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## Voke Not Seeking Re-Election

After 20 years of effective advocacy and outstanding leadership, Rep. Richard A. Voke has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election this fall. Voke said his decision to leave the House was the most difficult one he has ever made.

"I've been proud to be Charlestown's State Representative each and every day since I was first elected to serve this community in 1978. Over the years, the tremendous support that has been extended to me and the great friendships I have made here in Charlestown have made me grow to love this special community more and more," said Voke, who moved to Charlestown over a year ago. "I will



REP. RICHARD A. VOKE

certainly miss the opportunity to serve Charlestown in the Mass. House, but the time has come for another to assume the title I have so proudly borne while I go on to meet other challenges."

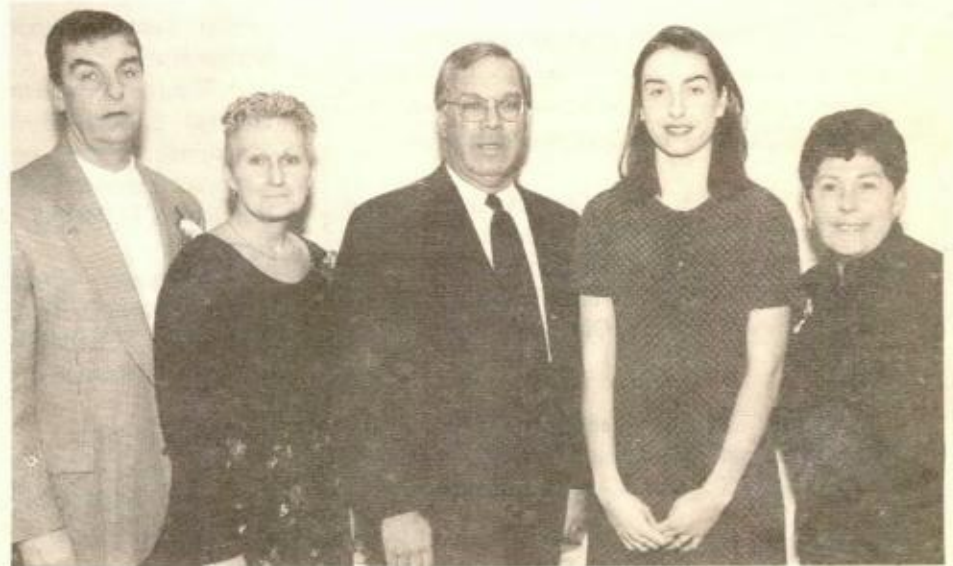
Voke was first elected from Chelsea to the House in 1976. After a reduction of House seats from 240 to

160, Voke and then Charlestown Rep. Jim Collins were forced into a run-off election for the newly combined Charlestown-Chelsea district. Voke won that contest and has represented Charlestown with distinction ever since.

Presently the House Majority Leader, Voke was recently defeated for the post of Speaker despite winning a majority vote of Democrats in the House. Tom Finneran (D-Mattapan), prevailed in the unprecedented Speaker's race by securing the vote of all the House's 35 Republicans. Other posts Voke has held include chairmanships of the Ways and Means and Health Care committees.

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## Gallagher Honored As Quinn Scholar



COREY GALLAGHER, a freshman at Bentley College, was congratulated for her achievements by Mayor and Mrs. Thomas Menino at the recent Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Gallagher was the 1995 recipient of the annual Quinn Scholarship. Shown (l. to r.) Jim Gallagher, Corey's father; Lois Gallagher, Corey's mother; Mayor Menino; Corey Gallagher; and Angela Menino.

## Charlestown Residents Invited To Sign Up For Special 'Old Ironsides' Turnaround

Have you ever stood on Pier 1 in the Charlestown Navy Yard on the morning of July 4 and watched the guests board USS Constitution for a journey out into the harbor on the nearly two-century old ship and

wish you could be aboard?

If you are a Charlestown resident and registered voter, you have an opportunity to enter a lottery for an invitation for you and a guest to board "Old Ironsides" for a special Sa-

lute to Charlestown turnaround cruise on Saturday morning, June 15. This voyage will kick-off the official celebration and commemoration of the 221st anniversary of the

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## Charlestown After Murder Program Planning Candlelight Vigil

CHAMP, the Charlestown After Murder Program, is holding a candlelight vigil in memory of all Charlestown homicide victims on Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Hayes

Square, Charlestown.

During the memorial service, there will be songs, readings, guest speakers, a candle-lighting ceremony and the reading of each victim's name. In addition, there will be light refresh-

ments immediately following the ceremony in the parish hall.

The goal is to have a day of honor and remembrance for loved ones and create an environment of support and respect for those who are left to mourn.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

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The deadline for advertising and copy is **Monday at NOON**.

**SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS**  
**Thursdays**

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

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

**Fridays**

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

**First And Third Sundays**

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

**Mondays**

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

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

**Mondays And Fridays**

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

**Tuesdays**

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

**Wednesdays**

• **3 to 4:30 p.m.** - Al-Anon meeting for friends and families of alcoholics, Kennedy Center Head Start, 23 Moulton St. (babysitting is available)

• **5:45 to 6:45 p.m.** - Free Smoking Cessation course, second floor conference room, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St. To register, call 485-6400.

• **6 to 7 p.m.** - Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

# CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## this week at a glance

**Thursday, April 25**

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

• **5:30 p.m.** - Terminal Street Tour with the Charlestown Business Association, - meet at 50 Terminal St., building 2, floor 2

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Precinct 2 meeting on the Harvard-Kent School Playground - Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee meeting on Gabriele's restaurant license and Lark's Trolley - Hull Room, Building 5, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **7:30 p.m.** - Illustrated Lecture on the Coconut Grove Fire with Erik Anderson - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Friday, April 26**

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

• **11:30 a.m.** - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an adult - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **6 to 7 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Ball Hockey Registration for youngsters

7-13 - In front of 137 Bunker Hill St.

• **7 p.m.** - Comedy Night to benefit the Bryan McGonagle Playground - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **8 p.m.** - Outlaw Style Theater & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Saturday, April 27**

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Rummage Sale - First Church in Charlestown, Green Street

• **5 to 8 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Ball Hockey Registration for youngsters 7-13 - In front of 137 Bunker Hill St.

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

• **8 p.m.** - Outlaw Style Theater & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Sunday, April 28**

• **11 a.m.** - Mass followed by a Jubilee Celebration from 12:30 to 2:20 p.m. honoring Father Daniel Mahoney - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• **1 p.m.** - Charlestown Little League Parade - starting from Hayes Square over Bunker Hill Street to Ryan Playground, Sullivan Square

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

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**Monday, April 29**

• **6 to 7 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Ball Hockey Registration for youngsters 7-13 - In front of 137 Bunker Hill St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on the development of housing at Thompson Square - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **7 p.m.** - "Life In The City" Committee meeting, St. Catherine's rectory, 49 Vine St.

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

**Tuesday, April 30**

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

• **11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Boston Water & Sewer Commission Representative - Golden Age Center, 382 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Navy Yard Neighborhood Association meeting - Anchorage Apartments, Ninth Street

**Wednesday, May 1**

• **10 a.m. and noon** - Anxiety Disorders Screening - MGH Bunker Hill Health Center, second floor, 73 High St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club meeting, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

## upcoming events

**Thursday, May 2**

• **11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.** - Charlestown Law Day Mock Trials with an awards ceremony at 4:30 p.m. - Charlestown District Court, City Square

• **12:15 p.m.** - Charlestown Kiwanis Club meeting - Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza

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

• **7 p.m.** - Adult Book Discussion Group featuring "The Blithedale Romance" by Nathaniel Hawthorne, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - Musical "Godspell" - Auditorium (A-300), Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

**Friday, May 3**

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

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• **11:30 a.m.** - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an adult - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - Musical "Godspell" - Auditorium (A-300), Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

**Saturday, May 4**

• **10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Registration for June 15th cruise on USS Constitution - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• **2 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee meeting - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• **2 p.m.** - Musical "Godspell" - Auditorium (A-300), Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

• **8:15 p.m.** - The Impostor Bostonians - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Sunday, May 5**

• **9 a.m.** - Coffee, followed by

Breakfast at 10 a.m., sponsored by Bunker Hill Post 26 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

**Monday, May 6**

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

**Tuesday, May 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 p.m.** - Super Bingo to benefit St. Catherine's Parish - St. Catherine's Parish Hall, 13 Tufts St.

**Wednesday, May 8**

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

• **5:30 p.m.** - Friends of City Square Park Board of Directors meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

## plan ahead

Preservation Society (241-7500)

• **7 p.m.** - Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association Reunion - Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza

**Saturday, May 18**

• **8:30 to 11 a.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club Annual Breakfast - K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

• **10 a.m.** - Navy Yard Neighborhood Association Cleanup and Cookout at 1 p.m. - meet at Store 24 in the Charlestown Navy Yard

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Book Sale,

sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - House & Trolley Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society (241-7500)

**Friday, June 7**

• **8 p.m.** - Charlestown Rose Contest, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Sunday, June 9**

• **noon** - Family Fun Day

*In Loving Memory Of*  
**GLORIA M. WHITEHOUSE**  
1992 April 29th 1996

*We miss you now, our hearts are sore,  
As time goes on, we miss you more.  
Your loving smile, your gentle face,  
No one can fill your vacant place.  
Your life was love and labor,  
Your love for your family true,  
You did your best for all of us,  
We will always remember you.*

*Sadly missed and lovingly remembered . . .*  
Bill, Jeanne, Marilyn, Kevin,  
Diana, Kathy and Patty

Mass being said 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 28,  
St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square



## Jubilee Celebration For Father Dan Mahoney

Father Daniel J. Mahoney will celebrate the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at an 11 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving this Sunday, April 28 at St. Francis de Sales Church. A collation will follow in the Bishop Lawton Hall from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. No gifts please, your presence and your prayers are a gift.

