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Delegates And Alternates Elected To The Democratic Convention



SIX FEMALE DELEGATES and two alternates were elected as Ward 2 Charlestown representatives to the Massachusetts Democratic Convention at a caucus held on Feb. 12. Shown front row (l. to r.) alternate Winnie Walsh and delegates Ruthellen Chard-

voyne and Mary MacInnes. Back row (l. to r.) alternate Paula Wrenn, and delegates Peggy Ings, Susan Joyce, Jean McLaughlin and Kathleen Giordano.

(photo by Jeanne Davis)



THE ELECTION of six male delegates and two alternates to the upcoming Mass. Democratic Convention were elected at the Ward 2 Charlestown Democratic Caucus last Saturday. Shown front row (l. to r.) delegates Kevin Roche, Douglas MacDonald and Mel

Stillman. Back row (l. to r.) delegate John Ezekiel, alternate Dan McGoff, delegates Jim Mansfield and Edward Callahan, and alternate Charlie Clabaugh.

(photo by Jeanne Davis)

Youth Safety Meeting Brings Youths And Adults Together

by Lynn Peters

They came from all around the neighborhood, from Main to Medford streets, bringing their concerns to a public forum that would put youth and adults on equal footing to solving problems in Charlestown.

"You want us to be leaders, and we should be part of that responsibility," said Charlestown teen Paul "PJ" Hansen, as he addressed the 11-member adult and peer panel at the Feb. 14 Youth Safety Meeting at the Harvard-Kent School.

Organized by Boston

School Committee and Public School officials, Charlestown's Youth Safety Meeting was one of 15 planned across the city. The questions and concerns raised at Monday night's forum will be reported to city officials by Charlestown's own Carolyn Shannon, Boston Community Centers' youth services program manager, in an effort to begin solving community issues as a community.

The youth spoke of such things as social concerns, community policing, school safety and responsibility.

While facilitator Peter Looney, Charlestown Against Drugs chairperson and Healthy Charlestown Coalition member, said that solutions would not come overnight, a responsible dialogue between youth and adults had begun.

"We're not blowing smoke," Looney said. "We want to work with the community, teens and parents. If it's options, we'll work on that. We'll put up no public drinking signs so that people know we all agree."

Mostly, the evening seemed to be an exercise in group problem-solving with everyone being part of the solution, a refreshing approach to looking at neighborhood concerns.

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Deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at 5 p.m.

St. Francis de Sales News

On Sunday, Feb. 20, at 12:30 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall, there will be a Mass of Anointing for all members of the parish who may wish to receive this special Sacrament of God's love for strength of body and soul.

The annual Senior's Valentine Party will get underway at approximately 1:30 p.m., after the Mass of An-

ointing. The afternoon party will consist of lunch, entertainment and dancing. If you would like to be a St. Francis de Sales Valentine, kindly sign your name at the usher's table at Mass. If you are unable to sign up at Mass, please contact the Rectory at 242-0147. Please do not sign up for anyone else. The planning committee has to have an accurate count.

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

This Week At A Glance

Thursday, Feb. 17

- 3 p.m. — Court St. Jude No. 1123, C.D.A. Meeting, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, Feb. 18

- 10 a.m. — Adult Discussion Group meeting and Preschool Story Hour, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. — Annual Adult Family Feud, St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street
- 7 p.m. — Benefit Basketball Game with the Charlestown All-Stars vs. the Fire Department of New York All-Stars, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Gym, High Street
- 8 p.m. — Mardi Gras Celebration Fund Raiser for Jim Mansfield, candidate for Mayor of Charlestown, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Feb. 19

- 8 p.m. — An Evening of Entertainment with Andy Healy and the Country Roads Band, sponsored by Chief Marshal Marty O'Brien Sr. and the Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 8 p.m. — Fund Raiser for Joseph Fitzgerald, candidate for Mayor of Charlestown, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.

