have a happy day one and all!

♣ **Get Well Wishes . . .** go out to Lillian Buckley who is a patient at Mount Auburn Hospital . . . We're sure it would perk her up to receive cards from her many friends . . . Send them to her at Mt. Auburn Hospital, 330 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

♣ **The Masters Ice Hockey Games . . .** of the 1997 Bay State Winter Games will be held at the Vietnam Veterans Ice Rink in North Adams this weekend, Jan. 24th through 26th . . . The 19 teams are divided into two divisions - over 30 and over 40, and Charlestown residents, Hugh Curren and Bob Knowles, graduates of Holy Cross and Wesleyan University respectively, are among the participants along with other professional and collegiate players.

♣ **The Charlestown Lions Club . . .** will host its annual "Fat" Tuesday Spaghetti Feast on Tuesday, Feb. 11th, from noon to 6 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus lower hall . . . The donation of \$4 per person goes directly to the Mass. Lions Eye Research Fund . . . Help out a most worthwhile cause and at the same time, get out for a good time . . . ask your friendly Charlestown Lion for tickets, or call 242-4919.

♣ **Volunteers Needed . . .** to assist Bill Stievater in taking down holiday garland and bows from the light poles along Main Street . . . Meet Bill at 10 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 26 at 121 Main St.

♣ **The Race For Mayor Of Charlestown . . .** has just one candidate - Patty Kelly . . . Seems like the time is right for other chapeaus to be tossed into the ring . . . If interested in running for Mayor, give a call to Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee Chairman Arthur Hurley at 242-2724.

♣ **It's That Time Of Year Again . . .** to support the American Cancer Society during Daffodil Days by ordering fresh daffodils now through March 14th . . . Flowers will be delivered March 18th through 23rd and a bouquet of 10 flowers costs only \$5 . . . Funds raised will support the society's local service programs for patients and families . . . For more information or to order daffodils, call 1-800-ACS-2345 . . . Volunteers are also needed to sell daffodils in their community or to help with packaging, delivery and street sales . . . If you can help, a choice of hours and locations are available by calling 1-800-952-7430.

♣ **Victory Programs . . .** a non-profit social service agency, that provides individualized treatment services to people in recovery from addiction to alcohol and drugs, particularly those with psychological and medical problems, including HIV/AIDS disease, is now accepting applications for volunteer positions . . . There are opportunities in supported housing programs, healing arts programs and the Buddy Program . . . To find out how you can make a difference in the life of someone in recovery and who is living with AIDS/HIV, call 357-8182.

♣ **Looking For A Special Valentine Gift? . . .** The Charlestown Historical Society is offering Bunker Hill Cup Plates for sale, a reproduction of the famous 1841 "singing glass" lead crystal commemorative cup plate sold to raise funds for the completion of the building of the Bunker Hill Monument . . . The plates, which are \$17.75, will be sold at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. this Saturday, Jan. 25th.

♣ **Thought For The Week . . .** We secure our friends not by accepting favors but by doing them.

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For more information, call 635-9660.

### ★ Central Artery/Tunnel Update ... Closure Of Beach Street

Beach Street is closed to through traffic at Atlantic Avenue from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. until Feb. 20. Beach Street traffic will be detouring through East Street, which will remain open while Beach Street is closed.

★ **MGH Quit Smoking Program** ... Valentine's Day is approaching - why not do something good for your heart? Join the MGH Quit Smoking Service in February! The group program provides education and offers telephone support to help smokers develop their personal plan to stay quit.

Topics include preparing to quit, using nicotine replacement, managing stress, preventing weight gain and avoiding relapse. The next group begins Wednesday, Feb. 5 at 5:30 p.m. A telephone support line, individual counseling and ongoing resources are available. For more information about the location and cost, please call the MGH Quit Smoking Service at 726-7443 and ask for Jennifer.

★ **Environmental Merit Awards** ... The New England regional office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking nominations for its annual Merit Awards program which recognizes environmental achievement by individuals, businesses, organizations, state and local governments, and media in its region. The awards have been given annually since the agency was created in 1970.

An independent EPA panel will select the winners from among those nominated based on the following criteria: promo-

tion of innovative ideas; techniques and/or technologies; ability to address an environmental problem or need; accomplishments of stated goals; ability of the program to be replicated or widely shared; collaboration with others; clarity and effectiveness of the presentation; and long-term effects on the environment.

The deadline for nominations is Feb. 28. For nomination forms or for more information, call Kathleen Bogie at 565-3052.

★ **Board Of Appeal Decisions** ... Petitions were brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on Jan. 21 at Boston City Hall:

- Gunwyn/Charlestown Limited Partnership (by Wireless PCS Inc. dba AT&T Wireless Services) sought permission to install roof-top antennae with related equipment on the 44-unit apartment building at 30 Monument Square, formerly Charlestown High School.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, told the board of the community meeting, sponsored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee and the efforts by the applicant to provide outreach to the abutters and neighbors. She said that the Mayor's Office supported the proposal, as did City Councillors Albert O'Neil, Diane Modica and Peggy Davis-Mullen. A letter of support was presented from the Charlestown Neighborhood Council.

The board approved the petition, subject to design review.

- David A. Parry sought permission to construct a 20-foot dormer on 1 Henley St. and change the legal occupancy from a one-family to a two-family dwelling.

Parry made the presentation to the board along with signatures in support of the changes. Evers reported that Parry inherited the property and, due to a death in the

family, he had to spend a great deal of time in Vermont. He hired a contractor to do some work who, Evers said, failed to get the necessary permits.

Evers said Parry came to her "after the fact" - after the work was done. She said she believed he acted in good faith when he hired the contractor and she recommended approval, subject to design review. Councillor O'Neil added his support.

The board approved the dormer, subject to design review, and approved the change of occupancy.

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

★ **Townie Santa Committee Meeting** ... The Townie Santa Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 3 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. The delivery of this past Christmas will be reviewed and plans will be developed for this coming year. All are welcome.

★ **Spread The Word** ... Most credit scams and specifically, advance-fee scams, "guarantee" or represent a "high likelihood of success" that the advertiser will be able to get or arrange a loan or other form of credit for a consumer, **regardless of the consumer's credit history.** These scams differ from legitimate, guaranteed offers of credit in one critical way: they require payments up front, before the lender is identified and the application is completed.

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cards or other extensions of credit do not require any payments up front for a consumer to accept the offers. These are firm offers of credit that require a consumer to accept the offer; they are advance-fee loans only if they offer the consumer the "opportunity to apply" for credit.

Companies doing business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit **before** you get it. For free information about avoiding credit scams, call the National Fraud Information Center at 1-800-876-7060.

★ **Operation A.B.L.E.** ... Free computer and business skills training is available for people 55 and older who meet Boston and Metro North residency requirements and income guidelines through Operation A.B.L.E. Applicants must want to work on a full- or part-time basis.

For more information, call 542-4180, or visit the open house each Friday at 10 a.m. on the fourth floor at 119 Beach St., Boston.

★ **Lupus Foundation To Meet** ... The local support group of the Mass. Chapter of the Lupus Foundation of America will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13 at the Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville.

The meeting will feature a presentation by Jeffrey P. Gilbard, MD Ophthalmologist, medical director of the Cornea Center and clinical assistant professor, Harvard Medical School.

For more information, call Candy North at 389-1438.

★ **Charlestown Garden Tour Planned** ... A Charlestown Garden Tour is planned for Saturday, June 14. Join the gardeners of Charlestown and visit over 20 private gardens, the Community Garden near Sullivan Square, the new City Square Park and the historic Training Field.

The tour will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. The tickets, priced at \$12, will be on sale the day of the tour at the first stop, the Community Garden at the corner of Main and Bunker Hill streets. For more information, call 242-9033.

