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All Are Welcome At The Thompson Square Tree Lighting Party

The Christmas season will come to Thompson Square on Sunday, Dec. 5 with the lighting of the town Christmas tree in the square. The ceremony, which will get underway at 4:30 p.m., will include a visit from Santa Claus.

Santa is due to arrive at Thompson Square by fire engine and will be greeted by Mayor Tom Menino and a host of friends.

Following the lighting of the tree, all are invited to One Thompson Square where there will be an open house with cookies, candy, donuts, hot chocolate and gifts for the children. Santa will be seated in a chair of honor, and photographs of the children with Santa

will be taken as they tell him what is on their Christmas list.

The event is free of charge, thanks to the efforts of a committee of residents and the generosity of the city and various local merchants and organizations. All are welcome.

Groundbreaking On Sunday For Thompson Square Gateway Park

A groundbreaking cere-

mony for the beautification of the two triangles located in Thompson Square will take place at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5.

The Charlestown Preservation Society has been awarded grants from the Ingersol Browne Fund totaling \$475,000 for this project. Both triangles will be landscaped with the inclusion of an art piece.

The landscape architect is Nicholas Reed, who was the architect for Hayes Square. The artist is Jeffrey Schiff and the contractor is Brightway Corporation.

The Charlestown Preservation Society, the Browne

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Kennedy Center Conducting Christmas Toy Drive

The John F. Kennedy Family Service Center is undertaking a Christmas Toy Drive to help families in need.

Families seeking help at Christmas are asked to contact Community Advocate Colleen Justice at 241-8866 by Dec. 14. Justice reminds residents that the Center depends on donations and specific toys cannot be guaranteed.

Persons who would like to donate toys may leave them at the following locations by Dec. 15:

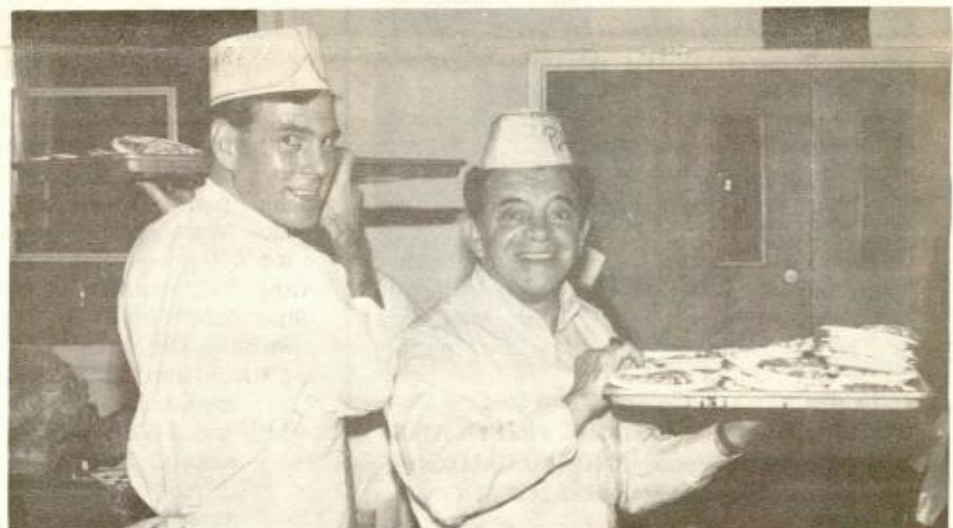
- The Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.;
- The Kennedy Center Senior Lounge, 55 Bunker Hill St.;
- Boston Fire Department Engine 32 and Ladder Company 9 at Sullivan Square (use Medford Street entrance);
- Newworld Bank, Bunker Hill Mall;
- Gibson Realty, 6 Pleasant St.;
- The Golden Age Center, 382 Main St.;
- Charlestown Cooperative Bank, 201 Main St.; and
- The Charlestown Patriot, One Thompson Square.

Charlestown Senior Citizens Treated To Annual Thanksgiving Dinner



SEVERAL OF THE VOLUNTEERS at the annual Thanksgiving Dinner for Elderly pause after serving dinner to almost 500 senior citizens at the Knights of Columbus hall. The seniors were treated to a full-course turkey dinner with all the trimmings prepared by Scalli Caterers, followed by an afternoon of entertainment and fun with music provided by The Rainbow's End. Joining residents, agency, union and business persons serving the dinner were Rep. Richard A. Voke, Boston City Councillor John Nucci, Councillors-elect Peggy Davis-Mullen and Diane Modica, a delegation from the crew of the "USS Constitution," Executive Director Doug MacDonald and a group from the MWRA, and representatives of the Boston National Historical Park. Shown (l. to r.) Modica, Patty Burke, Peter Looney, Marty O'Brien Sr., Dinner Chairperson Margie Kent, Tom Crilley and Tom Gorsuch.

(photo by John Dillon)



WAITPERSONS EXTRAORDINAIRE were Charlie Clabaugh (left), aide to Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini, and Peter Pappas (right) as they shouldered their trays and helped served the almost 500 senior citizens in record time at the annual elderly Thanksgiving Dinner. Reports have it that the volunteer waitstaff completed serving dinner in 21 minutes!

(photo by John Dillon)

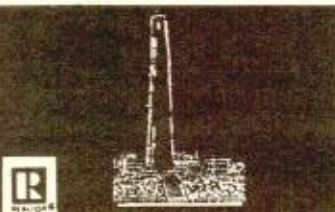
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Brown Bag Bookies To Meet

Brown Bag Bookies, the adult book discussion group of the Charlestown Branch Library, will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 14 at noon at the library, 179 Main St.

The book under discussion will be **Anywhere But Here** by Mona Simpson. Louise Erdrich writes: "Mona Simpson's vexing, vulnerable characters cleave

to us. Her gift is to embody for the reader material ambition so pure it becomes transcendent, in the unforgettable Adele, and in the wracking bewilderment and connivery of her striking daughter, Ann."

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

This Week At A Glance

Thursday, Dec. 2

- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. — City Square Park Committee Meeting, Charlestown District Court, City Square
- 7 p.m. — "Living On," presented by the Bunker Hill Community College Drama Club, auditorium, BHCC, New Rutherford Avenue

Friday, Dec. 3

- 10 a.m. — Adult Discussion Group meeting and Preschool Story Hour, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- noon — CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) meeting, St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

Saturday, Dec. 4

- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Christmas Bazaar, St. Catherine's Parish Hall, Tufts Street
- 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. — Annual Christmas Fair with luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and dinner at 5 p.m., First Church in Charlestown, Green Street
- 8 p.m. — Theatreskol America presents "Cats," Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue

Sunday, Dec. 5

- 11 a.m. — Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony, sponsored by the Department of Massachusetts, The American Legion, Preble Room, Building 5, Boston National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard
- noon — Boston Police vs. Charlestown Street Hockey Tournament, Eden Street Park
- 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. — Court St. Jude No. 1123, CDA, Christmas Party, Holiday Inn, Somerville
- 3 p.m. — Theatreskol America presents "Cats," Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue
- 4 p.m. — Groundbreaking Ceremony, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society, Thompson Square
- 4:30 p.m. — Christmas Tree Lighting and Visit with Santa, Thompson Square
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Dec. 6

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- 6 to 7:30 p.m. — Mothers Support Group, sponsored by CHAD, Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.
- 7 p.m. — Townie Santa Packing Night, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Meeting and Election of Officers, K. of C. VIP Room, 75 West School St.

Tuesday, Dec. 7

- 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.
- 7:30 p.m. — Frederich Duerrenmatt's "The Visit," presented by students of the play production class, Bunker Hill Community College auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.

Wednesday, Dec. 8

- 1 to 2:30 p.m. — Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy Office Hours, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)
- 7:30 p.m. — Frederich Duerrenmatt's "The Visit," presented by students of the play production class, Bunker Hill Community College auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue

Upcoming Events

Thursday, Dec. 9

- 9:30 to 11 a.m. — Woman's Recovery Group Meeting, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.
- 12:15 p.m. — Charlestown Kiwanis Club Meeting, Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant
- 12:30 p.m. — Frederich Duerrenmatt's "The Visit," presented by students of the play production class, Bunker Hill Community College auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue
- 3 p.m. — Court St. Jude No. 1123, C.D.A. Meeting, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. — Townie Santa Packing Night, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Friday, Dec. 10

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

Saturday, Dec. 11

- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Charlestown Recycling Drop-off Center open, in the side parking lot adjacent to Johnnie's Foodmaster, Bunker Hill Mall
- Time To Be Announced — "Breakfast with Santa," Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, Dec. 12

- Following 9 a.m. Mass — Holy Name Society Meeting, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 5:30 p.m. — Tree Lighting Ceremony, outside Newtowne Market, Medford Street
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Dec. 13

- 10:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. — Toddler Storytime with stories, songs, games, fingerplays and fun for children 2 and 3 and their parents, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. — Mothers Support Group, sponsored by CHAD, Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.
- 7 p.m. — Townie Santa Packing Night, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Tuesday, Dec. 14

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- noon to 1 p.m. — Ironsides Toastmasters Meeting, Mass. General Hospital East, 1st floor conference room, Building 149, 13th Street, Charlestown Navy Yard (use 8th Street entrance)
- noon — Brown Bag Bookies adult book discussion meeting featuring **Anywhere But Here** by Mona Simpson, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.
- 7:30 p.m. — Annual Holiday Happening, presented by the BHCC Chorus, Bunker Hill Community College auditorium, New Rutherford Avenue

Wednesday, Dec. 15

- 5 to 7 p.m. — Sen. Thomas Birmingham Community Office Hours, first floor, One Thompson Square
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

Plan Ahead

Sunday, Dec. 19

- 11 a.m. — Townie Santa Delivery, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.
- 1:30 p.m. — Annual Christmas Concert, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society, St. Mary's Church, 55 Warren St.
- 7 p.m. — Town-wide Advent Communal Penance Service, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

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Many Attend Forum On The Workings Of City Government

by Barbara Poole

The Charlestown Women's Caucus (CWC) held a free public forum on Nov. 17 at the Mary Colbert Apartments. Many Charlestown residents braved the rain to attend this informative session on the workings of city government.