The following arrangements have been made for parking:

**The K. of C. Parking Lot on West School Street** - Transportation will be provided from the K. of C. lot to the church from 10 to 10:45 a.m., and then back to the K. of C. lot every half-hour from 1 to 2:30 p.m. You are requested to drop off your passengers at the church and then park at the K. of C. lot.

**Phil Carr's Parking Lot on the corner of Bunker Hill and Elm Streets** - Transportation will be provided from Phil Carr's lot to the church from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. You are requested to drop off your passengers at the church and then park at Phil Carr's lot.

**Jack Sawyer's Parking Lot on the corner of Bunker Hill and Mead Streets** - It is requested that this lot be left open for those who have difficulty commuting and for those who aren't familiar with the other two parking areas.

The Jubilee Committee would greatly appreciate your cooperation with the parking arrangements.

### No Beano Saturday Night

Beano will **not** be held on Saturday, April 27 since the committee will be preparing the Bishop Lawton Hall for Father Mahoney's Jubilee Celebration.

## THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



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For solid advice on buying or selling real estate, consult the professionals at **Monument Properties**. Please call us at **241-5900** or stop by our office at **85 Warren St., Charlestown**.

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## Charlestown Community Centers

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**April Vacation Highlights** - The Community Center had a very active and successful vacation week. On Tuesday, the Teen Connection took in lunch and a movie, while down at the Kent, the Girls Center kids made a visit to the Aquarium. On Wednesday, all the kids were treated to a pizza party where they also received certificates for participating in the center's ball hockey and flag football leagues. On Thursday, both the Teen Connection and Girls Center took in the sights of Boston on the "Duck Tours." The

vacation ended on Friday with the Girls Center going to the movies, while the Teen Connection walked the historic Freedom Trail and made the season's first trip to the Swan Boats.

We would like to thank the many kids who participated and made this such a good week.

**Summer Jobs** - The city of Boston Hope Line opens on May 13 and runs until May 24. Any teen age 14 to 17 who is interested in working as a Red Shirt or CBO this summer should call

635-4673 during the above dates to apply for summer work. The Hope Line is open from 3 to 6 p.m.

**Boys Ball Hockey Resumes Tonight** - After a week off, the boys Ball Hockey resumes tonight, Thursday, April 25 at the Kent. The schedule is:

6 p.m. - Dilligas vs. Newtowne  
6:45 p.m. - Kooky's Crusaders vs. Monument St.  
7:30 p.m. - 543's vs. The Cowboys  
If there are any questions about the schedule, call Paul Martell.

## Laughing For A Playground!

The Bryan J. McGonagle Playground Committee is inviting the Charlestown community to join them for a night of comedy tomorrow, Friday, April 26 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. This event is being supported by Nick's Comedy Stop and will feature some of the top comedians in the Boston area. Doors will open at 7 p.m. and the show will begin at 8 p.m. There will be dancing from 10 to midnight with DJ Kevin McGoff.

Scheduled to perform are Vinnie Favorito, who just completed a national tour with Tanya Tucker, as well as appearing at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas; Larry Myles, a local headliner, who appears in the recently released movie "Celtic Pride;" Kevin Knox, a Boston legend, who has performed in top nightclubs throughout the country; and John David, a regular performer at Nick's, as well as hosting his own show at Mama Kins. Also scheduled to

appear are Mike Fahey and Gary Gulman, regulars at Nick's.

Tickets are \$12 per person and will be available at the door, a table of 10 can be reserved by calling Ed Codair at 242-8787, Monie Auch at 242-1279, Marie Nadeau at 242-0479 or Barney McGonagle at 242-2515. Eddie Codair will also be selling tickets tonight at Jenny's Pizza from 5 to 11 p.m.

Please join us for a great night, benefitting a good cause.

## Applications Are Now Available For The 14th Annual CHARLESTOWN ROSE CONTEST

to be held

Friday evening, June 7

Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St.

### APPLICATIONS

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## NATIONAL ANXIETY DISORDERS SCREENING DAY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

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- Anxiety attacks • Obsessions or compulsions • Muscle tension
- Unexplained heart palpitations • Uncomfortable in social situations
- Problems with concentration • Sleeplessness

Free help is now available at National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day where you can take an anxiety disorders screening test, have a confidential meeting with a doctor or mental health professional, and receive informative educational materials about anxiety disorders.

**The Bunker Hill Health Center of Mass. General Hospital**  
Second floor conference room, 73 High Street, Charlestown

Two screenings - 10 a.m. and noon

Light refreshments will be provided.

For reservations, call 724-8200

and indicate which screening you will be attending

## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA #1 "94TH" ANNUAL BANQUET

SATURDAY, MAY 11 AT 7 P.M.

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Chicken Pot Pie Dinner served by Marty's Caterer

Entertainment by the "Rainbow's End" Band

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No tickets will be sold after May 6. Tables of 10 reserved.

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This is an opportunity to let that special someone know how you feel about her. Whether she is your mother, grandmother, the mother of your children, an aunt or someone who helped you grow into the strong, caring individual you are today, wouldn't it brighten her day to know just how much you care?


Your special message will appear in the May 9 edition of the Patriot. Prices of advertisements start as low as \$10. Space is limited. Don't be left out! The deadline for placing your message is Monday, May 6 at noon. For more information, call 241-9511.

**Look who's a teenager!**




**HAPPY 13TH BIRTHDAY LAURIE PRINCE**  
 on April 28th!  
 Love . . .  
 Mom, Dad & Eddie

**Happy 1st Birthday CASSIDY FRANCIS**  
 on April 22nd!  
 Love . . .  
 Nana, Auntie Shannon & Auntie Erin



To A Special Couple . . .  
**Happy 25th Anniversary JIM & LOIS**  
 on April 30th!  
 Love . . .  
 Ma Gallagher, The Girls & Tracy

**Happy 1st Birthday DALTON HALE**  
 on April 26th!  
 Love Ya!  
 Uncle & Godfather Archie



**Speedy Recovery For Our Lady Hoopster Nicole and Mama Barb**  
 Both having dual surgery!!  
 Love . . . Neil & The Kids




**Bunker Hill Ball Hockey Registration**

Registration will be taking place for the Bunker Hill Ball Hockey League, open to girls and boys ages 7-13. The registration fee is \$5.

Registration will be held in front of 137 Bunker Hill St. from 6 to 7 p.m. on Friday, April 26; from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 27; and from 6 to 7 p.m. on Monday, April 29.

For further information, call Barbie at 242-0916.

**Students Send Get Well Wishes To Injured Benefactor**

The Warren-Prescott School heard recently that one of its best friends was severely hurt when she was assaulted by a man on the streets of Charlestown. The entire school was upset and started to do what they could to try to make her feel that they appreciated her and wanted her to get well quickly.

The call went out to the students to send get well wishes. The result was hundreds of cards, letters, pictures and a giant bouquet of balloons were delivered to the woman's home.

"This was a chance for us to give a little back to a lady who has been so generous to the school," said Principal Domenic Amara. "Ms. Simpson, the president of the School Site Council, was very upset that something so terrible could happen to someone so wonderful. She helped rally the students and brought the well wishes and balloons to the lady's home."

"This shows us that when the chips are down, young people really do show that they have the right stuff," said Simpson.


**Happy 1st Birthday CASSIDY FRANCIS**  
 on April 22nd!  
 Love . . .  
 Momma



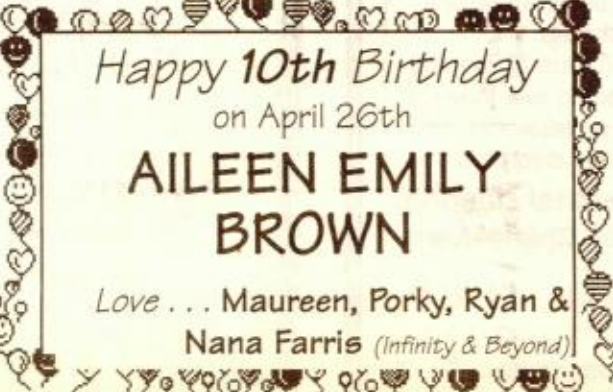

If you see **Lauren-Kate O'Hearn**  
 congratulate her on winning the **Community Appreciation Youth Award!**  
 (Punky Power!)