Sunday, Feb. 20

- 12:30 p.m. — Mass of Anointing, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 1:30 p.m. — Senior Citizen Valentine's Party, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Feb. 21

HAPPY PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY!

- 7 p.m. — Bunker Hill Post No. 26, The American Legion Meeting, Post Quarters, 23 Adams St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Meeting, K. of C. VIP Room, 75 West School St.

Tuesday, Feb. 22

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

- 5:45 p.m. — Non-Smoker For Life Program, Bunker Hill Health Center, second floor, 73 High St.
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, Feb. 24

- 9:30 to 11 a.m. — Woman's Recovery Group Meeting, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.
- noon — Charlestown Business Association Lunch and Meeting with Doug Housman from the Mayor's Office of Business Services as guest speaker, Bunker Hill Community College, New Rutherford Avenue
- 12:15 p.m. — Charlestown Kiwanis Club Meeting, Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant
- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 4 p.m. — Bamidele Dancers and Drummers and RIF book giveaway, cosponsored by the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library, a grant from the Mass. Biomedical Corp. and the Reading is Fundamental Project, St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street
- 6 p.m. — Domestic Education Program followed by the Women's Group meeting at 7 p.m., Charlestown District Court, City Square

Friday, Feb. 25

- 10 a.m. — Adult Discussion Group meeting and Preschool Story Hour, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 8 p.m. — Charlestown Community Center Fund Raiser with the DJ Connection, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Feb. 26

- 1 p.m. — Meat Raffle to benefit Bunker Hill Council No. 62, K. of C., K. of C. lower hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, Feb. 27

- 2 p.m. — Zone Three American Legion High School Oratorical Contest, Hull Room, Building 5, Boston National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard
- 5 p.m. — New England Ice Sharks vs. Charlestown All-Stars Hockey Game to benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey, Emmons-Horrigan-O'Neil MDC Rink, Union Street
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Feb. 28

CURBSIDE NEWSPAPER RECYCLING WEEK

— Put your newspapers out on your regular trash pick-up day, rain or shine, in paper bags or bundled in string and a separate truck will pick up the newspapers. For information, call 635-4959.

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

Tuesday, March 1

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. — Charlestown Neighborhood Council Meeting, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.

Wednesday, March 2

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

Plan Ahead

Saturday, March 5

- 7 p.m. — Gladys's Corned Beef Dinner, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, March 12

- noon to 3 p.m. — St. Patrick's Day Celebration for Charlestown Senior Citizens, sponsored by The Flatley Company, The Schrafft Center, 529 Main St.

Thursday, March 17

- 8 p.m. — Corned Beef Dinner, sponsored by the Bunker Hill Irish Heritage Society, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, March 18

- 8 p.m. — Charlestown Mayor Election Night, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, March 19

- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Flea Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, March 20

- Following 9 a.m. Mass — Annual Holy Name Society Communion Breakfast, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, March 26

- 6:30 p.m. — Annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner Dance, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, April 8

- 7:30 p.m. — An Evening with Ann Warren, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Committee Chairmen Ratified At Neighborhood Council Meeting

In what was the shortest meeting in the history of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC), held on Feb. 1 at the K. of C. hall, committee chairmen were ratified, a new member was welcomed, reports were given and several community issues were discussed — and the council adjourned before 8 p.m.

Present were Chairman Peter Looney, Vice Chairmen Tom Cunha and Mel Stillman, Secretary Jim Mansfield and Treasurer Nancy Keyes along with members Marty O'Brien, Pat McClellan, Bill Galvin,

John Iacoi, Judy Brennan, Kate McDonough, Bill McCabe, Edna Kelly, Jim Conway, Ken Stone and Moe Gillen. Dan Kovacevic was welcomed on board as the newly elected representative of the Charlestown Business Association.