Alice Hennessey, staff director for the Boston City Council, explained the workings of the Boston City Council. She spoke about the difference even one constituent can make in the quality of life of the city. She pointed out that for the first time in the history of Boston, there will be four women serving on the Boston City Council at one time. They will have a unique opportunity to make sure that women's issues are addressed.

Linda Mongelli-Haar, assistant director of planning for the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA), was the next to address the group. Her office is now conducting the rezoning for Charlestown. She urged that there be community involvement in the rezoning plans and stressed that

other community groups should have input besides the Neighborhood Council. She then went on to explain the rules of zoning and the function of the zoning board.

Ellen Lipsey, director of the city of Boston Department of the Environment whose Landmarks Commission just completed a historic survey of Charlestown, also spoke. She explained how the survey was conducted and how her office functions and works with the BRA. The evening ended with questions and socializing.

This is the first of a series of quarterly forums open to the community, structured around the topics of local, state, federal government, and the public school system. Elected officials or appointed staff at these levels will be invited to speak about their position as well as how we may better accomplish and effectuate change. Be sure to read the *Patriot* for all upcoming event announcements.

The CWC is a newly formed organization with a mission to politically activate and educate women,

their families and friends so that they may more fully understand and participate in government on all levels.



VARIOUS ASPECTS of city government were discussed recently at the open forum presented by the Charlestown Women's Caucus. The three speakers were (l. to r.) Alice Hennessey, staff director for the Boston City Council; Linda Mongelli-Haar, assistant director of planning for the Boston Redevelopment Authority; and Ellen Lipsey, director of the city's Department of the Environment.

The Charlestown Preservation Society
is pleased to invite you to the
Groundbreaking Ceremony
at Thompson Square
on
Sunday, December 5th
at 4:00 pm

**We hope you can
join us!**

The annual
Christmas Concert
sponsored by CPS
will take place on
Sunday, December 19th
at 1:30 pm
at St. Mary's Church



CHARLESTOWN WOMEN'S CAUCUS members Annette Tecce (left), program committee co-chair, and Andrea Garr (right), president, review the open forum recently sponsored by the caucus at the Mary Colbert Apartments.

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By Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

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Frederich Duerrenmatt's "The Visit" will be performed at Bunker Hill Community College by students of the play production class on Tuesday, Dec. 7 and Wednesday, Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m., and on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 12:30 p.m. in the auditorium, A-300.

Deborah Foley of Charlestown is playing the part of one of the visited, the teacher.

"The Visit" is a gripping tale of a woman, Claire,

and how she was unforgivably wronged. Her first love, Alfred, betrayed her. They had a passionate affair until he found out she was carrying his child. He denied it was his and with no one to turn to, Claire left her hometown penniless and desolate.

Years pass and all is forgotten until the day Claire returns a rich and revered woman. The people of her once beautiful town have

dug themselves deep into debt and poverty. The townspeople, including Alfred, are now completely humbled by her riches and the thought of newfound prosperity. They are desperate for funds and feel they would do most any-

thing for them and that is exactly what Claire is counting on.

Admission is \$3 for the general public and \$2 for college students.

For further information, contact Student Activities at 241-8600, ext. 261.

Announce Engagement



KIMBERLY A. REID and LUIS E. ARROYO

Kimberly A. Reid, daughter of Ellen Reid and the late John J. Reid of Revere, and Luis E. Arroyo, son of Margaret Arroyo of 50 Walford Way, Charlestown and Frederico Arroyo of Dorchester, have announced their engagement.

A Nov. 12, 1994 wedding is planned.

It's A Girl . . .

Dale and Kelly Ann Simpson of 25 Bateman Ave., Revere are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Shannon Rose, on Nov. 16 at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces.

The maternal grandpar-

ents are Timothy and Mary Beasley of 104 Baldwin St., Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Ray and Hazel Simpson of Rapid City, S.D.

Shannon was welcomed home by her brother Brian, 22, and sister Angela, 24.

Happy 21st Birthday

JASON

on December 4th

Love . . .
Cheryl



Happy 3rd Birthday

JAMES

on Dec. 4th

Love . . .
Mommy & Daddy



Happy 50th Ann Kavanaugh Donovan

Have a great
cruise!
From Your Friends



Dad

Another year, another milestone . . .
Happy 4th Anniversary
December 8th!
We're so proud of you!
With love . . .
From Your Family

If you see
JASON
on Dec. 4th,
wish him a
Happy 21st
Birthday!



Happy Birthday

NANA

Love . . .
**Cathy, Elizabeth, Billy, Kenny,
Janice, Shannon, MaryBeth,
Timmy, Ryan, Taylor & Jamie**



JOE . . .

Welcome home
and
congratulations . . .
You finally made it!
Love,
Your Family xo



Happy 21st Birthday

JASON

Love & Kisses . . .
**Genevieve, Eileen,
James, Justine and Kevin**



Happy 18th Birthday

UNCLE KIRK

Love . . .
Aaron



Not For Nothin' . . . But Have You Heard . . .



- **Get Your Ho, Ho, Ho Ready . . .** and come along to Thompson Square to help Santa Claus count down to light the Christmas tree . . . The festivities will begin at 4:30 on Sunday, Dec. 5 and, following the ceremony, there will be goodies, prizes and surprises for all at One Thompson Square . . . All are welcome, so come on down and enjoy!
- **It's Not Too Early . . .** to select that perfect Christmas tree, and the annual sale to benefit the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club is THE place to shop. The sale gets underway on Saturday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m. outside the club's High Street building . . . There's always an outstanding assortment of trees in varying sizes, along with holiday wreaths . . . But be sure to shop early as they traditionally sell out early.
- **Saturday, Dec. 4th Will Be A Bazaar Time In Town . . .** with Christmas Bazaars, that is . . . St. Catherine's will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at its Parish Hall on Tufts Street. Beside its always vast array of gift items on sale or to be raffled, Santa Claus will pay a visit to pose for photographs with the children . . . The First Church on Green Street will feature its Holiday Bazaar, also on Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m. A chowder luncheon will be served from 11:30 to 2, and a home-cooked roast beef dinner will be ready at 5 p.m. . . . So do some of your Christmas shopping in town!
- **The Spirit Of The Holidays . . .** is evident on Monument Square as area residents have decorated the newly installed gas lights with garland and bows . . . congratulations . . . it looks just beautiful . . . and reports have it that other areas will soon be treated to a holiday touch!
- **If You Have Little Ones . . .** who would enjoy the return of a special holiday treat, don't miss out on "Breakfast With Santa" on Saturday, Dec. 11th at the Charlestown Working Theater . . . give a call to 242-3285 for time and reservation information . . . It promises to be fun for all ages!
- **It's Center Stage . . .** for two Charlestown gals this weekend as Theatreskol America's production of "Cats" is performed in the auditorium of Bunker Hill Community College at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4th and again on Sunday, Dec. 5th at 3 p.m. . . . The local lasses in the cast of "Cats" are Jillian Matarazzo and Erin Carroll.
- **Christmas Gifts For The Homeless . . .** St. Francis de Sales Parish is conducting a Christmas giving program for the Pine Street Inn that shelters homeless men and women . . . Useable hats, gloves and mittens, items that are in great demand during the cold winter months, may be dropped off at the ushers' table at the church at Masses on Dec. 4 and 5.
- **It's Birthdays, Birthdays, Birthdays . . .** and today, Dec. 2nd, is celebration time for Charlestown's man on Beacon Hill, Rep. Richard A. Voke . . . the date is shared by Kevin Thomas Smith who is sure to have a great party . . . Wes, the Montana man from the "Lost Village," will turn 39 on Dec. 3rd and will, we're sure, enter The Twilight Zone . . . almost neighbors, Bob Thompson of Washington Street and Francis "Bud" Coleman of Lawrence Street, share a Dec. 5th birthday . . . and Herb Upton marks his one year 'till I'm a half century old day on Dec. 8th . . . Best wishes to you all!
- **A Special Christmas . . .** gift that will be treasured for years is the Charlestown Lions Club 1993 Christmas Ornament . . . and this year's scene is the Training Field looking toward the Bunker Hill Monument . . . The ornaments are just \$6 and will no doubt go fast . . . So, contact a Lion or a Lioness or, if you don't know one, give Bud Coleman at call at 242-2063 or Harry Nutt at 242-2867 . . . Proceeds go toward the club's many charitable endeavors.
- **If You Are Tiring Of The Holidays Already . . .** a team from Area A of the Boston Police Department will be taking on a team of Townies in a Street Hockey Tournament at noon on Sunday, Dec. 5th at the Eden Street Park . . . the challenges are going out, and it promises to be an exciting game.
- **Helping The Hungry . . .** as once again, St. Francis de Sales parishioners answered the call for help from the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry and donated 465 cans of food on a recent weekend.
- **Free Eye Screening . . .** with cataract and glaucoma evaluation, will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the Whidden Memorial Hospital's Laser Clinic . . . appointments for the screening, under the direction of Ophthalmologist Paul S. Greenfield, M.D., can be made by calling 381-7173.
- **A Dream Come True? . . .** Don a pair of skates and take the ice at Boston Garden between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5. Tickets are \$6, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Horizons Initiative . . . For tickets, call Ticketmaster at 931-2000 or visit the Boston Garden Box Office.



around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Among the items on the agenda will be a presentation on a motion picture sound stage proposed for New Rutherford Avenue, adjacent to the Bunker Hill Community College parking lot.

Also, Chris Loring from Atlantic Brewery will outline the plans to relocate a small brewery at 50 Terminal St.

Public Safety/Police

Community Relations Committee

The Public Safety/Police Community Relations Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 14 at a location to be announced.

The council meetings are open to the public, and all are welcome to attend.

★ **City Square Park . . .** The Department of Environmental Management, its design consultant, the Halvorson Company, and sculptor David Phillips will be presenting the conceptual designs of the art program for the City Square Park at a meeting to be held at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Dec. 2, in the main courtroom of the Charlestown District Court, 3 City Square.

Phillips has been collaborating with The Halvorson Company to integrate art and interpretive elements into the design of the park. The community will have an opportunity to view and discuss the conceptual designs of these elements.

