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## Happy Thanksgiving

### Don't Be Alone On Thanksgiving: Come On Down To The Legion Hall

A special day of sharing will begin this evening, Wednesday, Nov. 27, along about 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

It is then that the preparations begin for a grand Thanksgiving Dinner as the stuffing is made, potatoes and vegetables are peeled and pared, turkeys are readied, and tables are set.

This is the fifth year that Bob and Carol Sweeney and family have organized a Thanksgiving Dinner with sponsorship by Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion.

The dinner is for those who will be alone on the holiday and would like to come down to the Legion Hall at 23 Adams St. between noon and 2 p.m. and join in the fellowship of the day. Also, for shut-ins, there will be teams of willing volunteers to deliver dinner to the person's home.

If you would like to either come down to the Legion Hall or have a dinner delivered, please call Jeanne Davis at 241-9511, Bob or Carol Sweeney at 279-4246 or leave a message on the Legion answering service at 242-2646 by tonight.

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### Fifield Elected New BHCC President

The Bunker Hill Community College Board of Trustees met on Nov. 26 to select the college's sixth president in its illustrious 23-year history. The board voted unanimously to elect Dr. Mary L. Fifield, currently serving her fifth year as president of Harrisburg

Area Community College, Harrisburg, Penn. It is expected that the new president will begin her duties in early February 1997.

Fifield has earned a Ph.D. in higher education from St. Louis University, a Master of Fine Arts degree from Pratt Institute in

Brooklyn, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Clark College, Iowa. She has 13 years of teaching experience, with 11 years as the dean of instruction at Harold Washington College, Chicago. She has also served as vice president

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### Main Street Policing Center Tops Public Safety Committee Meeting

by Lynn Peters

The November meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council's Public Safety Committee held at the Mishawum Community Room dealt with residents' concerns about

Main Street's Boston Police Department Community Policing Center.

Committee co-chairmen Bill McCabe and John Dillon fielded complaints from abutters about the lack of neighborhood in-

volvement by police officers.

"Maybe there's a misunderstanding," said one Mishawum resident. "We thought this would offer a better connection to police

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## Thanksgiving Wishes



May your Thanksgiving  
be filled with the  
joys of home and family . . .  
warmed by the gift of friendship  
and touched with  
the beauty of the season!

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### CBA Guests Speak On Services Available From City And Police



THE CHARLESTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION held its monthly meeting recently at Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant. Guest speakers included (l. to r.) Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services; Marilyn Darling, president, Charlestown Business Association; Michael Kineavy, director, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services; and Capt. Ronald X. Conway, commander, Area A, Boston Police Department.

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Rev. Laurie Rofinot, rector of St. John's  
Episcopal Church, will deliver the sermon.



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**SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS**

**Thursdays**

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

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

**Fridays**

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

**First and Third Sundays**

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

**Mondays**

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

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

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

**Mondays And Fridays**

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

**Tuesdays**

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

**Wednesdays**

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

• **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**

**Wednesday, Nov. 27**

• **7 p.m.** - Preparation for Thanksgiving Dinner for shut-ins and those alone - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• **7 p.m. to midnight** - Thanksgiving Eve Celebration to benefit the Charlestown Townies Football Team - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - Community Thanksgiving Service with sermon by Rev. Laurie Rofinot of St. John's Church and special music by Benjamin Sears - First Church in Charlestown, Green Street

**Thursday, Nov. 28**

• **noon to 2 p.m.** - Thanksgiving Dinner delivered to shut-ins and

served at the Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

**Monday, Dec. 2**

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

**Tuesday, Dec. 3**

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

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

**Wednesday, Dec. 4**

• **11 a.m.** - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs on "Bears" for

children 2-years-old accompanied by an adult - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **12:30 to 4:30 p.m.** - Hispanic Bazaar, sponsored by the Kennedy Center - 55 Bunker Hill St.

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

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

• **7 p.m.** - "Charlotte's Web" by the Bunker Hill Community College Drama Company - Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium, Room A-300

**upcoming events**

**Thursday, Dec. 5**

• **12:30 p.m.** - "Charlotte's Web" by the Bunker Hill Community College Drama Company - Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium, Room A-300

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

• **7:30 p.m.** - "Poets Tell of Christmas" with Henry Augustine Tate, sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

**Friday, Dec. 6**

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

• **6 p.m.** - Pop Warner Football & Cheerleaders Awards Banquet - K. of C. Upper Hall, 75 West School St.

• **7 p.m.** - "Charlotte's Web" by the Bunker Hill Community College Drama Company - Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium, Room A-300

• **7:30 p.m.** - Installation of Officers of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - "Little Women" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Saturday, Dec. 7**

• **10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** - Christmas Bazaar - St. Catherine's Parish Hall, 13 Tufts St.

• **10 a.m. to 7 p.m.** - Christmas Fair with chowder luncheon at noon and smorgasbord dinner at 5:30 p.m. - First Church, Green Street

• **1 to 4 p.m.** - Holiday Open House - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **6 p.m.** - Lighting of the USS Constitution Christmas Tree - Pier One, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **6 p.m.** - "Little Women" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

**Sunday, Dec. 8**

• **Following 9 a.m. Mass** - Breakfast with Santa for children of St. Francis de Sales Church - Bishop

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

• **2 p.m.** - Charlestown's Christmas Concert, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - St. Mary's Church, 55 Warren St.

• **3:15 p.m.** - Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Party - Thompson Square

**Monday, Dec. 9**

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

**Tuesday, Dec. 10**

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

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee/Police Community Relations meeting - Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St.

**Wednesday, Dec. 11**

• **noon** - "From The Barbary Coast To Baghdad" with historian Robert Allison - Figgie Theatre, USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

**plan ahead**

**Friday, Dec. 13**

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

**Sunday, Dec. 15**

• **1 p.m.** - Terry Ring's Newtown Christmas Stroll - CharlesNewtown (snow date Dec. 22)

• **Following 5 p.m. Mass** - Turkey

Raffle to benefit the Holy Name Society - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

**Sunday, Dec. 22**

• **11 a.m.** - Delivery of Baskets for Townie Santa - from the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

**Tuesday, Dec. 31**

• **8 p.m. to 1 a.m.** - New Year's Eve Celebration - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Saturday, Feb. 22**

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

*First Anniversary - Nov. 17th*

**ROBERT F. WALLACE**

Mass being said on Saturday, Nov. 30 at 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Church

*For as long as he lives in our minds and hearts, he is never really gone.*

*Sadly missed by his family...*

Shane, Shauna, Daniel, JoAnne, Teresa, Jeremiah, Denise & your wife, Ann

**ROBERT "BOB" COLLINS**

1990 November 28 1996

*You are always in our hearts and minds We truly wish you were here.*

*Sadly missed and lovingly remembered, Love forever and ever...*

Ann Collins & Family

Sixth Memorial Mass at 11 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 1 at St. Francis de Sales Church

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## Main Street Policing Center Tops Public Safety Committee Meeting

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officers. We thought this would be good for us, but there's no connection with us."

Neighbors' issues ranged from officers parking their cruisers illegally on Main Street in front of the policing center to there being several officers inside watching television and seemingly ignoring varying kinds of criminal activity happening near the center.

"When police park in the crosswalk, in front of hydrants and in bus stops, it doesn't make for good rapport," said a Mishawum woman.

BPD Officer William Smith explained that the Main Street center is an office for the police to do reports and have access to the computer system. The officer on duty staffing the office is instructed not to leave the premises.

"The police are in Charlestown," Smith said. "The alternative is to take the office out and for the offi-

cers to do their reports downtown."

"This is not a firehouse," said council chairman and committee member Peter Looney. "We always knew it was a place of business. The police go in there to do their reports."

Residents discussed the neighborhood impression that there were a lot of police officers always at the office but not doing anything. Neighbors have seen the center as a place to walk in and report crime and suspicious activities, but the officers do not respond. Residents are instructed to call 911 to report crimes.

Mishawum Association President Al Copithorn asked the police not to get defensive about tenants' perceptions. Residents are aware of drug dealing in apartments, stairwells and openings in their development. Their perception is that the police are also aware but not responding.