The CNC committees and their chairmen and vice chairmen were ratified by the council. They are:

• Public Safety — Chairman Mel Stillman, Vice Chairmen Edna Kelly and John Dillon;

• Basic Services — Chairman Bill Galvin, Vice Chairmen Marty O'Brien

and Bob Scalli;

• Housing & Development — Chairman Tom Cunha, Vice Chairmen Jim Mansfield and Dan Kovacevic;

• Mitigation — Chairman Moe Gillen, Vice Chairmen Bill Galvin and Jim Conway;

• Election — Chairman Kate McDonough;

• Special - Oversight Committee — Chairman Nancy Keyes and Vice Chairman Bill McCabe;

• Planning & Zoning — Chairman Tom Cunha, Vice Chairmen Ken Stone and Dan Kovacevic;

• Veterans — Chairman

Jim Conway, Vice Chairman Bill McCabe;

• Senior Affairs — Chairman Kay Whelan, Vice Chairman Kate McDonough;

• Youth Affairs — Chairman Jim Mansfield, Vice Chairmen John Iacoi and Pat McClellan;

• Environmental — Chairman Judy Brennan, Vice Chairmen John Iacoi and Jeanne Davis;

• By-Laws — Chairman Jim Conway;

• Community Benefits — Chairman Nancy Keyes, Vice Chairman Bill Galvin;

• Billboards — Chairman Ken Stone.

Stillman reported on last month's Public Safety Committee meeting that focused on the concerns of "bumping," where young people grasp onto the rear of a vehicle and slide along when the roads are snowy. He noted that two serious accidents have resulted from this practice thus far this winter. A rise in the number of automobile breaks was also discussed.

Under Basic Services, Looney reported that a letter had been sent to the Suffolk County Sheriff's office asking that vehicles from that department not park on the sidewalk in City Square in front of the courthouse. Looney said that he would ask that a meeting of the

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THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



By Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

WHEN YOU GET YOUR ESTIMATED SETTLEMENT CHARGES

There is a federal law that requires mortgage lenders to give prospective buyers a written itemized good-faith estimate of their settlement charges. People tend to arrive at the settlement table with this document firmly clutched against their chests, questioning each item on their HUD form that does not match perfectly. It makes settlement attorneys crazy.

This is just a reminder that those good-faith estimates are just that — estimates. The lender's own charges are fairly accurate, but the charges for attorneys, termite inspections, title insurance and other items that appear on the sheet are probably going to be a little bit off. So will some of the prorated items, like taxes or homeowner's association fees, if you don't settle on the date that was fed into the equation the lender used to get the estimate. The purpose of the law is to disclose the lender's charges and give you a close idea of how much you must bring to the settlement table. But we can almost promise that it won't be to the penny — probably not even to the dollar!

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MONUMENT PROPERTIES 

Laurette Murdock, 1900-1994

by Oren McCleary

On Saturday, Feb. 26 at 10 a.m., family and friends of Laurette Murdock, who died Feb. 3, will host a memorial gathering at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Laurette, who moved to a garden apartment at 81½ Warren St. upon her retirement in 1967 as copy editor at the Boston publishing house Houghton Mifflin Co., was widely known in Charlestown through her gracious entertaining and many civic activities. She was an active member of the Charlestown Historical Society, the Charlestown Preservation Society, Gardens for Charlestown and Friends of the Charlestown Library, where she served a term as president.

In addition to having read everything, she published during her life here a children's book, "Someone Is Talking About Hortense" (1975), illustrated by the late James Marshall (then resident of Cedar Street), and a mystery story, "The Tower Mill," in Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine (1978).

Her interest in preservation led her, at 70 years of age, to restore the Federal house at 85 Warren St., (known familiarly as Schnapper's Mansion from its having housed the convenience store of Eli Schnapper — now Monument Pro-



LAURETTE MURDOCK

perties), and later, an apartment house on Salem Street Avenue. For these and other efforts, the Preservation Society gave her a Preservation Award in 1988.

The gathering at the Ma-

ry Colbert Apartments, in the Rev. Isaiah Sears Room, will provide an informal opportunity for all who wish to share memories of an irreplaceable resident of our town.