Residents who have been attending the public meetings on the park have been asked to help the designers choose the people who are to be recognized in the new City Square Park. In the new park, there will be five entrances or gateways. Each gateway will have two brick pillars with space, front and back, for medallions and plaques to list names.

The criteria established for inclusion of a name is: 1) the person had to have lived and/or worked in Charlestown and made his or her contribution to society more than 50 years ago; 2) the contribution should have had an impact on a larger world than just the town of Charlestown; and 3) any person who is memorialized elsewhere in the town should not be included on a med-

allion although their names should be entered on an appropriate plaque.

Please contact Sandi Wolchansky at 727-3160 ext. 578 for further information on this meeting.

★ **City Square Billboard . . .** Ken Stone, chairman of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council Billboard Committee, is pleased to report that Ackerley Communications has agreed to remove the billboard on top of Roughan Hall in City Square during the month of December.

Stone stated that this information was forwarded to him from Sen. Robert Travaglini's office. Stone noted that Travaglini has been very helpful in the negotiations with Ackerley over the past several years.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings . . .** Three hearings before the city of Boston Board of Appeal are slated for 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 14 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall.

Town Hill Associates is seeking a variance from the Boston Zoning Code to change the conditional use of 65-71 Main St., which includes Figs. They are asking to change the legal occupancy from retail catering, offices, four apartments and a restaurant to retail catering, offices, four apartments and a restaurant, including take-out food.

Michael Caruso is seeking variances in the Zoning Code to erect a three-family dwelling at 12 Franklin St.

Also, Amelio Micheli is seeking variances in the Zoning Code to erect a three-family dwelling at 14 Franklin St.

Questions and concerns on these requests should be directed to the Board of Appeal at 635-4775.

★ **Store 24 . . .** Damic Realty Trust appeared before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on Nov. 23 requesting a change in legal occupancy for Store 24 at 132-148 Main St. from a retail store to offices and a retail store, including take-out food.

Ken Auclair, director of real estate for Store 24, made the presentation to the board.

Judy Evers, community liaison for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, told the board: "I personally endorse this proposal as Store 24 has been a good neighbor who takes the concerns of the community very seriously." She went on to say

that Store 24 representatives attended a community meeting on Nov. 4 sponsored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council and the council unanimously endorsed the changes with the provision that the store work cooperatively with the Thompson Square Park Committee and the Charlestown Preservation Society for the beautification of the Thompson Square area.

A letter of support was presented to the board by the Charlestown Preservation Society and the Boston Redevelopment Authority representative asked for approval.

The board voted to grant the request of Store 24.

★ **CANA Update . . .** On Monday, the Central Artery North Area Project (CANA) opened the southbound tunnel from the Tobin Bridge to Rutherford Avenue. The opening of the southbound tunnel is a milestone for the community. It will allow vehicles that are currently exiting the Tobin Bridge at Chelsea and Warren streets to use the new CANA tunnel to Rutherford Avenue, relieving traffic congestion on Charlestown's local streets.

The reconstruction of the CANA interchange began in May 1987 after 10 years of design work and input from community groups. CANA is a \$300 million Mass. Highway Department project designed to make major safety and traffic flow improvements at one of the most accident-prone stretches of highway in the commonwealth. When the project is complete, the knot of traffic congestion at this point, where four highways come together over

the Charles River, will (hopefully) be un-snarled.

While completion of the permanent ramp connections between Route 1, the Tobin Bridge, and I-93 as part of the larger Central Artery/Tunnel Project is approximately eight years away, the construction of temporary loop ramps over Boston Sand & Gravel to open the Tobin Bridge/I-93 connection early is well underway, and these ramps will be open to traffic at the end of 1994. At that time, the detour ramp that shadows City Square will be demolished.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Collins, the Charlestown liaison, at 457-5502.

★ **Street Reconstruction Update . . .** The Combined Streets Contract is almost complete. Mario Susi & Son is essentially done with their field work and a couple of subcontractors for signs and railings finished last week. Except for a few gas light heads coming from the manufacturer and a couple of subcontractor punchlist items, all the contract work and punchlist work is essentially finished. As with all jobs of this magnitude, one or two things, like the lights and a few sign posts, drag out an extra week or so. The contract will be administratively closed out by Christmas.

It is felt that the project has enhanced Charlestown and that everyone is pleased with their new streets. Happy Holidays.

Any questions, concerns or complaints are being handled by Community Liaison Peter Looney at 722-4300, ext. 5674.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Evers III of 27 Thacher St., Malden are proud to announce the birth of their son, Henry IV, on Nov. 16 at the Winchester Hospital. He weighed 9 pounds 4 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Fermano of Malden.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Evers Jr. of 33 Bartlett St., Charlestown.

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(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 here 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 recourced to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (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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'Holiday Electric Safety' Topic Of Adult Discussion Group

"Holiday Electric Safety" with Patricia Weaver, manager of the Boston Edison-Chelsea Energy Center,

MONEY MATTERS

by Nicholas C. Pino

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TAX TRAP AWAITS RETIREES WHO WITHDRAW TOO MUCH FROM THEIR RETIREMENT PLANS

You've spent years scrimping and being frugal while contributing to your various retirement plans. Now that you've retired, you plan on living it up for a year or so. After reviewing the strict retirement plan withdrawal restrictions, however, you may want to reconsider.

People have to pay a penalty when they take out too much from their retirement plans in a year. Generally, the law imposes an excise tax on all distributions in excess of \$150,000 from all retirement plans combined, including IRA, Keogh, profit-sharing, 401(k) and regular pension plans, in any year. You must pay a 15 percent penalty on the amount over \$150,000.

Unfortunately, the penalty doesn't just affect the wealthy; it can sneak up on a lot of retirees. Although the \$150,000 limit seems high, it's easy to get snagged. Let's say, for example, you receive a pension of \$50,000 a year and decide to withdraw \$200,000 to buy a small business or a retirement home. You triggered the tax by crossing the threshold and must now pay a penalty tax of \$15,000 (15 percent of \$100,000, the portion that exceeds the annual limit).

In most cases, using a little foresight will enable you to avoid — or at least lessen the impact — of the tax. It would be best to spread your withdrawals over a number of years so that they don't exceed \$150,000 in one year. You might, for example, avoid the tax by splitting the lump sum in half, taking one part in December and one in January, provided your plan allows for that.

Many people are unaware of this penalty tax. But the tax is not new. It was part of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and became effective Jan. 1, 1987. It was intended to collect additional revenue from those "who take too much out of a retirement plan in any one year." Unfortunately, it too often catches the unwary.

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will be the subject of the Adult Discussion Group meeting at 10 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 3 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Holiday times are often busy and disorganized. Weaver will review simple, basic tips to make the holidays safe in your home.

On Friday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m., the speaker will be Anita MacKinnon of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union.

Receive Honors At Boston Latin

Boston Latin High School recently announced its approbation list for the first term. The following Charlestown students were honored: Neal Boyle, Alexandra French, Julia Jenkins, Daniel Older, Malka Older, Hannah Richardson, Deborah Swales and Colin Swales.

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things most despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly — (Here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen. Thank you for prayers answered. C.

Sail Into History And Fun At The USS Constitution Museum

Exciting displays let you experience life on board the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat. You won't get wet, but you will feel the swell of the sea beneath your feet as you raise a sail and turn the ship's wheel. You will also find out what sailors on "Old Ironsides" ate during the War of 1812 and try out their humble sleeping quarters — a hammock suspended above a deck. Practice your seaman skills and ingenuity on a computer game where you command **Constitution** during one of her famous battles in the

war of 1812.

In addition to finding out what it was like to live at sea for months at a time, you'll get a sense of **Constitution's** glorious history. Thrill to her daring exploits against the Barbary Pirates in the Mediterranean and the British in the War of 1812. Find out about her near destruction in the 1800s at the hands of the U.S. Navy, and her triumphant escape popularized by the stirring poetry of a Harvard medical student named Oliver Wendell Holmes.

On the museum's second

floor, you'll become an expert on the unique repair methods necessary to maintain the 196-year-old frigate. Learn about the strengths and fragilities of a wooden ship and find out how **Constitution**, the oldest commissioned wooden warship afloat in the world has been preserved.

The museum and museum store are located in the Boston National Historical Park at the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The museum is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except for Christmas and New Year's Day.

Air Force Junior ROTC Cadets Assist Red Ribbon Campaign

Cadets from the Charlestown High School Air Force Junior ROTC unit recently declared war on drugs. Cadets mobilized to help promote a drug and alcohol free lifestyle as they participated in the National Red Ribbon Campaign.

The campaign's mission is to present a visible unified commitment toward the creation of a drug-free United States. The campaign is designed to create an awareness of the drug and alcohol problems in our communities. Recently, 18 students

from the high school dropped out of class, dressed in black and did not respond to others. At the end of school, Headmaster Stacy Johnson announced that these 18 students represented the 18 teens in the United States who died from alcohol-related violence in any given day. At the end of the day students passed by an exhibit memorializing the day's dead.

The Air Force Junior ROTC cadets established community teams to address the problem, promote

healthy drug-free lifestyles and provide support and encouragement for others who say "NO" to drugs.

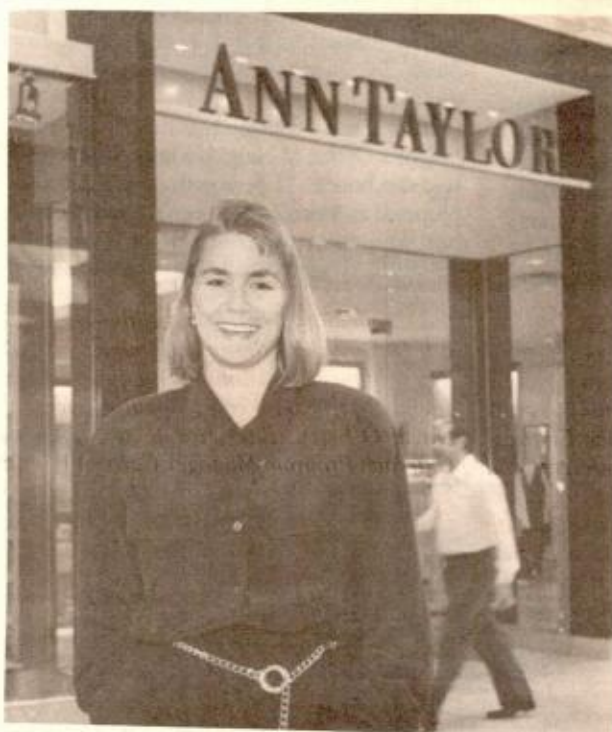
This year's slogan "Drug Free: Way To Be!" and the campaign are designed to enroll all students at Charlestown High School in pledging to be proud to say they are drug-free. The Air Force Junior ROTC cadets signed up all faculty, staff and students and distributed a unique red ribbon to signify a unified commitment against drugs and alcohol at Charlestown High School.