Michael Tucker, Mishawum maintenance supervisor, said that the police

cannot help but be defensive. "When the station first opened there was a cadet, and the police officer had the ability to walk outside. That can't happen now," Tucker said. "We beg to keep the police here, however, the impression is that they have to defend themselves. People are getting frustrated."

Residents said that they were not comfortable calling the enhanced 911 system, which identifies where calls come from. They were reminded of the confidential calls they could make to the police Drug Unit and to detectives at Area A.

A Phipps Street resident said that it took three calls to 911 and 40 minutes to get a response to teens drinking in the adjacent grave yard. She was told that her call was considered a Priority 3, and that police were probably responding to higher-rated emergencies that night.

Residents were encouraged to call the BPD Duty Supervisor at 343-4240 if

they feel that the police are not responding quickly enough to a 911 call.

Sgt. Thomas Lema told neighbors that they also need to act and get involved in doing something with Charlestown's young people. He said that residents and the police have to work together working on the issues that relate back to the town such as kids on the corner, vandals, car break-ins and homelessness.

"You have to speak up," Lema said. "Ask yourself if you know these kids, their families. The community has to do something. Start paying attention to our kids and being alert to your surroundings."

Smith said he would bring neighbors' concerns back to headquarters to be addressed by Capt. Ronald Conway. Police response to residents' issues will be followed up at the Dec. 10 monthly meeting of the Public Safety Committee to be held at Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St.

### THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

#### SELLING TOOLS THAT GET ACTION

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MONUMENT PROPERTIES



### It's A Boy . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Michael Kenney of 65 Medford St., Malden are proud to announce the birth of their son, Joshua Stephen Kenney, on Nov. 7 at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ridlon of Elm Street, Charlestown.

The paternal grandpar-

ents are Delores Kenney of Cambridge and Jack Kenney of Burlington.

Sharing great-grandparent honors are Anna Leonardo of Cambridge and John F. Kenney of Burlington.

Joshua was welcomed home by his big brother, Justin, age 3.

Mrs. Kenney is the former Karen Ridlon of Charlestown.

### A Thanksgiving Welcome

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As for volunteers, if committee members have been missing returning your phone calls, you are most welcome and needed.

Please pick up your utensils and head down to the Legion Hall around 7 p.m. tonight, Wednesday, Nov. 27 . . . or if Thursday is a better time, come along during the morning as delivery gets underway

just before noon.

Once you have been part of this special celebration, you will realize the true meaning of Thanksgiving as you share food and friendship with those who would otherwise be alone.

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## Annual Christmas Fair

Saturday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
First Church In Charlestown, Green Street

Chowder Luncheon at noon

Smorgasbord Dinner 5:30 p.m. - \$6.00

We will have super fudge • knitted goods • white elephant table  
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Come and spend a few hours with us & renew acquaintances  
Hope to see you there - bring a friend!



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Tuesday, Dec. 31 • 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person or \$35 per couple  
\$175 for reserved tables.

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Music by D.J. Dennis Moore

For tickets or tables, call Rick Walsh or Paul Herrick  
at 242-0062 or Billy Boyle at 242-2391

Tickets must be paid for in advance. Don't be shut out.  
No tickets sold at door! ✪ Must be over 21 ✪



## Thanksgiving In The Military

by Father Patrick F. Healy, O.M.I.  
U. S. Military Academy - STAS

Thanksgiving Day has a myriad of meanings for people throughout our America. To some, it is the culmination of the football season when traditional rivals meet on the gridiron to determine who is number one. For grandparents, it is a time when the children and grandchildren come together and share their love and caring for one another around a table laden with home-cooked food. For the military person, active and retired, it is a time for remembering.

The veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War and so many other police actions and peace-keeping missions, all have memories of Thanksgivings fraught with suffering, sorrow, violence and imminent danger. Although these veterans gather with their families and

rejoice in the happiness of the moment, in the back of their memories, there is always the Thanksgivings of yesteryear which were so bleak and lonely.

The true spirit of Thanksgiving was captured by a chaplain in Vietnam in 1970. His unit had been engaged in a fire-fight with the Vietcong. On Thanksgiving Day 1970, the chaplain, with his commander, visited the 67th Evacuation Hospital in Quinhon, Bin Dinh Province. Several of the unit had been wounded. The commander was to give them the Purple Heart Medal, the Special Services young ladies were to present them with a box of candy and cigarettes (tobacco was not frowned upon then).

When the mission was accomplished, the little group was leaving the ward when a young, rosy-cheeked

patient called the chaplain to his bedside. The chaplain greeted him with a cheery "Happy Thanksgiving!" The young man of not more than twenty years replied, "Chaplain, I have an awful lot to be thankful for this day. I was a crew man on a chopper. We crashed and I was the only survivor. I have lost both legs . . . but it is below the knees . . . the doctors told me that I would be able to roller skate and dance again. So you see, Chaplain, I have an awful lot to be thankful to God for."

As the chaplain rode in his jeep back to his base camp, he pondered the words of the young soldier. Truly, he thought, those who have the least and suffer the most are more grateful for the little that they have, than those who are more rich and powerful.

*What are you most thankful for this Thanksgiving?*

Not for nothin' . . .

But have you heard . . .



◆ "Charlotte's Web" . . . the children's play, will be presented by the Bunker Hill Community College Drama Club on Wednesday and Friday, Dec. 4th and 6th at 7 p.m. in the college's Auditorium A-300 . . . and a special matinee will be held on Thursday, Dec. 5th at 12:30 p.m. . . . All performances are free of charge.

◆ Happy Birthday Wishes . . . go out to Peggy Donahue McCabe who will party hearty on her 77th birthday on Nov. 29th . . . Ken Johnson will celebrate on Nov. 30th . . . Our man in the Mass. House of Representatives, Rep. Richard Voke, will party for sure on Dec. 2nd . . . and Dec. 3rd is shared by Bob Thompson of Washington Street, Francis "Bud" Coleman and Joan Beaton Rae . . . Hope you all have a great day!

◆ Guess What??? . . . Saturday is Nov. 30th . . . Does this mean anything to you? . . . It should if you have a car!

**Street Cleaning Regulations Will Not Be Enforced Until Spring!**

Wouldn't you think that our residents and commuters would learn the schedules in the eight long months between April and November? . . . Mind you, though, the truck with the BOOTS will still be cruising our streets, so get those street cleaning tickets paid!

◆ Help Out The Less Fortunate . . . and join the Holiday Friends of the New England Home for Little Wanderers as they host their fifth annual Holiday Party to benefit the home . . . The event will be held at Lombardo's in East Boston (plenty of free parking) on Wednesday, Dec. 4th from 6 p.m. to midnight . . . and your admission is to bring a gift for a child (infant to teenager) or make a donation of \$10 at the door . . . There'll be a complimentary buffet, entertainment, guest celebrities, raffles and much more . . . For more information, call 1-800-Home-321.

◆ Free Lectures At The Museum Of Science . . . Each month, now through May, the Museum of Science offers Free First Friday Lectures on topics of scientific interest . . . On Friday, Dec. 6th at 7 p.m., Right Whale Expert Scott Kraus, associate director for research at the New England Aquarium, will speak on "North Atlantic Right Whale: Threats To Survival in the Urban Ocean" . . . All lectures are free and seating in the Wright Theater is on a first-come, first-served basis . . . For more information on this and upcoming lectures, call the Museum of Science at 589-0419.

◆ BC High To Administer Entrance Examination . . . Boston College High School, 150 Morrissey Boulevard, will administer its entrance examination on Saturday, Dec. 14th at 8:30 a.m. Registration for the entrance exam can be made by calling BC High to request materials . . . For further information, contact Richard Gill in the Admissions Office at 436-3900.

◆ Christmas Tree Reminder . . . The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club will be holding its annual Christmas Tree sale in front of its High Street building beginning on Saturday, Dec. 7 . . . The club is well-known for its outstanding array of trees and wreaths along with the personal attention of staff members, volunteers and teens . . . and best of all, proceeds from the sale of the trees go to programs for our local youngsters . . . See you on the 7th!