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On Dean's List

Maryellen Doherty of 108 Elm St., Charlestown, has been named to the dean's list at the University of Massachusetts Lowell for the 1993 fall semester. To be eligible for dean's list status, students must achieve a grade point average of at least 3.0 with a grade no lower than B/C.

Doherty is majoring in nursing.

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Mansfield Announces Candidacy For Mayor Of Charlestown

Jim Mansfield of Three Essex St. has officially thrown his name into the ring as a candidate for Mayor of Charlestown. He is the son of Frances and the late Peter F. Mansfield of Charlestown, and the grandson of Eunice Evers of Charlestown. He is the brother of Peter, Paul, Henry, Tommy, Donna Marino, Janet Lakeman and Kellie Houlihan.



JIM MANSFIELD

Mansfield is a third generation Townie and has been actively involved in many local organizations. He currently is the secretary of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, a board member of the Dennis McLaughlin House, immediate past president of the Kennedy Center Board

of Directors, member of the Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Committee and the St. Catherine's of Siena Choir.

He is currently employed as the Director of Community Affairs for the Boston Transportation Department.

"I am excited and proud to take part in this year's election for Mayor of Charlestown," said Mansfield. "It would be a great honor to represent Charlestown in Ireland and hope that if I am elected as Charlestown's Mayor, I can use this position to benefit the community and especially our young people. I would like to thank everyone that has

purchased tickets from me so far and appreciate everyone's help."

Mansfield has scheduled a "Mardi Gras" dance for Friday, Feb. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Knight's of Columbus Hall. Anyone interested in helping Mansfield in his campaign or to buy tickets should contact him at 241-0679.

Special Vacation Week Puppet Show At The BPL

The Gerwick Puppets will perform "Aladdin and the Magic Lamp" in a special school vacation week program for children in the Rabb Lecture Hall of the Boston Public Library in Copley Square on Friday morning, Feb. 25, at 11 a.m.

As the well-loved tale from the Arabian Nights unfolds, children in the audience will be encouraged to give their advice and opinions as Aladdin tries to defeat an evil magician with

the help of an all-powerful genie from a magic lamp. The production includes nine different characters, hand-painted scenery, recorded classical music and special lighting effects.

The program, which is intended for children 5 years of age and older and their families, is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and day-care groups cannot be accommodated. For additional information, please call 536-5400, ext. 328.

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



• **Putting Together The Patriot** . . . is normally an involved task, but when the typesetter goes on the blink in the middle of a Wednesday afternoon during a snowstorm, the difficulties are insurmountable . . . our apologies to those whose items didn't get printed in last week's paper, but once in a while things do happen.

• **Think Ahead To June** . . . and the Bunker Hill Day Parade . . . and come on down to the K. of C. on Saturday evening, Feb. 19 to enjoy an evening of entertainment and music for your dancing pleasure by Andy Healy and his Country Roads Band . . . sponsored by this year's Chief Marshal Marty O'Brien Sr., it gets underway at 8 p.m. for a donation of just \$10!

• **Have You Noticed** . . . how many people recycle their newspapers in plastic bags? Over and over it has been stated that the newspapers should be put out for pick up in **paper bags or tied in string** . . . and they talk about children not following directions!

• **It's Birthday Catch Up Time** . . . John Daly, former dancer and charter member of Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L., celebrated his 103rd birthday on Feb. 10th . . . also on the 10th, twins Natalie and Noreen Rizzo marked their 20th . . . on Feb. 11th, it was party time for Dorothy Conway, and Tim Dineen turned the big FOUR-O . . . Muriel Thompson celebrated her Valentine's birthday on Feb. 14th . . . and Melissa DeCarlo's big day was Feb. 16th . . . **This Week's Birthdays Include** . . . Suzanne Wrenn and Kaileigh Jean Burke today, Feb. 17th . . . Diana Melaugh's big day is Feb. 19th . . . Ginny McGonagle and Michael Tognarelli share a Feb. 20th birthday . . . Bob "Potts" O'Neill turns a half century plus one on Feb. 21st . . . and Jim Doherty, the town's Justice of the Peace, and noted fruit salad chef Bill Kane will both celebrate on Feb. 22nd . . . Happy Birthday to one and all!