**Happy 4th Birthday LI'L BOBBY**  
 "I love you, Baby!"  
 Love & Kisses . . . Mommie



**Happy 10th Birthday AILEEN EMILY BROWN**  
 on April 26th  
 Love . . . Maureen, Porky, Ryan & Nana Farris (Infinity & Beyond)

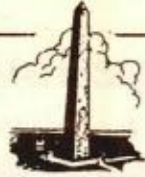


**Not for nothin' . . . But have you heard . . .**



- **A Comedy Night . . .** to benefit the Bryan McGonagle Playground will take place at the K. of C. Hall tomorrow night, Friday, April 26th beginning at 7 p.m. . . . Come on down for a few laughs and at the same time support a very worthwhile cause.
- **Community Appreciation Awards Night . . .** will be held at the K. of C. Hall on Saturday, April 27th at 7 p.m. . . . Congrats to all the recipients!
- **Congratulations to Father Dan Mahoney . . .** as he celebrates his 40th Jubilee with an 11 a.m. Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church on Sunday, April 28th.
- **Charlestown Little League . . .** will kick-off the season with their annual parade on Sunday, April 28th at 1 p.m. over Bunker Hill Street. Step outside your door, line the streets, and cheer the kids on.
- **Victims of Violence . . .** will be remembered at a Candlelight Vigil beginning at 3 p.m. this Sunday, April 28th at St. Catherine's Church in Hayes Square . . . The service will feature music, prayers, remembrances, the lighting of candles and the release of balloons into the spring sky . . . This annual vigil, sponsored by the CHarlestown After Murder Program (CH.A.M.P.), welcomes all to join the families and friends of those who have suffered the loss of a loved one.
- **Birthdays Wishes . . .** go out to Judy Evers Jr., on April 28th . . . Maureen Marx, Charlestown's favorite branch librarian, will party on April 29th . . . Barbara Kelly's big day is April 30th . . . May 1st marks the birthdays of Melanie "O'Marsden" who will be 22, Philip O'Neil is finally a teenager (13), and Carissa Upton turns 3. The best of birthday wishes!
- **Belated Happy Birthday Greetings . . .** to Rose Chalifoux of Devens Street who celebrated on April 12th . . . and Clifton Agri who partied on April 21st . . . Hope it was a happy one for you both!
- **Happy Anniversary Wishes . . .** go out to Ag and Bill Kane who will mark their 55th anniversary on April 27th . . . Lois and Jim Gallagher will celebrate their 25th anniversary on April 30th . . . and Joan and Ed McKinnon will be celebrating 31 years of wedded bliss on May 1st.
- **Congratulations . . .** to Kye Liang of Charlestown, a member of the Action for Boston Community Development's (ABCD) University School Tigers, who won the championship trophy at the 14th annual Greater Boston Basketball Tournament. The Tigers defeated Horace Mann 56-34 to take the title.
- **Still Looking . . .** for all single girls, 18 to 23 years of age, who are of Irish birth or descent to participate in the Charlestown To Charlestown 1996 Rose Contest on June 7th. If you're interested, stop by the Patriot Office, One Thompson Square to pick up your application, or give Carol McClellan a call at 242-1254.
- **The Race . . .** for State Representative will be underway in earnest this weekend as potential candidates gather their necessary signatures to be on the September ballot. This, the Second Suffolk District, is split almost half and half between Charlestown and Chelsea and with the announcement this week by our long-time Rep. Richard Voke that he will not seek re-election, the rumor mill has been working overtime . . . Overheard in The Coffee Shop, the source of more misinformation than can ever be imagined, are the names of Bill McCabe, Peter Looney, Mike Powers, Jimmy Walsh, Stephen (with a PH) Collins and, of course, a number of Chelsea contenders, have been mentioned . . . Well, candidates must file signatures by 5 p.m. on April 30th, so by next week at this time we'll know who's in the running!
- **Walk For Someone You Love . . .** on Sunday, April 28th, as the March of Dimes WalkAmerica fundraising campaign begins their 6.2 mile fund raiser at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade. All proceeds will go to the Campaign for Healthier Babies, a nationwide effort to prevent birth defects, infant mortality and low birth-weight. For more information, call 1-800-BIG-WALK.
- **Spring Is Finally Here! . . .** and along with it comes the 12th annual Spring Art and Craft Show at the Bayside Expo Center this Saturday and Sunday, April 27th and 28th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a vast array of arts and crafts from hand-knitted clothing to high quality hand-carved furniture, jewelry of many different types, handcast sterling silver items and other American Art and crafts. Admission is \$6 for adults and children under 12 will be admitted free with an adult.
- **Thought For The Week . . .** The most exhausting thing in life . . . is being insincere.

- Anne Morrow Lindbergh



# around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ **Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .**

**Precinct 2 Meeting -**

**Harvard-Kent Playground**

Chairman David Whelan will hold a meeting for the design team to present its plans for the new Harvard-Kent School playground. It will be held at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 25, at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

**Basic Services Meeting -  
Charlestown Navy Yard**

Chairman Bill Galvin will hold a meeting of the Basic Services Committee at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 25, in the Hull Room, Building 5 in the National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The agenda will include the request by the owners of Gabriele's restaurant in the Navy Yard for a cordial and entertainment license. Also Bill Rawls will make a presentation on Lark's Trolley Car proposed for Dry Dock 5.

**Development Committee-  
Thompson Square**

Chairman Tom Cunha has called for a meeting of the Development Committee at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 29 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

There will be a presentation by architect Jack French on the plans for the renovation of the liquor store in Thompson Square and the construction of housing with underground parking in the vacant lot at the rear of the store.

**Monthly Meeting**

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

**Public Safety Committee -  
Charlestown Navy Yard**

CNC Chairman Peter Looney has announced that the CNC, Area A of the Boston Police Department and CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will be presenting a combined meeting in the upper hall of the K. of C., 75 West School St. on Tuesday, May 14 at 7 p.m. The main topic of the meeting is heroin.

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

★ **Automotive Waste Day . . .** Automotive Waste Day will take place at U-Mass/Boston, Harbor Campus, on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Get rid of your old tires, car batteries, motor oil and anti-freeze. If you think you're storing some chemicals which might be dangerous to you, but you're not sure, read the labels.

Check your basement or garage. If you find any products marked toxic, flammable, reactive, corrosive or poisonous that you forgot you had, you don't need them. Get rid of these products safely.

If you have any questions about any materials you find, call the Recycling Hotline at 635-4959.

★ **American Red Cross Blood Drive . . .**

Please bring your family, friends and neighbors to donate blood at the Teamsters Local 25 Union Hall, 544 Main St., on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The #1 reason people do not donate blood is because they were never asked! We're asking!

Your help is encouraged to assure that blood is available to all who need it in the Charlestown area. One out of every 10 hospital patients - one patient every 12 seconds - receives blood. This precious product must be available for those in need.

You may be eligible to donate if you are in good health, 18 years of age or older (17 years old with a signed American Red Cross Parental/Guardian Consent Form) and weigh at least 110 pounds.

For more information, call the American Red Cross at 1-800-258-0025, ext. 2098.

★ **"Life in the City" . . .**

In conjunction with the lecture series in the fall, the committee is compiling a booklet listing the many volunteer opportunities and activities in Charlestown. As was the case last year, the booklet will be available to the attendees at the lecture series. If your organization wishes to be listed in the booklet, or you have current updates from last year's listings, please contact Bob Collins at 242-6644. The next committee meeting will be held on Monday, April 29 at 7 p.m. at St. Catherine's Rectory. All are welcome.

★ **Townie Santa Committee . . .**

The Townie Santa Committee will hold its annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 29 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

★ **Community Access Public Hearing . . .**

Community access television producers will testify at a public hearing of the Mayor's Office of Cable Communications at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30 in the Piemonte Room in Boston City Hall. This meeting is part of the city's franchise renewal process with Cablevision of Boston. The current franchise expires in 1997 and a new agreement is now being prepared. Persons interested in community access are welcome to attend.

★ **City Council Hearing . . .**

Boston City Councillor Peggy Davis-Mullen, chairman of the council's Education Committee, will hold a hearing at the Roche Community

Center in West Roxbury regarding the current admission policies at Boston Latin School. The hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30.

Issues surrounding the residency status of some students and the admittance of students based on quotas rather than test results have surfaced at Boston Latin and prompted the scheduling of this hearing. Parents with concerns and questions surrounding Latin school policies are urged to attend and testify. For more information, call 635-4220.

★ **The Navy Yard Neighborhood Association . . .**

will meet on Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m. at the Anchorage Apartments, 103 Ninth St., to review a number of neighborhood concerns.

Topics to be covered include: proposed construction of a sewerage overflow site at Yard's End by the Mass. Water Resources Authority; the proposed expansion of a beer and wine license at Gabriele's to include cordials; plans for the third annual Navy Yard Clean-up and Cookout scheduled for May 18; a proposal for a "trolley-on-a-barge" by Ferry Excursions; and an update on the Marina parking proposal for Pier 8. For further information, call Richard Dolby or Susan Holaday at 242-2217.

★ **Ecumenical Food Pantry . . .**

Rudy Doenges, coordinator for the Ecumenical Food Pantry, announces that the pantry has moved to a new address - Memorial Hall at 14 Green St. (across for the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club). The pantry will be open on Mondays and Fridays between 9 and 11 a.m.

People needing food are asked to bring their Mass. Health card. Anyone on Social Security, SSI, AFDC, veterans benefits, etc. are eligible to receive food said Doenges.

★ **Bunker Hill Day Parade . . .** The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 4 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. The committee is planning the parade and fund-raising activities to support the event which will be held on Sunday, June 16.