◆ Own A Piece Of History . . . The Charlestown Historical Society is offering Bunker Hill Cup Plates for sale, a reproduction of the famous 1841 "singing glass" lead crystal commemorative cup plate sold at the "Ladies Fair" in Quincy Market to raise funds for the completion of the building of the Bunker Hill Monument . . . Orders for the plates, which are being sold for \$17.75, may be sent to the Charlestown Historical Society, c/o Marie Alves, P.O. Box 1776, Charlestown, Mass. 02129 . . . Marie will be at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays during December to take orders.

◆ Thought For The Week . . . He who receives a benefit with gratitude repays the first installment on his debt. - Seneca

◆ The First Thanksgiving Day . . . in the Massachusetts Bay Colony was under the famous Charlestown Oak in 1632 . . . historical note courtesy of the Charlestown Historical Society.

Happy Thanksgiving!



## Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Christine Marie Petersen of 27 Auburn St., Charlestown, to Michael L. Hartnett, son of Joseph L. Hartnett of Melrose.

The bride-to-be is a nursing student at Bunker Hill Community College and has an associate degree as a paralegal.

Michael is a 1979 grad-



MICHAEL HARTNETT & CHRISTINE PETERSEN

uate of Boston State College and is employed as a police officer in Everett.

A March wedding is planned.

## Plan Your Holiday Party At Duckworth Lane

Duckworth Lane in Charlestown is making its back room, the "Den," available for private parties. The room has six upholstered booths and can accommodate up to 30 people. Call David Chase at 242-6009 to book!

The second Duckworth Lane has opened in Brookline at 1657 Beacon St. in Washington Square. The restaurant has approximately 40 seats and is open for dinner seven nights.

Barbara Russell, owner of Chanterelle (Newbury Street) and Soleil (Harvard Square), along with David

Chase, former Director of Catering with Ritz-Carlton, opened the first Duckworth Lane in early June at 83 Main St. in Charlestown.

The Brookline bistro and wine bar features the same international grazing menu as Charlestown with approximately a dozen tapas, soups and salads priced from \$4 to \$6, a dozen mid-sized "Bistro Plates" ranging \$6 to \$9, and a dozen entrees from \$9 to \$15. An eclectic wine list offers about 15 selections by the glass, including wines from California, France, Spain and Italy.

If you see this couple today . . . November 27th



wish them a Happy 30th Wedding Anniversary!

Love . . . Christine, Billy & Li'l Dodie

## Congratulations



**DANNY MURPHY**  
on making the North Adams State Hockey Team.

Love, Your family . . .  
Dad, Mom, Joe,  
Auntie Cathy, Uncle Gerry  
& Uncle Jay



## Charlestown Catholic Elementary School \$5,000 DRAWING DINNER-DANCE

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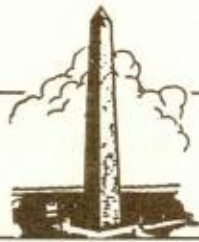
For information, please call:

Donna Hickey, 241-7979 or Maryann Lacey, 242-1885

## THANK YOU, GOD

Pray 9 Hail Marys during 9 days. Ask 3 wishes, 1 concerning business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your wishes will be answered even though you may not believe it.

M.C.C.



## around the town

### ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings Non-Profit Organizations

#### Apply For Seven Appointed Seats

CNC Chairman Peter Looney has announced that seven non-profit community agencies applied for a seat on the CNC for a two-year term.

The elected members on the board reviewed applications on Nov. 26 and will make recommendations for approval by the full council at its Dec. 3 monthly meeting.

Organizations nominated to fill the seven seats on the CNC are: Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Charlestown Business Association, Charlestown Community Centers, Charlestown Preservation Society, J.F. Kennedy Family Service Center, Life Focus Center and North Area Task Force.

#### Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Among the items on the agenda are an update by Steve Caneb on the H.P. Hood property on Rutherford Avenue and the presentation of a proposal by Murray Outdoor Communications to erect a billboard along the railroad tracks.

#### Public Safety Meeting

Co-Chairmen John Dillon and Bill McCabe have announced that the next Public Safety/Police Community Relations meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec.

10 at Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St.

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

### ★ Christmas Tree Lighting And Party In Thompson Square . . .

Mayor Thomas Menino and Santa Claus will pay a holiday visit to Thompson Square at 3:15 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8 to light the community Christmas Tree. The mayor and Santa will arrive by trolley and a countdown will see the tree lit for the holidays.

The children will then be invited into One Thompson Square for a talk and photo with Santa, a bag of "goodies" and refreshments donated by merchants in the Thompson Square area.

The event, which is open to all Charlestown children and their parents, is co-sponsored by CHARlestown Against Drugs (CHAD).

★ Home Heating Assistance . . . Are you or someone you know in need of home heating assistance? Well, help is available! The Action for Boston Community Development Fuel Assistance Program is now accepting applications from income eligible residents of Boston.

If you qualify, you may receive up to \$360 toward your home heating bill this winter.

Residents may call 241-8866 to make an appointment to visit the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St. Appointments are

scheduled between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Applications are taken only by appointment.

★ Board Of Appeal Hearing . . . A petition will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

• Richard Kuzman is seeking permission to change the legal occupancy of 15 Lawnwood Place from a one-family to a three-family dwelling. (BZC-18515)

Persons with questions or concerns may

call the board at 635-4775.

### ★ Central Artery/Tunnel Update . . . Narrowing Of Summer Street

For the next four months, Summer Street will be narrowed to one lane in each direction just west of the Summer Street Bridge over the South Boston Bypass Road.

#### Closure Of Purchase Street

Purchase Street will be closed from 11 p.m. until 6 a.m. through Friday, Nov. 29 and again on Monday, Dec. 2 to Friday, Dec. 6. The street will be open on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 28.

## Andrea Completes Basic Training

Marine Pvt. Jeffrey W. Andrea, son of James F. and Kathy A. Andrea of 26 Cook St., Charlestown, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Andrea successfully completed 11 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Andrea and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, he 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.

He and his fellow recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values - honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Andrea is a 1996 graduate of Pope John High School in Everett.

## Charlestown Resident Parking Permits Available At The BTD

The Boston Transportation Department has announced that it will soon implement a new Charlestown Resident Parking Program.

Charlestown residents who live in the effected area should apply for a Resident Parking Permit to avoid parking tickets once the program gets underway. Permits are distributed by the Office of the Parking Clerk, Room 224, City Hall. Residents, or their representatives, must apply for the permit in person, Monday through Friday, between the hours of

8:15 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., and Thursdays until 6:15 p.m. All outstanding Boston parking tickets must be paid before a permit will be issued.

The following two pieces of information must be presented at the Office of the Parking Clerk when applying for a permit:

• A valid Mass. automobile registration showing your car registered and principally garaged in your name from your current Boston address.

• One of the following proofs of residency bearing your name and Boston ad-

dress. The proof of residency must be current - postmarked within the past 30 days:

- Gas, Electric or Telephone Bill
- Cable Television Bill
- Monthly Bank Statement (excluding mortgage)
- Credit Card Bill
- Water and Sewer Bill

In ensuing years, the permit renewal process can be completed by mail.

For more information on how to apply for a Charlestown Resident Parking Permit, call the Office of the Parking Clerk at 635-4682.

- Tracey Ganiatsos, BTD

### It's A Boy . . .

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Waterhouse III of Chappie Street, Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Mitchell Andrew Waterhouse, on Nov. 14 at 7:36 a.m. at the Beth Israel Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are George and Trece Mullan of Cape Coral, Florida, formerly of Charlestown.

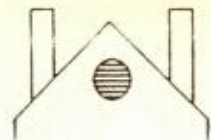
The paternal grandparents are the late William and Patricia Waterhouse of Charlestown.

Mitchell was welcomed home by his big brother, Wesley, 23 months old.