• **Update On The Mayoral Race** . . . The contest is heating up for Mayor of Charlestown . . . Michele Cannizzaro held a party last Friday — a success despite another of the winter's snowstorms . . . Jim Mansfield's candidacy will get a boost on Friday, Feb. 18th as friends gather at the K. of C. hall for a Mardi Gras celebration beginning at 8 p.m. with a donation of \$10 in chances (votes) . . . it will be party time for candidate Joe Fitzgerald on Saturday, Feb. 19th at Memorial Hall, getting underway at 8 p.m. and the donation is \$10 in chances (votes) . . . and candidate Alice (Biggins) Buckley is celebrating her birthday on Feb. 21st . . . The campaigning will all come to an end a month from now on Election Night, Friday, March 18th!

• **Calling All Baseball Players** . . . Baseball players between the ages of 17 and 25 are invited to join spring and summer baseball teams . . . they play at the West Newton Common on Elm Street in West Newton, and practices are on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. . . . Coaches and volunteers are also needed . . . Give Henry a call at 891-0621.

• **Skate With Bobby Orr** . . . this Saturday, Feb. 19th, in the Public Garden . . . Skating will begin at 10 a.m. and will continue throughout the day . . . events will include skating exhibitions performed by the Bay State Ice Skating School, costumed characters on skates, off-ice entertainers and free hot chocolate and balloons, all courtesy of BayBanks . . . Orr will sign autographs from noon to 2 p.m. . . . For postponement or cancellation information, call 788-7275.

• **Taking To The Airwaves** . . . today, Thursday, Feb. 17th, is Tom King in a rebuttal to a recent Channel 5 Editorial on the Charles River Crossing of the Central Artery/Tunnel Project . . . Tom may be seen at 12:25 and 6:55 p.m. . . . don't miss it!

• **Kudos** . . . to Judy Evers, community liaison from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, and to our man in the Public Works Department, Tom Donahue, along with John Canavan, for having the Forty Flights cleaned in time for area residents to attend Ash Wednesday and Lenten services at St. Francis de Sales Church.

• **It's Time** . . . to think of taking to the seas as the New England Boat Show sails into the Bayside Expo Center on Feb. 19th for nine days . . . the show will feature over 600 boats ranging in size from six to 42 feet, both power and sail, along with over 400 booths of accessories . . . The hours are Monday through Friday from 1 to 10 p.m., Saturdays noon to 10 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. . . . Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children, and under 6 free.

• **Taking To The Ice** . . . at the recent Bay State Winter Games were four Charlestown residents . . . Hugh Curran played for the Ice Meisters, and Dan Finn, Greg Pages and Bill Shea were members of the Four's Boston team.

• **Think Spring** . . . and join the countdown . . . there are only 32 more days 'till the first day of spring!

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★ Neighborhood Council Meeting . . .

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ Transportation Committee Meeting

. . . District One Boston City Councillor Diane J. Modica will conduct a Commerce and Transportation Committee meeting at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24 in the City Council Chambers at Boston City Hall to address snow emergency procedures in the city of Boston.

Modica called for the meeting after hearing the concerns of residents from across the city regarding the lack of access to city streets following the onslaught of snow during the recent, recurring storms. The hear-

ing will call together officials from the Public Works, School, Public Facilities, Transportation and Parks and Recreation departments, as well as other relevant city officials, to testify on alternative parking proposals during snow emergencies.