★ **Friends Of City Square Park . . .**

Friends of City Square Park Board of Directors will hold its May meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

★ **Construction Activity On Frontage Road . . .**

Early Friday morning, April 26, between midnight and 5 a.m., Frontage Road between Southampton Street and the Bypass Road will be closed for approximately 15 minutes to allow Central Artery/Tunnel Project work crews to install new signs above the roadway.

★ **Teen Empowerment's 1996 Youth Peace Conference . . .**

More than 800 youth from all over Boston are expected to come together for Teen Empowerment's fourth annual citywide Youth Peace Conference on Sunday, May 5 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel.

This all-day youth-run conference is open to both teens and adults, and includes youth speeches, youth-led workshops, a jobs and service fair and a closing jam. Tickets are \$3 and must be purchased in advance.

For more information, call the Peace Line at 536-4266, ext. 315.

★ **Narcotics Anonymous Meeting . . .**

Narcotics Anonymous (N.A.) holds a beginners meeting each Monday at 7 p.m. at 55 Bunker Hill St.



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# Talents Are Tested At C.R. Edwards Community Spelling Bee

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## Eighteen Teams Compete In The C.R. Edwards Spelling Bee



*THE WINNER in the first annual Community Spelling Bee to benefit the C.R. Edwards Middle School Rising Stars program was the team sponsored by the Mass. Federal Credit Union of Dorchester. They beat the Charlestown High School and the Bunker Hill Community College teams in a hard-fought championship round to claim victory. Shown (l. to r.) Maureen McGoldrick, coordinator of Student Support Services at the Edwards and Spelling Bee co-chairman; Maureen Doherty, Ellen Leary, Anne Clough and Rosemary O'Brien, members of the championship team; and Sue Plunkett, manager, Charlestown Branch of Citizens Bank. Standing at the back is Charles McAfee, principal of the Edwards. Missing from the photograph is Marilyn Votaw of Keane Inc. who co-chaired the event.*

On a recent Thursday night, 18 teams, comprised of area businesses, community organizations and schools, participated in the first annual Charlestown Community Spelling Bee, sponsored by Charlestown's Clarence R. Ed-

wards Middle School, Keane Inc. and Citizen's Bank/Charlestown Branch. The adult spelling bee was held at the school's auditorium to benefit its Rising Stars after school program. The winning team of Anne Clough, Ellen Leary,

Maureen Doherty and Rosemary O'Brien were sponsored by the Mass. Federal Credit Union of Dorchester. They beat the Charlestown High School and Bunker Hill Community College teams in a tough third round.

Roy Hobbs, anchor for New England Cable News, and City Councillor Peggy Davis-Mullen were on hand as pronouncers, while City Councillor Diane Modica helped judge the event.

"The spelling bee was fun, educational and successful, raising more than \$5,000 for our Rising Stars program, which is now in its second successful year," said Charles McAfee, principal of the Edwards Middle School. "This event was a terrific opportunity for the area's businesses and organizations to join together to invest in our children's education and future. We look forward to our second annual event next year."

Spelling bee teams included Building 42, Bunker Hill Community College, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Charlestown High School, Citizen's Bank, CPS Direct Inc., Friends of City Square Park, Fortune Fundraising, Edwards Middle School (three teams), Harvard University Graduate School of Education, Healthy Charlestown Coalition, Keane Inc., Law Offices of Steven Scalli and Paul Foster, Mass. Federal Credit Union, Massport and Security First Group.

## Charlestown Catholic Elementary School News

As we return to school from vacation, the second graders will be preparing to receive their First Holy Communion. The children in grade two will join with second graders in their own parish to celebrate their first reception of the Eucharist.

St. Mary children will receive their Communion on Sunday, April 28 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. St. Catherine children will receive their Communion on Saturday, May 4 at 9 a.m., and children from St. Francis will make their First Communion on Sunday, May 5

at the 9 a.m. Mass.

This is a special occasion for all of these children. Join in these special Masses and celebrate with the children and their families.

Preparations continue to be made for the annual Art Fair which will be held on Wednesday, May 15, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Family and friends are welcome to come, visit the school and see the wonderful artwork displayed throughout the corridors of the school.

Reregistration forms

and book fees are due back at school on Wednesday, May 1.

Are you looking for a new school for your child/children in September? Have you considered Charlestown Catholic? Call Sister Mary Ellen at 242-0169 for further information.

Make an appointment to visit the school. Charlestown Catholic offers a quality education in a caring atmosphere. Strong religious formation and moral development are integral to our educational program.

## Charlestown Catholic Elementary School Honor Roll

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School has announced its honor roll for the second marking term. Receiving honors are:

### First Honors

- Grade 4A:** Paul Collins, Jill Connolly, Dennis Devlin, Nicole O'Neill, Brittany Wilkins and Ryan Vraibel
- Grade 4B:** Courtney Considine, Ryan Hickey, Hillary Rudder, Danielle Lacey and Stephen Carr
- Grade 5:** Kerry Brennan, Carol Duong, Erin-Tiffany Lacey, John Murphy, Michael Reid, McKenzie Ridings and Katlyn Walsh
- Grade 6:** Bridgette Chaisson, Kristie Donahue, Lawrence Durham and Kathleen Lacey
- Grade 7:** Jonathan Castro
- Grade 8:** Ryan Godfrey and Candace Griffin

### Second Honors

- Grade 4A:** Kaileigh Burke, Danny Castro, Caitlin Greco, Erica Greene, Patrick Kelly, Ryan Murray, Stephanie Saccardo and John Woods
- Grade 4B:** Sherina Pumell, Steven Wadman, Jean Chaisson, Harry Sullivan, Erin Russell, Kristjan Jennings and Christine Quinn
- Grade 5:** William Boyle, Ashley Carr, Caitlin Durette, Derek Garceau, Kellie Myers, Vanna Pirrone, Sarah Rolinson, Chad Titcomb and Candice Eatherton
- Grade 6:** Danny Considine, Jennifer DeMille, Jennifer Fiddler, Raymond Ortiz, Craig Powers, Christen Rodriguez and Courtney Wrenn
- Grade 7:** Roselyn Boyle, Brian Johnson, Michael Kelly, Katie Prince and Debra Eatherton
- Grade 8:** Jessica Brassil

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\$35,000 is needed to put the Bunker Hill Day Parade on the streets of Charlestown on Sunday, June 16. With the fiscal constraints on the city of Boston, only a limited amount of money is being allocated to the celebration by the city, and each unit is asking for an increase in its fee. Thus, the success of the celebration depends on you - the residents, merchants and organizations. Donations of \$25 and over will be publicly acknowledged.

Donations have been received from:

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## Old Friends And Good Times Remembered At 27th Annual Lt. Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner-Dance



**FRIENDS AND FAMILY** of Lt. Michael P. Quinn gathered recently at the Knights of Columbus Hall to remember Mike and the supreme sacrifice he made for his country just south of Da Nang in Vietnam in 1969. Guest of honor was Corey Gallagher, the 1995 recipient of the scholarship presented annually in Mike's honor. The guest speaker was Col. John McKay, USMC, who had been a roommate of Mike. **TOP ROW:** At the left, members of the Quinn Scholarship Committee welcome their guests to the dinner. Seated (l. to r.) Lois Gallagher, Corey's mother; Corey Gallagher; and Maria McKay, wife of the guest speaker. Standing (l. to r.) James Gallagher, Corey's father; committee members Michael D. Powers, Edward M. Johnson and William A. Koelsch; guest speaker Col. John McKay, USMC; and Committee members Ronan J. FitzPatrick, Thomas F. Morrissey, Thomas C. White and Edward J.

Doherty . . . In the center, House Majority Leader Rep. Richard A. Voke presents a citation from the Mass. House to Gallagher . . . At the right are (l. to r.) James, Lois and Corey Gallagher with Maria and Col. John McKay. **SECOND ROW:** On the left, headtable guests included Michael Comtopasis, headmaster, Boston Latin School; James and Lois Gallagher; Rev. William J. McConnell; Corey Gallagher; Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham; Thomas Lyons, executive director, New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans; and Rep. Richard A. Voke, House Majority Leader . . . In the center, Senate President Birmingham presents a citation to Gallagher from the Mass. Senate . . . On the right, Committee Treasurer Ronan FitzPatrick greets the Gallagher family, James, Lois, Jason Corey and Derek. **THIRD ROW:** At the left, Mayor Thomas Menino and his

wife Angela take part in the festivities . . . In the center, a presentation in Mike's name is awarded annually to an outstanding member of the Holy Cross hockey team and this year the award went to Mike MacDonald. Shown are teammates Kevin McGrath, MacDonald and Rich DiZimo with coach Peter Van Baskirk . . . On the right, a City Council Citation was presented to Gallagher from City Councillors Diane Modica (left) and Peggy Davis-Mullen (right). **BOTTOM ROW:** On the left, the Marine Color Guard posts the colors prior to the dinner . . . Second from the left is Rev. William McConnell who offered the invocation . . . Second from the right is Gallagher and McKay . . . At the right are members of the USMC Color Guard from South Weymouth Naval Air Station (l. to r.) Sgt. John Anderson, Cpl. Felix Perez, Sgt. Luis Dejesus and Sgt. Scott Richardson. (photos by Kathy Whitehouse)

### Old Schoolgirls Reunion On May 17

The Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association will hold its annual re-union on Friday, May 17 at Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Consti-

tution Plaza. There will be a social hour from 7 to 8 p.m. with dinner at 8 p.m.

