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Open Letter To The MBTA

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Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority

10 Park Plaza

Boston, Mass. 02116

ATTN: General Manager Patrick Moynihan

Dear Sir:

On Aug. 20, a public meeting was held at the Bunker Hill Community College in Charlestown, at 7 p.m. The purpose of this meeting was to receive comments from the communities that may be affected by privatization of buses we all use.

The first issue we would like to address is total lack of notice to the Charlestown community concerning this meeting. Ms. Lisa McCallum from your staff stated that over 500 local newspapers were notified of these comment meetings. It was stated by Ms. McCallum that the Charlestown Patriot was notified. In a phone conversation with the staff of the Patriot on the morning of Aug. 21, it was verified that notification of this meeting had not been received by them. I would think if you were seeking public comments, you would invite the public and that would include the residents of Charlestown.

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Massport Announces Tobin Bridge Paint Project

by Kathleen J. Nelson,
Massport Special
Projects Coordinator

The Charlestown Neighborhood Council hosted a Tobin Bridge Painting Project meeting last Monday evening presented by the Massachusetts Port Authority. Thirty members of the community gathered at the Legion Hall to hear the presentation and engage in a question and answer period.

The Tobin Bridge Painting Project contractor will begin to set up in the next couple of weeks on the upper deck, from the top of the lower level handrails up, on the stretch of the bridge that extends from Tremont Street to just past Walford Way.

"In order to ensure the

safety of both the neighbors and the traveling public, it is necessary that we repaint the bridge," said Tobin Memorial Bridge Director Mary Jane O'Meara. "This work is necessary if we are to stop lead chips from falling into the community. Right now, the conditions are poor and painting will protect the structural integrity of the bridge."

Raytheon Engineers and Constructors designed the project and Erie Interstate Contractors of Lancaster, New York, is the general contractor. The bid specifies that 40% of the contract can be subcontracted. However, to date, Erie Contractors has not submitted any subcontractor contingencies. The

contractor has completed the Health and Safety Plan, as well as a Containment and Pollution Control Plan as required by Massport. A qualified resident engineer will be on site every day to ensure that all engineering specifications are met. In addition, a certified industrial hygienist from Peer Consultants will review the Health and Safety Plans, make recommendations and audit safety records.

This project has been designed to be as environmentally sound as possible. Because no sandblasting is allowed, the flaking lead paint will be removed with hand-held vacuum attachment tools. The work will be performed in a 100% enclosed containment system that keeps dust particles from escaping into the atmosphere. Workers inside the containment will be properly

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A Quiet Change For St. Catherine's

by Lynn Peters

Father Jim DiPerri describes himself as even-tempered and calm, an individual who loves the company of people. Meeting the 33-year-old Catholic priest, one senses a quiet and reassuring sincerity, but a quietude that does not take away any of the passion that Father DiPerri has for the priesthood.

He arrived this month at St. Catherine of Siena Church without fanfare to serve as the church's newest pastor. With a marked modesty, Father DiPerri says that he loves being a priest, and looks forward to serving here.

"I am here to provide spiritual guidance, moral support and active participation in the church's work," he said, "realizing, of course, that I am only one person."

For the first time in St. Catherine's history, a single priest has been assigned to do its work. Father DiPerri already credits the rectory staff members and volunteers, and Fathers Daniel Mahoney and James Canniff of St. Francis de Sales and St. Mary's churches for their support as he enters only his third week of his Charlestown mission.

"I have a deep respect for the people of Charlestown," says Father DiPerri. "I admire their sense of community and the importance that the church plays in the life of the community to build up the family."

Originally from South Boston, where he calls his family home, Father DiPerri says his decision to become a priest came from "God's deep call within me that grew over the years."

His paternal grandmother, Charlotte



FATHER JIM DiPERRI is St. Catherine of Siena Church's new pastor, having arrived in Charlestown less than a month ago.

(photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

Brady, braved the Atlantic Ocean to sail from County Cork, Ireland, to settle first in Charlestown in 1916 and later South Boston. Father DiPerri remarks that her first sights of the new land were Charlestown's three steeples; echoing grandmother Charlotte's deep faith and spirituality.

He says he sees South Boston and Charlestown as sharing the spotlight of none-too-kind media, local coverage that can harm a neighborhood's sense of pride.

"Charlestown has a proud past," he

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Menino Visits Courageous Sailing Center



MAYOR THOMAS M. MENINO and his newly appointed Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, Justine M. Liff, were at the Courageous Sailing Center in Charlestown recently to visit the successful program and to meet with local Courageous sailors. Shown front row (l. to r.) Tim Sheehan, Shane Coleman, and Kendrick Wilson, all from Charlestown. Back row (l. to r.) Liff, Jamie Santosuosso, Mary Dyan, Pamela Benoit, Tiffany Benoit, Laura Kaloustian, Jim Mahoney, Patrick Lacey, all of Charlestown, Menino and Courageous Sailing Director Sandra Gould. (photo by Alison Forker)

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, Aug. 22

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

Friday, Aug. 23

• **8 p.m. to midnight** - "Let's

Rock the Vote for Bill McCabe," candidate for state representative - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Aug. 24

• **3 p.m.** - Charlestown Townies vs. Ocean State Buccaneers Football Game - Hornel Stadium, Medford

Tuesday, Aug. 26

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

Wednesday, Aug. 27

• **2 to 7 p.m.** - Charlestown Farmers' Market - Main Street, across from the Charlestown Branch Library

upcoming events

Thursday, Aug. 29

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

Monday, Sept. 2

Happy & Safe Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 3

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

Wednesday, Sept. 4

• **2 to 7 p.m.** - Charlestown Farmers' Market - Main Street, across from the Charlestown Branch Library

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

plan ahead

Sunday, Sept. 8

• **10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** - Craft Fair, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1 - K. of C. Upper Hall, 75 West School St.

• **5 p.m.** - Reception honoring Florence Johnson, state president, Gold Star Mothers, sponsored by Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Thursday, Sept. 12

• **7 p.m.** - Sixth Annual Rep. Richie Voke Charlestown Charity Event - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Sept. 14

• **6:30 p.m.** - Scavenger Hunt to benefit St. Catherine's Color Guard - St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street

• **8 p.m.** - CYHA Fund Raiser in remembrance of Jimmy "Cricket" Dillon with entertainment by Jack Dalton - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, Sept. 29

• **Following 5 p.m. Mass** - Giant Bola, sponsored by the Guild of St. Francis de Sales - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Friday, Oct. 4

• **8 p.m.** - Charity Fund Dance with music by The Rainbow's End, sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Oct. 5

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

Sunday, Oct. 6

• **4:30 to 7 p.m.** - Celebration marking the completion of City Square Park - City Square

Thursday, Oct. 17

• **6 to 11 p.m.** - Auction to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall 75 West School St.

Sunday, Oct. 20

• **2 p.m.** - Fall Homecoming for past and present members of all three parishes in Charlestown - Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St., followed by a reception at The Schrafft Center, Sullivan Square

Sunday, Oct. 27

• **10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - Craft Fair, sponsored by the Guild of St. Francis de Sales Parish - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, Nov. 9

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown High School Classes of 1954, 1955, 1956 and state football champions Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

St. Francis de Sales Happenings

Sister Ann Rita, O.P.