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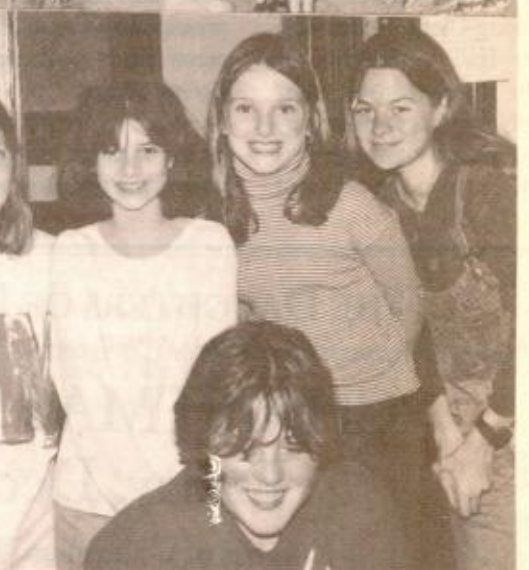
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# St. John's Church Holds Its 157th Harvest Fair

photos by Kathy Whitehouse



SOME OF THE VOLUNTEERS at the recent 157th annual Harvest Fair at St. John's Episcopal Church on Devens Street, pause for a few moments of rest at the newly restored church organ. Shown (l. to r.) Robert Stoddard, organist Douglas Witte, Jane Cowan, Steve Spinetto and Alice Krapf.



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# A Thanksgiving

by Charlie McGonagle

There is no doubt that, as we add more and more years to our lives, we have more and more to be thankful for. I am extremely thankful for many things, the most important of which is my family. Starting from the top, I will talk of Helen and Charlie, my beautiful, beautiful parents who have both spent more than eighty-five years on this earth, and who will, this Thanksgiving Day, play host and hostess at the dinner table on Elm Street to their four children and to those who have now become part of their children's lives.

Soon I will say goodbye to my fifty-fifth year and hello to my fifty-sixth. I am proud and very happy to say that I have celebrated each and every one of the Thanksgiving dinners of my life at that very same address at my parent's home on Elm Street.

I am thankful for Helen, Leo and Paul, my sister and brothers, for each of them has, in their own way, made the road in my life a bit less rocky.

I am thankful for my wife, Mary, for putting up with me for all of these years, and for giving me the finest two daughters, Brenda and Marie, that a man could ever hope for.

I am thankful for all of my cousins, aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces and in-laws.

I am thankful for my friends, and for all who have helped to make my life as comfortable as it has become.

Today, though, I would like to give special thanks to a person to whom I owe a great deal, a person I consider to have had an enormous impact on my working life, Mr. Frank G. Power Jr.

Recently I had the extreme pleasure of being asked to be part of a wonderfully

warm and nostalgic evening. The Charlestown High School classes of 1954, 1955 and 1956 and the Charlestown High School 1995 State Championship Football Team came together some forty years after their high school days to relive old memories, and for a few short hours, to be kids again.

The common denominator for those in attendance was Charlestown High School, and the main focus of much of the attention that evening was the Charlestown High School State Championship Football Team of 1995. The coach of that team was Mr. Frank G. Power Jr., and because of his involvement with Charlestown High School during my own high school days, his name had become very familiar to me.

I did not attend Charlestown High School, but I closely followed its exploits. I was a regular reader of the "CHIP," I was more than casually acquainted with the annual Science Fair, and I attended a good number of the school's sporting events.

Because many of my friends were students in one of his many math classes, or because they were part of his football and baseball teams, Mr. Power's name became so familiar to me that I truly believed I knew the man even though I had never had the privilege of meeting him.

All of that changed, however, when Mr. Power returned to Charlestown High School in the late 1960s as its headmaster.



I was, at that time, a member of the faculty. The man who had led my friends to many victories on the field of athletic battle, the man whose very name had become synonymous with the Charlestown High School of my teenage years was, now my boss.

While working under Mr. Power, I became a baseball coach and swimming coach. Through these positions, I was able to carry on my association with many CHS students in areas outside of the classroom, and because of this, I feel I was able to build a better relationship and a better understanding of the kids with whom I had contact on a daily basis.

I am proud to say that many of my former students, ballplayers, and swimmers are, today, personal friends of mine. I do not know that this would be true had Mr. Power not opened the door of opportunity for me during his time as headmaster at Charlestown.

Mr. Power left Charlestown High School during the mid 1970s and my association with him could very well have ended right there, but Mr. Power would not let that happen. I continued to hear from him on a regular basis, and when he would have occasion to visit Charlestown for the annual Bunker Hill Day Celebration, he would never fail to stop at my house for a couple of hours.

In 1982 my career as a teacher was severe-

ly threatened, and one of the first calls of assurance that I received came from Mr. Power. I had not worked with the man for several years, but he was remembering me and assuring me that he would help if the right opportunity would one day present itself.

That opportunity came a couple of years later, when as Dean of Boston Business School, Mr. Power called quite unexpectedly and asked me to drop by his new school for a social visit. After showing me around and sensing my reaction to the school as being positive, Mr. Power asked if I would be interested in becoming part of his faculty.

In September of 1984, Mr. Power once again became my boss, and although there have been many changes at the school over the past twelve years, today I remain a member of that faculty, thanks to Mr. Frank G. Power Jr.

Mr. Power passed away quite suddenly more than a decade ago, but the tremendous impact he had on the Charlestown community, Charlestown High School, and on Charlie McGonagle will not be forgotten.

I was reminded of all of these things as I sat with his widow, Eunice, and his daughter Leslie, at that recent reunion, and as I remembered, I told Mrs. Power of how much influence her late husband had had on my teaching career.

As I spoke, she listened quietly and smiled.

She knew.

What better time to say "thanks" to a person who has done so much for me and who has meant so much to me than on Thanksgiving Day.

"Thanks, Mr. Power. Thanks for everything."



## On Probation List At Boston Latin School

Boston Latin School is pleased to announce that 16 Charlestown residents have attained honors status for the first term.

They are: Neal Boyle, Sarah Colvario, Son Dinh, Michael Doherty, John

Fabiano, Alexandra French, Jennifer French, Casey Garr, Julia Jenkins, Roger Kueny, Theodore Kuttner, Neil Mahoney, Michelle Marino, Hannah Richardson, Deborah Shea and Brendan Sullivan.

## Hispanic Bazaar On Dec. 4



The J.F. Kennedy Center is sponsoring a Hispanic Bazaar from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 55 Bunker Hill St.

There will be crafts, art

and homemade food for sale.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Marie Lugo at 241-7020.

## Charlestown Preservation Society To Sponsor Annual Christmas Concert

The Charlestown Preservation Society invites all to open the festive season with them at its 14th annual Charlestown Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Church on Warren Street.

The concert will feature a return engagement of the 75-voice Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum

under the direction of Kevin Leong. The program, which is free, will include Christmas favorites, a community carol sing and wonderful selections from Brahms, Mendelssohn and Poulenc. As a special treat, the choir will be joined by New England Brass, a quintet of two trumpets, trombone, French horn and tuba.

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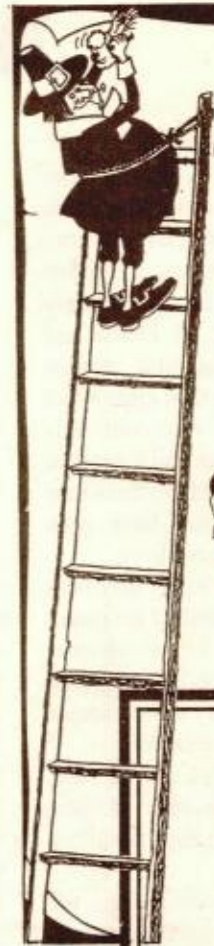
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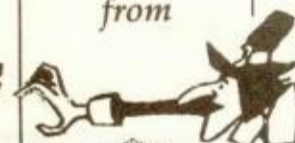
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## 'Rent' Thrills Boston Audiences – Extended Through April

The smash hit Broadway musical *Rent*, winner of four 1996 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, held its press opening in Boston at the newly refurbished Shubert Theatre last week to rave reviews. The clamor for tickets has been so tremendous that the engagement has been extended to April 27.

Inspired by Puccini's *La Bohème*, *Rent* is a joyous and turbulent musical that celebrates a community of East Villagers as they struggle with the soaring hopes and tough realities of today's New York as the young



LUTHER CREEK in his role as Mark in "Rent" now at the Shubert Theatre.

bohemians deal with personal loss, the homeless, the plight of those HIV positive and no money to pay the rent.

A haze of smoke fills the stage, which is a loft in not your basic upscale neighborhood, and the band, under the direction of Jim Abbott, begins to "rock" - and rock it does as a year in the life of these young people unfolds.