Women who attended Charlestown schools up to and including 1950 are eligible for membership in the association.

For a membership application, write to the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association, P.O. Box 276, Charlestown, Mass. 02129, or pick one up at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square.

### Gallagher Completes Marine Corps Basic Training

Marine Pvt. Edward H. Gallagher, son of Edward H. and Ellen Gallagher of 24 Elm St., Charlestown, and a 1995 graduate of Somerville High School, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Gallagher successfully completed 11 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits, both physically and mentally.

He and his fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Gallagher spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training.

Gallagher and fellow recruits worked as a team to solve a number of tactical problems during the program. They performed close order drill and operated as a Marine small infantry unit in the field. They also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values - honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

#### HOME CARE AIDE TRAINING

Are you interested in becoming a personal care homemaker (60 hours of training) or home health aide (75 hours of training)? Classes to start in May: Two 4-hour sessions per week to start. You could be working by September! For more information, contact Judi Meaney at The Kennedy Center.

**241-8866**



## Voke Not Seeking Re-Election

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News of Voke's decision not to seek re-election has left many in Charlestown contemplating the huge void in service his departure will cause.

"Richie's been one heck of a fighter for Charlestown," said Democratic Ward Committee Chairman Tom Cunha. "He's won an awful lot for many local causes, so his representation will be sorely missed."

"Whenever you called him, you always got the sense that your problem was the most important one to him," added Charlestown Neighborhood Council President Peter Looney. "He has helped countless local people and worked with so many of our community groups to improve the condition of Charlestown. It is hard to

imagine anyone ever replacing him."

Voke worked to defeat the opening of an asphalt plant in Charlestown and was a leading voice in calling to the attention of highway officials Charlestown's needs relating to the Central Artery North Area Project. Legislation he filed brought an ambulance to Charlestown, supported capital improvements to the local Head Start building, provided for the reconstruction of the Bunker Hill Housing Development, called for a park to be built in City Square, funded the repair of the Emmons-Horrigan-O'Neil Skating Rink and supported the expanded mission of Bunker Hill Community College.

In addition to his outstanding record of local accomplishment, Voke has

been a highly regarded spokesperson for many causes, especially those around health care, the working class and those in need. The "Healthy Start" program he initiated has helped drop the state's infant mortality rates by 34% since its inception. His "Healthy Kids" program is now responsible for providing health insurance to 20,000 children of the working poor. He was the first to recommend funding to address AIDS and Alzheimer's Disease here in Mass., and stepped in to find the money during tough fiscal times to continue vaccines for 90,000 kids at risk. While supportive of educational opportunities for students from low and middle income families, his most recent legislative success was to secure a hike in the mini-

mum wage.

"Richie's been a true champion of so many critical causes. His combination of vision and leadership is the single most important reason why so many enjoy a better quality of life today," noted Mary MacInnes, who has worked with Voke on Bunker Hill Housing Development issues and other matters vital to providing residents from around the commonwealth with the opportunities they need to advance their quality of life.

"To show you how different a politician Richie has been, you have to consider he hasn't had a personal fund raiser in over six years, while instead turning his attention to raising funds for the community through his own charitable fund raiser and other efforts," commented

Jack Whelan, who has served as emcee of Richie Voke's Charlestown Charity Celebration the past five years. "It's unheard of for politicians to do such a thing, but that's why Richie has been and will always remain special to so many of us."

Voke was particularly touched by the people of Charlestown in 1993, when the title of "Honorary Townie" was bestowed upon him by the heads of several community groups at a Bunker Hill Day celebration.

"Charlestown has become my home and my fellow residents have become my family," said Voke. "Although I will not be representing the town in an elective capacity for now, I will continue to seek out opportunities to work with so many to continue

to make Charlestown a happier, healthier and more fulfilling place for us all."

In fact, Voke will be a principal in the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston drive to raise funds to renovate the Charlestown Clubhouse. In addition to serving on that board of directors, Voke is currently a member of the Museum of Science Board of Overseers.

Rumored over the years to be a candidate from treasurer to governor, Voke does not rule out a future run at political office.

"It's time, though, to step back and review where I've been and assess where I should be going. I'll do so feeling proud of all that I have been able to accomplish and grateful for all the good friends I have made along the way," said Voke.

## City Planting Program Ready To Bloom

After April's surprise snow showers, are you desperate for signs of spring? If you are, get ready for a colorful change to go with the recent rise in the temperature.

Thanks to Mayor Thomas M. Menino's Broom to Bloom planting program, over 106,000 bright yellow Dutch Master daffodil bulbs will soon be sprouting throughout the city of Boston over the coming weeks.

"These flowers will add a bright touch to the city," Menino noted. "The Broom to Bloom plantings are community efforts that enhance the urban land-

scape. They also serve as a reminder of how all of Boston benefits when people join together to help improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods."

Coordinated through the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, Broom to Bloom enlists the cooperation of city agencies, local businesses and community-based organizations to help beautify Boston's neighborhoods and thoroughfares. During the fall of 1995, volunteers of all ages participated in over 400 plantings city-wide.

Now its showtime as the daffodils nudge their way

to the surface. Some sites feature as many as 2,000 bulbs, most of which are expected to bloom annually for the next 10 years.

"This is the time of year we have all been waiting for," said Broom to Bloom Project Manager Paul McCaffrey. "This is when the students and adult volunteers who helped us last year get to see the fruits of their labors."


In addition to coordinating volunteers and equipment, McCaffrey solicited over \$22,000 from public agencies and private donors to underwrite the Broom to Bloom effort in 1995.

Residents eager for spring should keep an eye out for the Broom to Bloom daffodils to sprout locally in the following areas: Thompson and City squares and the Bunker Hill Community College Campus with over 1,200 daffodils each; the Training Field with over 900 daffodils; Monument Square and Charlestown Community Gardens with over 600 daffodils each; and the Phipps Street Cemetery and the JFK Head Start with over 300 daffodils each.

In all, Broom to Bloom planted over 6,600 bulbs throughout Charlestown.



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## Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion Sponsors Hospital Party — Commemorates Legion's 77th Birthday

Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion sponsored its 26th annual March Hospital Party on March 28 at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home. This party not only honored all the veteran patients born in the month of March, but also celebrated the 77th anniversary of the founding of The American Legion, the largest veteran organization in the world with over three million members.

Both Rev. Harold Small, the Protestant chaplain, and Rev. Lawrence Sullivan, the Catholic chaplain, at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home were in attendance to help the patients celebrate and to also offer a prayer for them.

Also in attendance was William D. Thompson, commandant of the home.

Steve Stauffer, dormitory recreation director, organized the party around an Irish theme with Irish Bingo and Irish music and singing.

Masimo Santeusanio, a 101-year-old World War I Navy veteran, had the honor of being the oldest March birthday guest present.

Legionnaires from Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L. in attendance at the party were: Commander Al Gallarelli, Hospital Chairman and Past Commander John M. Kelley, Assistant



**BUNKER HILL POST 26, THE AMERICAN LEGION** officers and members celebrated March birthdays at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home. **TOP ROW:** At the left, seated, is Dormitory Recreation Director Steve Stauffer. Standing (l. to r.) are Post 26 Commander Al Gallarelli, Soldiers' Home Commandant William D. Thompson, Protestant Chaplain Rev. Dr. Harold Small, Catholic Chaplain Rev. Lawrence Sullivan and Legion Past National Historian Jim Conway, secretary of the Board of Trustees of the home . . . On the right (l. to r.) are Post 26 Past Commander Florence Johnson,

patient/resident Hugh Bell, Post 26 Assistant Adjutant and Past Commander Paul Morceau and patient/residents James Kelly, James Mahoney and John Dunlea. **BOTTOM ROW:** On the left (l. to r.) are Post 26 Graves Registration Officer Edward McKinnon, Mary (Babcock) Sexton wife of patient/resident Tom Sexton . . . In the center (l. to r.) are Gallarelli, Post 26 Hospital Chairman and Past Commander John M. Kelley, McKinnon, Johnson and Morceau . . . At the right (l. to r.) are Masimo Santeusanio, a 101-year-old World War I Navy veteran, and Gallarelli.

Adjutant and Past Commander Paul Morceau, Executive Committee member and Past Commander

Florence Johnson, Graves Registration Officer Edward McKinnon and Legion Past National His-

torian and Past Commander James W. Conway, who is also secretary of the Board of Trustees of the

Chelsea Soldiers' Home.

Other "Townies" in attendance were patient/resident Tom Sexton and his

wife Mary (Babcock) Sexton, and patient/residents James Kelly and John Dunlea.

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### Child Development At The Charlestown Branch Library

Robyn Cohen-Moore, a licensed social worker at Charlestown Psychotherapy, will be the guest speaker at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 26.

She will talk about the different developmental stages of young children.

Children have distinct cognitive and physical changes which occur at certain times. Understanding some of the ways in which your preschooler develops can help make the home situation easier for the whole family.

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

### Put Your Old Eyeglasses To Good Use

The Charlestown Lions Club has recycled over 8,000 pairs of eyeglasses, making it possible for many who could not afford to buy eyeglasses to obtain them.