On Sunday, Sept. 1, the 9 a.m. Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church will be a special Mass of Thanksgiving for Sister Ann Rita, O.P., as she takes up her new residence at Rosary Manor in Watertown. Sister Ann Rita has been at St. Francis de Sales for the past 20 years - teaching in the parish school, ministering to the elderly in Charlestown and serving as lector and Eucharistic Minister at parish liturgies.

Following the 9 a.m. Mass on Sept. 1, there will be a collation for Sister Ann Rita in the Bishop Lawton Hall, where all are most welcome to extend their best wishes to her as she begins a new phase of her religious life as a Kentucky Dominican. We are grateful for the years Sister has spent here in Charlestown, giving witness to Christ and His love to so many, many of us in these years that have passed all too quickly. God Bless you, Sister Ann Rita, with many more years of grace, happiness and good health in your religious life.

Super Beano

On Saturday, Oct. 5, we will have our first Super Beano. The cost is \$50 (cash only) which can be paid at the Saturday Night Beano or at the rectory. A deposit of \$25 can be made at the time of registration, and full payment is due by Saturday, Sept. 28.

The package will consist of 18 cards, and prizes will depend on the number in attendance. A minimum of 150 players is required.

Charlestown Catholic News

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School will open the new school year on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 8:10 a.m. Tuesday will be a half-day with dismissal at 11:30 a.m. Regular school hours, 8:10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., begin on Wednesday, Sept. 4. Kindergarten begins on Thursday, Sept. 5, with class hours 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday and Friday. Regular school hours for Kindergarten will begin on Monday, Sept. 9.

All those families who have registered for the 1996-97 school year and completed their book fee payments have received a letter in the mail with further information. Outstanding book fees and tuition payments must be made at the school office during the next two weeks. The school office will be open from 8 to 11 a.m. on weekdays for these two weeks.

There are openings in the school. Kindly contact Principal, Sister Mary Ellen, C.S.J., at 242-0169 if you wish to enroll a student in the school.

Hungry Sunday

We are grateful to all those who made a donation of canned goods for the Charlestown Food Pantry. Your

assistance is gratefully appreciated.

Giant Bola

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales Parish is conducting a Giant Bola to benefit the parish on Sunday, Sept. 29 after the 5 p.m. Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall. This is a parish benefit Bola! There are over 100 prizes, (every one a beautiful prize), that have been donated by parishioners and friends.

Chances are \$1 each and are available from the chairperson, Joan Rae, the Guild members, the ushers at Mass and at the rectory.

Homecoming

The Homecoming is a benefit for Charlestown Catholic Elementary School. It is also a get-together for past and present members of all three parishes in Charlestown. The Homecoming will be held on Sunday, Oct. 20 and will begin with a Mass of Celebration at 2 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church. A reception and collation will immediately follow the Mass at the Schrafft Center from 3 to 7 p.m.

Tickets can be reserved by sending a check or money order for \$25 to the Fall Homecoming, P.O. Box 316, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

Craft Fair

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales Parish is sponsoring a Craft Fair on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, please contact Joan Rae at 242-0147.

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CHARLESTOWN YOUTH HOCKEY FALL REGISTRATION

**Tuesday, Sept. 3
Thursday, Sept. 5
7 to 8 p.m.**

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

Registration fee \$30.

Annual dues \$400.

Proof of birth must be presented for all new members.

All Bantams must be registered at this time in order to be placed on a roster.

Registrations may also be made at the rink office after it opens in mid-September.

JOIN A CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM!



Boston Chosen As Port For The BT Global Challenge

Boston has been chosen as the only port in North America to host the BT Global Challenge, known as the world's toughest yacht race because it runs the "wrong way" around the world, against prevailing winds and currents. Setting out on Sept. 29, 1996 from Southampton, England, 14 absolutely identical 67-foot yachts will sail first to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, then to Wellington, New Zealand; followed by Sydney, Australia; then Cape Town, South Africa; from there to Boston, arriving on or about June 12, 1997. The yachts will leave Boston on June 29 for the final leg of the race back to Southampton.

"We chose Boston because of its sailing heritage as well as its infrastructure, its facilities, and most of all its people who are so responsive to this type of event," said James Barron, director of Corporate Communications of BT North America, a division of British Telecommunications, plc., sponsors of the race. "This international event will promote Boston around the world through a variety of activities includ-



BT GLOBAL CHALLENGE: Bransom Bean (right), a New Hampshire native and crew member aboard one of the yachts competing in the BT Global Challenge, shares his enthusiasm for sailing around the world with Commander Michael Beck, Captain, USS Constitution. The yachts will berth in the Charlestown Navy Yard June 12 through 29, 1997. The BT Global Challenge is considered the world's toughest yacht race.

ing a TV documentary and an innovative Internet web site," explained Barron.

The yachts, each with a volunteer crew of 13 amateurs and one professional skipper, will berth at the Charlestown Navy Yard, June 12 through 29, 1997. Seventy percent of the crew members have no previous sailing experience.

In celebration of the event, BT and its partners will provide two weeks of educational and entertain-

ing programs at the Navy Yard for children and adults which reinforce the message that teamwork is at the heart of successful human endeavor.

BT will host a forum in Boston for corporate leaders from around the world to learn more about the challenges and opportunities new technologies are bringing to the workplace today. This is a major opportunity for the city of Boston to showcase itself as a center for global busi-

ness.

It is planned that participants in youth sailing programs will have an opportunity to meet and sail with the crews of the BT fleet. The crew of the vessel Time & Tides is made up of people who are physically challenged. These men and women are at the center of the spirit of this race, proving that by working together it is possible to overcome significant obstacles to reach a common goal.

THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

WHEN YOU HAVE ANOTHER HOME TO SELL

You've decided it's time to move, but you're afraid to place your present home on the market until you've found a new one and completed negotiations for its purchase. At the same time, however, you find that most sellers are reluctant to finalize offers from buyers who must include contingencies calling for the sale of a current residence before settling on the new one.

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For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling a home, talk to the professionals at **Monument Properties**. Call us at 241-5900 or stop by our office at 85 Warren St., Charlestown.

MONUMENT PROPERTIES



Access '96 At BHCC

Exciting things are happening at Bunker Hill Community College this fall. Whether you want to learn how to access an Internet Web Site or speak Japanese, a wide variety of courses are being offered at times convenient to your busy lifestyle - evenings, Friday mornings and all day Saturdays.

Among the many courses being offered at BHCC's new Academy of Computer Training & Technology (ACTT) are Microsoft Office, Clarisworks, Novell, desktop

publishing and the ever popular "Computers for the Terminally Terrified."

The Union Oyster House's famed chef Doug Hewson is back this fall to teach a varied menu of delicacies popular at the world renowned Boston eatery. To compliment these newly acquired cooking talents, learn the intricacies of making a great cup of coffee or the tricks of bartending, while entertaining your guests by taking "Play the Piano in One Night!"

It's all here at BHCC:

financial management; fitness; exercise; astrology; painting; calligraphy; and floral arrangement, just to name a few. Also, classes will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings preparing students for the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) exams. Call BHCC where "Learning For The Real Word" is a way of life!