The National Red Ribbon Campaign originated after the death of Federal Agent Enrique Camarena at the hands of drug traffickers in 1985. It was then that the red ribbon became a symbol in the fight to reduce the demand for drugs. A majority of the 426 Air Force ROTC units at high schools throughout the U.S. and at Department of Defense schools in Guam and Europe are participating in the Red Ribbon campaign. More than 48,000 cadets are enrolled in the program nationwide.

Air Force Junior ROTC Massachusetts' 761st Squadron's goal is to develop well-informed, better citizens. Toward this effort, the MA-761st Squadron recently implemented their own drug awareness program known as the Awareness Presentation Team (APT). The team at Charlestown High School is unique in the nation in that the team members are also part of the Governor's Alliance Against Drugs and have undergone extensive training under the auspices of that agency in conjunction with the Massachusetts National Guard. This team has researched and prepared a script to deliver an anti-drug presentation to elementary and middle school students each year.

The cadets also support the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program sponsored by the Boston Police Department. This program lasts 17 weeks and covers subjects such as peer pressure, alternatives to drugs, self-esteem, eight ways to say no and assertiveness.

Sawyer Manager Of Prudential Shop



KIM SAWYER of Charlestown is the manager of Ann Taylor at The Shops at Prudential Center in Boston. The Center celebrated its grand opening Oct. 15.

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D.A. Martin Presents Grant To Charlestown Boys & Girls Club

Suffolk County District Attorney Ralph C. Martin II recently presented a check to the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. The \$7,000 contribution represents a portion of illegal drug money confiscated by police in various drug raids during the 1993 fiscal year.

State legislation provides

that up to 10 percent of confiscated funds and proceeds of drug dealer's property sold at auction may be awarded to grass-roots neighborhood organizations to assist in efforts to eradicate drug sale and use in neighborhoods.

This grant, which was accepted by Club Director

Jerry Steimel, will enable the Boys & Girls Club to hire a full-time social worker for direct intervention activities, including one-on-one counseling for at-risk youth and teen workshops on such topics as substance abuse, suicide and sexual abuse.

"The Forfeiture Reinvestment Program is a way to transform tainted money into funds for community empowerment," Martin said. "The new focus of directing forfeiture monies toward programs that turn young people away from drugs and turn people on to neighborhood crime watch initiatives is part of my plan to prioritize youth crime prevention and juvenile justice."

Five \$7,000 grants are being presented to organizations across Suffolk County. The groups submitted a proposal and were selected by a seven-member residents committee appointed

Complimentary Tickets Available For Restoration 1993

Boston will play host to the largest preservation event ever held in North America from Dec. 6 through Dec. 8 at the Hynes Veterans Convention Center. More than 250 exhibitors from North America and abroad will be displaying their latest products and technology.

The Charlestown Preservation Society has complimentary tickets and is making them available to all Charlestown residents on a

first-come, first-served basis.

If you would like complimentary tickets to Restoration '93, they are available at the Charlestown Library, Gibson Real Estate or by calling 242-3716.

Groundbreaking

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Fund and the city of Boston cordially invite all Charlestown residents to witness this long-awaited groundbreaking.



A GRANT in the amount of \$7,000 was recently presented to the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club by Suffolk County District Attorney Ralph C. Martin. Shown (l. to r.) Deborah McDonough, community relations liaison for Martin's office; Club Director Jerry Steimel; and Martin.

by the District Attorney. The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club has been serving the Charlestown community as a youth development agency since 1893.

Charlestown's New Teen Peerleaders Sworn In



CHARLESTOWN'S NEW TEEN PEERLEADERS joined 80 of their peers from other Boston neighborhoods for a week-long training and swearing-in ceremony recently. These teens will work with the Charlestown Community Centers to plan events and activities for young people in the neighborhood, offer peer counseling and work with peerleaders in other neighborhoods on city-wide events such as the "Festival of Hope" and the "Youth Congress." Shown kneeling is Joe Brennan. Front row (l. to r.) Bos-

ton Community Centers Executive Director Bill Doherty, Charlestown Community Centers staff member Mimi Wrenn, peerleaders Jacque Neff, Kim Weafer, Jennifer Ray and David O'Brien. Back row (l. to r.) Youth Outreach Program Manager Carolyn Wrenn Shannon, peerleaders Greg McNeil, Greg Poole, Phil Coleman and Charlestown Community Center staff member Kenny Giordano. Missing from the picture are Colleen Walsh and Amanda Fornash.

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Charlestown Senior Citizens Treated To Thanksgiving Dinner At The K. Of C. Hall

photos by John Dillon



BHCC Accepting Applications For Truman Scholarship

Applications for the prestigious Truman Scholarship are now being accepted at Bunker Hill Community College. The \$30,000 scholarship is available to sophomore-level students at two-year colleges who are preparing for a career in public service.

The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation was established by Congress in 1975 as the official federal memorial to honor the 33rd president. The Foundation recognizes Truman's contribution to the nation, his commitment to public service and his in-

terest in education.

A faculty-staff committee, under the direction of R. Michael McSweeney, dean of technology, will accept applications until Dec. 15 and will then conduct interviews to determine the names to be submitted to the Foundation.

In awarding the scholarships, the Foundation is particularly interested in persons who wish to improve the ways in which governments serve the public at large or various disadvantaged groups and the ways in which governments help protect resources.

The Charlestown Preservation Society will sponsor its ninth annual concert of Christmas favorites on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 55 Warren Street. The Fine Arts Chorale, a 71-member chorus, will perform traditional carols under the direction of Peter Edwards.

Kevin McDermott, Boston's reigning Irish tenor, will be the guest soloist, offering works associated with John McCormack. Supporting the soloist, the chorus and the community from the console of St. Mary's renowned three-

manual track organ will be Charlestown's own Stephen Lee.

Please plan to come early to the popular concert and plan to raise your voice in song at this festive time

of year. The concert is free and people are reminded to come early as the church fills fast.

For more information, please contact F. Lee Eisenman at 241-7848.

Advent Communal Penance Service

St. Francis de Sales, St. Mary's and St. Catherine's parishes will sponsor a town-wide Advent Communal Penance Service on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St. Priests from all three Charlestown parishes will be available for individual confession.

Please join us on Sunday evening, Dec. 19 as we reconcile ourselves with God and prepare ourselves for the coming celebration of the birthday of Jesus.

Refreshments will be served following the Penance Service in the Bishop Lawton Hall (lower church). Parking will be available in the schoolyard.

TIARA Meeting On Dec. 10

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a program and business meeting on Friday, Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall, Boston College, Commonwealth Avenue in Chestnut Hill.

Scott A. Bartley, manuscripts curator and overseer of the Fine Arts Collection at the New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS) of Boston, will discuss Irish, American and Canadian resources available at NEHGS for use in conducting genealogical research. Bartley has written numerous articles on genealogical records available in

Vt. and Vt. families. He is currently serving as president of the Genealogical Society of Vt.

The association is an organization of amateur, family and professional researchers who meet to exchange information about Irish family history. There is no admission charge and the public is welcome.

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things most despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly — (Here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen. Thank you for prayers answered. J.H.

CHAD To Meet Dec. 3

Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will meet at noon on Friday, Dec. 3 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

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Preservation Society To Present Christmas Concert On Dec. 19

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BOB D'S BEAT

by

Bob DeCristoforo

■ **Class Of '88** . . . My congratulations to the Christopher Columbus High School Class of 1988, who celebrated its 5th anniversary reunion last Saturday evening. It was good to see so many still enjoying the friendships that were developed at Columbus. Each of you are special men and women, and in you, the spirit of a great place still shines. Mark Florentino and Nancy Saia did a great job organizing the event. A special thanks for the invite, it meant a lot.

■ **Light-A-Life** . . . During the Christmas season, members of the Bunker Hill Teen Center will be involved with the Boston Parks and Recreation Light-A-Life Campaign. The purchase of a Light-A-Life button for \$1 will benefit Hospice Care in Boston. Hospice Care provides services for the terminally ill and also for their families during this most difficult time. The '93 effort will help the Children with AIDS

Program (CAP), Good Samaritan Hospice, Hospice of Boston, Hospice of Mission Hill and Trinity Hospice. The Light-A-Life Campaign is the second project of the Bunker Hill Teen Center "We Care" program.

■ **Turkey Day Scoreboard** . . . Congratulations to all the teams who have just completed a great football season. Each of you can be proud of your accomplishments because you were actively involved in your high school sports. To each football player, each cheerleader and each band member, "Smile" — you did a great job!

On Thanksgiving Day, high school football is king, and the traditional AM games brings family and friends together to share some great memories, and to make some new memories that will be celebrated for years to come. On T-Day, records are all equal and each game is a super bowl of its

own.

Thanksgiving Day '93 was no different. Arlington Catholic and Matignon had a league championship and super bowl ticket on the line, and AC took both prizes, topping Matignon 7-0. Dana DuLong's two-yard first quarter run was the only touchdown of the day, and then AC's stingy defense took over, stopping Matignon at every turn. Stingy defense AC has shut out six of 10 teams this year!

On the field at Boston University, senior Marlon Benjamin's 61-yard pass reception from quarterback Billy O'Donovan and Ricky Newman's extra point kick held up as Boston English was defeated by Boston Latin 7-6, but coach Keith Parker's English squad will go to the super bowl.