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# CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS



15 Green St.

242-1775

## Boys & Girls Club To Sponsor Positive Discipline Classes

"I don't want to hit them. I don't want to yell at them. I don't have time to explain everything to them, so I end up doing things myself and, yes, I yell more than I want to," Mary Beth says. "How can I make my kids do what I need them to do without losing it?"

All parents face the challenges of disciplining their children. To help parents in Charlestown with this critical parenting issue, Families First and the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club is sponsoring "Love and Limits: Positive Approaches to Discipline" - a four-week series

for parents. This series is generously underwritten by the Boston Edison Foundation and is free to parents.

"Love and Limits: Positive Approaches to Discipline" will focus on why children "misbehave" and what parents can do about their children's hitting, whining, temper tantrums and other troublesome behaviors.

The series will be held on Thursdays, April 25, May 2, 9 and 16 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information or to sign up for the workshop, call the Boys & Girls Club at 242-1775.

### ♦ SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Registration for 1996 Summer Camp Programs will take place at the club on Wednesday, May 1 beginning at 2:30 p.m. A \$10 non-refundable deposit is required for each session along with the registration form. The camp fee must be paid in full by July 1. Make checks payable to the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club.

**Independence Camp** - July 1 - 3: This camp is offered at the beginning of the summer sessions and fills out the shortened week that includes the July 4th holiday. It is for three days only and is for campers ages 6 to 12. It will include all of our summer staff and activities both within and outside of the building. The director is John Killoran.

**Beachcomber Camp** - This camp offers fun for campers ages 6 to 12 as it travels to various beaches and parks in the greater Boston area. Activities include scavenger hunts, hikes, sandcastle contests and lots of water! Each session will end with a cookout at one of the State Parks. There are three sessions with 30 campers each. The director is Mark Steenbergh.

**Super Camp** - This camp is for ages 6 to 12 and is similar to the Beachcomber Camp, however, there will be lots of arts and crafts, outdoor sports activities, water sports, Olympic competition and lots of fun. There are three sessions with 30 campers each. The director is Christina Giacobbe.

**Sports Camp** - This camp is for those ages 6 to 12 who love sports in the summer sun. There will be introductions in basketball, ball hockey, baseball, track and field, and the campers will visit various beaches and parks in the area. There are three sessions with 30 campers each. The director is Derek Gallagher.

**Discovery Camp** - Discovery Camp is a place to have fun and learn at the same time. Campers ages 6 to 12 will be involved in activities that include computers, music, science and art, which will result in a final project at the end of the session. Campers will be encouraged to think about the ways the camp projects will help improve the community and the world. There are three sessions with 30 campers each. The director is Jenny Atkinson.

## CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon  
American Legion  
Second-Half Champions

The American Legion team in the CHAD Junior Bowling League stormed to second-half victory losing only 13 points out of a possible 96. Congratulations go out to Michelle Williams, Craig Gaudette, Richie Burns and Sean Reilly for their great performance over the second-half.

This Saturday, we will have the roll-offs over at the Malden Square Bowldrome at 11:30 a.m. sharp! The American Legion team will roll-off against the McCarthy Brothers team who won the first-half championship. Congratulations also go out to the McCarthy Brothers team of Casey Durham, Sheilann Williams, Jon Paul Awbrey and Marianne Kissane for the great job winning the first-half.

This should be a great match and everyone is welcome to come and see our kids bowl.

There are some interesting scores to report for the last week of league bowling as the Red Store shut-out the Patriot, mainly because there were some no-shows for the Patriot team. Top bowler for the Red Store was Jean Wall with 293 and Brendan Grace was runner-up with 209.

Cricket's team defeated Bunker Hill Real Estate 6-2. Top bowler for Cricket's was Matt Paley with 228 and Joe Awbrey was runner-up with 163. Chris Chiampa was top bowler for BHRE with 209 and Mark Dillon was runner-up with 164.

The Shamrocks shutout Diane Modica's team 8-0, and top bowler for the Shamrocks was Jimmy Kissane with 278. Runner-up was Danny Kissane with 195. Stephen Wall

was the top bowler for Modica's team with 212 and Alex Gaudette was runner-up with 169.

The Kennedy Center shutout McCarthy Brothers 8-0 in the next match. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Shawn Burke with 225 and Brent Awbrey was runner-up with 179. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Marianne Kissane with 226 and Sheilann Williams was runner-up with 202.

In the final match of the day, Jenny's defeated the American Legion 6-2. Top bowler for Jenny's was Mike Shackford with 266. Runner-up was Steven Awbrey with 216. Top bowler for the American Legion was Richie Burns with 252. Runner-up was Craig Gaudette with 189.

Bowlers of the week are: Jean Wall 293, Jim Kissane 278, Mike Shackford 266, Richie Burns 252, Matt Paley 228, Marianne Kissane

226, Shawn Burke 225, Steven Awbrey 216, Stephen Wall 212, and Brendan Grace 209.

Bowlers who tried the hardest are: Ryan Stillman 159, Joe Awbrey 163, Michelle Williams 174, Brent Awbrey 179, David Grace 186, Casey Durham 187, Jessica Grace 191 and Jon Paul Awbrey 193.

Good luck to both teams in the roll-offs. You all worked hard and deserve to be there. I hope you all have a great day. See you Saturday.

### Final Standings Second-Half

	W	L
American Legion	83	13
Red Store	70	26
Kennedy Center	60	36
B.H. Real Estate	57	39
Shamrocks	54	42
McCarthy Bros.	50	46
Cricket's	42	54
Diane Modica	32	64
Jenny's	20	76
Chas'n. Patriot	16	80

## Registration Continues For 1996 Youth Roller Hockey Tournament

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department reminds youth ages 6 to 14 that registration is still open for the second annual Boston Youth Roller Hockey Tournament.

Being presented in partnership with Boston Professional Roller Hockey, the series features three divisions for age groups 6 to 8, 9 to 11 and 12 to 14. Elimination rounds will be held on Saturday, May 4 at LoPresti Park in East Boston and McGonagle Park

at the Ryan Field in Charlestown; Saturday, May 11 at Columbus Park in South Boston and Garvey Playground in Dorchester; and Sunday, May 19 at Ross Field in Hyde Park and Fallon Field in Roslindale. Finals will be held on Saturday, June 1 at Columbus Park.

Preregistration for the tournament is required. The registration deadline is April 26. To register your team, call Joe Curran at 635-4505.

**HAPPENINGS AT THE CHARLESTOWN WORKING THEATER**  
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• **The Outlaw Style Theater And Dance Co.** - The CWT is proud to present the work of the Outlaw Style Theater and Dance Co. with its new production *Slow Burn*. Based on the movie "The Long Hot Summer," Outlaw adds its own inimitable style of comedy and choreography. Come and enjoy this southern gothic melodrama, featuring the music of Ray Charles.

Performances run through Sunday, April 28. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday; and Sundays at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for seniors and students.

• **Acting Class** - Saturday, April 27 will be the first day of the new acting class. The class will meet on April 27, May 4, 11, 18 and June 1 and 8. There is no class on Sunday, May 25 (Memorial Day weekend). The fee of \$15 will still be returned if the student maintains perfect attendance.

• **The Wizard Of Oz** - The practice schedule for April is as follows:

Thursday, April 25 - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
Principals and Chorus (no Munchkins)  
Saturday, April 27 - noon to 1:30 p.m.  
Dorothy, Lion, Tinman and Scarecrow  
12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Generals and Privates  
1:30 to 5 p.m. Generals, Privates, Ghosts,  
Dorothy, Lion, Tinman and Scarecrow.

All rehearsals listed above will be held at Charlestown High School.

Note: Practice for Sunday, Apr. 28 has been moved from St. Catherine's Hall to the Charlestown Working Theater. Practice will be from 12:30 to 4 p.m. for Principals and Chorus (no Munchkins).

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

## Cultural Program At BHCC

The different cultural beliefs about health will be presented in a cultural program at Bunker Hill Community College by the members of the class of 1997 in the Nurse Education Program on Friday, May 10, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Students can learn how to tailor their nursing plans to relate to different cultural beliefs and values within a hospital and community, therefore providing a greater cultural understanding

and awareness that can lead to improved health care.

According to Dorothy Bradley R.N., coordinator of Adult Health Nursing, "The BHCC classes are ethnically diversified so that many of the students can share information on their own culture. This understanding stimulates growth and appreciation of each person's uniqueness."

For more information on the Cultural Program, call 228-2317.

### THANK YOU, GOD

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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

◆ **Cancun '96** . . . Fat Tuesday, LaBoom, Dady Rock, sun-drenched beaches, clear aqua water and, of course, Dos Playos - all happy memories now, and none will be the same as they were touched by our special Townie spirit. Yes, Spring Break is over and the key word among the Charlestown delegation, Kim Weafer, Helena Reilly, Colleen Walsh, Jessica Scurrio, Erin McDonough, Erin Myers, Christine Kozlowski, Jenn McCabb, Nicole Fitzsimmons, Chuckie Kozlowski, Brian Lacey, Chris Donovan, Ian Urquhart, Stephen Linnane, Mike Collins, Tim Warren, Lisa Schievink, Brian Wadman, Greg Poole, Joe Lawler, Chris Lent and Mike McGonagle, was FUN.

◆ **College Board** . . . The Boston Globe will be hosting a free college workshop for parents and youth on Wednesday, May 8 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at BC High School. The workshop topics will be "Choosing A College" and "Paying For College." Information packets on both of these will also be available.