For more information on these and other non-credit courses being offered this fall, call 228-2448, Monday through Friday, 2 to 6 p.m.



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HAPPENINGS AT THE CHARLESTOWN WORKING THEATER

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• **Hello From CWT!** - We are currently making plans for the fall season, which features exciting performances from local theater artists, as well as our own popular children and young adult programs. It is hoped that everyone is enjoying a happy and healthy summer and we are looking forward to seeing you in the coming months.

• **Wizard Of Oz Pictures** - Eddie Loan will be on hand in the theater lobby on Aug. 24 from 10 a.m. to noon to take orders for Wizard pictures, as well as pictures from Annie. Eddie will have photo albums and order forms with him that day, so come on down and take a look! If you cannot attend this viewing, Eddie can be phoned directly. Please call the theater with questions, or for more info.

• **Little Women** - Patrice Melanson will direct a holiday production of "Little Women," as well as a show featuring our youngest children, ages 4-7. Auditions for "Little Women" will be held Saturday Sept. 21, and Sunday, Sept. 22. Registration for the young children's show will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28. Please call the theater to sign up, and Patrice will get back to you with information and audition schedule.

• **Wanted: Singing Instructor** - The CWT is looking for a qualified teacher to teach group voice/chorus for our youth educational program. Experience in working with groups of children is necessary. Please contact Kristin at the theater regarding this position.

• **The Plough and The Stars** - The Changeling Theater Group presents Sean O'Casey's story of the 1916 Irish uprising "The Plough and The Stars." Performances begin on Friday, Aug. 30 and continue through Saturday, Sept. 14. Showtime is 8 p.m., and tickets are \$15. For more information and reservations, please call the Changeling at 787-5626.

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

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Deadline to enter is Sept. 10.

Name of team: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone number: _____

It's A Boy . . .

Warren J. and Billie Jo Watson of Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Alex Joseph, on July 19 at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. He weighed 9 pounds 12 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Joan Ferris Doe of

Charlestown and Eugene Doe of Arlington.

The paternal grandparents are the late Richard and Mary Watson of South Boston.

Alex was welcomed home by his big brother and sister, Brendan, age 7, and Kyleigh, age 5 1/2.

Third Annual Bryan J. McGonagle Street Hockey Tournament

The third annual Bryan J. McGonagle Street Hockey Tournament will be held at the Neck at Sullivan Square on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6, 7 and 8. There will be two age divisions: 8 years of age &

under, and 9 to 12 years of age.

Applications can be picked up at Century 21, Main Street; Peg & Al's, Main Street; Charlestown Cooperative Bank; and the Red Store.

Announce Engagement



MELISSA DeCARLO and PATRICK KELLY

Kenny and Bobbie DeCarlo of Charlestown are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa, to Patrick Kelly of Hyde Park.

Melissa is a graduate of Matignon High School and Salem State College. Patrick, son of Joseph and Linda Kelly, is a graduate of Boston College High School and the University of Lowell.

An October 1997 wedding is planned.

Happy 18th Birthday MICHAEL FIDLER

on August 27th!

Love . . .

Ma, Billy & Maureen

Doin' Fine At Seventy-Nine Happy Birthday MOM

on August 26th!

Love . . . Drew

Happy Birthday VICKIE

on August 22nd!

Love . . .

Pod People

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



• **The K. of C. . .** will be rockin' tomorrow night, Friday, Aug. 23rd, as Bill McCabe, candidate for state representative, hosts his "Let's Rock the Vote for Bill McCabe" party that gets underway at 8 p.m. . . DJ Macca will provide the music for your dancing and listening pleasure . . all for just a \$10 donation!

• **Don't Forget . . .** the Charlestown Townies will host the Ocean State Buccaneers this Saturday, Aug. 24th in Medford . . Kick-off time is scheduled for 3 p.m., so drive over to Hormel Stadium and cheer the boys on to victory!

• **Birthdays . . . Birthdays . . . Birthdays . . .** are making for busy card and candle sales this week . . Joan McKinnon will celebrate today, Aug. 22nd . . Mary Doherty, a resident of the Mary Colbert Apartments, will party on Aug. 24th . . Ron Taylor's big day is Aug. 25th . . Frances Dancoc, a Mary Colbert Apartments resident, will mark her 79th birthday on Aug. 26th . . Bill Boyle of Engine 50 fame and Ellen McDermott Duggan will both kick up their heels on Aug. 27th . . and David Flanagan will celebrate on Aug. 28th . . Happy birthday one and all!

• **Belated Birthday Wishes . . .** to Jason Ezekiel, who celebrated his 21st birthday on Aug. 6th . . Hope it was a good one!

• **Happy Anniversary Wishes . . .** to Kevin and Kathy Burke who will celebrate 24 years of wedded bliss on Aug. 26th . . Best to you both!

• **Get Well Wishes . . .** go out to John Dennehy of Russell Street who is recovering at the Mass. General Hospital after a fall . . John would love to hear from his many friends . . Cards can be sent to him at Mass. General Hospital, White 6, Boston, Mass. 02114.

• **Good To See . . .** Helen Taylor of 42 Park St., out and about . . Our best wishes are with you!

• **The Committee . . .** for the Homecoming, which will be held on Oct. 20th, are looking for old photos of the three schools and churches in Charlestown . . If you have any you'd like to share, give Marty O'Brien a call at 242-1939.

• **Congratulations . . .** to the Brady Family, owners of Charlestown Repair Service, and best wishes on their retirement . . You have served the residents of Charlestown well and you will be sorely missed - enjoy!

• **"One Of My Favorite Things" . . .** says Marilyn Doherty, who was featured in last week's Patriot with her husband, Gerard, and will be honored by Malden Catholic in October, is volunteering in the library at the Harvard-Kent Elementary School here in Charlestown. She adds that she loves being with the children and finds it is so rewarding.

• **The Sound Of Music . . .** echoes throughout the city as free concerts and events fill the air . .

Free Friday Flicks at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade will feature the movie "Pocahontas" on Friday, Aug. 23rd, beginning at dusk.

The Waterfront Jazz Series at Christopher Columbus Park on Atlantic Avenue will bring you the music of Kris Adams on Friday, Aug. 23rd at 7 p.m.

North End Feast of St. Anthony will be held tomorrow Friday, Aug. 23rd through Sunday, Aug. 25th on Endicott, North Margin and Thacher streets.

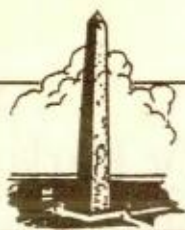
The Performing Arts Series at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade will present WFNX New Music tonight, Aug. 22nd at 6:30 p.m. . . WCRB will present the Gilmore Society Community Band on Saturday, Aug. 24th at 7 p.m. . . the WFNX Jazz Series continues on Sunday, Aug. 25th at 5 p.m., . . and WCRB will present Classical Music on Wednesday, Aug. 28th at 7 p.m.

Concert on City Hall Plaza will feature "America," the last in the Eagles Concert Series, on Wednesday, Aug. 28th.

• **Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital . . .** is seeking volunteers to provide services to its patients for weekday and weekend shifts. Volunteers receive free meals, and parking is available . . For more information about volunteer opportunities at Spaulding, call the Volunteer Office at 720-6535.