BC High did its part for the bowl bid, defeating Catholic Memorial 47-15. Mike Sullivan did another outstanding job engineering the BC High victory, but the bowl dream ended with the news that St. John's Prep topped Xaverian 42-14. St. John's Prep will play in the Division 1B Super Bowl, a Xaverian victory would have sent BC High.

In other local games of interest, Chelsea downed Pope John 28-10, Everett stopped Malden Catholic 42-18, and St. Clement's stunned Trinity Catholic 22-20. Over in East Boston, I had the honor of presenting the Andy Puopolo MVP Awards to Calvin Bryant of Don Bosco and Danny Tauro of Savio Prep at the conclusion of the Bosco-Savio clash, which ended in a 6-6 tie. Bosco and Savio were both long-time Columbus Thanksgiving Day rivals and this is my way of keeping the Columbus spirit alive on this great day. This is the third year I have donated the Andy Puopolo MVP Awards.

■ **Super Bowl Match-Ups** . . . Saturday, Dec. 4 4B Newburyport vs. Arlington Catholic, 1:30 p.m. at Arlington High 5B Nantucket vs. Boston English, 1:30 p.m. at Middleboro High School

■ **CYO Basketball Openers** . . . St. Catherine's CYO basketball gets underway this weekend. All home games will be played at the Boys & Girls Club on Sunday, while the 17-and-under team will play its games on Wednesday evening at Charlestown High School.

■ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk had two goals as Winnipeg defeated St. Louis 4-3 on Sunday. The Jets go into this week at 9-13-3 (21 points) in the NHL Central Division.

■ **Tip Of The Hat** . . . I know we appreciate their work, but it's also good for them to hear it. Just a special "Tip Of The Hat" to all teachers. You do a great job, and believe it or not, you are thought of more than you might imagine. Thanks for all you do, and thanks for your special concern.

■ **Pop Warner** . . . Congratulations to all the players, coaches and board members on another fine year. Charlestown Pop Warner is strong because of your commitment throughout the entire year.

■ **Tidbits** . . . — Welcome home to United States Marine Joe Kacvinsky, we're proud of you!

— Rumor has it that Edna would love to work for the Parks Department.

— Alexis was sighted in South Boston. Ed Mahoney says "Hello."

— Birthday best to David Evers.

— Congratulations to Scott Isbart.

— Kim Kelly was also sighted in South Boston during the holiday week.

Smile!

Latin Escapes English — Wins Classic For 12th Year In Row

by Sean P. Smyth
Entering last Thursday's game, Boston Latin had not lost to Boston English since a 14-2 setback in 1981. Although the Wolfpack were given a scare, they kept the streak intact as the Pack knocked off the Bulldogs/Blue-and-Blue 7-6 at Nickerson Field.

Even though they lost, the Bulldogs still have a game to prepare for this Saturday, as Southie's win over Eastie propelled English into the Div. 5B Super Bowl against Nantucket at Middleboro's Battis Field at 1:30 p.m.

"Close and exciting games like these enhance the rivalry," said Latin coach Paul Costello, whose team had lost its previous games entering the showdown.

The Wolfpack's only touchdown came approxi-

mately midway through the second quarter, when Marlon Benjamin turned a screen pass from Billy O'Donovan into a 61-yard score. Rick Newman's extra point kick gave Latin a 7-0 lead.

"I knew he (Benjamin) would make something of the pass after he caught it," said O'Donovan, a senior, who also started under center for last year's 7-3 squad.

The Blue-and-Blue got the ball back, but on the half's final, quarterback Eric McKoy threw an interception into the hands of Newman, allowing Latin to enter the locker room with the halftime lead.

Things did not go well for either team in the third quarter, as neither could punch it into the end zone.

English finally got on the board with three minutes left in the game, when Reynaldo Vega plunged in for a touchdown from one-yard out, cutting the deficit to 7-6. This left Bulldogs head coach Keith Parker with a choice. Would he go for the tie by kicking an extra point, or try for a win on a riskier two-point conversion play?

Parker elected to go for the two points and the win. McKoy handed the ball off to star running back Mike Massey, who was met by a trio of defenders (Zack Fal-

coner, Vern Quashie and Dan Gibbons) before the goal line. "We could have gone for the kick, but our team plays to win," Parker was heard to say after the game.

Latin would take the ensuing kickoff, leaving English with one more chance to pull out a victory. But McKoy threw an interception into the hands of Benjamin, sealing the Wolfpack's win.

Statistically, Massey rushed with 155 yards on 32 carries. Newman also had a solid game, leading the Latin backfield with 75 yards on 19 carries. O'Donovan threw for 92 yards on three completions to pace the victors' air attack.

Now all the Bulldogs have to do is focus on the Whalers, whom they face on Saturday. The Whalers went 8-2 this season, including a win over Martha's Vineyard in the prestigious Island Bowl on Nov. 20.

In non-league action, Don Bosco (0-9-1) tied Savio Prep 6-6 at East Boston Stadium. The Spartans (1-7-1) got on the board when Mike Sokolowski scored a touchdown in the first quarter. Bosco's Calvin Bryant, who was chosen as the MVP of the game, tied it up with his own score just before halftime.

At Dilboy Field, St. Cle-

ment's came back from a 12-point fourth quarter deficit to knock off Trinity Catholic 22-20. Vern Gilchrist scored two touchdowns in the last quarter to push St. Clement's (2-8) to its second win of the season.

A special thanks must be given to Townie Kevin Burke who produced the Latin-English broadcast for BNN. His great work with the access station throughout the years has been underappreciated by myself and many others. Keep up the good work!

Burke's "Moments In Sports" will present the Latin-English game at noon on Sunday, Dec. 5 on cable channels A3 and A23.

A familiar name was appointed by Cathedral Athletic Director Roger Croke to be the new boys basketball coach. His name is Leo Boucher.

Boucher, who currently works for the city of Boston Parks and Recreation Department, was formerly the coach at Christopher Columbus until the school closed in 1989.

The former tight end for the Townies and Christopher Columbus will take over a team that went 9-11 last season, and is considered one of the top Catholic school programs in the city.

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CHRISTMAS TREES AND WREATHS

The Boys & Girls Club will be selling trees and wreaths again this year starting on Saturday, Dec. 4. This has become one of our most important fund raisers with all proceeds going to support the programs at the Charlestown Club. The tree stand is located in front of our High Street building and is open the following hours: Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Tuesday through Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. Please note that the stand is not open on Monday. Members of the Keystone Club will be joined by the club's Board of Directors in selling the trees. We hope to see you again this year.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Saturday, Dec. 18 at noon there will be a Christmas Party for boys and girls ages 6 to 10. The party will include ornament making, cookie decorating, games, music and possibly a visit from St. Nick.

ENTERTAINMENT '94

Entertainment '94 books are being sold by our Keystone leadership group. The cost of the books are \$30 and they contain coupons and discounts to various fine dining, travel and entertainment establishments in Greater Boston. The books are a great value. For more info, contact Danny.

JUST A REMINDER

Arts & Crafts is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m.

Aerobics are every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Basketball League for 6- to 9-year olds — The club is starting a basketball league for all boys and girls between 6 and 9. Those who wish to register may sign up with Joe or Derek in the gym. The fee is \$5 and will include a shirt. The league will consist of drills, lectures and games. The starting date will be Friday, Dec. 3. If the fee is a problem, please speak to Joe.

Basketball League for 10- to 14-year olds — There are still openings for boys and girls who wish to play in an in-house basketball league. Those interested can sign up with Joe or Derek in the gym. Games are held every Friday at 6:30 p.m. (P.S., basketball tomorrow, Dec. 3, will be at 7

p.m. due to a hockey game.)

Swim Team — The swim team will face Lowell tomorrow, Dec. 3, at home. This is their first meet since completing their annual fund-raising swim-a-thon. The swimmers did an excellent job, both getting pledges and swimming laps. Congratulations to all the swimmers!

EDUCATIONAL/CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

— Club members in the library have been writing to pen pals at a club in Utah. They are waiting for a response now.

— Sign language classes and Spanish/English classes are on-going in the library.

— Come to the library this Friday, (tomorrow) for our monthly forum.

— Today is the trip to the Higher Education Center to use the Scholarship Computer. Don't forget — juniors and seniors!

— Seniors should bring in college applications for help from Maureen this week!

— Don't forget about the Battle of the Brains on Wednesday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. in the teen ed. room.

TEEN CENTER NEWS

Teen Ed Room — The Teen Education room is open Tuesday through Friday nights for tutoring, SAT prep, college information, computer learning and much more. Please contact Maureen, Jenny or Danny for details.

Ping-Pong Champions!!! — Since last reporting, the Teen Center has crowned two new ping-pong champions. Romeo Collado fended off a talented array of ping-pongers and won the week's title.

The following week Collado defended his crown admirably, but lost in the finals to Brendan Brennan. Brennan, Colorado, Corey Gallagher and Mike Collins will battle this week for the November championship.

Ping-pong tournaments are held every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

9-Ball Champs!!! — Two new 9-ball champions were also crowned recently. Mike Collins lost in the championship on Nov. 20 to Ian Urquhart who captured his second 9-ball title of the year. Collins rebounded well, though, and won the following week's championship.

9-ball championships will be held Saturday at 1 p.m.

Keystone Officers Elected — The Keystone leadership group recently elected its officers. Congratulations go out to Christine Locke, president; Steve "Little Caesar" Linnane, vice president; Mike "Pockets" Collins, treasurer; and Jeff "Minutes" Andrea, secretary.

GAMESROOM

Congratulations to our latest gamesroom champions... Bumper pool (ages 6-9), Steve Awbrey; (ages 10-12), Zack Brennan; ping-pong, Anthony Sorrentino; and pool, Freddy Rodriguez. All winners receive a special certificate and a mystery prize! The next tournament week is Dec. 7 through Dec. 11.

Stop by the gamesroom on Saturday, Dec. 4 at noon and participate in our challenging obstacle course. The top times for each age group will receive special certificates and a prize.

To all Torch Club members, you know who you are! Be sure to attend the meeting this Friday, Dec. 3 at 4 p.m. This is a very important meeting. All Torch Club members are expected to attend.