Modica stated: "Despite our dedicated Public Works Department and its entire crew working fervently and diligently to ensure clear access to our city streets, the snow removal process was protracted because of the deluge. Alternative parking solutions during snow emergencies must be established to help alleviate the tremendous burden Boston residents have had to endure in an attempt to find parking for their vehicles. In addition to that," she added, "the lack of snow removal from bridges, sidewalks and parking lots under city control must be addressed."

She noted that the access of emergency vehicles to public streets was impeded as

were trash disposal vehicles.

The hearing is open to the public. For more information, call 635-3200.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearing . . .** A public hearing was held on Feb. 15 by the city's Board of Appeal to hear the petition of John Sitton to change the legal occupancy of 8 Allston St. from a two-family to a three-family dwelling.

According to Judy Evers, community liaison for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, the board raised concerns about the fact that the owner does not live at the Allston Street address and also about parking in the already congested neighborhood.

Evers said that the petition has been deferred until April 5 and, in the meantime, she will call a meeting with the abutters.

★ **HUD Has Toll-Free Number . . .** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has a new toll-free telephone number so that the public can obtain a list of HUD-approved housing counseling agencies. Homeowners experiencing difficulty in paying their mortgages and renters interested in buying may locate trained non-profit agencies that serve their residential area by calling 1-800-569-4287.

★ **Charlestown Business Association . . .** Doug Housman, director of the city's Office of Business Services, will be the key speaker at the Charlestown Business Association luncheon and meeting on Thursday, Feb. 24 to be held at noon at Bunker Hill Community College, New Rutherford Avenue — please note change in location.

The Office of Business Services provides a place within City Hall for businesses, both large and small, to come for assistance. It acts as a liaison between the business community and city agencies, working to resolve both simple and complex issues and sharing information about relocation, financing and technical assistance. From public works construction to permitting assistance to the location of working capital, the office provides one-stop shop-

ping within City Hall for the business community.

★ **Free Counseling For Small Businesses . . .** The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), a volunteer organization sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration, brings advice and suggestions to persons planning to open new businesses or who look for assistance in the operation of established businesses.

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SCORE counseling is handled on a confidential basis and at no cost to the client. Counseling hours are 10 and 11 a.m., and 1 and 2 p.m., and the Boston Chapter of SCORE is located at 10 Causeway St., Room 265, Boston, next to North Station. For more information, call 565-5591.

★ **Needed . . .** Caring individuals are needed who are willing to donate a couple of tablespoons of blood for analysis to help an adorable 2-year-old boy.

Patrick McDonough has been diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia and is in desperate need of a bone-marrow transplant. Due to the generosity of the HLA registry and MIT, there will be a bone-marrow drive held to help Patrick find a compatible donor. The drive will be on Friday, March 4 at the MIT Student Center, second floor, 84 Mass. Ave., Cambridge.

Donations can be made out to the Patrick McDonough fund and sent to MIT, E19-135, 400 Main St., Cambridge, Mass. 02139.

For additional information, call Lisa Petrillo at 268-9277 or Craig Venezia at 258-6624. (Note: Craig is Baby Kyle Fitzpatrick's uncle.)

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

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School News

During the week of Feb. 7, Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, in conjunction with other Catholic schools across the United States, celebrated National Catholic Schools Week.

The focus of this annual nationwide celebration is the significance and unique-

ness of Catholic schools, as well as gratitude for the gift of freedom which allows for our schools to be part of the American education system. Although inclement weather mitigated the activities planned for this special week, the most important aspect, that of reflection on the meaning of Ca-

tholic education and the great gift we have in each other, was definitely observed.

The climax of the celebration was reached at a special Mass celebrated by Father Robert Casey of St. Mary's, and prepared by the fourth grade students of Miss Aylward. Following the Mass, a relaxed and fun-filled few hours were spent in playing the Family Feud game. Modeled on the popular quiz show, this activity provided competition, levity and was a fitting close to the week's activities.

Registration for new students will be on-going. Re-registration will take place in May.

"Lucky Auction" will be held May 13. Patrons, prizes and ads are greatly appreciated.