• **Thought For The Week . . .** If a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through life, he will soon find himself left alone. A man should keep his friendship in constant repair.

- Samuel Johnson



around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meeting Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

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

★ Edward Rowe Snow Day On Aug. 25

... The annual Edward Rowe Snow Day celebration, honoring the storyteller/historian who was known as "Mr. New England," will be held on Sunday, Aug. 25, beginning at 11 a.m. at Fort Warren on Georges Island. This event is a coproduction of the Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands, the Metropolitan District Commission, and the M & M Marine Services.

Snow's widow, Anna-Myrle Haegg Snow, a native of Illinois, passed away in February. She attended every one of the previous Edward Rowe Snow Day gatherings. This year's gathering will also honor her memory.

After a gathering in remembrance of Snow and his preservation work in Boston Harbor, videos will be shown and folk music will be provided by Curragh's Fancy from 1 to 4 p.m. Take the 10 a.m. boat from Long Wharf to Georges Island. For more information, call 740-4290.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearing** ... A petition will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 10 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

• The Sullivan Realty trust seeks permission to erect a one-family dwelling on 63 Washington St., 67 Washington St. and on 41 Union St. The three lots results

from the sub-division of the parcel into three lots. (BZC-18415, BZC-18416 and BZC-18417)

Questions or concerns on these petitions should be directed to the BOA at 635-4775.

★ Charlestown Farmer's Market ...

The Charlestown Farmer's Market is open each Wednesday between 2 and 7 p.m. on Main Street across from the Charlestown Branch Library.

★ Just A Reminder, Folks ... Improper



disposal of **private** trash in **public** receptacles is not only unsightly, as you can see above in Thompson Square, but is also unsafe and illegal. Tom Donahue of the city's Public Works Department, reminds residents to dispose of their personal property correctly and not put other residents, particularly children, in jeopardy.

Open Letter To The MBTA

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The second issue is the location of the meeting. Again, if you were looking for input into this plan, why not make it easy for everyone to attend? Our elderly depend on public transportation and I am sure if you had selected a location more accessible for them, they would have been in attendance, and would have had an opportunity to state the concerns they may have.

I think in fairness to the residents of Charlestown, the issue of privatization of buses on our streets should be important enough to schedule another meeting - possibly at the Knights of Columbus Hall on West School Street, which has ample parking, and perhaps the MBTA could supply buses to and from this meeting for our elderly. In doing so, you would truly receive comments on how the Charlestown community feels about privatization.

I would be more than happy to assist you in scheduling a meeting. Please feel free to contact me at 242-4032.

Sincerely,

Peter Looney, chairperson

Charlestown Neighborhood Council

CC: Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham
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Attorney Gene O'Flaherty

For State Representative



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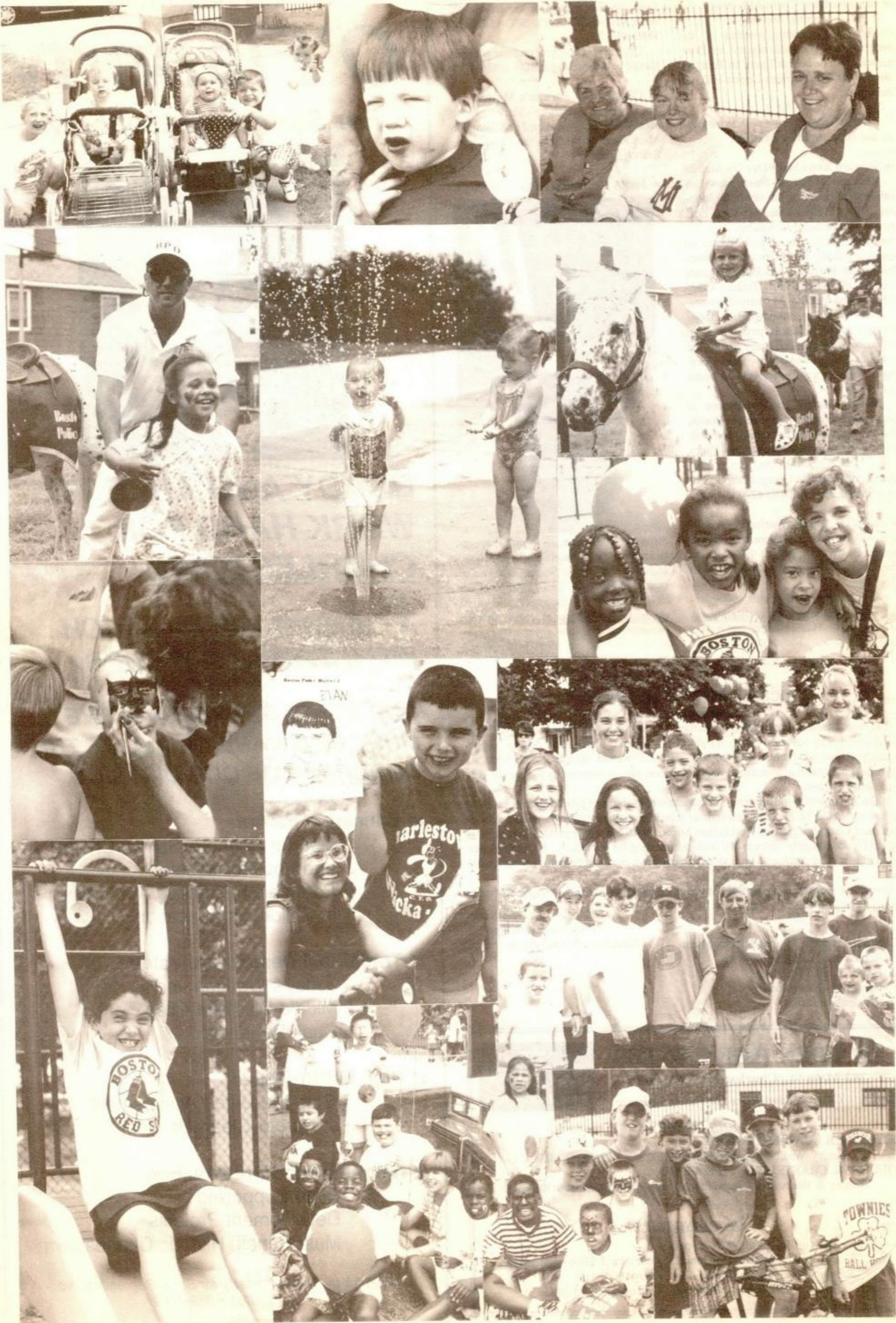
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A Quiet Change For St. Catherine's

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says, "and we need to be proud of the accomplishments."

St. Catherine's is part of that proud past with an active lay parish, Father DiPerri says, one where everyone gets involved to nurture a community toward stability and do God's work.

A graduate of B.C. High School, Father DiPerri studied history and government at Suffolk University before answering his call and entering St. John's Seminary.

Ordained eight years ago, Father DiPerri has served at St. Agnes in Arlington and Sacred Heart in North Quincy. In Arlington in 1991, the Chamber of Commerce named Father DiPerri its Citizen of the Year, and in 1992, his work with the Boys & Girls Club earned him the Youth Service Award. He is also



FATHER JIM DiPERRI and parishioner Ralph Rizzo discuss church activities.

(photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

credited with re-energizing St. Agnes and Sacred Heart's Catholic Youth Organizations, serving as chaplain to the North Quincy Police and Arlington Fire Department.

Here in Charlestown at St. Catherine's, Father DiPerri says he feels honored to be working with individuals, families and the community. His focus? God. "God is number one," the quiet man says.

And here in Charlestown Father DiPerri must know he's in God's country. Already, he says, Charlestown's welcome has been extraordinary.

"People have stopped me in the street, in restaurants, in their cars to shake hands and introduce themselves," Father DiPerri says of the warmth of the people. "It can be such a cold world; Charlestown is not cold."

Tobin Bridge Paint Project

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protected with respirators and protective clothing. The paint that will be used is an aluminized epoxy mastic green paint and will be either sprayed or rolled onto the structure, all within the containment system. At the end of each work day all lead paint debris from the vacuum power tools will be loaded directly into 55-gallon drums and stored on Massport property, according to EPA regulations, away from the

community.

The construction work hours are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with no work on weeknights or weekends. Neighbors should expect construction noise levels throughout the work day. Lane closures will occur during off-peak travel hours and there will be no lane closures Monday through Friday, 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. on the upper deck to accommodate rush hour traffic into the city. Uniformed State Police

Officers will be posted at the work site to direct traffic as needed.

Throughout the process Massport will continue to provide the community with a series of informational flyers, news releases and briefings on the progress of the project. Tours of the site are also available and can be arranged through Massport Community Liaison Dorothy Connolly Steele by calling 973-5691, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Dean's List At UMass

Sandra S. Liu of 16A Eden St., Charlestown, was named to the dean's list for the 1996 spring semester at UMass at Amherst.

In order to qualify for the dean's list, an undergraduate student must receive a 3.5 grade point average or better on a four-point scale.

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PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)
O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me here you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days and then you must publish it and it will be granted to you.
R.H.

News And Notes From The Boston Public Schools

The school department mailed the information on school assignments and bus service to the home of every registered student last week. The mailer gives the name of the school and indicates whether the student is eligible for transportation. If the student is eligible, the notice gives the bus number, and times and locations of pick-up and drop-off.

If you have school-related questions or prob-

lems, the best place to call is the School Hot Line at 635-9046. It will operate through Sept. 20 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Hot Line operators can give you information on school hours, the 1996-97 calendar, school assignments, the transfer process, waiting lists, transportation, after school programs and lots more.

Remember: The first day of school for Grades 1-

12 is Thursday, Aug. 29. This is a full day of school and lunch will be served. Breakfast service begins Sept. 3. Kindergarten begins Sept. 4.

If you haven't registered your child for school yet, please visit a Parent Information Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Starting Aug. 29, they are open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The center nearest Charlestown is the North Zone at 26 Court St.

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BOB D'S BEAT

BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



◆ **Newtowne Champs Back-to-Back** ... Their win streak came to a stunning halt on opening day. They had their most defeats in years, and they couldn't hold down the top spot in the league at all during the regular season, player unrest and confusion was the norm all season long. The "T" in Newtowne stood for turmoil. Despite this very uncharacteristic season, Newtowne defeated the Hunnewell Warriors, aka Main Street, the regular season titlelist two straight games, 10-9 and 15-10, to take home the 1996 Boston Police A-15 Roller Hockey Summer Championship, and successfully defending its 1995 crown.

Brian Dole was the goalie again and Jamie Carroll led the Newtowne attack with five goals. Ricky Evers and Joey Tallent had three goals each for the champs in the deciding game. Mark Mansfield was the man for the Warriors with four goals. The Warriors did make a run, but then they were simply overwhelmed! All Hail the Newtowne 1996 Champs: Jimmy Tallent, Jamie Hutchins, Joe Tallent, Brian Dole, Paul Hennessey, Mike Sweeney, Jamsie Greator, Ricky Evers, Jamie Carroll and Phil Jones, and a tip of the hockey helmet to the Hunnewell Warrior finalists: Mike Collins, Pat Healey, Joe Lawler, Chris Donovan, Mark Mansfield, Joe Brennan, Rob Murray and Stephen Linnane.

On the road to the championship game, the Warriors defeated the Moving Targets, who stunned the Park from the playoffs behind the starry performances of John Wrenn and Ryan Godfrey and Newtowne amazed again the men from Dunstable Street.

It's been quite a season, and my thanks to John Killoran at the Boys & Girls Club, my own Andy Puopolo Club summer staff led by Kelly Shea, Referee-in-Chief Derek O'Brien, Patrick Collins, our Youth Officer Teddy Boyle, and the Boston Police Department. All these people helped make this season a go, and made my task as coordinator very easy.

Participants in addition to those already mentioned include: Danny Feeney, Anthony Catalemo, Steve Simensen, John Lillis, Freddy Arroyo, Frank McPherson, Sean Lewis, Mike McGonagle, Chris Lent, Sean Getchell, Steve Miele, Danny Murphy, Jon Lent, Mike McNeley, Rob DiFrummolo, Keith Wallace, Dan Trionti, Dan Devlin, Joe Roche, Mike Kelley, Joe Wilkins, Tim Brennan, Phil O'Neil, Sean Noonan, Mike Wilkins, Andrew Grzelczyk, Danny Noonan, Mike Machado, Jim Healey, Shane Coleman, Jimmy Kane, Mike McPherson, Chris Gallagher, Jack Kelly, Mark Russell, Mike Fidler, Greg Poole, Ryan Connolly, Ryan Manning, Mike Feeney and Jimmy White.

◆ **Quinn Club Tips North End All Stars** ... Charlestown's top softball team traveled to the North End's Puopolo Park on Sunday and captured a come-from-behind win to defeat the North End All Stars 12-7. The game was a step in the right direction for both leagues, and the door is now wide open to many other possibilities. Congratulations to Commissioner Mike Gennosoli of the North End and Gary Justice of Charlestown for their efforts in making the game a reality.

Participants were: Gary Justice, Lonny Z., Paul Doris, Mark Smith, Mark Saitta, Bucky Jones, Cat Harrington, Bob Cahill, Neil Gillis, Mike Lewey, Danny Chambers, Dennis Anthony, Mike Bevilacqua, Joe Papa, Rick Bevilacqua, Ralph Martignetti, Mike Murphy, Steve Jeftise, PJ Marino, Steve Siciliano, Ralph Terranzano, Joe Santangelo and Mike Morneau.

North End All Star Mike Murphy defeated Townie Bucky Jones 20-16 in the doubles competition.

It was a great night among two great Boston neighborhoods, and we know there will be many more.

◆ **Opening Day** ... All my great Charlestown High students are reminded that the opening full day for all classes - the first day of school - is Thursday, Aug. 29! Don't be late!

◆ **World Cup Hockey** ... Keith Tkachuk will lead quite an impressive New England delegation in the upcoming World Hockey Tournament that begins in Stockholm on Aug. 26. Germany, Sweden, Czechoslovakia, Finland, Canada, Russia, Slovakia and the United States are the competing teams. First round action for the USA will be on Aug. 31 versus Canada in Philadelphia. Team USA will play Slovakia in an exhibition game this Sunday, Aug. 25 at 7:05 p.m. at the Providence Civic Center. Team USA is comprised of all NHL All Stars.