Mark (Luther Creek) chronicles the lives of his friends on film as he works through the sadness of his girlfriend Maureen leaving him for a woman.

Maureen is one of two children of celebrities in the cast. She is Carrie Hamilton, daughter of Carol Burnett. Her hysterical performance of "Over The Moon" brought some of the over-29-set back to the coffee houses of Cambridge three

decades ago. The other celebrity daughter is Mimi, played by Simone, daughter of Nina Simone. Her vocals and dancing were most exciting.

The electronically amplified voices were sometimes harsh and gentle songs lacked a tenderness. However, the performance of "One Song Glory" by Sean Keller as Roger, whose mourns the death of his girlfriend from AIDS and is himself HIV positive is haunting. "La Vie Bohème" and "Seasons of Love" were being hummed by many as they made their way out of the theater.

The adult subject matter should be considered before bringing the youngsters. But for the over-29-crowd and everyone else, go along and enjoy!

Performances of *Rent* are Tuesday through Saturday



AWARD-WINNING "Rent" features Stephan Alexander (left) as Angel with C.C. Brown (right) in the role of Tom Collins. Angel's dance in platform shoes is a classic.

evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 to \$67.50. A select group of \$20 same-day tickets are available at the box

office beginning at 6 p.m., with a limit of two per person. Tickets are available at The Shubert Theater box office, 265 Tremont St., Boston, or by calling Telecharge at 1-800-447-7400.

### 'Poets Tell Of Christmas' At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library invite residents to join noted art historian and scholar Henry Augustine Tate in "The Poets Tell of Christmas: Christmas as Portrayed through the Arts" at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Thursday, Dec. 5.

Tate, who is an associate professor of Art History at Berklee College of Music and a museum educator at Boston's Museum of Fine Arts, uses poetry and dra-

matic readings during his illustrated presentation that includes both religious and secular images - beginning with St. Luke's account of the Nativity and ending with Clement Moore's "A Visit from St. Nicholas." He will be accompanied by Berklee College of Music student Daniel Medel.

The 7:30 p.m. program is free and open to the public, although seating is limited. For additional information, call the library at 242-1248.

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For example, a company that doubles its volume every year for three or four years may find itself strapped for cash, for working space and for trained personnel.

In most companies, a 12% to 15% annual growth rate would probably be manageable. The ideal growth rate for your company depend on the unique circumstances in your firm and industry.

A new company (starting with zero sales) must obviously grow more rapidly than an established one. Some new businesses may double their sales each year for the first five years before reaching the level where a 15% annual rate is healthy.

Rapid growth may require more inventory and more space. Who will fund the growth? A 15% annual growth can probably be funded by retained earnings. A more rapid growth may require an injection of cash. If the owners can't provide the money, will it be the suppliers (increasing the accounts payable) or the banker (new short-term debt)?

Every business should have a written business plan with its growth projections clearly identified. The plan should include provisions for the finances, space, equipment, and personnel that such growth will require.

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### Parents Attend 'Meet The Schools Night'



CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Kerri Schaub and Pezam Afdhal discuss elementary school choices for their children currently enrolled at the Beacon Hill Nursery School at the recent "Meet The Schools Night" program to inform families about public and independent elementary schools. Beacon Hill Nursery School welcomes parents to an open house from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at their 74 Joy St., Boston facility. For more information, call 227-0822.

### THANK YOU, GOD

Pray 9 Hail Marys during 9 days. Ask 3 wishes, 1 concerning business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your wishes will be answered even though you may not believe it. C.C.

### USS Constitution Museum Offers Guests Holiday Cheer

The USS Constitution Museum invites merry-makers to a Holiday Open House on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 1 to 4 p.m., featuring live musical performances, tempting treats, last-minute shopping discounts and a guided voyage of master artwork inspired by the seven seas.

The Holiday Open House is free and open to the public.

All afternoon revelers can indulge in sweets and catch the holiday spirit by raising their voices in traditional sing-a-longs led by

popular chantey singer Daisy Nell. At the Museum Store, gift shoppers can take advantage of its one-day sale on many exclusive gift items, perfect presents for those impossible-to-buy-for people on everyone's list.

At 1:30 p.m., Peter Neill, poet, philosopher, writer and current president of South Street Seaport Museum in New York City, will present a dazzling slide presentation highlighting artwork from his most recently published book, *On a Painted Ocean*

- *Art of the Seven Seas*.

On a *Painted Ocean* is a spectacular portfolio of maritime paintings and objects, including both enduring masterpieces and lesser-known works. Vivid full-color plates reveal in exquisite detail this sophisticated collection of some of the world's great marine art. A book signing will follow - another wonderful gift idea!

Neill's appearance is part of the USS Constitution Museum's Seafaring Scribes authors' series featuring writers whose works

reflect their love of the sea. The series is sponsored by the Lowell Institute.

Following the USS Constitution Museum's Holiday Open House, visitors can witness the lighting of USS Constitution's Christmas tree at 6 p.m.

Located in the Boston National Historical Park at the Charlestown Navy Yard, the museum is a non-profit, educational institution dedicated to preserving the heritage of USS Constitution and teaching about the American spirit and ideals the ship embodies.



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• **Change In "Little Women" Performances** - Due to unforeseen circumstances, we must cancel the Sunday, Dec. 8 matinee of *Little Women*. While we're at it, we decided to make the show times more family-friendly. Show dates and times are Friday, Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 14 at 6 p.m.; and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12, and \$8 for students and seniors. We recommend reservations since this show will most likely sell out quickly.

• **Angels, Fireflies & Lambs / The Littlest Angel** - We have also found it necessary to change the performance times of these two shows. Show dates and times are Saturday, Dec. 14 and Saturday, Dec. 21 at 1 p.m. Tickets to these shows are \$8, and \$5 for students and seniors.

• **CWT's Children's Chorus** - Under the musical direction of Stephen Lee, our children's choir will be enjoying their first public performances this December. On Saturday, Dec. 14 at 1 p.m., they will perform their holiday program at the Golden Age Center. Sunday, Dec. 15 finds them at the CharlesNewtown Christmas Stroll at 1:30 p.m. and they will also perform at the Mary Colbert Apartments. If you would like more information regarding our chorus or if you know of a non-profit organization that would enjoy hosting a performance, please give us a call.

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

## Fifield Elected New BHCC President

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for faculty and instruction at Mott Community College, Flint, Mich.

Fifield serves as a member of the executive committee of the Board of Directors for the American Association of Community Colleges and has just completed her term as chair of the Board of Directors of the Penn. Association of Colleges and Universities. She is also past treasurer of the Penn. Commission for Community Colleges. Additionally, Fifield was appointed by the Speaker of the Penn. House of Representatives to serve on a statewide task force to study public policy related to the financing of higher education in Penn.

Her community service includes membership on the Board of Directors of the Urban League of Metropolitan Harrisburg.

She serves as secretary of the Board of Directors for both the United Way of Harrisburg and Leadership Harrisburg Area, a regional organization that promotes



NEWLY ELECTED BHCC PRESIDENT  
DR. MARY FIFIELD

volunteer service among a diverse corps of community leaders. Most recently, Fifield was selected by the Association of Community College Trustees as co-recipient with the

Harrisburg Area Community College Board of Trustees of the Charles Kennedy Equity Award. This award is annually given to the community college in the country that

best demonstrates a commitment to achieve equity in its education programs and services and to provide opportunities to women and persons of color.

The Board of Trustees and the faculty, staff and students of Bunker Hill Community College welcome Fifield and look forward to working with her in service to the Greater Boston community.

Bunker Hill Community College is a comprehensive, two-year institution of higher education located in historic Charlestown. With its Chelsea campus, BHCC serves the Commonwealth of Mass. as its third largest community college, serving approximately 6,500 day and evening students. Emphasizing high-quality, affordable career and transfer educational opportunities through the associate-degree level, the college is a regional institution serving the diverse urban community residing in the greater metropolitan Boston area.



The holiday season, while joyous for many, can be lonely for those who can't be up and about to take part in the festivities. "Townie Santa" was begun 15 Christmases ago to bring holiday cheer into the lives and homes of Charlestown's elderly, needy shut-ins and the tradition continues this year with the delivery of Christmas packages on Sunday, Dec. 22. The boxes will contain useful items such as canned goods and toiletries, along with a hot turkey dinner and some surprises.