## Contestants Now Being Accepted For Scholarship Pageant

The winning tradition will continue for the new Miss Tricounties and Miss North Shore, to be chosen on March 9. For the past three years, the North Shore representative has gone on to become Miss Massachusetts and compete in the Miss America Pageant. The Miss Tricounties/Miss North Shore Scholarship Program has had incredible success in the past five years, including three Miss Massachusetts, and six runners-up to the title of Miss Massachusetts. The search is on for

the next Miss America.

This year's Miss Tricounties/Miss North Shore Scholarship Pageant will be held on Sunday, March 9, at Stoneham Town Hall in Stoneham. In order to qualify, a young woman must be between the ages of 17 and 24, never married, and either live, work or attend school in Suffolk, Essex or Middlesex County.

The pageant consists of four phases of competition: interview, talent, swimsuit and evening wear. Winners and runners-up will receive scholarship

money and prizes. Last year the Miss Tricounties/Miss North Shore Pageant awarded over \$1,500 in scholarships to their contestants. In addition, title winners receive the opportunity to compete for the title of Miss Massachusetts 1997, who will represent the Commonwealth at the Miss America Pageant in September.

The deadline for entry is Feb. 23. For more information, contact Kathleen Callahan Bousquet at 508-337-6544. No entry fee is required.

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## Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion Installs Officers



**BUNKER HILL POST 26, The American Legion** officers were installed at a recent ceremony at the post quarters. Shown front row (l. to r.) Patricia Farris, P.C., executive committee member; Harvey Campbell, sergeant-at-arms; Edward F. Kelly, commander; Al Gallarelli, P.C., and Florence Johnson, P.C., executive committee members. Standing (l. to r.) Arthur L. Hurley, P.C., finance officer; Paul Morceau, P.C., adjutant; Ron Taylor, senior vice commander; James W. Conway, PNH, Americanism officer; George Walsh, chaplain; Edward McKinnon, graves registration officer; and Michael J. Walsh, P.C., and Al Kaliniak, executive committee members.



**OFFICERS** from the state and national level of The American Legion, past and present, were among the distinguished guests at the 77th annual installation of officers of Bunker Hill Post 26 at which Edward F. "Ed" Kelly was installed commander. Shown (l. to r.) Past Department Commander Arthur Smith, Department Commander Joseph Steen, Kelly, Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer, Department Sergeant-At-Arms Stuart Williams and Past National Historian James W. Conway.



**BUNKER HILL POST 26, THE AMERICAN LEGION** recently held its 77th annual installation of officers at the Legion Hall on Adams Street. The newly elected officers were installed by Department Commander Joseph Steen with Edward F. "Ed" Kelly installed as post commander by Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer. **TOP ROW:** At the left, incoming Commander Kelly presents a bouquet of flowers to his wife Edna . . . Second from left, Rep. Richard A. Voke presents a citation from the Mass. House of Representatives to Kelly . . . Second from right, Judy Evers,

regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, presents a citation from Mayor Thomas M. Menino and the city of Boston to Kelly . . . On the right, Father Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish, offers the invocation. **SECOND ROW:** On the left, Voke presents a citation to outgoing commander Al Gallarelli honoring his service to the post . . . In the center, Suffolk County Junior Vice Commander Kevin Fallis (left) and Past National Commander John P. Comer (right) congratulate Kelly . . . At the right, Gallarelli presents a bouquet of

flowers to his wife, Cynthia, and Past Commander and Finance Officer Arthur Hurley makes a presentation to Mary Walsh, president of Bunker Hill Unit 26, The American Legion Auxiliary. **BOTTOM ROW:** At the left, Kelly takes the oath of office. He was escorted into the hall by Department Sergeant-At-Arms Stuart Williams (left) . . . Second from left, Department Commander Joseph Steen presents a gavel to Kelly . . . Second from right, Past National Historian Jim Conway presents the past commander's pin to Gallarelli . . . On the right, Kelly addresses the gathering.



## ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

☆ **CYO All Nighter** - Sign up for a night of fun and adventure, as CYO sponsors another all nighter for ages 13 to 19 on Friday, Feb. 14. The cost is \$30 per person, which must be paid by Feb. 7. A bus will leave from St. Catherine's at 6 p.m. on Friday night and return on Saturday morning at 6 a.m. Sign up soon at the rectory because the trip is limited to 40 people.

☆ **Boys' 8th Grade Olympics** - The annual Archdiocese of Boston Boys' 8th Grade Olympics will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at West Roxbury Community School. The bus will leave St. Catherine's at 8:15 a.m. and return in the late afternoon. All 8th grade boys in parochial or public school are invited to participate. Those wishing to compete should leave their name and \$10 to cover the cost of transportation and lunch, at St. Catherine's rectory no later than Feb. 1.

Any adult who would be willing to chaperone our youth for the day is asked to leave their name at St. Catherine's rectory, 242-1750.

☆ **CYO Dance** - St. Catherine's CYO will hold a dance for our youth, ages 12-15, from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 21 in St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street. Admission is \$5 and soft drinks will be provided.

Any adult willing to chaperone is asked to call Sheila Brown at 242-2683.

☆ **CYO Basketball** - We presently have five teams competing in the Archdiocese Basketball League. This week, we introduce you to our girls teams.

Playing for our Bantam girls team, coached by Lynn Brooks, are Erin Barry, Nicole Bourgeois, Dineen Butler,

Ashley Carr, Caitlin Collins, Kerrie Eddy, Kristin Gomperts, Julie Grzelyck, Cara Mondello, Allyson Roche, Courtney Wrenn, Catherine Burke, Michelle Kane, Jennifer Fidler, Maureen Coppinger, McKenzie Ridings, Alicia Castronova and Christine Copithorn.

Our Cadet girls team is coached by Muff Maguire. Players include Roselyn Boyle, Jessica Brassil, Annemarie Fratalia, Candace Griffin, Kerri Locke, Kelleigh Mahan, Katie Prince, Xaymara Saez, Kristen Scales, Laurie Prince, Courtney Burke, Erin Coppinger, Charlene O'Brien and Lauren Brennan.

We thank the girls for their dedication and commitment.

☆ **Chris Perillo** - Deacon Intern Christopher Perillo will be ordained a deacon for the Archdiocese of Boston on Saturday, Jan. 25. Please continue to pray for him at this special time. He will be ordained to the priesthood in May.

☆ **Mardi Gras Dance** - Young adults in their 20s and 30s from around the Archdiocese are invited to dance the night away at the Mardi Gras Dance and Celebration on Friday, Jan. 31 at Moseley's on the Charles in Dedham. For tickets, which are \$15 person, or for more information, call 746-5850.

☆ **Lenten Weekend Retreat** - "Forgiving Encounters with Christ." The Young Adult Lenten Weekend Retreat, which will begin on Friday evening, Feb. 14 and conclude at noon on Sunday, Feb. 16, will be held in St. William's Hall in Brighton. The retreat is for men and women in their 20s and 30s. The offering is \$85, with a non-refundable deposit of \$25 due by Friday, Feb. 7. For information and registration, call 254-1040.



## CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon

The second-half of the season has started in the Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League and the Shamrocks took little time in dispatching Cricket's team, winner of the first-half championship, in a 6-2 match. Although everyone on Cricket's team bowled over 200, it wasn't enough to defeat the determined Shamrock team.

John Harrington, top bowler for the Shamrocks, had a dream day, smashing the high single record with a wonderful 111 string. His high was 254, also tops for the day. John has steadily improved over the years and is now a great bowler. Runner-up for the Shamrocks was David Grace who bowled a 187 triple. Now, whenever every member of a team bowls over 200, the

names and scores of all the players are given. On Cricket's team the top bowler was Brent Awbrey 220, runner-up was Chris Schievink 208, followed by Marianne Kissane 205 and Danny Kissane 203. That was great bowling by both teams.

The American Legion slam-dunked Diane Modica's team with an 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for the American Legion was Sheilann Williams with 250 and Jessica Grace was runner-up with 208. Top bowler for Modica's team was Richie Burns with 210. Chris Chiampa was runner-up with 200.