CYO Gym Hockey

**★ Players Of The Week ★
Nov. 20**

• **B & H Cleaning:** Michael Lacey and Danny Murphy

• **Bryan's Pals:** Jackie Burke and Robert Collier

• **Bunker Hill Florist:** Meaghann Gallarelli and Sean Breen

• **Charlestown Home Furniture:** Patrick Langan and Eric Reid

• **Kerrigan's:** Brandy Bercier and Stephen Cunningham

• **Mama Maria's:** Jack Doherty and David Grace

• **Moe's Variety:** Bye

• **Peg & Al's:** Kevin Wallis and Caitlin Ellis

• **The Blow Up:** Sean Matthews and Sean Anthony

• **The Horseshoe:** Michael Jacobs and Patrick White

• **T.J.'s Kids:** Tony Resendes and Lauren Geezel

• **Standings As Of Nov. 20**

	W	L	T
Moe's Variety	6	0	0
Bryan's Pals	5	2	0
The Horseshoe	5	2	0
B&H Cleaning	5	2	0
B.H. Florist	4	2	0
Chas'n. Home Furniture	3	3	0
T.J.'s Kids	3	3	0
Mama Maria's	2	5	0
Kerrigans	1	5	0
Peg & Al's	1	5	0
The Blow Up	0	6	0

**★ Players Of The Week ★
Nov. 27**

• **B & H Cleaning:** Patrick Kelly and Ryan Arroyo

• **Bryan's Pals:** Bye

• **Bunker Hill Florist:** Molly Tobin and Billy Buckley

• **Charlestown Home Furniture:** Michael Reid and

Seamus Lynch

• **Kerrigan's:** Caitlyn Collins and Nicole Miller

• **Mama Maria's:** Corey Poirier and Roger Rakauskas

• **Moe's Variety:** Courtney Considine and Meg Gallagher

• **Peg & Al's:** Kieran Kelly and Shawn Wallis

• **The Blow Up:** Jimmy Dyer and Joe DeMaio

• **The Horseshoe:** Kevin Dacey and Alexandra Lane

• **T.J.'s Kids:** Joseph Collier and Casey Durham

• **Standings As Of Nov. 27**

	W	L	T
Moe's Variety	7	0	0
B&H Cleaning	6	2	0
The Horseshoe	6	2	0
Bryan's Pals	5	2	0
B.H. Florist	5	2	0
Chas'n. Home Furniture	4	3	0
T.J.'s Kids	3	4	0
Mama Maria's	2	6	0
Kerrigans	1	6	0
Peg & Al's	1	6	0
The Blow Up	0	7	0

The Charlestown Gym Hockey Board would like to thank Diane Modica for her generous donation. They would also like to thank all of the volunteers for without their help it would be extremely difficult to run the league.

The board will be running a "Stocking Stuffer" Christmas raffle over the next few weeks. Please support the kids.

Tiny Tots preschool will be holding a Bake Sale during all Gym Hockey games on Saturday, Dec. 4. All support is truly appreciated.

**Don Bosco Hockey Season
Begins Dec. 15**

Mark McHale expects his hockey team at Don Bosco Technical High School in Boston to return to tournament play this year after missing out last season. His team won the Class I championship in 1989 and managed to get into some post-season play in the years following, losing out to the eventual winner two years ago.

Veterans returning this season include seniors Mark Mansfield and Paul Myers, and junior Jason Smith all of Charlestown. Mansfield is expected to be on the first line.

A senior who will be missed from last year's team is Shawn Connolly of Charlestown.

Don Bosco had a record of 7-10-2 last year. The team held its first practice on Nov. 29 and will play the first of its 20-game schedule on Dec. 15 against Boston Latin at Northeastern University's Matthews Arena.

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Teen Connection Corner

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Teen Council Meeting . . .

The members of the Charlestown Teen Connection Council would like to thank Steve Ross from the Boston Community Center Street Worker Program for speaking at our November Council meeting. Steve was a former prisoner in Nazi concentration camps during World War II. He spoke of his past heartaches and how important it is to cherish our freedom. Steve was freed from the camps and came to the United States in 1949. He now holds four degrees and works with disadvantaged youth in the Boston area.

Grand Opening Of Teen Center . . .

The grand opening of our Teen Center will take place on Monday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. The opening will include music, games, tournaments and pizza. Sign up at the Charlestown Community Center with any of our peerleaders, Kenny or Mimi.

Tournaments . . .

Every Tuesday at 6 p.m. is a Bumper Pool Tournament. Every Thursday at 6 p.m. are Super Nintendo and Board Game Tournaments.

Bumper Pool Champ: Jim Saccardo . . .

Jim Saccardo entered the Teen Connection's record book last Tuesday as he defeated a field of 16 to become the Connection's first Bumper Pool Champ.

The action was fast and furious as Greg McNeil, Mike Sweeney, David Evers and Saccardo advanced to the final four. Sweeney advanced to face Saccardo after pre-tourney favorite McNeil suffered a costly penalty. In the final game, Saccardo took control early and let a hot stick do his talking. All teens, both male and female, are invited to take part in next Tuesday's tournament. Can Jim Saccardo be defeated? Stay tuned.

Movie Night . . .

Every Tuesday night is movie night at the Teen Connection. Movies begin at 8 p.m. or immediately after the Bumper Pool Tournament.

Townie Santa . . .

The peerleaders will once again take part in Townie Santa. This program is very important to us at the Teen Connection and our hats are off to the people who spend the whole year planning it. We will be packing on Dec. 9 and 16, and will help deliver on Dec. 19.

Lacrosse and Volleyball Rosters . . .

Boys 19-and-under Lacrosse rosters and open coed volleyball rosters are now available at the Community Center from the peerleaders, Kenny or Mimi at 635-5169.

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★ EVENTS OF THE WEEK ★

Friday, Dec. 3

- 10 a.m. - Seniorobics, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard
- 11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
- 12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Monday, Dec. 6

- 10 a.m. - Seniorobics, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard
- 11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
- 12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Tuesday, Dec. 7

- 10 a.m. - Swim Program, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard
- 10 a.m. - Sunshine Club, Crocheting, Arts & Crafts and Beading, Senior Lounge
- 11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge

Wednesday, Dec. 8

- 9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Anchorage Apartments
- 9:30 a.m. - Tree Decorating Brunch, Senior Lounge
- 11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
- 12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Thursday, Dec. 9

- 9:30 a.m. - Stop and Shop bus, Senior Lounge, Constitution Co-Op, Golden Age
- 10 a.m. - Crocheting and Arts & Crafts, Senior Lounge
- 11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge

★ HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS ★

The staff and participants at the Senior Lounge wish a Happy December Birthday to . . . Mary Devlin, Lillian Fopiano, Jack Kelly, Kay Latremore, Emily Lyons, Mary Madden, Ellen McNamee, Conchetta Rinaldi, Anna Smith, Rose Trider and Mary Walsh.

★ UPCOMING EVENTS ★

- **Beans & Beano** - Monday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m. at the Senior Lounge.
Please sign up now with Bobbie or Phyllis.

★ UPCOMING TRIPS ★

See Phyllis or Bobbie for complete details and sign-ups for the trips listed below:

- **LaSalette Christmas Light Trip** - Tuesday, Dec. 7, departing at 2:30 p.m. and returning at 10 p.m. The cost is \$22 which includes dinner.
- **'Forever Plaid' Day Trip** - A day trip on Thursday, Dec. 9, departing at 11:15 a.m. and returning at 4:45 p.m., will include lunch and the show "Forever Plaid" at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel. Space is limited, so sign up early. The cost is \$34.

If you need complimentary rides to and from the Senior Lounge for activities, please make arrangements in advance by calling Phyllis Bryant or Fran Nardone.

For more information on senior activities, contact Judi Meaney, director of Senior Services, at 241-8866.

New Booklet Offers Handy Tips For Alzheimer's Disease Caregivers

"Understanding the ABCs of Alzheimer's Disease," a booklet offered free of charge by the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), is now available, providing caregivers with easy-to-understand tips for care.

"Since Alzheimer's disease will affect one in four families by the next decade, we thought it was important to provide caregivers with a resource for practical information," said AOTA President Mary Evert. "By sharing our knowledge, we can make caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease easier."

"Understanding the ABCs of Alzheimer's Disease" explains how caregivers can modify an Alz-

heimer's patient's living environment and daily activities to help compensate for the patient's declining abilities. For example, it suggests equipment, such as a raised toilet seat or tub bench, to increase the safety and independence of the patient. It also recommends "cuing" techniques, such as using calendars, written messages or labelling to help a patient to understand what to do on a daily basis, including dressing and eating.

For a copy of the booklet, write to Alzheimer's, American Occupational Therapy Association, 1383 Piccard Drive, P.O. Box 1725, Rockville, Md. 20849-1725, or call (301) 948-9633, ext. 899.

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ACTIVITIES

- **Quilting** - Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Arts & Crafts** - Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Flower Arrangements** - Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Ceramics** - Monday and Thursday from noon to 3 p.m., contact Pat Venezia.
- **Beano** - Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:30 p.m., contact Sheila Walsh.
- **Lunch** - Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at noon, contact Sheila Walsh.
- **Knit & Crochet** - Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Liquid Embroidery** - Monday from 10 a.m. to noon, contact Reed White.

UPCOMING TRIPS

See Sheila for details and reservations on . . .

- **Atlantic City** - Bally's Park Place in Atlantic City is the destination of a trip on Jan. 30 and 31 and Feb. 1. The cost is \$119 per person with \$30 in bonuses. There will be full on-board refreshments.

BUS TO STOP & SHOP

A bus to Stop & Shop picks up at the Golden Age Center on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

HOUSING, EDUCATION & INFORMATION SERVICE

Housing, education and information service is available to seniors every Wednesday between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Golden Age Center. Applications and help completing them is available.

For more information, contact Beverly Gibbons at 635-5176 or 635-5175.

Birmingham Office Hours Dec. 15

Sen. Thomas F. Birmingham will hold community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, Dec. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. on the first floor at One Thompson Square.