◆ **High School Honor Notes** . . . Was Mike Collins caught looking for a basketball hoop in Cancun? Why not! The soon-to-be Don Bosco grad was selected for the Catholic Conference Basketball All Star Team. Great job by a great kid.

Good to see Dan O'Brien get a little ink in Sunday's Herald. Danny is a member of the Malden Catholic Varsity Lacrosse Team.

◆ **RBI Baseball** . . . If you are 16, 17 or 18, and interested



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in playing RBI Baseball for Charlestown this summer, see Coach Jason Gallagher or Bob D. Registration week is here, we have new forms, and a copy of your birth certificate is needed. It's important that you see us this week, April 25 to May 2, so we can make our summer plans.

◆ **Pro Line** . . . As we begin the week, Winnipeg is still alive in their playoff series versus Detroit, and as we well know, Florida and our Bruins are battling to advance. Continued success to Keith Tkachuk and Tom Fitzgerald. No matter what the results, we are proud of you. Just don't defeat the Bruins!

◆ **Charlestown High Lights** . . . The Improbable Players visited Charlestown High during the week and presented a play about AIDS and Drug Abuse as part of the AIDS continuing education curriculum.

◆ **Tip Of The Cap** . . . Congratulations to Father Dan Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales, as he celebrates a milestone this weekend. Father Mahoney is an extraordinary human being who has served his parish and Charlestown well and will continue to do so in the future.

◆ **Cancun Tidbits** . . . Kim Weafer made her singing debut . . . Tim Warren edged out Greg Poole to become the 1996 King of Cancun (close race) . . . Brian Wadman's new aka "The Wanderer" . . . Mike McGonagle and Chris Lent plan to open a Fat Tuesday franchise in Charlestown . . . Joe Lawler and Brian Lacey saw daylight . . . Colleen Walsh's new theme song, "Hey Marguerita" . . . Ian Urquhart was the official tour director . . . Mike Collins had a difficult time trying to explain to Steve Linnane that Chilly Willy's wasn't an ice cream stand . . . Chris Donovan, who moved the stool?

*Smile and Have a Great Week!*

## CYO & ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

BY FATHER RON COYNE

▲ **CHAMP Vigil** - The annual vigil, sponsored by the Charlestown After Murder Program (CHAMP), will be held on Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. at St. Catherine's Church. The vigil is celebrated in memory of those members of our community whose lives have been lost in tragic ways. All families and friends who have experienced this pain are invited to join together to remember their deceased loved ones and to offer support to one another. The vigil consists of music, scripture readings, speakers and the reading of all the names of the deceased. All residents are encouraged to be present to show support for one another. Following the vigil, all are invited to St. Catherine's Hall for refreshments.

▲ **First Communion At St. Catherine's** - St. Catherine's Parish will celebrate First Communion on Saturday, May 4 at 9 a.m. There will be 62 children receiving the eucharist for the first time. All children, public and parochial, are expected to be present for the rehearsals on Tuesday, April 30 from 4 to 5 p.m.; Thursday, May 2 from 4 to 5 p.m.; and Friday, May 3 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. We congratulate the families of our children for their support.

▲ **Super Bingo At St. Catherine's** - Reserve Tuesday night, May 7 for the first Super Bingo at St. Catherine's. All prizes are based on 150 players. If we sell more tickets, prizes will be adjusted. The cost is \$50 per person.

You may register at St. Catherine's Rectory with \$50 cash (no checks will be accepted, nor partial payments). Prizes range from \$100 to \$500. There will be raffles and lots of fun and surprises. We invite you to join the excitement and be ready to play at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m.

▲ **Altar Servers Bike-A-Thon** - In order to help our altar servers (and many other young people interested in our trip to Washington, D.C.) to raise funds for the trip, we will hold a 20-mile bike-a-thon along the Charles River on Saturday, May 11 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Each child will be asked to fill a sponsor sheet with family, friends and neighbors willing to support them by offering them, for example, 25¢ per mile, which would equal \$5 for 20 miles. Each child must have his/her own bike.

▲ **Pentecost Celebration** - On Sunday, May 26 at 11 a.m., St. Catherine's will once again celebrate Pentecost Sunday by highlighting the ethnic and cultural diversity in our community. The Mass will be celebrated in English, but we will have music in various languages. The Prayers of the Faithful and Offertory will feature the languages and customs of various countries. This special feast of Pentecost will be followed by sharing various foods in our church hall. Our first planning meeting for those interested in participating will be on Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m.

at the rectory.

▲ **Summer Trip To Washington, D.C.** - We are planning to take St. Catherine's altar servers and any other children, teenagers or families on a 5-day trip to Washington, D.C., Sunday through Thursday, July 7 to 11. The cost is \$329 per person, based on four to a room. A deposit of \$50 is now due at the rectory.

▲ **Girls Junior High CYO Olympic Results** - We are grateful to the junior high girls from Charlestown who represented St. Catherine's in the Annual Olympics last Tuesday. They finished in sixth place. The girls who competed were: Jessica Brassil (MVP), Christina Biggins, Lauren Brennan, Aileen Gorman, Jean Wall, Candace Griffin, Bonnie O'Leary, Laurie Prince, Kerry Locke, Roselyn Boyle, Charlene O'Brien and Annmarie Fratalia. We are also grateful to our coaches Susan Essex and Ed Prince and to our referees Gordon D'Ambrosio, Jamie Santososso, Mark Russell, Janelle Ortiz, Pat Walsh and Jennifer Rosher. Congratulations to the winning parishes: First place - St. Brendan's of Dorchester, second place - Holy Name of West Roxbury and third place - St. Theresa's of West Roxbury.

We truly appreciate the teenagers who represent our town so well. They deserve our praise.

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



**Thank You All**

To the residents of Charlestown:

On behalf of the entire Luce family, may we express to all our friends and neighbors our sincere thanks and appreciation for your flowers, prayers, expressions of sorrow and spiritual bouquets sent to us recently on the sad occasion of my wife passing into eternal rest.

The children and I were very heartened by your wonderful kindness in our hour of mourning.

Thank you again,  
Glenn Luce and children

**Who Is Going To Solve This Problem???**

To The Editor:

This letter is written in the hope that you will publish it.

The parking situation on Main, Austin, and West School streets, and the island outside of the post office is horrible. There are so many cars parked all day while their owners leave them and then take public transportation into Boston. The newcomers in the town should remember that **Charlestown is a community, not a parking lot!**

I would like to see signs put up for a 1- or 2-hour parking limit, but not for every day. There are businesses on these streets that have deliveries and they have to double park. It is a hazard to the community.

A Long Time Resident

**Improvements Needed On Student Assignments**

Dear Gloria:

Again this year, Boston Public School students have been assigned in ways that limit choice, increase busing and segregation, encourage parents/students to not choose schools they want, and treat students differently depending upon their race. White applicants in particular are treated unfairly.

For the first round of the fall 1996 assignments, a quota of 12% whites was used for all 9th grades except Boston Latin, Latin Academy and East Boston High. This quota was used even though many more whites applied. Of 9th grade regular education and exam school applicants, 23% were white. Of 9th grade non-exam regular education applicants, 16% were white. At popular schools, such as Snowden, West Roxbury, English and Boston High, only 12% or

fewer of the seats were allowed to go to white students.

Only whites are prevented from getting assigned to less popular schools which have vacant seats. For ninth grade, a maximum of 22% is allowed for whites, while a school can have 98% blacks, Asians or Hispanics. Of South Boston High's 251 seats, only 55 (22%) were assigned to whites. Many more whites wanted to attend South Boston High, but none were allowed to fill the 50 seats that remain vacant after the first assignment round.

Improvements to the Boston's student assignment system are long overdue. Boston's appointed school committee and Superintendent Payzant must respond immediately to this important issue.

Sincerely,  
Douglas C. Johnson, M.D.

**Thank You**

To my surprise, Jackie Sheehan threw a party for me. We laughed, we cried and we danced. I could not believe the wonderful night.

To my friends, family and people I have never met . . . I could never write thank you notes to each and every one of you, because I don't want to miss anyone.

The night was overwhelming, and I will cherish that night always. To Jackie, who put it all together; to the people who sent cards and letters who couldn't be there; to Joanne and Tara, who made sure they got me there; to Mom and Dad, I love you; and to my kids who kept this a secret, (to my surprise), they usually tell me everything, ha! ha! - Thank you everyone!

"That's What Friends Are For" is a great song!

Love,  
Debbie Eatherton

**Window Box Contest**

The Charlestown Community Gardens is sponsoring a neighborhood Window Box Contest again this year. Its purpose is to encourage people to beautify our streets with living flowers and plants.

The rules are: 1) All entries must be visible from the street. Eligible for entry are window boxes, urns, hanging baskets, and other containers suitable for flowering or foliage plants, 2) Plant material should be organized and planted by the entrant, and 3) Only participants who return an entry blank will be judged.

Plants may be purchased at The Community Garden at the corner of Main and Bunker Hill streets or at your favorite florist or nursery.

Prizes will be awarded on the basis of general appearance, condition of plant material, color, design and effect. Judging will be completed by July 13. Winners will be notified and the names will be published in The Charlestown Patriot. Entry forms must be submitted by May 31.