Jenny's clobbered the Kennedy Center in a 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for Jenny's was Jimmy Kissane with 237 and Ryan Stillman was runner-up with 201. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Sean Cronk with 231. Bren-

dan Grace was runner-up with 172.

Bunker Hill Real Estate bopped the Charlestown Patriot for a 6-2 win. Top bowler for BHRE was Mike Shackford with 220 and Shawn Burke was runner-up with 200. Top bowler for the Patriot was Michelle Williams with 185. Sara Johnson was runner-up with 163.

In the final match of the day, The Red Store kicked the McCarthy Brothers team in the pants for a 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for The Red Store was Steven Awbrey with 226 and Joe Awbrey was runner-up with 136. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Matt Paley with 226 and Jared Silva was runner-up with 182.

Bowlers of the week are John Harrington 254, Sheilann Williams 250, Jim Kissane 237, Sean Cronk 231,

Matt Paley 226, Steven Awbrey 226, Mike Shackford 220, Brent Awbrey 220, Richie Burns 210 and Chris Schievink 208.

Bowlers trying the hardest are Mike Simensen 122, Keri McGuire 135, Joe Awbrey 136, Eryn Burke 145, Nicole Chiampa 157, Robert Hoell 187, Andrew Foley 188, Glen Hoell 198, Danny Kissane 203 and Marianne Kissane 205.

See you all on Saturday at 11:30 a.m. sharp!

### Standings

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Red Store	8	0
American Legion	8	0
Jenny's Pizza	8	0
Shamrocks	6	2
B.H. Real Estate	6	2
Chas'n. Patriot	2	6
Cricket's	2	6
Diane Modica	0	8
Kennedy Center	0	8
McCarthy Bros.	0	8

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## Simpson To Speak On New Warren-Prescott Playground

Historic Neighborhood's Neighborhood Forum highlights current initiatives intent on restoring or renewing the city's environment. The forum is offered under the auspices of HN's Neighborhood Committee, which is a network of neighbors who are interested in the city's heritage and committed to its healthy growth.

The committee's goals include expanding awareness of the special attributes of each city neighborhood and recruiting neighbors to get involved in HN's *Just Around the Corner* program which teaches children this her-

itage. The forum will be held at noon on Thursday, Feb. 6 at the Copley Marriott Hotel.

Pat Simpson, a resident of Charlestown, is the mother of two children, one of whom attends the Warren-Prescott School. In 1994 the *Just Around the Corner* program was given to students at this school. That same year Simpson began a campaign to replace the asphalt parking lot and chain link fence with a children's playground and garden.

She quickly raised an initial grant from the local Kiwanis Club, and went on

to raise other funds and attract major support from the city of Boston.

HN members and Boston neighborhood residents are cordially invited to meet Simpson and hear her inspiring story. Also, expect to hear about other such neighborhood rebuilding activities during the discussion.

The Copley Marriott will host this event and provide drinks and snacks. Attendees are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch. All are welcome but space may be limited. Call 426-1885 for location within the hotel and to sign up.

## 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, Jan. 28 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

A man searches for unwanted treasures in "The Cat and the Collector" ... a farmer sings about a frog in "Foolish Frog" ... and a sly rabbit escapes from hunters and saves his

friends in "Leo the Hunter."

A 10-year-old spends the summer in the country in "Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **The Tale of Peter Rabbit** by Beatrix Potter and **Old MacDonald Had a Farm** by Prue Theobalds.

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# MGH Charlestown HealthCare Center Honors Employees

The MGH Charlestown HealthCare Center (formerly Bunker Hill Health Center) celebrated its 28th anniversary recently. The Charlestown HealthCare Center opened on Sept. 14, 1968 with a staff of 10 and has grown to a staff of over 100 today.

Each year, the center's administration takes this special occasion to honor and thank the staff for years of service. This year, 22 staff were honored. Special guests at the celebration were members of the Center's Community Advisory Board.

The recipients were: 25 years - Rita Healey; 20 years - Adelaide Smith and Kalpathy Krishnamoorthy; 15 years - Barbara Penn; 10 years - Marcia Cunha, Brian Ott, Carolyn Pacella, Fran Smith and Linda Zani; 5 years - Mary Bozzi, Michael

Daniels, Michael Desimone, Michael Garrity, Nancy Gentile, Susan Houghton, Sidney Mondell, Marie Pasinski, Will Schmitt, Anthony Spiri, Charles Stockbridge and Deborah Wanzer; and 3 years - Catherine Blunt.



EMPLOYEES of the MGH Charlestown HealthCare Center were honored for service at a ceremony at the HealthCare Center, 73 High St. TOP ROW: At the left is Adelaide Smith (center), who was honored for 20 years of service. Shown on the left is Lorenzo Lewis, medical

director, and on the right is Peggy Carolan, administrative director. . . In the center are Catherine Blunt, who marks three years of service, with Lewis. . . On the right is Barbara Penn marking 15 years of service. Shown (l. to r.) Lewis, Unit Chief of Adult Medicine

Mark Eisenberg, Penn and Carolan. BOTTOM ROW: On the left are employees marking five years of service. Shown (l. to r.) Michael Desimone, Charles Stockbridge, Luis Cordero, Medical Director Lewis, Mary Bozzi, Administrative Director Carolan and Michael

Daniels. . . At the right are employees celebrating 10 years of service. Shown (l. to r.) Marcia Cunha, Medical Director Lewis, Carolyn Pacella, Administrative Director Carolan, Fran Smith and Brian Ott.

(photos by Kathy Whitehouse)





## Boys & Girls Club Looks To July For Start Of \$4 Million Renovation

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Sweeney said that the number of meetings to deal with legitimate concerns would not be limited. He noted that final plans would be brought back to the community through the CNC and they would also be going before the Charlestown Preservation Society again.

The cost of the renovation has been set at \$4 million - the first major renovation since the building was converted from a church in 1927.

Gagne explained that the capital-fund drive of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston began last April and thus far has reached \$3.2 million of a \$5.2 million goal, with \$1.2 million designated for other clubhouses. Gagne said that some short-fall might be financed before the start of construction until all funds are raised.

It was noted that the renovation of the High Street facility was not contingent upon the sale of the Green Street building. In fact, the clubhouse representatives were agreeable that there would be community input into the plans for the future use of the Green Street building and that a Request For Proposal could be devised as a basis of its future use.

Cunha asked about needed zoning changes and Sweeney stated that he was not sure what would be needed for the addition to the back of the building as he had not ascertained what type of zoning was presently in place. He added that there would be zoning variations asked on the side yard and setbacks and as a Chapter 80 small project, under 50,000 square feet. He said that no variances were needed for parking.

Cunha, as he opened questions from the committee members, asked Steimel what the number of members were in the club. Steimel replied that the club serves 1,100 young people during the year, with an average daily attendance of 180.

In his comments, McCabe stated that the club was a community resource.

Conway spoke of being a member since 1935, serving on the board of the club and as its chairman. He noted that the club has been an institution in Charlestown for over 100 years, the building has existed on this site for 70 years and programs have been here serving the kids. He noted that the club was here when people moved into the neighborhood and they shouldn't say - Boys

& Girls Club out.

Brennan asked Steimel what the loss of 15,000 square feet (the proposed new addition to the club) would do to his programming. He answered that even with the addition, they will be losing 10,000 square feet by consolidating into one building, and so it would be impossible to do programs.

In response to questions from the audience, Sweeney stated that various sites within the community had been investigated, including Hayes Square, land adjacent to the skating rink and even Doherty Park, and none proved feasible. The same determination was made with the Green Street facility. One Wood Street neighbor noted that renovating the High Street building was "a great mistake."

Sweeney said that this location was central to the community and was "neutral." He said locations on the outer edges of the residential community would discourage participation. He added that "other locations would not serve the youth as this does."