CHAD Junior Bowling League

by John Dillon

Last week's snowstorm forced the cancellation of bowling by the CHAD Junior Bowling League. There will be bowling this Saturday, and the jackets will be given out.

The league does need a van for this coming Saturday morning. If you can help, please call John Dillon at 242-2692.

Baby Kyle Says 'Thanks'



BABY KYLE FITZPATRICK and his mom and dad, Cindy and Bob, wish to thank everyone for their cards, gifts, good wishes and prayers. Kyle, who suffers from leukemia, and his mom and dad came home from South Carolina on Feb. 5 where he underwent a bone-marrow transplant in December and subsequently suffered a relapse. Cards can be sent to: Kyle Fitzpatrick, 23 Sunrise Drive, Bradford, Mass. 01835.

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Committee Chairmen Ratified At Neighborhood Council Meeting

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committee be held before the end of the month with parking as the main subject as it is at the frustration point and the town has to work on a solution.

Looney stated that a letter had been sent to the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) requesting that Austin and West School streets as well as Main Street between these two

streets be posted for two-hour parking between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Brennan added that she would like to see such a posting in Thompson Square. A suggestion was also made that two-hour parking be instituted in City Square where commuters park and take the bus in town. It was also noted that a car had been parked in the snow on Chelsea Street since the December snowstorm.

McCabe brought up the traffic problems resulting from cars parking on both sides of Warren Street between Henley and Chelsea streets. McClellan, who is a bus driver for the MBTA, added that this area has been impassible for buses during and following the winter storms.

Conway stated that a two-hour parking limit would hinder the vehicles from

Life Focus Center at City Square. Looney said that he would talk with LFC and Judge Peter Agnes prior to a public meeting.

McCabe reported on the annual meeting of the Emergency Fund held on Jan. 10. He said that although a quorum was present despite inclement weather, it was decided to reschedule the meeting to allow for more to attend.

Looney announced that the Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Dinner has been set for April 23 at the K. of C. Hall. He stated that the nomination process will be publicized shortly.

Stone stated that he would arrange for a short presentation on the proposed City Square Park at the March monthly meeting.

Cunha related that Boston Redevelopment Authority Director Paul Barrett had left that position and suggested that an invitation be extended to the new director, Marisa Lago, to speak to the CNC. Conway asked, and it was voted, that a letter of thanks be sent to Barrett commending him for all he has done for Charlestown.

Iacoi brought up the issue of the traffic on Green Street relative to the youngsters coming and going from the Boys & Girls Club. The club's Board of Directors has been looking to have a flashing yellow light installed on the street just before the clubhouse, and if that isn't possible, signs should be erected indicating "Slow, Children." Mansfield stated that the BTD will be installing signs on Green Street within the next several weeks.

Stone stated that a representative from Ackerley Communications contacted him on the fact they would like to raise one of their billboards four inches. It is in Sullivan Square in an area in where there is no housing. Council members asked the question "What's in it for the town?" Stone said he will wait until he receives further contact from the company.

Traffic concerns in two areas of the town were brought up. Brennan stated that there should be stop signs near the skating rink and also at Washington Street and Old Rutherford

Avenue. She said that people are driving in from New Rutherford Avenue at 50 mph, passing several senior citizen developments, and there has been numerous accidents. She said: "It's time to stop studying and start doing!"

Cunha brought up the "horrendous" traffic conditions in Sullivan Square between 4 and 6:30 p.m. any day of the week. He told the story of the men on the Health & Hospitals ambulance who got a call for Brighton Street on a recent afternoon and couldn't get around the rotary. They had to call a private ambulance service in Somerville to answer the call. Gillen stated that he has repeatedly raised the issue of the problems at Sullivan Square and would like a response.

It was suggested and voted that a letter be sent to Sen. Robert Travaglini, who is on the Senate Transportation Committee, asking for assistance on this matter. Gillen added that a letter should also go to the BTD and Public Safety departments.