### • COMMITTEE MEETING •

The Townie Santa Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. All are welcome.

### • PLEASE GIVE A HELPING HAND •

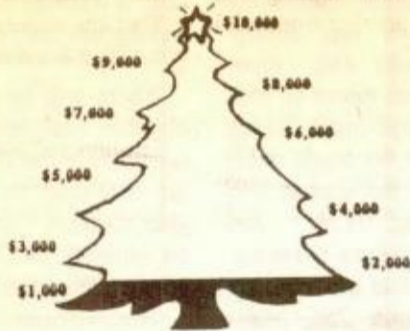
The dates for packing the Christmas boxes and wrapping gifts have been set, and the committee is asking for residents to assist in this task. It is a great way to get into the holiday spirit, so plan now to join in on one or more of the evenings. Helpers should come to the Mary Colbert Apartments Community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

- Monday, Dec. 9 - packing & wrapping
- Thursday, Dec. 12 - packing & wrapping
- Monday, Dec. 16 - packing & wrapping
- Thursday, Dec. 19 - packing & wrapping
- Friday, Dec. 20 - fruit packing

and, of course, Sunday, Dec. 22 at 11 a.m. is for delivery of the Townie Santa packages.

### • WATCH THE CHRISTMAS TREE GROW

Contributions for Townie Santa are arriving, but much more is needed. The committee is asking for your assistance in making the Christmas tree grow! All donations will be publicly acknowledged.



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## It's A Girl . . .

Jackie Chesebrough and Kenny Gallant are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Katelyn Dorothy. She weighed 6 pounds 4 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Her maternal grandpar-

ents are Roger and Gloria Chesebrough of Everett.

Her paternal grandmother is Jacklyn Phillips of Medford.

Katelyn's great-grandmothers are Mertle Burton of Medford and Priscilla Kenyon of Charlestown.

## BHCC Presents 'Charlotte's Web'

The Bunker Hill Community College Drama Club's production of the children's play "Charlotte's Web" will be performed next week at the Charlestown campus.

"Charlotte's Web," based on the well-known children's story by E.B. White, is a story about friendship, an unlikely friendship between a pig and a spider.

When Wilbur, the pig, is born as a runt on the Arable's farm, Fern Arable intervenes to save his life. Later Charlotte, the spider, takes on the same task by spinning phrases like "Some Pig" in her web. Suddenly people start taking notice of Wilbur, believing he is as "Terrific" and "Radiant" as the mira-

culous words proclaim. After winning a special medal at the county fair, Wilbur's long life on the farm is assured.

The BHCC Drama Company, directed by Ruth E. Ivers, professor of theatre at BHCC, will present "Charlotte's Web" on Wednesday and Friday evenings, Dec. 4 and 6 at 7 p.m. A special matinee performance has been scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 5 at 12:30 p.m. All performances will take place in the college auditorium, A-300, and are free of charge.

To reserve seats or to obtain additional information, contact BHCC Liberal Arts Department at 228-2022 or the director at 228-3260.

## Holiday Celebration At The Library

The Charlestown Branch Library will conduct a Christmas program for children ages 5 to 9 on Friday, Dec. 13 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Children will be treated to stories and arts and

crafts representing December celebrations of several cultures.

The program is limited to 30 children and parents are welcome.

Please call the library at 242-1248 to register.

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**YOUTH OF THE MONTH**



STEPHANIE SACCARDO

It comes as no surprise that Stephanie Saccardo has been chosen as a Member of the Month. A member since she was 6 years old, Stephanie, now 10, (as of Friday, Nov. 29, Happy Birthday, Stephanie!!) has been a very active member of the club. It would be easier to list the activities and programs she hasn't been involved in, but here's a few of those Stephanie does participate in - swim team, girls group, any and all gym activities, dance, Just the Facts Day... (She can tell you more about what goes on in the club than Jerry or John). Stephanie is also a great role model for her peers and always ready to help staff when called upon. Her smile, which she always wears, brightens everyone's day.

Congratulations to our newest Member of the Month, Pat Kelley. Pat is 11 years old and is a member of the Boys Ball Hockey Team. Besides being a "gym rat," Pat is also very active in all of the other program areas such as Homework Help in the library, tournaments in the Games Room and he has the maturity and personality to blend in at the pool table in the Teen Room.



PAT KELLEY

**CHAD Tennis News**

by Tom Desmond

In its weekend-scheduled tennis match, the Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Tennis Club continue its travels to other tennis sites around the area in search of good, old tennis fun and competition.

Last Sunday, the crew traveled to Andover and met the Rolling Green Tennis team in what turned out to be a very entertaining and well-played match.

The match was played in a round-robin format to give kids more of an opportunity to play different opponents in both singles and doubles. This time, the CHAD team came

away with the victory by total games of 43 to 28.

It was a good win for the local team, one that showed improvement from all of its players. The previous week, they had a tough loss at Northeast.

Participants in both matches were: David Bryson, John Fabiano, James and Catherine Garvey, Casey Garr, Andrew Grzelcyk, John and Phillip Jones, Pat Kane, Ryan Mainey, Brian Nowlak, Michael O'Brien, Colin Smith and Bobby Yandle.

If anyone is interested in participating in CHAD tennis, call Tom Desmond at 241-8932.

**GENERAL NEWS**

**Teen Rap** - This week, students from Harvard Law School presented a workshop in dating violence. They will be back to conduct their "talk show" format on what really goes on in an abusive relationship in real life scenarios. Stay tuned...

**Saving The Farm, One Animal At A Time** - A group of volunteer members held a bake sale on Nov. 21 to raise money for the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. They raised over \$70, which will be donated to the MSPCA Nevins Farm in Methuen, a sanctuary for abused and neglected animals - including horses and other livestock. The members will present their donation to the farm during their field trip there on Friday, Nov. 29. These animal lovers include April McMillan (the mastermind of the operation), Stephanie Saccardo, Katie DiFava, Lauren and Jen DeMille, Jennifer Neal, Lauren O'Hearn, Kim Leonard, Kristina Matarazzo and Jillyan Flaherty.

**Thanksgiving Dinner** - Prepared by members of the Chef's Club and Denise's troops, a complete turkey dinner (except cranberry sauce) was served Friday night. Everything was delicious and though we had plenty of time to build our appetites waiting for the birds to cook, Damaris saved the day. We hope everyone's Thanksgiving is as good as this was.

**Michael O'Leary Is Back!** - After a couple of years off the Ping-Pong circuit, Mike O'Leary came storming back to win the Teen Center Tourney this past week. Mike defeat-

**From Jerry's Desk...**

**THANK YOU, CHARLESTOWN!**

All of the Board, Staff and Members of the Club would like to thank the many individuals, families and businesses who have so generously responded to our Bricks Campaign. Already over 50 bricks and 10 granite pavers have been purchased in support of our new facility. We still have a ways to go before we reach our goal, but we are confident that Charlestown's long history of support for its Boys & Girls Club will continue and we'll soon be in our new and renovated facility — and permanently engraved on the sidewalk outside will be the name of the people who made it possible. Thank you.

ed John Ahearn in a very hard-fought match. Rumor has it that Mike has been playing in the Orient trying to recapture his championship form.

**Patriots Rope The Colts** - Our beloved Patriots rebounded from last week's debacle against Denver for a 27-13 win over the Indy Colts. With the win, the Pats edge closer to a playoff spot. On hand from the club were Robby Murray, Tim Warren, Tim Gallagher, John Fabiano, Sean Rae, Geoffrey Ferreira and Mike Smith.

**CHAD Junior Bowling League News**



by John Dillon

In a match in the Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League that would see two first-place giants go at each other, Cricket's team slamslunked The Red Store in an 8-0 shut out.

So complete was the dominance of the Cricket team that each member bowled over 200, something that doesn't happen that often. So we're going to give you all the scores of Cricket's team: Marianne Kissane 245, Brent Awbrey 232, Danny Kissane 220 and Chris Schievink 205. These scores total 902 - the highest team three-strings bowled this year, and bowled under pressure against the Red Store, the other first-place team. I just have to say, "WOW! Great bowling kids!" Top bowler for the Red Store was Steven Awbrey with 223 and Kaileigh Burke was runner-up with 198.