Various concerns were raised by residents in the audience, each of whom were asked to identify themselves and give their address. Some of the issues were answered at the meeting, others were referred to future abutters meetings.

Among the issues were:

- Congregating area for pick up and drop off - Steimel said he has asked for an expanded lobby space to hold the youngsters waiting for the bus. He also suggested the possibility of a loading zone, particularly for Little Patriots. He added that he knows that would mean the loss of a parking space and offered an off-site location for the vans as a possible trade-off. Steimel did note that 75 percent of the members walk, 15 percent use the club bus with 10 percent, or 4-5 cars per hour, driving members to the club.

- Turmoil for neighbors as first High Street would be renovated and then work would be on Green Street. Sweeney said that there would not be a push on selling the Green Street building as funds from the sale are not necessary for the High Street renovation. He also pledged community input in the process.

- The lack of sunlight with the erection of a 70-foot wall, 8-feet from a house. Sweeney said that a study has been commissioned on the sunlight aspect and the results will be made available at the next

abutters meeting.

- Concern about driving pilings at the rear of the facility for the new addition and fear of damage to area homes that an abutter said were built on "rubble" with "a clay base." Mendel from Beacon Construction stated that he doesn't anticipate driving piles on the site. Gagne added that the contractor and the owner will be indemnified.

- A geotechnical survey of the site be done. Sweeney said he would investigate the cost of such a survey and report at the next meeting.

- A map amendment for the Green Street site go to the Boston Redevelopment Authority as part of the project. Cunha stated that the CNC makes zoning recommendations and he would be opposed to going to the Zoning Board for one address.

- Go up in reconstructing the building rather than out. Steimel said that it would mean going up two floors which would result in programmatic problems.

- Access points for construction. Sweeney said that right now there are three: through Hathon Square, through a right-away from Main Street; and by way of Wood Street. He added that the earliest exterior construction would be in July 1997.

- Exterior appearance of building - will it be sensitive to the homes, health center, skyline and historical area of the town? An architect and design team has yet to be selected. One man stated that this is a rare opportunity not only for programs but an opportunity for making it a beautiful building. Mendel said that Beacon Construction was hired a few weeks ago and its first job is to interview and hire the design team and architect, which will be by Feb. 3, and they will "get on with the design process."

- Sensitivity to the design of the back facade. Mendel said the intention is to put as many mechanicals as possible in the basement of the building.

- Relocation of the club's garden. Oren McCleary put in a plea for a new site for the garden, which is directed by Rudy Doenges, which is now to the rear of the High Street building.

- An Olympic-sized pool. Steimel said that the club is not a training ground for Olympic swimmers and the proposed four-lane pool would be more than adequate. Sweeney said that maintenance of such a large pool

would drain the club's resources. The \$40,000 to \$50,000 saved on upkeep and duplicate programming in combining the two facilities would be lost.

- Open space. Sweeney said that clubhouse programs are designed to be run inside. Steimel added that there are other programs in town, such as Pop Warner, Little League and CHAD tennis, that deal well with the outside, and the club tries not to duplicate them.

- Priority for Charlestown union members in the construction. Mendel noted that Beacon is a union company but did not know if preference could be given to Charlestown residents.

- Who could be contacted on this renovation? The names that were noted were Steimel at the Charlestown Clubhouse; Gagne at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston, 55 Congress St., Boston; the club's law firm, Palmer & Dodge; and when construction gets underway, Beacon's construction supervisor Kevin Walsh. Sweeney added that telephone numbers for construction concerns and emergencies would be made available.

As the meeting neared its conclusion, Cunha asked for comments from the committee members. McCabe praised Beacon Construction in his dealings with Emerson College, calling them "honorable." Galvin related a history of proposed renovation

of the club, dating back to 1981 when he was chairman of the club's board. He stated that the High Street facility was not an appropriate building.

Cunha told the gathering that he had come into the meeting "in a quandary," adding that the club "had been good to him" and he was worried that some "outrageous" issues would prevent it from being rebuilt. He said that he "feels that concerns can be handled and none are insurmountable, especially since drawings have yet to be done."

Stillman and O'Brien

agreed with Cunha that issues could be worked out. Looney stated that the Development Committee would continue to work to make sure the legitimate concerns of the abutters are addressed.

The committee voted unanimously that the meeting was one of progress.

Sweeney stated that he would schedule an abutters meeting for 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 10 at the Boys & Girls Club High Street facility at which time the newly hired architect, as of Feb. 3, would be present.

### Program Of Winter Stories And Crafts At The Charlestown Library

"Winter Stories and Crafts" will be the topic of a special program at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Friday, Jan. 24 at 3:30 p.m.

Stories and crafts on the

theme of winter and snow will be presented. Seating is limited and preregistration is required. Unfortunately, groups cannot be accommodated.

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### The Kennedy Center Services At Community Sites

#### 100 Ferrin St. For Seniors Only

##### Tuesday, Jan. 28

9 a.m. - Coffee  
9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA  
10 a.m. - Plastic Embroidery  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch

##### Wednesday, Jan. 29

9:15 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop

##### Thursday, Jan. 30

9 a.m. - Coffee  
9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA  
10 a.m. - Crochet  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch  
12:45 p.m. - Bingo

#### 100 Ferrin Street includes:

- Activities for the elderly of Charlestown.
- Community Room.
- Familiar as well as new activities.

#### 55 Bunker Hill Street includes:

- Activities for adults of all ages.
- A collaboration with the Healthy Charlestown Coalition.
- Activities organized by community residents, call with suggestions, 241-8866.

#### 55 Bunker Hill St. Drop-in Resource Center

##### Friday, Jan. 24

8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10 a.m. - Seniorobics  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch  
12:45 p.m. - Bingo

##### Monday, Jan. 27

8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10 a.m. - Seniorobics  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch  
12:45 p.m. - Bingo

##### Tuesday, Jan. 28

8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10:30 a.m. - Hispanic Coffee Hour  
1:30 p.m. - Home Health Aide Training

##### Wednesday, Jan. 29

8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
10 a.m. - Healthy Exercise +  
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Birthday Lunch  
12:45 p.m. - Bingo

##### Thursday, Jan. 30

8:30 a.m. - Coffee  
9:30 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop  
9:30 a.m. - Drop-In Goal Setting Group  
1:30 p.m. - Home Health Aide Training  
5 p.m. - Drop-In Goal Setting Group

#### PLAN AHEAD

Feb. 14 - Special Valentine Bingo at 12:30 p.m. For \$3, you can make your own sundae. Sign up with Bobbie or Phyllis at 241-8866.



## Holiday Party Marks Re-opening Of Rutherford Avenue Nutrition Site

photos by Kathy Whitehouse



## Mayor's No Heat Hotline Helps Neighborhood Residents

As we endure another long, New England winter, Mayor Thomas M. Menino wishes to remind neighborhood renters of available services and common sense tips to help them stay both warm and safe this winter.

Tenants paying rents that include the cost of heat have a right to expect the building's room temperature to reach at least 68 degrees between the hours of 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. and the heat must reach at least 64 degrees between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Both these day and night-time temperatures must be maintained throughout the heating season, which runs from Sept. 15 through June 15 each year.

Menino urges those renters who are not receiving the heat they pay for to call their landlords as soon as possible and inform them of the problem. If the call does not produce the desired results, renters should call Menino's No Heat Hotline at 635-4500.

When you call the Mayor's No Heat

Hotline - open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day - staff from the Mayor's Office of 24 Hour Services, will take your name, address and phone number, then will call the city of Boston Inspection Services Department (ISD). An ISD inspector, who carries photographic identification, will respond within 24 hours of your call, to check conditions in your building and contact the landlord to make repairs, where necessary. The mayor also urges all Boston residents to exercise caution and not allow any persons into their home or building without the person presenting proper identification before entering.

If you want to make certain that an ISD inspector is scheduled to visit your home, call the Housing Inspection Division of ISD at 635-5322.