◆ **School Notebook** ... Brian Ward has been named captain of the Arlington Catholic Football Team. The Cougars, like most high school teams, will head into pre-season camp within the next few days.

◆ **Dunny Cup** ... A lot of work has already gone into the 1996 Dunny Cup which will take place Sept. 14 and 15 at the Eden Street Park. Twenty teams are expected in what is now the third jewel of the summer street hockey triple crown. Don't be left out! Gregg and Billy Nolan have the details and rosters are available at the Century 21 Real Estate office on Main Street. Proceeds from the Dunny Cup benefit the Jimmy Donovan Scholarship Fund.

◆ **Smithsonian 150** ... While in Providence at the World Cup game, drop by the Providence Convention Center, next door to the civic center, and view the Smithsonian Institute's 150 exhibitions in commemoration of their 150th anniversary. It certainly is closer than Washington, D.C., and this is the only New England stop on their nationwide tour. Call ahead for ticket information and you might be surprised!

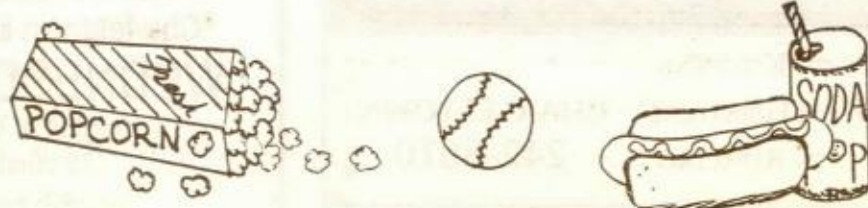
◆ **Tidbits** ... The Garvey Park Street Hockey Tournament takes place this weekend in Dorchester ... Fitzzy won, Zeke made it through, Kenny, aka Snyder, didn't finish, and Derek went home! ... Welcome home Izzy from the Summer Olympics in Atlanta ... Jen Ray, don't be late! ... Timmy Gallagher, who is your favorite DJ?

Smile!



BOSTON RED SOX + CHARLESTOWN = GREAT SUMMER FUN! At the top left, it was Sox Talk with (l. to r.) Shane Fisher, Dave Evers, Jimmy Tallent, José Cancesco of the Red Sox, and Bob D. ... On the top right are the Pepsi Challenge Camp Champs. Shown front row (l. to r.) Nathan Duquette, Cameron Ortiz, Mike Lacey and Corey Doyle. Back row (l. to r.) Brian Leonard, Ricky DeRocco, Steve Awbrey and Riordan Cannata ... At the left are the Fenway Challenge Champs. Shown front row (l. to r.) Dan D'Elia and Robert Pantaleo. Back row (l. to r.) Red Sox Coach Dave Oliver, Anthony Esposito, Mike Simensen, Mohamed Bensalah and Lee Tinsley.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



It Was An Unforgettable Time!

Dear Gloria,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Charlestown and the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee for making my recent tour of Ireland possible. My father and I had an unforgettable time and loved every minute on the beautiful Emerald Isle.

A special thanks to Mayor Frank Stillman, his mother Maureen and brother Brian; Jimmy, Joe and Stephen Considine; and Mary and Chris Rizzo. They all helped to make the trip even more enjoyable and my "Big Brothers" and "Foster Mothers" took very good care of me.

A good time was had by all, especially in Charlestown, County Mayo, where everyone went out of their way to welcome us and make us feel comfortable. However, as much as I enjoyed Ireland, it's always nice to return home to family, friends and Charlestown, USA.

Sincerely,
Lesley Borden
1996 Charlestown Rose

Thank You, Charlestown!

To everyone I have met and worked with in Charlestown this past year:

It's hard for me to believe, but a whole year has gone by since I arrived at St. Catherine's. I have had a positively unforgettable experience here, which has been possible due to the support and friendship which St. Catherine's Parish and all of Charlestown has offered me. As difficult as the decision has been, I have concluded that it is time for me to move on. I will miss Charlestown, which I have come to call home.

I have decided to explore a different part of the country at this point in my life, and will leave on Aug. 29 to look for a job in Colorado. I will stay with a friend there, and hope to find a position teaching or in youth ministry, which I have enjoyed so much here in Charlestown.

I have truly enjoyed my ministry here, and have been made to feel very welcome. I have been very fortunate to have worked with Father Coyne, the people of St. Catherine's, Charlestown Catholic and all of Charlestown. Thank you all for helping to make this such a wonderful and memorable time of my life.

I wish Father DiPerri all the best - and I'll just say "see you later!" (I'm sure I'll be back in New England eventually!) Thanks for everything!

Sincerely,
Susan Essex

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It's A Reunion For Charlestown - Our Town

Dear Editor:

The celebration planned for Oct. 20 is a Homecoming for anyone and everyone who has ever lived, worked or been a part of our town. It's not just a reunion of graduates from the three Catholic elementary schools, it's a reunion for Charlestown - our town!

This one square mile has been built and continues to be built on pride. The people here have come together and continue to come together to celebrate, laugh, cry, mourn and help.

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School opened its doors in September 1993 as an interparish school serving all students in the area. It offers everything anyone envisions as quality education for their children. The school wants to be an integral part of our town and through this "Homecoming" celebration, wants to open its doors to all.

Many people have been contacted by the Homecoming Committee and are a bit confused because they never at-

tended St. Catherine's, St. Francis de Sales or St. Mary's schools. We apologize for this confusion, but our purpose was to contact all of the town, not just a selected few.

Please consider joining us in this celebration, whether you've lived here for 90 years or 9 days. You are Charlestown and you are all cordially invited to attend the "Homecoming" - a celebration of all that is good in our one square mile.

The "Homecoming" will take place on Sunday, Oct. 20. A Mass of Celebration will take place at 2 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church, Bunker Hill Street, followed by a colation at the Schrafft Center, Sullivan Square, from 3 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be obtained by sending a check or money order to: Homecoming Committee, P.O. Box 316, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

Sincerely,
Peggy Hoban

Coppinger Announces Candidacy For Register Of Probate

Attorney Francis X. Coppinger recently announced his candidacy for the position of Register of Probate for Suffolk County. The incumbent, James Michael Connolly, is not seeking re-election.

Coppinger is an attorney with extensive experience in the field of probate law. "It is my experience as a lawyer in probate law that led me to run for the office of Register of Probate," Coppinger stated in his announcement.

"The office of Register of Probate is a very low profile elected position but it is also a very important one, given that the court which the register administers can have an impact, one way or another, on the life or personal affairs of just about everyone. It is the court which receives



FRANCIS X.
COPPINGER

wills for probate, estates for administration, guardianships of minors and the infirm, conservatorships for the incapacitated, divorces, and testamentary trusts.

"For all of that, it is far too important an office to entrust to the inexperienced, the disinterested or those who look upon it as just another political steppingstone in one's political

career. Further, the probate court will be moving soon to the new Suffolk County Courthouse, which will provide a unique opportunity to streamline the operations of the probate court and bring it into the twenty-first century in the manner in which it conducts its business.

"This opportunity can be much better seized by someone with experience in the probate court and probate law. For those who will take the time to look seriously at this campaign, I believe they will find that I am the qualified candidate," Coppinger said.