Bunker Hill Real Estate zonked the McCarthy Bro-

thers team for a 6-2 win. Top bowler for BHRE was Mike Shackford with 242. Shawn Burke was runner-up with 205. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Matt Paley with 234 and Mike Simensen was runner-up with 202.

The Shamrocks are on a comeback trail with a 6-2 drubbing of the Kennedy Center. Top bowler for the Shamrocks was John Harrington with 239 and Jon Paul Awbrey was runner-up with 231. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Sean Cronk with 236. Brendan Grace was runner-up with 183.

The American Legion is showing signs of coming on for a crack at the championship. They clocked the Charlestown Patriot for an 8-0 shut out, which leaves them only 5 points out of first place. Top bowler for the American Legion was Sheilann Williams with 235. Runner-up was Casey Durham with 224. Top bowler for the Patriot was

Craig Gaudette with 237 and Michelle Williams was runner-up with 170.

In the final match of the day, Diane Modica's team came to life with a 6-2 scorching of Jenny's Pizza. Top bowler for Modica's team was Richie Burns with 254 and Chris Chiampa was runner-up with 221. Top bowler for Jenny's was Jimmy Kissane with 238. Ryan Stillman was runner-up with 170. In that match Richie Burns tied the single string record for the year at 109, "nice string, Richie." Jim Kissane also has a 109 string.

Bowlers of the week are Richie Burns 254, Marianne Kissane 245, Mike Shackford 242, John Harrington 239, Jim Kissane 238, Craig Gaudette 237, Sean Cronk 236, Sheilann Williams 235, Matt Paley 234, Brent Awbrey 232 and Jon Paul Awbrey 231.

Bowlers trying the hardest are Sara Johnson 118, Tom Fasano 119, Jared Silva 141, Joe Awbrey 143, Eryn Burke 144, Keri Mc-

Guire 144, Joey Burke 147, Andrew Foley 168, Nicole Chiampa 169, Alex Gaudette 172, Candace Eather-ton 175 and Colleen Hoell 195.

I would like to thank Frankie Stillman, Jimmy Vesey and the Mother of Tears organization for their donation. It was very nice of you and the kids can sure use it.

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There will be no bowling this Saturday, so you can all have the Thanksgiving weekend to be with your families. See you all on Saturday, the 7th of December, Pearl Harbor Day.

Happy Thanksgiving!

**Standings**

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Cricket's	39	17
American Legion	34	22
Red Store	31	25
McCarthy Bros.	30	26
Diane Modica	28	28
Jenny's Pizza	28	28
B.H. Real Estate	24	32
Kennedy Center	24	32
Chas'n. Patriot	18	38
Shamrocks	16	40

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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

♣ **Thanksgiving '96** . . . A little over 375 years ago, the Pilgrims came to the New World aboard the Mayflower in search of a better way of life for themselves and their families. They worked together and stuck together. They were a family, each sharing and caring for each other. They soon found that the Indians, the native Americans, also had this sharing and caring. The same caring and sharing they had.

Soon they would sit down together - Pilgrims and Indians, native Americans and new Americans - to give thanks for their many blessings, thanks for being alive and thanks for being together.

This week, we commemorate that first Thanksgiving and similarly, we have the same things to be thankful for.

Thanksgiving is a family holiday and the family has much to be thankful for. Enjoy your day, enjoy our day!

♣ **Early Thanks** . . . I started the Thanksgiving celebration on Saturday. The Christopher Columbus High School Class of 1986 celebrated its 10th reunion, and it was a great way for me, and fellow Columbus alumnus and school colleague Dave McKay to begin the holiday season. Laughter, music, bagpipes and memories filled the Dockside function room. To see how these fine young people, still very much friends, have grown into fine young adults, puts a real perspective on what Christopher Columbus High School was really all about, and how important it was to all our lives. The many kind words expressed to Dave and I meant a lot, but that which means the most is a continued friendship that still exists, and continues to grow even stronger. You are very special people and among the reason why we are most thankful.

♣ **Team Harmony III** . . . On a recent Tuesday in November, I had the opportunity to accompany some of our young people from Charlestown High School to the World of Difference's Team Harmony III event held at the FleetCenter. We joined over 10,000 other young people, and CHS was part of the contingent that represented over 50% of the high schools and middle schools in the state. It was a day to celebrate life, and a day to send up a strong message against hate and bigotry. Keynote speaker Rev. Bernice A. King, daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King, said many important things, but that which stuck in my mind were the words, "If you have the light, let it shine," translated, if you know hate and bigotry is wrong, don't be silent and tolerate it, let everyone know it is wrong. Sitting up in the press area before the start of Team Harmony III, I watched the young people fill the seats of the FleetCenter, and the empty seats soon became a sea of beautiful humanity. The goal of Team Harmony really seems to be to unleash this beautiful sea and make our world an even more beautiful place. The light

from Team Harmony must shine.

♣ **Charlestown High Lights** . . . The football Townies celebrated Thanksgiving a little early tipping O'Bryant 14-12 in the final two minutes of regulation. Senior Hugh Coleman capped a brilliant scoring drive and a fine senior season to tie the game and then quarterback Mitch McCroskey hit him with the winning extra two. Donyel Patterson gave the Townies a quick first quarter 6-0 lead. Keying the win was the outstanding play of the defensive unit which caused several big turnovers including two fumble recoveries. Charlestown completed the year with a fine 6-3-1 record.

Gearing up for what should be a very exciting winter sports season, many members of the girls basketball program and their guests attended Sunday's Reebok Women College Basketball Classic doubleheader at the FleetCenter featuring Louisville vs. Vanderbilt and Boston College vs. Conn. A basketball clinic was presented by Rebecca Lobo prior to the start of the games. Special thanks to Area A Youth Officer Teddy Boyle BPD for providing the tickets.

♣ **Turkey Week Football Menu** . . . Wednesday, Nov. 27 - Don Bosco at Malden Catholic; Thursday, Nov. 28 - BC High vs. Catholic Memorial, Everett at Cambridge, Boston Latin vs. Boston English, Matignon at Arlington Catholic, Pope John at Chelsea, St. Clement at Trinity Catholic and Savio Prep at Austin Prep.

♣ **High School Notebook** . . . Thanksgiving has many great traditions and as we well know in this state, high school football reigns as the schoolboys are the Kings of the Day. Rivalries are renewed this day and old friendships are rekindled. Memories of days gone by fill the morning air of the high school fields and a win on Thanksgiving means a championship season, whether you are undefeated or winless going into the game. A whole year of "bragging rights" is up for grabs on Turkey Day. Champions are crowned and super bowl berths are filled and for every senior, this is his day to shine and in reality, they all do.

For many of us "The Game" was Columbus - Don Bosco or Columbus - Dom Savio, and many a Thanksgiving morning we would awake early and head to East Boston Stadium. Many a championship and many a super bowl berth was decided in the mud of that playing field. Many a friendship was renewed and many more were made at East Boston Stadium. These are the memories we have, and this day, this week, many more will be made for those who take the field.

Congratulations to all those who continue to make this tradition great. This is your day!

♣ **Baseball Winter Fest** . . . Boston will be the site of the

annual Baseball Winter meetings, and in conjunction with these, Major League Baseball and the Boston Red Sox will host Winter Fest at the Hynes Veterans Convention Center on Dec. 7 and 8 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. This will be a spectacular Baseball Theme Park where everyone can see, touch and participate in America's favorite pastime. Attractions include video batting and pitching cages, a rookie league cage and power alley, photo baseball cards, baseball card flipping and card challenge and a Winter Fest store.

For ticket information, call the Red Sox at 236-6611.

♣ **College Board** . . . UMass-Boston Hockey Coach Kevin McGonagle made his debut this past weekend and A+ would be the grade given. Townie McGonagle's charges defeated Wesleyan 7-3 and Trinity 8-1. Heroes in the Wesleyan victory were Jason Rotondo, who had three goals, and his brother, Joe Rotondo, who had three assists. Matt Anthony had two goals and an assist, and Chris LoGuidice had three assists in the Trinity win. Mike Yanovitch and Anthony Gilardi, a couple of very familiar Beacons via Don Bosco, had the weekend UMass-Boston goals.