Tenants paying rent that does not include the cost of heat should also expect their building's heating system to be in good working order and properly maintained. (Owners are also responsible for ensuring that their buildings do not have

broken windows or other drafty conditions, whether or not the cost of heat is included in the rent). Renters whose heating systems are not working adequately should call the building owners and inform them of the problem. If this call does not bring the desired response, they also should call the Mayor's No Heat Hotline, so arrangements can be made for a housing inspector to visit the house or building and then get in touch with the landlord.

While the city of Boston does not provide fuel assistance, the Mayor's Office of 24 Hour Services is working closely with agencies that can. For assistance in paying fuel bills this winter, neighborhood residents should contact Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), the designated fuel assistance provider in Boston. Fuel assistance is available to homeowners, as well as tenants whose rent does not include the cost of heat. Applicants must meet certain income requirements and are encouraged to complete the intake

process as soon as possible, as funding for the program may be limited. For information on fuel assistance, call ABCD at 357-6012, ext. 11, weekdays from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Charlestown residents may also obtain information and assistance at the Kennedy Center at 27 Winthrop St., Charlestown, 241-8866. Fuel assistance hours are by appointment only on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Fridays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Menino reminds residents to use a little common sense this winter, while trying to keep warm. Injuries and even death, can result from unsafe attempts to heat a home. Residents should never try to heat their homes with their kitchen stove's ovens or gas jets; by using a charcoal grill or hibachi in the house; by heating with kerosene or other flammable materials; by starting fires in fireplaces with closed chimneys; or by using unsafe space heaters. No matter how cold this winter may get, it is not worth risking a fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.





# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

♣ **Jambalaya - Go Patriots!** . . . Who ever figured that we would be standing in City Hall Plaza on a frigid January Sunday cheering the New England Patriots on to a Super Bowl? I was there, Danny Gibbons was there, Jill Doherty was there, and so were 20,000 other crazy people. Why not?! It's good to be crazy every now and then. If this be Jambalaya, I like it. It's only a sporting event, it's only a pro team, but this week, it's our sporting event, it's our team, and on Sunday it's our Super Bowl, and Monday it could be our championship! Get on the bandwagon! Wear some Patriot Blue. Go New England, sack the Pack - Jambalaya!

♣ **Keith Tkachuk, NHL All Star - Finally!** . . . I certainly don't know the ins and outs of the NHL, but I do believe that Winnipeg Jet (now the Phoenix Coyotes) star Keith Tkachuk belonged on the '96 All-Star Team, and in the game that was played at the FleetCenter, right here in Boston. As the '97 All-Star Game approached and the selections were announced, I wondered out loud, what does Keith have to do to get on the All-Star Team? His '96 numbers were 50 goals, 48 assists for 98 points. His current numbers read 29 goals, 23 assists for 52 points. As late as Wednesday night, Jan. 15, I still wondered what does Keith have to do to get on the All-Star Team? The question is now moot. On Saturday night, Jan. 18 at San Jose, Keith Tkachuk was in his rightful place among the STARS!

♣ **Charlestown High Lights** . . . It was a great week for the Charlestown High winter athletic teams. You could even say, better than great. As we go into today's hoop game versus Latin Academy, the Townies are in first place in the City League, undefeated. The hoopsters defeated East Boston 65-50 in preparation for "the game" with South Boston. The Townies would take a giant step toward a coveted city championship by upending the Southie boys who had fallen to Latin Academy 109-96. Charlestown rose and

Desmond McDuffie (22 points) and Hugh Coleman (18 points) stepped up. Final score - Charlestown 74, South Boston 58.

The Lady Townies continue to impress. At 7-1, they too look to post season play where stars Nicole Matson and Sonia Roach can showcase their talents to a wider audience. The girls go into this week's action with back-to-back victories versus Eastie 61-42, and South Boston 59-35.



CHS BASKETBALL LEADERS: Kneeling (l. to r.) Joe Wilson and Kendric Wilson. Standing (l. to r.) Hugh Coleman, Nicole Matson and Ian Urquhart.

(photo by Ed Loan)

The hockey team is singing a title tune. They are battling South Boston for first place, and this week's first meeting should be quite a matchup. Gearing up for their "big game" Charlestown, led by Phil Jones' two goals, defeated West Roxbury 7-1, and came from behind to lock up a 1-1 tie with Latin Academy. Joe "Big Country" Tallent had the tying goal late in the second period, and Pat

"HR" Lacey came up strong in the nets to preserve the tie.

♣ **High School Prep Notebook** . . . Milestone: Don Bosco hockey star Liam Lynch scored his first varsity goal in the Barrington, Rhode Island Tournament.

Top hockey scorers in the state include Mike Carroll (Snowden) and Billy Burke (Snowden) in the Boston City League, and Niko Dimetrikou (Matignon) in the Catholic Central League.

Nick Smith ruled - 22 points and 18 assists - as Boston Latin beat up Lincoln-Sudbury 84-61, but the "Packers" had their nine-game win streak snapped by Newton South 74-70. Good friend and former Columbus Coach Charlie Myette coaches at Newton South.

Big week for the basketball Cougars! Brian Ward is pleased. Arlington Catholic knocked off Pope John 67-65 and Cathedral 64-50, sorry Leo. Don Bosco took another basketball double-dip, sorry Shane. By the way, we do need a few more high school prep players. The numbers have dwindled over the past few seasons. Time to revive Charlestown basketball pride.

Hockey is alive and thriving, and should be for a long while, thanks to the efforts of Charlestown Youth Hockey, who have an abundance of good young players. Let's just hope they study.

The hockey powers are still the hockey powers. Matignon rides high at 9-0. The Warriors defeated Archbishop Williams 3-1. BC High resurged stopping Don Bosco and St. John's Prep by sizeable margins - must be those fudge brownies! Malden Catholic 5-2-2 was stopped by Medford 3-1, and the CM Knights are still a step above the others. BC High and CM have their first meeting of the year this week.

Look at the top swimmers in the state and you will still find Matt Chardovoyne holding down a prominent spot.

♣ **College Board** . . . Caught Coach Joe DeRoeve and his Curry College hockey team in action, and hopefully Joe's enthusiasm will catch on to his team that seemed to me still on break. Curry was defeated by Wentworth Institute, where good friend Johnny Giuliotti is applying his coaching skills. I must admit I was quite impressed with Wentworth's commitment to its hockey program. They do a lot of the little, but important things right. Wentworth might be a school to look into when making college choices.

Glad to hear that Corey Gallagher is recovering from her bout with the flu. Bentley is riding high, but the hoop power fell to archrival Stonehill. The Lady Hounds did defeat St. Mike's on Saturday 88-45. The Boys & Girls Club gym director, Derek Gallagher, does run a few college trips to Bentley during the season, and why not, Corey is still one of our best!

UMass-Boston Hockey Beacons got back on the winning track pounding North Adams 13-2.

♣ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk, Tony Amonte and Scott LaChance had quite a BU reunion. All three played in Saturday's NHL All-Star Game.

Tommy Fitzgerald and the Florida Panthers pay a visit to the FleetCenter tonight. The game begins at 7:30 p.m. Florida begins the second half of the season with a 22-11-10 (54 points) record, five points behind first-place Philadelphia.

Phoenix gets back into the hunt tied for third place in the NHL Central Division with St. Louis and Chicago (42 points). The Coyotes are 19-22-4.

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Paul Hennessey, please stay out of the penalty box . . . Glad to hear that Greg Staples is feeling better . . . Angelo! . . . If you see Chris Finley, please call him "Oscar Madison" . . . Countdown: 87 days to go . . . Paul Cormier is a bachelor (again) . . . Smile!