Coppinger is married and resides in West Roxbury. He is a Marine Corps veteran, a graduate of Boston College with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and a graduate of

the New England School of Law with a doctor of laws degree, and a former state representative from the West Roxbury-Roslindale area of the city of Boston. He has been admitted to the federal and Mass. bars.

Coppinger is the brother of the late Jim Coppinger, brother-in-law of Teresa Coppinger and uncle of Kathleen Collins, Mickey and Jim Coppinger, all of Charlestown.

Coppinger is a member of the Mass. and federal bars, the Knights of Columbus, the American Legion, Elks, D.A.V., and the Emerald Society of the Police Department of the city of Boston.

For further information, contact Francis X. Coppinger at 323-5800.

(political announcement)

The family of

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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,
Commander, District A-1,
Boston Police Department

Monday, Aug. 12

A woman reported that between 5 p.m. on Aug. 11 and 8 a.m. on this date, the right front window of her car was smashed and the registration was taken. The car had been parked on 7th Street in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

At 12:40 p.m., police went to Alford and Dexter streets on the report of an automobile accident. It was reported that a car was being driven by a 31-year-old Stoneham woman inbound on Route 99-Alford Street in the wrong lane. As the car crossed Dexter Street, still on the wrong side of the roadway, it struck a truck at a high rate of speed. The car then struck and came to rest on top of the right fender and hood of a Ford wagon. The woman had to be extricated from under the car, suffering severe injuries, and was transported to MGH. Her car sustained heavy damage and was towed. The second car was towed and the truck was removed by the owner.

A Charlestown woman reported that between 5:30 and 5:45 p.m., a large commercial truck hit her car on the driver's side as she exited the off-ramp on Commercial Street. The driver failed to stop.

Shortly after 10 p.m., officers responded to 150 Third Ave. in the Charlestown Navy Yard on the report of a person breaking into a motor vehicle. A witness told the officers that he saw the suspect, a 13-year-old Charlestown teen, break the driver's side window of a car, belonging to a Maine man. He then entered the car and left with a green L.L. Bean knapsack. The suspect was apprehended by the witness and held until the police arrived and placed the teen under arrest.

Tuesday, Aug. 13

At 1:50 p.m., a Somerville man reported that while he was stopped at a red light on Rutherford Avenue, his auto was struck in the rear by a car operated by a man from Lynnfield. The victim complained of neck and back pain. He and his passenger were transported to MGH for treatment and his car, which had considerable damage to the rear, was towed.

At 8:23 a.m., Officer Whiffen saw an unknown female operating at an excessive rate of speed on Medford Street in a car with an expired registration plate. He located the car a short time later on Old Landing Way. The vehicle, which had been registered to a South Boston man, was towed. The registration had been revoked in 1994.

At 10:55 p.m., Officers Corbett and Luongo responded to 121 Walford Way. A 40-year-old Charlestown man said he

had gotten into an argument with a 36-year-old resident of another building who had pushed him down a flight of stairs. The incident had happened the night before and no medical attention was needed. In a later report, the 36-year-old man stated that the other man fell down the stairs and threatened to press charges that he had been pushed.

Wednesday, Aug. 14

A Charlestown woman reported that between 1 and 6 p.m., person(s) unknown broke the driver's side door window of her car while it was parked on McNulty Court.

Thursday, Aug. 15

A Conn. woman reported that between 8:30 p.m. on Aug. 14 and 7:30 a.m. on this date, person(s) unknown stole three bicycles from a garage on 13th Street in the Charlestown Navy Yard. They included a black and green Petra Huffy bike, a Royce Union orange marble bike and a Royce Union green marble bike, with a total value of \$790.

At 8:25 p.m., officers at CharlesNewtowne saw an 18-year-old Everett man in a "no trespass" area at 89 Medford St. He had been asked to leave the area twice prior to this evening, and he was arrested for trespassing. While searching the man following his arrest, officers found two bags of marijuana. He was charged with the possession of a Class D substance.

Friday, Aug. 16

At 1:35 a.m., Officer MacPherson responded to a report of a breaking and entering at 40 Main St. The officer saw that the glass door of the ice cream shop was broken, however, no one was found inside. The owner said that a brown envelope with a \$10 bill and \$2 in change had been taken, along with about \$12 in quarters from the register. The store was secured by the owner.

A Brockton man reported that between 6:30 and 8:30 a.m., person(s) unknown broke a window and damaged the dashboard of his car which was parked at 50 Medford St.

At 9:50 a.m., Officers Schroeder and Hurley went to 153 Bunker Hill St. on the report that a man had been beaten. The officers met a 33-year-old South Boston man with abrasions on his face and knees standing on the sidewalk, appearing to have been in a fight. The man said he had been in a fight with relatives of a woman who lived at the Bunker Hill Street address. She said the man had come there drunk and began yelling and banging on the door, demanding to see his baby. Her brother and uncle went out and she said he started fighting with them. She told the officers that there have been domestic problems in the past and they advised her to seek a restraining order from the Charlestown District Court. The man refused medical treatment.

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- Experience working with inner-city youth
- Experience working in an alternative education setting preferred.

Interested candidates should mail their resume with cover letter to:

Charlestown Community Center
255 Medford Street, Charlestown, MA 02129
Attention: Bob McGann

Community Volunteers Honored For Work With Abused Children

Charlestown residents Kristen Tepper, Sarah Smith and Mary Ann Arabadjis were recently honored at a reception at the John F. Kennedy Library for their dedication and commitment to some of the commonwealth's most vulnerable children as volunteer case reviewers with the Department of Social Services (DSS).

"Volunteer case reviewers play an integral role in the lives of children who have suffered from abuse and neglect. These volunteers offer a fresh, commu-

nity perspective during some very tough decision-making review sessions. They are truly a clear and loud voice for kids who really need one," said DSS Commissioner Linda Carlisle.

Volunteer case reviewers review the service plans and goals of children in foster care. Mandated by law, each child's case is reviewed every six months by a foster care review panel which includes a volunteer case reviewer. DSS makes a huge effort to ensure that the volunteer is from the

child's community and reflects the child's ethnic and cultural background.

Ten years ago there were 8,000 children who lived in foster care or residential programs in the Commonwealth of Mass. Today, that number has grown to an astonishing 14,000 children. While the root causes of abuse and neglect are easily identifiable, such as escalating substance abuse and domestic violence, there still remains the extremely difficult task of finding homes for these children and preparing

them for the future. In its commitment to children and families, DSS must ensure that each child have clear future goals, such as returning home, adoption, or independent living for older children. Volunteer case reviewers play an integral role in this process, participating in over 1,200 case reviews each month around the commonwealth.

DSS is always looking for new volunteers. If you are interested, call 1-800-423-2022 for more information on becoming a volunteer case reviewer.

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At 5:45 p.m., a Charlestown woman was placed under arrest by Boston Housing Police officers for two outstanding warrants from the Somerville District Court for larceny by check.

Boston Housing Authority officers observed a 20-year-old Roxbury man entering and leaving a Polk Street building known for drug sales, which is clearly marked "no trespassing." The man had been given notice to stay off the property. At about 8:20 p.m., the officers placed him under arrest.