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**MICHAEL P. QUINN SCHOLARSHIP**

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Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, by calling 242-5493, 242-5445 or by writing to Charlestown Post Office Box 216.

**WINIFRED TALBOT DUFFY SCHOLARSHIP**

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

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

The deadline for the submission of completed applications is **May 6**. The winner will be selected in a random drawing at the Schoolgirls' reunion on May 17.

**MATTY O'NEIL SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications are now being accepted for the Matty O'Neil Scholarship which is awarded annually to a qualified Charlestown youth. The applicant must be a resident of Charlestown for five years, graduate with his or her high school class of 1996 and have applied and plan to attend college in the fall of 1996.

The scholarship is for \$1,500 and there is no gender restriction. The money is a one-time award to be used by the student to help defray any college expenses, including tuition, room and board or books.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square or the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

If you have any questions, please call 241-9282. Completed applications must be returned to the scholarship committee at 23 Cross St., Charlestown, Mass. 02129 by **May 31**.

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

From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,  
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Boston Police Department

**Thursday, April 11**

A woman reported that a 39-year-old Charlestown resident slashed the screen of her living room window at her O'Meara Court apartment. The victim also stated that the woman has also been threatening her on the telephone.

**Friday, April 12**

A woman was walking her dog on Eden Street when she observed a man standing naked in the window of a house. The incident is being investigated by Area A detectives.

**Sunday, April 14**

At approximately 6 a.m., a Cambridge man reported that he was in the rear parking lot on Walford Way and beeped his horn twice to get the attention of an acquaintance residing nearby when he saw bottles and rocks being thrown at his motor vehicle, resulting in the back windshield being shattered. No injuries were reported.

At approximately 5 p.m., Officer McKenna observed a motor vehicle being driven around the Bunker Hill Housing Development by a 30-year-old Charlestown woman. He saw persons approach and have conversations with the driver while leaning into the motor vehicle. The officer, having knowledge of an outstanding warrant on the woman, called for back up. While on Monument Street, he approached the woman and asked her to step out of the motor vehicle. He then observed and removed a bundle of white papers with a green band around it. She pushed one of the officers and a struggle ensued. She was placed under arrest for the distribution of a Class A substance in a school zone and the car was towed.

At 8:45 p.m., a woman returned to her apartment on O'Meara Court to find the door open. She stated that unknown person(s) had ransacked her apartment and stole a television, a wedding band and a diamond ring.

**Monday, April 15**

At 9:30 p.m., it was reported that unknown person(s) had broken the windows of 13 motor vehicles being stored at 50 Terminal St., slated to be shipped to Haiti.

**Tuesday, April 16**

Representatives of a South Boston and a Watertown construction company reported that a breaking and entering had taken place between 3 p.m. on April 13 and 6:30 a.m. on April 16 at a building under construction on Third Avenue. Pipefitting equipment was taken. Access was gained by kicking in a plywood basement window.

A man reported that he lost his wallet while inside the Mass. General building at 13th Street.

**Wednesday, April 17**

At about 12:30 a.m., a motorist approached Officers Cameron and Griffiths and told them that he saw three men fighting at Cordis and Warren streets. The officers met the victim who appeared to be intoxicated and refused

to offer any information except that he had been assaulted and kicked by two males who fled on Warren Street toward Thompson Square. The man was treated at the scene by EMT paramedics and transported to Mass. General Hospital with complaints of chest and rib pain.

A resident reported that between April 15 and this date, damage was done to the lock on the right passenger door of her automobile which was parked across from her house on Main Street.

At approximately 2 p.m., an automobile was found by Officer FitzPatrick on Chestnut Street with a broken front passenger window and no radio. The motor vehicle had been reported stolen in Boston on April 15.

**Thursday, April 18**

A motor vehicle with N.H. registration was found at 9 a.m. on First Street with the driver's side window smashed. It was towed for safekeeping.

A resident of Dunstable Street reported that a group of unknown white males between 14 and 16 had been harassing her and her roommate and had hit their home with rocks, kicked in the front door, called them names and recently threw a car battery at the door. The Community Disorders Unit has been notified.

A 12-year-old reported that at approximately 9 p.m. while he was on Monument Street, three white males pushed him to the floor and removed \$10 from his pockets.

**Friday, April 19**

A resident reported that between 8 p.m. on April 18 and 5:30 a.m. on April 19, person(s) unknown damaged the left side of the auto by scratching the exterior paint along its entire length while it was parked on the Warren-Prescott Schoolyard.

A man reported that on April 4, three tires of his automobile were slashed while it was parked on Monument Street.

At approximately 8:10 a.m., Officer Nolan took a report from a man who stated he was driving on Bunker Hill Street when a motor vehicle backed out of Sackville Street onto Bunker Hill Street. The man, in trying to avoid contact with the motor vehicle, swerved to the left, striking a pothole which caused damage to his motor vehicle.

**Saturday, April 20**

At 3:30 a.m., a man reported that he heard a noise outside his Polk Street apartment and observed four males and two females beginning to vandalize a motor vehicle. The man yelled and the suspects broke off the antenna and fled on foot. The man followed them and saw them get into a brown mini-van and flee the area.

Officers responded to 420 Medford St. on the report of a motor vehicle accident with injuries. The automobile was reportedly being driven at a high rate of speed by a Charlestown man who lost control and struck two parked cars. A woman passenger, a resident of Malden, was transported to Mass. General Hospital for treatment of injuries to her head, face and neck.

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5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Jim McNamara, community service officer

**Wednesdays**  
1 to 3 p.m. - Detective Jack Pierce, domestic violence

**Thursdays**  
1 to 3 p.m. - Bill Smith, community service officer  
5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Jim McNamara, community service officer

**Fridays**  
1 to 3 p.m. - Paul Baker, auto division

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Between 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., person(s) unknown entered a Bartlett Street residence and stole a purple 21-speed Mongoose Alta mountain bicycle from the basement. There was no sign of forced entry.

**Sunday, April 21**

At 1:30 a.m., Officers Reaney and Kelley observed a 25-year-old man operating a motor vehicle on Main Street at City Square who was known to have outstanding warrants and a suspended license. The officers stopped the vehicle on Rutherford Avenue. The suspect told the officers the warrants had been cleared and the paper work was in a gym bag. The officers failed to find the paper work but did come across five packets stamped "Crystal," believed to be heroin. The man was arrested and the vehicle was towed.

Officers Harrington and Bates observed a woman "thumbing" on Cambridge Street. She stopped and had a conversation with several male drivers. Undercover officers approached her in an unmarked motor vehicle and she offered the officers sex for money. The 28-year-old Woburn woman was arrested and booked for "sex for a fee."

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Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

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

The features will be "The Remarkable Riderless Runaway Tricycle," a tale in which a bike escapes from its owner . . . a dog turns into a boy so he can go on a school excursion in

"School Excursion," . . . and "Tikki Tikki Tembo" is a Chinese fairy tale which tells why children are given short names.

"Rip Van Winkle" tells the story of

how a man falls asleep for 20 years. It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Miss Nelson Is Missing** by Harry Allard and **Friends** by Helme Heine.

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### Book Discussion Group To Meet At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Adult Book Discussion Group of the Charlestown Branch Library, will meet on Thursday, May 2 at 7 p.m. at the library, 179 Main St.

The book that will be featured this month will be **The Blithedale Romance** by Nathaniel Hawthorne. *Fiction Catalog* says: This is "a novel based on the Brook Farm socialistic experiment which George

Ripley started in 1841 with the assistance of certain fellow-Transcendentalists (Emerson, Margaret Fuller and others). Hawthorne himself joined this group, though hardly as an enthusiast, and the romance partially reflects his experiences."

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

### 'The Cocoanut Grove Fire - Its Tragedy And Aftermath' At The Library

Noted photographer and historian Erik Anderson will present an illustrated lecture on Boston's tragic 1942 "Cocoanut Grove Fire - Its Tragedy and Aftermath," at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., tonight, Thursday April 25, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Anderson will describe the events leading up to the overcrowded nightclub that night and the probable cause of the most catastrophic fire in the city's history, in which 480 people lost their lives. He'll also

talk about the frantic human battle against the flames that will never be forgotten by those who survived the fire, or the families of those who didn't.

On a more positive note, he'll describe the new treatments of burns and the more stringent safety regulations for public buildings that were later put into effect across the country as a result of this tragedy.

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

## Charlestown Residents Invited To Sign Up For Special 'Old Ironsides' Turnaround

(continued from page 1)  
Battle of Bunker Hill.

Commander Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer of **USS Constitution**, has arranged this special turnaround in conjunction with the Bunker Hill Day Parade and Commemorative Committee to thank Charlestown residents for the support and care they have given this historic ship over the years it has been here. Beck invites residents to sign a

special form and have their names placed in the Salute to Charlestown lottery with registration taking place at the Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St., (corner of Chestnut) on Saturday morning, May 4 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Friday evening, May 10 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

To apply, the person must be a Charlestown registered voter. Persons who are not registered

should do so at the Election Department at Boston City Hall and bring the certificate of registration with them to the Legion Hall.

The winners will be drawn by Commander Beck at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning, May 18 at

the Administrative Office of the **USS Constitution** in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Winners will receive a non-transferable invitation by mail to participate on the special cruise.

All winners and their guests must be at least 10 years of age.

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