## Charlestown Gym Hockey News

### Standings - Jan. 17

	W	L	T
Bunker Hill Florist	12	3	1
The Horseshoe	11	3	2
Jimmy's On Top	10	6	0
Bunker Hill Insurance	9	5	1
Bryan's Pals	8	6	2
Main St. Furniture	8	6	1
Grant Photo	6	7	2
Dunny's Pals	6	8	2
Kerrigan's	4	11	0
Li'l Al's	3	10	1
T. J.'s Kids	1	14	0

### Players of the Week - Jan. 17

Bryan's Pals The few who came

B. H. Florist	The few who came
Bunker Hill Insurance	Jennifer Meena
	Nicole Callahan
Dunny's Pals	The whole team
Grant Photo	The whole team
Jimmy's On Top	Colleen Considine
	Chris Crowley
Kerrigan's	Meaghan Gould
	Allison McNulty
Li'l Al's	Bridget Shannon
	Diana Kelly
Main St. Furniture,	Had a Bye
Medford	
The Horseshoe	The few who came
T. J.'s Kids	Jennelle Tucker
	Josh Kivlin



## CHAD Tennis Team Improves In Visit To Westford

Last Saturday, the CHArlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) traveling tennis squad visited the town of Westford for the second time this winter, as they met its local team in an entertaining tennis match.

The match went on for two hours, in which all participants battled tirelessly to obtain as many game sets as possible in the time frame that was allowed. The format was that of a doubles round-robin that included boys, girls and mixed pairings.

The young people played great and showed once again that patience and practice can pay off in a big way in the sport of tennis. A good example of this was the performance and play of Bobby Yandle, who exhibited great consistency as he won all of his scheduled matches in a very determined fashion.

"Bobby has improved so much. He's

learned to control the pace of his shots, and you can see that he's thinking out there - trying to figure out ways to win the match," said CHAD's captain Tom Desmond.

Overall, the coaching staff, including Desmond, is extremely satisfied with the progress of all the kids, and has great aspirations on where this team can go in the near future. There is a lot of good local talent that, given the opportunity, is going to live up to its potential. Keep up the good work, kids!

Members of the traveling squad against Westford were: Colin Smith, John Fabiano, Nick Phillipi, Brian Knowlak, Seth Stulgis, Bobby Yandle, Sara Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, Casey Garr and Jenna Garr.

Next for the CHAD squad is the North Meadow Tennis Club on Jan. 25.

- Daniel Cayarga

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## Frank Power: Heart And Soul, He Was A 'Townie'

Dear Reunion Committee,

Thank you for a lovely evening at the 40th Reunion of the Classes of 1954, 1955, 1956 and the "Championship Team." Although Dad has been gone for 11 years, it's still very difficult for my family to talk about him without breaking down. As a result, we are never able to fully articulate our thoughts and feelings on occasions such as the reunion. However, my mother, brothers and I believe you should know what is in our hearts and more importantly, what was in Dad's heart.

My father loved all of you very much. More than words can say. For many years, Charlestown was his home away from home and all of you and those who followed were his "kids." His love for his family, coaching and teaching was equivalent to his love for you. Every day, he looked forward to work the way most of us look forward to the weekend. He respected and admired the community of Charlestown. Heart and soul, he was a "Townie." When he returned as Headmaster of Charlestown High, it was a homecoming. I know he intended to spend the rest of his career in that position. As we all know, that was not to be.

Outside influences changed not only his plans, but most everyone's in the city of

Boston. Dreams were shattered in a court room in the early 70's and nothing was to be the same again. During the summer of 1975, when it was inevitable that busing would take place in Charlestown that coming fall, my father was assigned a task he wished was not his. He was given a street plan and told to inform families that their children would be bused to another school while others would be allowed to stay. He didn't sleep much that summer and, in the fall for the first time I can remember, he did not look forward to the first day of school.

There were no neutral sides in regard to busing and my father was no exception. Dad was anything but neutral in this situation. He was torn in two. He strongly believed in equality for all people, rich or poor, white, black, or Asian, Christian or Jewish. Although Dad believed in the theory that led to busing, equality of education for all races, he did not believe in forced busing. He pleaded with the judge to leave the school alone. He was told that whether he liked it or not, busing would happen in Charlestown. He did not want to see Charlestown change any more than any other Townie, but he had no choice. Whether he stayed at Charlestown, or left, busing was going to happen. He believed

he could make it work, as he had always been able to make anything work. He was a captain who was going to stay with his ship, and that ship would either sail or sink, but he would stay with it.

I had never seen my Dad defeated until 1975. He was suddenly in a position of being the enemy where once he had been the mentor. It broke his heart to see metal detectors in his school and police on the streets. Students and residents who had once looked up to him, now believed he had betrayed them and the town. He had lost control of a situation that was beyond anyone's control. Basically the ship had sunk.

The day Dad walked out of Charlestown High for the last time was one of the saddest days of his life, surpassed only by the death of his father. For many years he did not talk about Charlestown nor did he return. If he did speak of the old days, his voice would choke, and tears would well up in his eyes and he would stop talking. This was evidence of his pure love for Charlestown and the hurt that was in his heart. You see, after his father died, he could never speak of him again and, if he did, it was through tears. Dad was never the same after the early 70's. Busing robbed this city of its school department and

destroyed everyone in its path. It did not discriminate.

In 1983, two years before he died, the class of 1973 invited Dad to their 10th reunion. This was one of the last classes to be unaffected by busing. After much debate, he decided to attend. It was one of his best decisions. Once again he was headmaster, teacher, coach and friend. Finally, after 10 long years, he was home again. When he came home that night, I saw a certain spark in his eye that had long been gone.

It has taken a long time, but the wounds opened by busing have begun to heal. We can only pray that the personal healing that has taken place will spill over onto the school department and once again Boston will have the greatest public schools in the country.

On Nov. 9, 1996, you honored my father's memory with your love. I found that most people cannot speak of Dad without tears in their eyes and that is a great tribute. I'm sure Dad was with us that night and he is very proud. Proud not only of the tribute to his service, but proud that he is loved, admired and appreciated by people of your caliber.

Again, thank you all!

With love and gratitude,  
Leslie Power

## Highlights Of The CHS Classes Of 1954, 1955, 1956 And Championship Team Reunion



### SAINT JUDE'S NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless pray for us. Say this prayer nine times a day, and by the eighth day, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you, Saint Jude.

M.D.

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### HAIL MARY

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W.M.

### North Shore Music Theatre To Sponsor Essay Writing Contest

North Shore Music Theatre is offering free field trips to see TheatreWorks/USA's spring musical "Freedom Train" to the schools of winners of the theatre's essay-writing contest. Winning students' schools will receive up to 100 free tickets and a cash award.

Teachers of students in grades 4 through 8 are being asked to choose one essay per class and submit it to the theatre. A panel will review the essays and award prizes. First prize is 100 tickets to the show and \$1,000 for the winning student's school. Second prize is also 100 tickets, as well as \$500 for the essayist's school, and third prize is 100 tickets plus \$250 for the student's school.

"Freedom Train" is an award-winning production by TheatreWorks/USA that tells the story of Harriet Tubman through song, dance, dialogue and mime. Show Business magazine called the show "an hour of high-powered energy reaching out to the audience in waves of enthusiasm and lively spirituals." "Freedom Train" will be presented at North Shore Music Theatre between May 12 and 16, with performances at 9:45 and 11:45 a.m.

Essays should be submitted to: Freedom Train Contest, North Shore Music Theatre, P.O. Box 62, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly, Mass. 01915, before March 15. Winners will be announced April 16.

### Poems Wanted For Contest And Anthology

Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum is offering a grand prize of \$1,000 in its new "Distinguished Poet Awards" poetry contest. Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered.

The contest is free to enter and open to everyone. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any style. The contest closes Jan. 31, 1997, but poets are encouraged to submit their work as soon as possible.

Poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in the

fall 1997 edition of Treasured Poems of America, a hardcover anthology to be published in August 1997. Prize winners will be announced March 31, 1997, and all prizes awarded promptly.