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★ PLEASE GIVE A HELPING HAND ★

The dates for packing the Christmas boxes and wrapping gifts have been set, and the committee is asking for residents to assist in this task. It is a great way to get into the holiday spirit, so plan now to join in on one or more of the evenings. Helpers should come to the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. at 7 p.m. on:

- Monday, Dec. 6 - packing (note change)
- Thursday, Dec. 9 - packing
- Monday, Dec. 13 - packing
- Thursday, Dec. 16 - packing
- Friday, Dec. 17 - fruit packing

and, of course, Sunday, Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. for delivery of the Townie Santa packages.

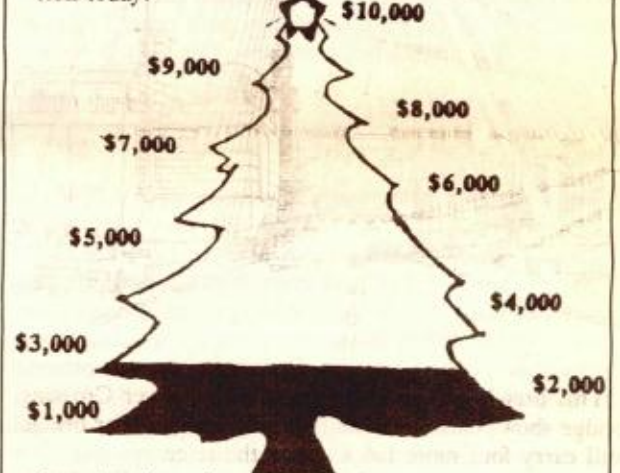
★ DROP YOUR COINS IN THE CANISTERS ★

Townie Santa canisters are on the counters of many of our local stores. Empty your pockets of that loose change - it will be used wisely and well.

★ WATCH THE CHRISTMAS TREE GROW ★

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My Thanks

I would like to thank my relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindnesses shown to me during my recent hospitalization. The fruit basket, cards and flowers are greatly appreciated. Thank you all.

Dot Passalacqua

Thank You All

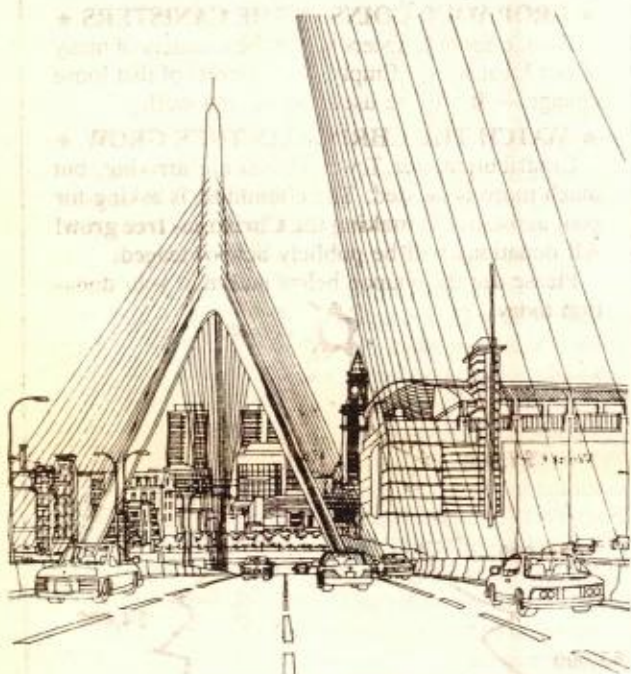
I want to thank my friends for being there when I need them, especially Beverly Gibbons.

Agnes Doherty, what a help you were, as was Carol Pimental. Thanks to Aggie Bombacca for helping me get rid of things; Dot Stewart, Kay Latremore and Barbara Duggan for feeding me; and Rita Frederickson and Dot Rogers for helping me to keep my chin up.

I just can't put into words what you have all done for me. Thank you all and God bless you.

Jane (Bernice Ward)

What's Wrong With This Picture?



This drawing of the proposed Charles River Crossing bridge shows but four of the 10 lanes, and another bridge will carry four more lanes across the river.

Ken Stone

Disappointed At Decision

The North Area Task Force (NATF) was surprised and disappointed at the recent decision by Transportation Secretary James Kerasiotes to proceed with a scheme for the Charles River Crossing that did not include a tunnel. We believe the reasoning behind the selection of this particular scheme is at best shortsighted.

The selected scheme requires two bridges of different designs crossing the Charles River into Boston from Charlestown, one 10 lanes, the other four lanes wide. On the Charlestown side of the river, a parkland connection from Paul Revere Park to the Boston Esplanade is proposed. We will be able to walk, run or bicycle all the way to Newton, but not without having to travel under 14 lanes of highway. With this Charles River Crossing, there will be unacceptable noise and darkness.

In February 1991, a Bridge Design Review Committee (BDRC) was formed by former Secretary of Transportation Taylor to review Scheme Z and come up with an appropriate river crossing. The BDRC was made up of 42 members that included representatives of public agencies, community groups and design professionals. Six members were from Charlestown. While the scheme endorsed by the BDRC proved to have technical difficulties, state planners devised an alternative scheme that appeared to solve those technical problems and satisfy concerns of committee members and affected communities. However, Secretary Kerasiotes chose a non-tunnel alternative similar to a design that the BDRC had rejected and that is unappealing because of its mass to Charlestown, Cambridge and other areas.

While the NATF desires to see this project move forward, we are convinced that a better river crossing is possible with a tunnel. We believe it is possible for the state to construct a 12-lane bridge and a tunnel rather than the 14 lanes on two bridges decided upon by Secretary Kerasiotes. We hope to continue discussions with Secretary Kerasiotes toward that end.

Ken Stone

C.Y.O. & St. Catherine NEWS

by Father Ron Coyne

•Mile Of Pennies — We are striving to build a Mile of Pennies to support our altar servers. A mile of rolled pennies equals approximately \$10,560. In the past, your donations of pennies has helped us take the altar boys to Toronto, Niagara Falls, New York City and Washington, D.C.

We know that many people save pennies for various reasons, but if you do not have a goal or charity and would like to donate them to a worthy cause, we would be very grateful.

We focus our drive on the four Sundays of Advent (now to Dec. 18). If you would like to help our cause, please drop your pennies off at the rectory, 49 Vine St., or call Father Coyne at 242-1750 and we will be happy to pick them up at your home.

•CYO Ski Trip — We are planning our annual CYO three-day (Friday to Sunday) ski trip to Sunday River on Jan. 14 to 16. We can take one bus full of teenagers, 13 to 19-years-old. The cost is \$180 per person and includes two nights lodging, three meals, lift tickets for two days, and the rental of skis, boots and poles. If you have your own skis, the cost is only \$165. All teen-agers from Charlestown are welcome. We have about 15 spots remaining. Please leave a deposit of \$50 at the rectory.

• CYO Basketball Coaches — We are deeply grateful to the adults who have volunteered their services to coach our young people in the CYO Basketball League this winter. Our under-13 boys coaches are Muff Maguire and John Ward; under-15 boys will be coached by Ed Codair, Jake Harrison and Eric Farris; and under-18 boys will be coached by Bob DeCristoforo. Our under-13 girls team will be coached by Lynn Brooks and Sharon Fidler.

All regular season games will begin this weekend, Dec. 4 and 5. We are indebted to the Boys & Girls Club and the Community Center for our home gyms.

• Adult Mystery Ride — A mystery ride for our adults will be on Sunday evening, Dec. 12. We guarantee you a good time, great company and lots of laughs as we travel to who knows where. The bus will leave St. Catherine's Church

at 5:30 p.m., and return around 11 p.m. The cost is only \$25 per person and includes . . .

If you want to book a spot on the bus, call Sandra Moccia at 242-9612.

• Bruins Goalie John Blue To Referee CYO Ball Hockey Tournament — St. Catherine's CYO will sponsor a teen-age ball hockey tournament for boys 14 through 18 on Monday, Dec. 20 from 3 to 9 p.m. This double-elimination tournament is open to all Charlestown residents and their friends. You may enter a team of 6 to 8 boys and each team will be asked to pay a \$25 fee which will be donated to Easter Seals, a charity for the handicapped.

Bruins goalie John Blue, who has a special interest in young people, will be present as a guest referee.

To register a team, please leave the names of the team captain and players and \$25 at St. Catherine's rectory or call Father Coyne at 242-1750.

• Celtics/Bulls Tickets — We have 40 tickets for the Boston Celtics vs. the Chicago Bulls game on Wednesday, Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Boston Garden. Tickets are \$12 each, and will go on sale on Sunday, Dec. 5 at St. Catherine's rectory. There is a limit of four tickets per person. All are welcome.

• St. Catherine's Color Guard Contest — Once again, Charlestown High School will be the site for an Eastern Mass. Color Guard contest, sponsored by St. Catherine's "Townies" and "Little Townies." On Saturday evening, Jan. 22, beginning at 5 p.m., over 30 color guards will compete in six divisions for trophies and recognition.

New England boasts some of the best color guards in the country and we are privileged to march in the Eastern Mass. Circuit. Please mark the date on your calendar to witness a spectacle like you have never seen. All local merchants have been asked to contribute to our program book, and we are truly appreciative of their support.

• Florida, Disneyworld And Mickey Prepare For Charlestown's Arrival — The end of August will be the time, and final arrangements are being made for a trip for people of all ages to Disneyworld. We thought about it, pursued it and now believe that the time is right for the people of our community to travel together to enjoy a week of relaxation and fun. Keep your eyes open for more information, which will be available shortly.

Duracell Announces Expanded High School Competition

All 9th through 12th grade students with an interest in technology, electronics or mechanics are invited to power their imaginations and enter the new and expanded 12th annual Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition to be eligible for a number of awards totalling over \$90,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds.

For the first time, this national competition is awarding prizes in the form of savings bonds and is giving them to each of the 100 finalists. The competition will grant a first-place savings bond of \$20,000, five second-place \$10,000 bonds, 10 third-place \$1,000 bonds, 25 fourth-place bonds of \$200 each and savings bonds of \$100 each for 59 fifth-place winners.