♣ **Happy Thanks** . . . As you read "Bob D's Beat" week after week, you come to realize that many of the people I mention here have become good friends and to each of them and to their families, I wish the Happy-est of Thanksgiving Days. You are all very important to me, and you are among the reasons why I am most truly thankful. Over the next few hours, many of you will be celebrating the day at home, but for others, the celebration will be away from home. You might be away at school, or pursuing your goals in other areas. You might be serving all of us in the military and some of you might even be in some type of confinement, but no matter what or where you are, you are fondly remembered, and my very special Happy Thanksgiving to you. You are far from forgotten and very much thought of, especially now. Thank you for giving me so much.

♣ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk's sixth goal of the season was the comeback goal in the Phoenix - New York Islander 3-3 tie.

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Birthday best to Dede Arroyo . . . If you see Pat McClellan, aka Cheesey, please don't call him Mel Gibson . . . Chris Donovan is sightseeing out west . . . Jacque Neff has cancelled Macarena lessons due to the holiday, but they will resume! . . . Greg Poole loves garlic oil on pizza . . . Debbie Brennan, have a great Turkey Day, from all your friends in the CHS Cafeteria . . . Quote of the week, Mary Rizzo says: "I will never diet again!" . . . Bobby Yandle is the BU Mascot, Rhett! . . . Mr. Leonard, Anna says she would like a graduation party! Smile!

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**Monday, Nov. 18**

A man reported that his motor vehicle was struck by another motor vehicle on Medford Street, the driver of which fled the area.

A motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on 13th Street. A walkman, a Nike bag and a CD player were stolen.

**Wednesday, Nov. 20**

Police officers arrested seven males on default warrants. There were two arrests on Decatur Street, two on Walford Way and one each on Corey, Monument and Medford streets.

Police officers arrested two females on default warrants, one on Medford Street and one on Polk Street.

**Thursday, Nov. 21**

Police officers arrested six males on default warrants. There were two arrests on Dunstable Street, two on Medford Street and one on Rutherford Avenue and one at Dunstable and Main streets.

Police officers arrested two females on Old Landing Way for possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Police officers arrested a male on Old Landing Way for possession of marijuana.

**Friday, Nov. 22**

A motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Brighton Street.

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke the windshield and flattened the tires of his motor vehicle while it was parked on Main Street.

Officers from the school police found ammunition on Medford Street and turned it over to the Boston Police.

A motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Prospect Street. A leather jacket, a radar detector and a lap-top computer were stolen.

A White Mountain bike was stolen from Eighth Street in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

A man reported that he was assaulted by a person he knows while he was on Old Landing Way. He will seek complaints in court.

**Saturday, Nov. 23**

A man stated that person(s) unknown tried to steal his motor vehicle that was parked on Cross Street.

Police officers arrested a male on Corey Street for trespassing.

A woman reported that a person she knows withdrew

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money from her bank account. She will seek complaints in court.

A motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on High Street. A car radio was stolen.

**Sunday, Nov. 24**

A motor vehicle was broken into while it was parked on Baldwin Street. A car radio was stolen.

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

A peanut goes to sea in a shoe in "Captain Silas" . . . Jimmy's pet boa constrictor goes on his class trip in "The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash" . . . and a lion cub delivers a flock of sheep in "Lambert the Sheepish Lion."

An orphan girl gives away her most special possession in "The Legend of the Bluebonnet," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Mr. Grumpy's Outing** by John Burningham and **To Bathe a Boa** by C. Imbion Kudrna.

## 'Menu Planning and Grocery Shopping' At The Charlestown Branch Library

Kristin Murphy R.D. and nutritionist, and Heidi Hallila, Intern, nutrition department, both of the MGH - Bunker Hill Health Center, will be the guest speakers at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 6.

Planning a menu and

grocery shopping are two activities which can help your family's diet and also organize your life. Suggestions on stocking your pantry, working with the food pyramid and experimenting with recipes will be discussed.

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

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Suffolk Division Docket No. 96P2760  
**NOTICE**  
To all persons interested in the estate of Mary E. Mellen, aka Mary Ellen Mellen, late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death October 14, 1996.  
A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the will be proved and allowed and that Denise Fitzpatrick of Billerica, in the County of Middlesex, be appointed executrix, without sureties on her bond.  
IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Pemberton Square BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON December 19, 1996.  
**Wills only:** In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.  
Witness Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.  
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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.

**Thanks, M. O. T.**  
Dear Gloria,  
The Charlestown Chiefs Girls Hockey Team would like to take this opportunity to thank President Frank Stillman and all the guys at the Mothers of Tears Social Club for their generous donation. Their contribution helped make it possible for us to join the very expensive girls deck hockey league at Hockey Town.  
Lastly, we can't wait until the end of the season celebration at the club.  
Sincerely,  
The 1996 Charlestown Chiefs

**Lots Of Thanks At Thanksgiving**  
It seems an appropriate time to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the entire community for contributing to the successful opening of the Warren-Prescott Community Playground. It was a beautiful day.  
I am so grateful for our Playground Committee: Dr. Amara, Doug MacDonald, Toni Fernandez, Leo Boucher and Steve Spinetto for their support and friendship. Many thanks to my husband and children, the teachers, parents, neighbors and business partners who offered their blessings and talents to make this gift for our children happen. Special thanks to CHAD and Kathleen and Jennifer Evers for generously donating their face-painting services. Many thanks to Store 24 for donating the festive balloons for our special day.  
Also, thanks to Gloria and Kathy at the Patriot, Rosemary Kverek, the Boys & Girls Club, Area A - Boston Police, Peggy Davis-Mullen, The Bunker Hill Health Center, Rep. Richie Voke, City Councillor Diane Modica, Judy Evers and Mayor Thomas M. Menino for caring so much.  
I have lots to be thankful for, and living in such a great community with so many fine people is truly a blessing that I cherish. Happy Thanksgiving to you all.  
Love,  
Pat Simpson

## Join The 'Jingle Bell Run'

What's red and white, has 8,000 feet and jingles when it moves? The throng of runners/walkers who will be participating in the 20th annual Bill Rodgers Jingle Bell Run to benefit Mass. Special Olympics.

An estimated 4,000 attendants wearing jingle bells, Santa hats and other holiday costumes, will take part in this year's event set for Sunday, Dec. 8. The run/walk kicks off at 6 p.m. from the Sheraton Boston Hotel & Towers. Participants will make their way through a 2.5 mile course before head-

ing back to the Sheraton for a festive evening of music, food, dancing and costume contests.

Four-time Boston Marathon winner Bill Rodgers, who founded the Jingle Bell Run, says, "This event has been an exciting part of my family's holiday tradition for the last 20 years. We enjoy supporting such a worthwhile organization."

Applications for the Jingle Bell Run are available at the Bill Rodgers Running Center in Faneuil Hall, Boston area Toys R Us stores or by calling 508-774-1501, ext. 226.

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## Charlestown 'Make A Wish' Program Seeking Names Of Families Who Need Help At Christmas

Charlestown Mayor Frank Stillman and Charlestown Rose Lesley Borden, with support from the Charlestown Community Center, are accepting names of children and families who need help this holiday season.

Continuing the tradition established by former Charlestown Mayor Linda Howell, Stillman and Borden are organizing the Charlestown Christmas "Make A Wish" program this year.

Through the generosity of local businesses and community support, the committee plans to provide Christmas gifts and winter clothing to Charlestown residents who need extra help during the holidays.

Stillman and Borden are asking people to send in the name of any family in need, along with the address, telephone number, the number of children and their ages. Also include

whether they could best use toys or clothing.

Names should be sent by Dec. 15 to: Charlestown Christmas "Make A Wish," P.O. Box 408, Charlestown, Mass. 02129. The names of those submitted will be kept anonymous.

Donations to the program are welcome. Just make the check payable to Christmas Wish/Charlestown Community Center and send it to the above

address.

Stillman and Borden urge everyone to get involved in this program so that some Christmas wishes can come true.

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