Saturday, Aug. 17

A Boston man stated that between 8 p.m. on Aug. 14 and 8:45 a.m. this date, while his car was parked at One City Square, person(s) unknown forced entry into the car by breaking a window. Removed were a golf bag, two sets of Titleist golf clubs, an orange and white golf umbrella, and a Nokia cellular phone, with a total value of \$1,875.

Officer FitzPatrick observed a man operating a mountain bike in a very erratic manner at Salem and High streets at about 10:55 p.m., barely avoiding a collision with a motor vehicle. He then sped down the Salem Street hill directly into the intersection of Main and Salem streets without slowing down. He collided into the side of a motor vehicle being driven by a Charlestown man, causing damage to the motor vehicle as well as to the bike. A half-pint bottle of rum was found in the back pocket of his shorts and a pint bottle was found in a cooler strapped to the back of his bike, and both bottles were empty. The biker, who seemed very intoxicated, had an abrasion on his head. He was taken to MGH for treatment and returned to the police station at 11:42 p.m. looking for his cooler, which had been left with a neighbor at the scene, as had his bike.

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Charlestown Gym Hockey

There are still a few openings for the 1996-97 Charlestown Gym Hockey season. Anyone interested should contact Debbie Lent at 241-8656. Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. No registrations will take place in the fall.

A meeting of the coaches will be held on Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Aug. 27 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Where the Wild Things Are," a tale in which Max sails away to a land filled with Wild Things... "Caterpillar and Polliwog" is the story of two creatures who are waiting to turn in-

to "something else"... and "The Owl and the Pussy-cat/Little Birds," is a humorous version of two non-sense poems."

"Zlateh the Goat," the story of a child and a goat who share an adventure, will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are *Good Night, Owl* by Pat Hutchins and *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle.

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Flynn To Be A Guest On 'The Answer Channel'

Nicole Flynn 16, of Charlestown, is an achiever who knows what it is like to overcome what was once considered an insurmountable handicap.

Years ago, students like her with dyslexia were known to be intelligent and vocal but unable to learn to read successfully.

Dyslexia may take different forms in the way printed words are visualized by the brain. There are now specialists who can work with dyslexic children and adults on an individual basis to retrain them to read.

Nicole learned to read in special instructional support classes at the Taft Middle School in Brighton and Mass. General Hospital's Reading and Disabilities Clinic. She is now about to enter her sophomore

year at Charlestown High after achieving all As and one C in her freshman year. She plans to raise the C.

Nicole's parents are Nancy, a teacher at Starting Line, a child care center in Charlestown, and Paul, an MBTA Customer Service Representative for bus operations. They have been a mainstay of support for Nicole, providing encouragement and love which they also offer to their son P.J., 13. He has dyslexia, too, and is getting instruction at the Taft Middle School.

Nancy Flynn is well aware of dyslexia because she has overcome it too, and has studied at Bunker Hill Community College. Paul, a daughter Frances, and son Sam all read without difficulty.

Nicole will be a guest on BNN-TV's Answer Channel on Channel 24 on Monday, Aug. 26, at 2:30 p.m. and will be available to answer questions from viewers. The show will be repeated that night after 10 p.m., and rerun with all the week's talk shows on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The host-producer is Kurt Ballentine of Jamaica Plain, a science teacher at Charlestown High School, who calls the weekly talk show, "The Best and The Brightest." Ballentine originated the weekly series to put a positive spin on teenagers who too often are the subjects of negative publicity.

He draws from Charlestown High for student guests and is now enlarging his outreach to other public high schools as well.



THE FLYNNs, Paul and his daughter Nicole, are looking forward to her appearance on "The Answer Channel" on Monday, Aug. 26.

Viewers who call into the program will get a response from a student trained by BNN-TV to field and monitor phone calls. On Aug. 26, it will be Leon Morgan

of the South End, another "responsible and conscientious" student achiever from Charlestown High School, according to Ballentine.

Ballentine encourages higher education for students because of his own personal experience as a teen. He came from a professional family, dropped out of high school and later received a General Education Degree (G.E.D.). Now he has a Harvard University degree and has found his teaching niche in the sciences.

Nicole Flynn is one of the "Best and The Brightest" students who is willing to help others with her story on television.

She has also found an answer for stress which comes with the concentration she needs to achieve. Her outlet is basketball. She plays forward and will hopefully be on the girls team at Charlestown High in the next school year.

Townies Homecoming This Saturday!

The battle-weary Charlestown Townies Football Club will come home to Hornel Stadium this Saturday. Kick-off is scheduled for 3 p.m. against the Ocean State Buccaneers. This Eastern Football League match-up will be the Town Team's first home game in five weeks.

The Townies are looking forward to defending their home soil as they have had little luck on the road. Despite going winless in a four-game road trip, the local boys played well enough to win each game. With the exception of last week's loss to the

Randolph Oilers, the Townies were either tied or ahead in the latter stages of each contest. This year's Townies are the youngest team in the Eastern Football League. Inexperience and not lack of effort has been the deciding factor between a winning record and the Townies current spot in the standings.

With South Boston native Mike Whitney, at the helm, the offense continues to improve each week. As always the Townies continue to have one of the leagues scrappiest defenses led by the hard-hitting safety from Char-

lestown's Park League days, Joe McCarthy. This week may also feature some "old" familiar faces coming out of the front office to lend a hand to the defensive unit.

The Townies continue to build upon a foundation that will, in the near future, lead them to the top of the EFL ranks. All are encouraged to jump on the bandwagon now! Fan support is much appreciated, so come on over and cheer on the Town Team this Saturday, Aug. 24 at 3 p.m. Hornel Stadium is located just past the Meadow Glen Mall.

Children Celebrate A Summer Of Reading

Mayor Thomas M. Menino, the Boston Public Library and the Boston Red Sox joined together recently at Fenway Park to celebrate the participation of 1,250 young people in the Boston Public Library Foundation's summer reading program, "Read Your Way to Fenway."

As part of the library's promotion of summer reading, "Read Your Way to Fenway" encouraged children ages 5 to 17 to borrow books from their neighborhood library by offering them a chance to win tickets donated by the Boston Red Sox for their game against the Minnesota Twins. The lucky winners received tickets for themselves and two

guests, after being selected from more than 1,500 entrants required to visit their local branch library, read at least three books over the summer and write about their favorite.

The children who won tickets from the Charlestown Branch Library were: Meghan Buckley, William Buckley, Caitlin Walsh, Shane Yandle, Girard Francois, Tricia Moore, Matthew Travis, Paula Breen, Ryan Lynch, Sean Breen, Jack Doherty, Kevin Scudding, Katy Locke and Katie Ryan.

"It was great to see these bright kids from Boston's neighborhoods gathered at Fenway Park showing that the warm days of summer are a time

for two great pastimes - reading and baseball," said Menino. "Read Your Way to Fenway" has encouraged children to read simply for the enjoyment of doing so, and to recognize that this is an activity not only done in the classroom during the school year."

"The Red Sox were happy to be able to make tickets available for Boston area youngsters as a reward for their participation in 'Read Your Way to Fenway,'" said Red Sox CEO John Harrington. "Education leads to future success and we are glad that the Red Sox were able to team-up with the Boston Public Library Foundation to support the importance of reading and learning."

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