To enter the competition, a student must design and build a battery-powered device that is educational,

useful and/or entertaining. It must run on any one or a combination of Duracell batteries, AAA, AA, D, C, 9-volt or lantern size. Entrants must also submit a written description, wiring diagram and photo of their device by 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21.

Entries are judged on creativity, practicality, energy efficiency and on the clarity of the written description. Winning devices in the past have included an automatic playing card dealer for the disabled, a talking ruler, an adjustable wrench, a walkie-talkie device for the deaf, a talking weather predictor and a digital fish feeder.

Entry forms and rules are available from science and other teachers and from the: Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition, 1840 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Va. 22201-3000, or by calling 703-243-7100.

Looking To Make A Wish Come True

Dear Editor,

My friends and I would like to send a donation to the third annual Charlestown . . . Make A Wish charity that is run by the Mayor and Rose, but we seem to have misplaced the address from last year. We have contributed to this great cause for the past two years and wish to continue to do so.

There are so many children in this community who deserve to wake up to presents from Santa on Christmas morning, yet without this charity, unfortunately will not because of the hardships their parent(s) endure.

The girls and I would greatly appreciate it if you could advertise for this charity as soon as possible so we may send our donation. (We look forward to the dancing, too!) In advance, we thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
C.L. Brown

Editor's Note: As of this date, the Patriot has not received any information on this event.

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Monday, Nov. 22

A resident reported that someone stole her 10-month-old black labrador who was wearing a dog tag reading "bear."

A resident of a multi-unit building on Bunker Hill Street reported that during the day, someone climbed the rear fire escape, smashed the window and stole a television set.

Tuesday, Nov. 23

A resident of Elm Street reported that during the evening, someone stole a mountain bike that was locked to a wooden fence in the yard.

A stolen automobile was recovered on Chappie Street.

Friday, Nov. 26

During the evening, an attempt was made to steal an automobile parked in the schoolyard between School and

Pearl streets.

A stolen automobile was recovered on Main Street, and another was recovered on Rutherford Avenue.

Saturday, Nov. 27

A resident reported that during the afternoon, someone broke the rear vent window of an automobile parked on High Street, and a black leather case was stolen.

An apartment at 12 Old Ironside Way was broken into during the evening by forcing the front door, and jewelry was stolen.

During the evening, an automobile parked in the vicinity of 291 Main St. was vandalized by someone who smashed the windshield and dented the sides.

An automobile parked in the vicinity of 283 Main St. was vandalized by someone who smashed the side window.

Sunday, Nov. 28

A business at 285 Main St. was vandalized by someone who threw a rock, smashing the window.

For additional information
regarding arrested individuals,
contact Community Service Officer
Joe McNulty at 343-4627.

Charlestown Catholic School News

On Sunday, Dec. 19, the 7th and 8th grade students at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School will be

going on an all-day ski trip with Youth Enrichment Services (YES).

The bus will leave St. Catherine's Church at 5:30 a.m. and return at approximately 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$38 per child which includes transportation, rental of skis, boots and poles, an all-day lift ticket and a lesson. Each child must have a permission slip filled out and be present for the fitting at YES headquarters on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

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• Residents are reminded that if you purchase alcohol from a local liquor store for someone under age, you are subject to arrest.

• There is strict enforcement of the Public Drinking laws in cooperation with the Charlestown District Court where fines will be levied against anyone found guilty.

Street Hockey Game

A street hockey team from Area A of the Boston Police Department will play a street hockey team from Charlestown for the first annual Boston Police vs. Charlestown Street Hockey Tournament at noon on Sunday, Dec. 5 at the Eden Street Park.

Admission is free. Come on down and cheer on your favorite team.

Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony To Be Held In Charlestown On Sunday

A ceremony marking Pearl Harbor Day, sponsored by the Department of Massachusetts, The American Legion, will be held at 11 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5 in the Preble Room, Building 5, in the Boston Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard. Department Vice Commander Arthur Smith is the chairman.

The principal speaker will be American Legion National Vice Commander John J. Mulkern. Mulkern, who was elected to office at the Legion National Convention held in Pittsburgh, Pa. in September, is a past commander of the Roberts/Fogg Post 78 in Hyde Park. He is a past commander of District 7, Suffolk County, a past state commander and a past national executive committeeman.

Invited guests include Gov. William Weld, state Legion Commander John Lutinski and Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer.

The public is invited.

Children's Films

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Mischief," in which a young child plays tricks on the farm animals; Mole sets up his tree and invites Mouse for dinner in "The Mole and the Christmas Tree;" and a Mole discovers what a lollipop is for in "The Mole and the Lollipop."

A young boy obtains holy oil for the temple at Jerusalem in "Benjamin and the Miracle of Hanukkah," shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Big Red Barn** by Margaret Wise Brown, **Christmas with Angelina** by Helen Craig and **Cor-duroy's Christmas** by Barbara G. Hennessey.

TWO YOUTH NEWSPAPER EDITORS
10 hrs./wk., \$7/hr., 26 wks. (January to June)
Start-up newspaper for kids is looking for two editors between age 16 and 19 to work after school in Charlestown. Willingness to learn and ability to work cooperatively with kids and adults is essential. Reliability a must. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.
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Publishing advisor/coordinator for youth-run monthly newspaper for young people sponsored by community substance abuse awareness group based at Social Service Agency in Charlestown (after school, 15 hours weekly). Work with advisory group and paid youth staff. Must have professional experience in publishing, production schedules, coordinating with printer, etc. Ability to work with teens is essential.
Please send resume to: **Charlestown Against Drugs**, c/o Lynn Peters, PO Box 35, Charlestown, MA 02129. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Legal Notice
CITY OF BOSTON
To the Public Safety Commission, Committee on Licenses, Building Department, Boston, November 24, 1993.
APPLICATION
For the lawful use of the herein-described building and other structure, application is hereby made for a permit to maintain a private garage for sixty-eight vehicles, and also for a license to use the land on which such building or structure is/are or is/are to be situated for the KEEPING — STORAGE of 1,360 gallons of gasoline in the tanks of motor vehicles. Location of land: 34-42 Warren Street, Charlestown, MA, Ward 2. Owner of land: Norfolk Holdings Corp. Address: 40 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108. Dimensions of land: Ft. front 128½, Ft. deep 148½, Area sq. ft. 13,167. Manner of keeping: 1,360 gallons of gasoline in the tanks of vehicles. Norfolk Holdings Corp. By its attorney Bernard F. Shadrawy Jr., Shadrawy & Rabinovitz, 15 Broad Street, Boston, MA 02109. City of Boston, In Public Safety Commission, November 24, 1993. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by the petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Thursday the 16th day of December at 9:30 o'clock, A. M., consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in The Charlestown Patriot and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as, a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held in 4th floor meeting room, 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, MA 02118. THOMAS McNICHOLAS, Chairman, MARTIN E. PIERCE JR., RINA CUTLER, Committee on Licenses. A true copy. Attest: WILLIAM W. KEDDY, Secretary, Dec. 2, 9, 16.

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Doherty Park Update

by **Maureen Luran**
The Friends of Doherty Park Inc. is a non-profit organization of friends and neighbors who are concerned with the future and maintenance of Charlestown's own historic Frederick Law Olmstead Park. The park, originally called "Charlestown Heights," is located on Bunker Hill Street near St. Francis de Sales Church and runs

down to Medford Street. The group petitioned the Parks Department to undertake a study of the feasibility of restoring the park and the findings of that study are now complete. A master plan which will outline the needs and costs as well as a process by which the park can be restored will soon be available.

The document has been authored by the landscape architectural firm of Walker-Kluesing. Victor Walker, principal, has had considerable experience in the study and restoration of other Olmstead parks. The study will address the community's concerns over short-term maintenance and safety as well as long-term preservation.

Doherty Park is one of the three neighborhood parks that Olmstead planned, designed and supervised in the period between 1890 and 1896. Of those three, there are only two remaining: Copp's Hill Terrace in the North End and Doherty Park in Charlestown.

Chief among the findings of the study is the recommendation to place the park on the National Register of Historic Places. With National Park Register status, the park will not only receive its due attention against further deterioration, but also enhance its reputation and increase local pride.

Restoration of some plantings and walls, as well as addressing safety factors such as lighting, is expected to commence in the spring of 1994.

Everyone is encouraged to take part in the annual spring clean-up of the park sponsored by the Preservation Society, Massport and the Parks Department. Please watch for announcements of that event during Preservation Week in May.

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HEALTH UPDATE

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The Mobile Diagnostics Inc. mobile mammography van will be in Charlestown on Tuesday, Dec. 7. The van, which is fully accredited by the American College of Radiology, will be located at the MGH Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.

Although priority will be given to women over 50, women between the ages of 40 and 49 will be scheduled based on the availability of appointment times.

Appointments may be scheduled by calling Lois Cutillo at 242-5706.

This event is supported by the MGH Bunker Hill Health Center Community Advisory Board and the Healthy Charlestown Coalition.

Schlichte Introduces New Book At China Pearl Reception



GEORGE A. SCHLICHT of Charlestown signed copies of his new book "Politics In The Purple Kingdom: The Derailment Of Vatican II" at a recent reception at the China Pearl restaurant. In reviewing the book, **Richard P. McBrien**, professor of theology at the University of Notre Dame, said: "Schlichte helps us understand the institutional dynamics that underlie the post-Vatican II conflict in the Catholic church . . . this vivid,

practical reflection on the state of Catholicism today will not disappoint." The book is available at the Charlestown Branch Library. Shown front row (l. to r.) Helen Chin Schlichte, the author's wife; Schlichte; Mary and Florence Breslin. Back row (l. to r.) Mass. Secretary of Education Piedad Robertson, William Morrissey, Ronan FitzPatrick, Edna Kelly, Ed Kelly and John Whelan. (photo by Jim Conway)

BHCC Presents 'Holiday Happening'

The Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC) chorus will present its annual Holiday Happening on

Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium, A-300. It is free and open to the public.

This is one of the many activities in the year-long celebration of the college's 20th anniversary.

The chorus will be joined by faculty and staff members in a program ranging from 1950s bebop to African-American spirituals to opera arias and a holiday sing-a-long.

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