"Our contest is especially for new and unpublished poets seeking a forum that enables them to share their work," says Jerome P. Welch, publisher. "We are looking for sincerity and originality in a wide variety of styles and themes. Many of our contest winners are new poets with new ideas."

Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum, Dept. N, 609 Main St., P.O. Box 193, Sistersville, West Virginia 26175-0193.

### Legal Notice

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Jan. 23, 1997



## 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.



### K. Of C. To Institute Permit Parking Policy

Dear Charlestown Residents,

Please be advised that as of Feb. 3, 1997, the Knights of Columbus will be instituting a permit parking policy. We feel that this is necessary because of the number of vehicles that are parking in the lot during the week.

The Knights of Columbus has lost control of the parking situation and our members cannot find a parking spot during the work day. All vehicles without a Knights of Columbus Parking Permit Sticker will be towed at the owner's expense as of the above date.

Sincerely yours,  
Board of Directors  
Bunker Hill Council #62

### Thank You, Townie Santa!

Dear Gloria,

I didn't exactly know where to send this note. I want to express my thanks to Townie Santa for the generous packages and the lovely turkey dinner that was delivered to me on Dec. 22.

The two ladies who delivered them were delightful. Thanks again.

Sincerely,  
A Grateful Townie

### Thank You

Dear Gloria,

I am quite late in thanking Townie Santa for the Christmas packages and the Sweeney family for Thanksgiving dinner, but I have been quite ill.

When Townie Santa came, it was so good knowing so many people care. People I don't even know, and some I do. My community cares for one another. So many giving of their time and hearts - all that it takes to put all of it together to bring a bit of love and cheer to such as myself. This is how I feel about it. It filled my heart then and now thinking about it.

Charlestown has true Townie Spirit, not only on Christmas, it has it all year long in so many ways.

God bless you and yours,  
A Grateful Townie

### Kelley Announces Candidacy For Mayor Of Charlestown

My name is Patricia Kelley and I would like to announce that I am running for the honorary "Mayor of Charlestown" title this year.

I have lived in Charlestown my entire life, attending St. Mary's Grammar School on Warren Street, then over to St. Rose High School in Chelsea. I am married to Joseph Kelley, who is also a lifelong Charlestown resident. I am the mother of Kelly Anne Pelton and Shawna Jean Pelton. I have two grandsons, Patrick Pelton-Enos, age 5, and Eoghan Rua Myers (pronounced Owen Row), age 10 months. I am the daughter of Bernard and Rita Kelly. I have one sister, Mary (Kelly) Byrnes and two brothers, Bernie and Ed Kelly.

I have many relatives in Ireland, some in County Galway and others in County Donegal, who I have not seen in

16 years. I am hoping to be able to visit with them all once again while touring with the Charlestown Rose, if I am the fortunate winner on March 21.

I am hoping more candidates will soon be joining in the race to make it more challenging and fun. I want to thank my family, cousins, and friends who have committed to selling chances to help me win. I have received much appreciated advice from former Mayors and candidates to get my campaign underway.

I will be planning some social events in February to sell chances. Please check upcoming editions of The Charlestown Patriot for further information, if you would like to attend.

Thank you again for your support!  
Patricia R. Kelley

### Thank You, Bob D. And Elves

Dear Gloria,

I would like to send a special letter of thanks to Bob D. and the Andy Puopolo Elves, who without their help at the Christmas Stroll every year, the stroll would not be the success it is. They are especially caring with the little children while they are on the hayrides, and other projects I ask of them.

I would also like to express my thanks, gratitude and appreciation to Bob D. for a most moving article he wrote about me in the Charlestown Patriot.

It is a privilege and pleasure to know all of these fine youths.

Thank you, Love and Peace,  
Terry Ring

### Thank You, Townie Santa!

Everything from Townie Santa that was delivered to Charlestown elderly was wonderful!

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Also, heartfelt thanks to the organizations, businesses, the Griffin family and all the people who generously donated to "Watch the Christmas Tree Grow." The volunteers who delivered the bags, heavy boxes and delicious hot dinner deserve a great deal of credit for their time and services they provided during the busy holiday season to assure that others would not be forgotten.

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First there's the expanded IRA deduction for stay-at-home spouses. Previously, one-earner married couples could contribute a maximum of \$2,250 to a tax-deductible IRA. Now such couples can contribute up to \$4,000 a year if they otherwise qualify for deductible IRA contributions.

Second, those who adopt a child might qualify for a new tax credit of up to \$5,000 per child (up to \$6,000 if the adoption is of a special needs child). The tax credit phases out for people with incomes over \$75,000 and is gone completely when income reaches \$115,000 or more.

Long-term care insurance premiums and long-term care expenses become deductible this year. There are limits and certain requirements, so if you might benefit from this tax break, get details.

A pilot program begins this year that will allow the self-employed and employees of small companies to open Medical Savings Accounts (MSAs), accounts that are similar to IRAs but used for medical expenses. These accounts allow tax-deductible contributions each year, and the earnings in the account are not taxed. MSAs must be combined with high-deductible insurance, and money in the account is to be used to pay for medical expenses not covered by insurance.

Another change allows you to withdraw money from your IRA to pay medical expenses under certain circumstances without paying an early withdrawal penalty.

For individuals with sizable pension funds, a three-year penalty moratorium on excess retirement plan distributions could be a big tax saver. Before 1997, excess retirement plan distributions were hit with a 15% excise tax, but that tax will be waived in 1997, 1998 and 1999. If you have a large retirement kitty, perhaps you should plan your distributions to take advantage of this three-year penalty-free period.

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### Monday, Jan. 13

A man stated that while he was driving down Medford Street, someone threw an ice ball at his motor vehicle, causing a small crack.

A man reported that person(s) unknown removed the Mass. license from his motor vehicle while it was parked on Eighth Street. The license plate number is 603YWU.

### Tuesday, Jan. 14

A woman reported that person(s) unknown broke into her motor vehicle while it was parked on Brighton Street and stole clothing.

A man stated that person(s) unknown broke into his motor vehicle that was parked on Union Street and damaged the steering column.

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke into his motor vehicle that was parked on Brighton Street.

### Wednesday, Jan. 15

A person stated that a silver set was stolen from the person's Baldwin Street house.

### Thursday, Jan. 16

A woman reported that person(s) unknown removed the Mass. license from her motor vehicle while it was parked

on Polk Street. The license plate number is 451XRX.

A man stated that his motor vehicle was struck by another on Rutherford Avenue, the driver of which did not stop to exchange papers.

A man reported that person(s) unknown stole a fork lift from his store on Rutherford Avenue.

### Friday, Jan. 17

Members of the Drug Control Unit arrested a male in Sullivan Square for possession of heroin.

A woman reported that someone scratched her motor vehicle, which was parked on Bunker Hill Street.

A woman stated that person(s) unknown broke into her motor vehicle, while it was parked on Brighton Street, and stole gloves and sunglasses.

### Saturday, Jan. 18

A woman stated that person(s) unknown broke into her motor vehicle, which was parked on First Avenue, and stole a CD player and tapes.

A man reported that person(s) unknown slashed the tires on his motor vehicle while it was parked on Rutherford Avenue.

A man stated that person(s) unknown broke into his motor vehicle, which was parked on First Avenue, and stole an AM/FM radio and jewelry.

A man reported that someone broke into his motor vehicle, which was parked on Washington Street, and stole a set of golf clubs.

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The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court Department  
Suffolk Division Docket No. 96D-2113  
Summons By Publication  
Cheryl Ann Freeman, Plaintiff

v.  
Neil C. Freeman, Defendant

To the above named Defendant:

A complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, Cheryl Ann Freeman, seeking an action for divorce.

You are required to serve upon Cheryl Ann Freeman - plaintiff - whose address is 51 Colonial Ave., Apt. # 1-R, Dorchester, MA 02124, your answer on or before March 13, 1997. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Boston.

Witness, Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Boston, this 30th day of December 1996.

James Michael Connolly  
Publication, Charlestown Patriot Register of Probate

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A man stated that person(s) unknown broke into his motor vehicle, which was parked on Main Street, and stole a cellular phone and speakers.

### Monday, Jan. 20

Drug Control officers arrested two males on Bunker Hill Street for possession of PCP.

A man reported that person(s) unknown removed the Mass. license from his motor vehicle while it was parked on Medford Street. The license plate number is 855WHZ.

Homicide detectives along with Area A detectives are investigating a homicide that occurred on Temple Street.

## 'Stress Management' For Parents At The Charlestown Branch Library

Donna O'Brien, M.A. and M.Ed., member of Group Therapy Associates in Charlestown, will talk about "Stress Management" at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 31.

This is the third program of a three-part series on "Parenting Skills" that is geared to adults who

provide care for young children. O'Brien will address the irritations mothers have with their children, and vice versa. She will also talk to the mothers about caring for themselves so that they will have the energy to care for their children.

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



## HAPPENINGS AT THE CHARLESTOWN WORKING THEATER 442 Bunker Hill St. 242-3285

• **Class Registration** - Registration for classes will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25 from noon to 3 p.m. We will be offering acting, dancing and singing classes. Also at this time, we will hold sign-up for those interested in participating in our next production. Our classes are open to ages 7 to 18, and we will have more information about upcoming productions at registration. Please call the theater for more information, or stop by on registration day.

• **Parents Meeting** - We will hold a meeting for all parents and guardians of the participants of our youth programs on Thursday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. Our programs are growing and we need your advice. This will be a good time to meet other parents, voice your opinions and help us steer a course for the future.

• **Java Theater Co.** - Milton Koikendall, artistic director of Java Theater, teaches a scene study class for adults at the theater every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. There is a fee for this class and, if you would like information, please call the theater.

• **Pictures, Pictures, Pictures!** - Eddie Loan has the pictures from *Little Women*, *Angels*, *Fireflies* and *Lambs* and *The Littlest Angel*. He will be at the theater on class registration day from noon to 3 p.m. with the pictures and order forms. We will also have an album available at the parents' meeting if that proves more convenient for you.

For information, call the theater at 242-3285.  
See you at the theater!



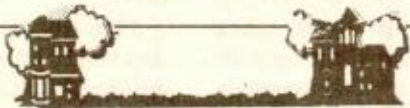
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### ★ GAMES ROOM/ SOCIAL RECREATION

**Beach Party** - Tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m., the Torch Club will hold its third annual Beach Party in the games room. Admission is \$1 for all children, ages 6 to 13. Stop by and chase those cold weather blues away!! There will be snacks and refreshments as well as contests, games and door prizes. Wear beach clothes and get in free!!

**Candlepin Bowling** - Last Saturday a group of games room volunteers went on a field trip to Lanes and Games in Cambridge for a little bowling. Brandon Jackson, Pedro Santana, Rhonda Reeder, Andrew Southern, Michael Black, Alexis Familia, Darius Payne, Joe Gonzales and Joewy Gonzales attended and everyone bowled great!!

### ★ TEEN CENTER

**Tournaments** - On Jan. 17, the Teen Center had its first Ping Pong and 9-Ball tournament of the year. Sean Noonan was the winner of the 9-Ball game. Michelle Kane was the winner of the Ping Pong game, not to mention the first girl to win a tournament since Lauren Brennan won last December.

**Training** - The Keystone Club will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 28 at the Teen Center for Peer Mediation training.

**Super Bowl Party** - Don't forget the big bash up at the Teen Center on Sunday, Jan. 26, to cheer on the Home Team! The cost is \$3 and doors open at 5:30 p.m.

**Ski Trip** - We will be leaving for Wachusett Mountain on Saturday, Jan. 25 at 10 a.m. for a day of skiing. The \$35 fee was due yesterday. Come up and get your permission slips.

**Sign-Ups** - There will be sign-ups for another ski trip and the Amesbury Sports Park trip on Wednesday, Jan. 29. It's first-come, first-served as limited spaces are available.

### ★ PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

**Boys 12 & Under Basketball** - The boys suffered a tough loss to a very strong South Boston team 34-22. A tough game was played by all with Jared Marchesi and Sean Rea leading the way.

**Boys 15 & Under Basketball** - The boys team start its season off today, Thursday, Jan. 23, at Waltham and will have games tomorrow at Dan Marr and Saturday at home versus Worcester at 1 p.m.

**Girls 16 & Under Basketball** - The girls team starts up soon and any girl interested in playing should see Derek or Stephen in the gym.

**Boys Flag Football** - The league is set. Any of the players entered should see Derek for schedules and times.

### ★ UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday, Jan. 28** - Don't forget the Art Show at the club from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 31** - The Volunteer Night Party will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

## Skating Stars To Join Mayor For Jan. 24 Frog Pond Opening

Dr. Tenley Albright, Boston Bruins legend Cam Neely, Olympic skater Eric Flaim, and sportscaster Alice Cook will be among the sports and figure skating celebrities joining Mayor Thomas M. Menino for the official opening of the Boston Common Frog Pond on Friday, Jan. 24 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

"During my years as a city councillor, I was saddened by the fact that this historic part of the Common had fallen into such a state of disrepair," Menino noted. "It has long been a goal of mine to return this site to active use, and now, as mayor, I am proud to be able to present the Frog Pond as a lasting gift to the children of Boston."

Located on the Beacon

Street side of the Common, the Frog Pond was one of three natural ponds located in the area.

Over the years, the other ponds were filled in and the muddy little Frog Pond became an oasis for generations of Bostonians, including Edgar Allan Poe, who once used the pond as a metaphor for his love/hate relationship with the Hub. Model boating and wading were popular activities, and the Frog Pond was later improved with a fountain and concrete lining.

Under Menino's Capital Plan, the Frog Pond has undergone a total renovation that stays true to the site's historic footprint. The new facility features ice making machinery that can create a skating sur-

face operable in temperatures up to 55 degrees, along with a pavilion housing rest rooms, storage space and a warming room for skaters.

In the spring and fall, the pond will act as a tranquil reflecting pool. When the weather warms up, a spray fountain will be attached and the pond will be open to waders and model boating enthusiasts.

The Jan. 24 celebration will open with a demonstration by the professional pairs skating team of Beth Anne Duxbury and Byron Darden, along with turns on the ice by other celebrities and surprise guests. The emcee for the event will be WBZ-TV sportscaster Alice Cook, a member of the 1976 Olympic and World Skating teams.

## Modica Calls For Council Oversight On Economic Development

District 1 City Councillor Diane J. Modica has filed four orders in the Boston City Council, co-sponsored by Council President James Kelly and Councillors Peggy Davis-Mullen and Maura Hennigan. The orders call for public hearings of the Economic Development and Transportation Committee, chaired by Modica, relative to the Trade and Convention Center siting, the New England Patriots Stadium siting, the Red Sox facility siting, and the proposed sale of Marine Industrial Park in South Boston by the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

"I expect a very busy 1997 for the Boston City Council as the city is fac-

ing major economic development issues. A Trade and Convention Center, facilities for both the Red Sox and the Patriots and the future development within Marine Industrial Park must be addressed in terms of economic benefits and neighborhood impacts generated by these proposals," stated Modica. "It's up to the city council to provide a fair forum for each of the issues."

According to Modica, opening public discussion on the future of a Trade and Convention Center in the city of Boston is critical because the city is losing revenue to other cities which have the square footage to hold marquee events. "Existing facilities

like the Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center, the World Trade Center, and Bayside are serving niche markets well but unfortunately cannot accommodate larger conventions and associated trade shows.

"Boston has everything but the square footage for such conventions. To the city council, this issue is more pressing than a stadium, although, I think everyone would agree that we need to have a public forum to hear about the needs and possibilities for larger sports facilities in Boston."

Hearings on these issues will be scheduled later this month and all are welcomed to attend.

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