Kathy Giordano, liaison to Boston City Councillor Diane Modica, stated that Modica had talked to Capt. Doris of Area A the day following January's CNC meeting. She said Doris told Modica he would send officers to Sullivan Square during rush hour and she had requested a detail.

Giordano also added that Modica is beginning talks with representatives from Cong. Joseph Kennedy's office on plans to work with the community on mitigation measures relative to the Charles River Crossing aspect of the Central Artery/Tunnel project.

The next meeting of the council will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1 at the K. of C. hall, 75 West School St.

USS Constitution Museum Banner Year in '93

The USS Constitution Museum, located in the historic Charlestown Navy Yard, has had a record-breaking 1993. Just released attendance statistics show a five percent jump in visitation, the total figure just edging over 120,000 visitors.

"The increase in the number of visitors to the museum is in part the result of careful exhibit planning and catering to the interests of the tourists," said Ellen Kraft, executive director of the museum.

A steady line of tourists is not the only thing that made 1993 successful for the museum. In 1993 the museum received over \$3.4 million in federal funds for use toward a \$7.4 million, two-phase building expansion project that is almost at the halfway mark. By the spring of '94, the museum will feature a new 200-seat

theater and a connecting gallery with state of the art exhibits. Phase two of the construction will see an adjacent historic brick building turned into exhibit space that will nearly double the museum's existing floor space. The interior work is being financed by a capital campaign that has raised \$2.6 million of its \$4 million goal.

Kraft is quick to point out that all the excitement at the museum does not center around brick, mortar and dollar signs. In November of 1993, the museum received the highest award a museum can receive — accreditation from the American Association of Museums. Only museums that meet the standards set forth by the museum profession, manages its collections responsibly and provides quality service to the public ever earn AAM recogni-

tion. Nationwide, less than 10 percent of America's 8500 museums are accredited.

"The process and resulting accreditation ensures that our museum has made a commitment to provide the visiting public the finest in programs and exhibits," said Kraft. She added, "That commitment will be improved upon in 1994 with the addition of several new exhibits."

Spring of '94 marks the opening of an exhibit entitled, "Around The World Aboard 'Old Ironsides.'" Visitors will be thrown back 150 years as "Old Ironsides" crosses the equator stopping along the African

Coast, Vietnam, Hawaii and Mexico. Hands-on exhibits give all sailors a chance to fire a cannon, navigate and battle the British.

The USS Constitution Museum is located in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Now through Feb. 28, the museum will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free for children ages 5 and under, and for active military; \$1.50 for children ages 6-12; \$2 for senior citizens and students and \$3 for adults. Charlestown young people under 16 are admitted free of charge every day, and on weekends all children under the age of 17 are admitted free.

Voke Moves To Regulate Check Cashers

A recent addition to the landscape of many communities has been the proliferation of store-front check cashing businesses. While not condemning the industry as a whole, Rep. Richard Voke said that investigations revealing that some check cashiers were acting in bad faith led public policy makers to seek a law to regulate the firms. Voke says a new law is in place to do just this.

"In our review of complaints and subsequent investigations, it became obvious that several unscrupulous operators were taking advantage of their customers, who are typically lower income people with no bank accounts or other check cashing options. To

protect the interests of these consumers, we have taken action," noted Voke.

The law gives the state banking commissioner the responsibility for overseeing check cashing enterprises, which is defined as any person or entity engaged in cashing checks, drafts or money orders for a consideration in excess of \$1 per item. The law intentionally leaves unregulated retail outlets cashing checks as a convenience to their customers.

Furthermore, conspicuous posting of fees, issuance of a detailed receipt with each transaction and the granting of investigation powers to the banking commissioner in cases of possible violations highlight the provisions of the new law.

"While there appears to be a need for such services, under no circumstances should consumers be taken advantage of. Our action on this matter will help ensure that those needing to get a check cashed get treated fairly and equitably," concluded Voke.

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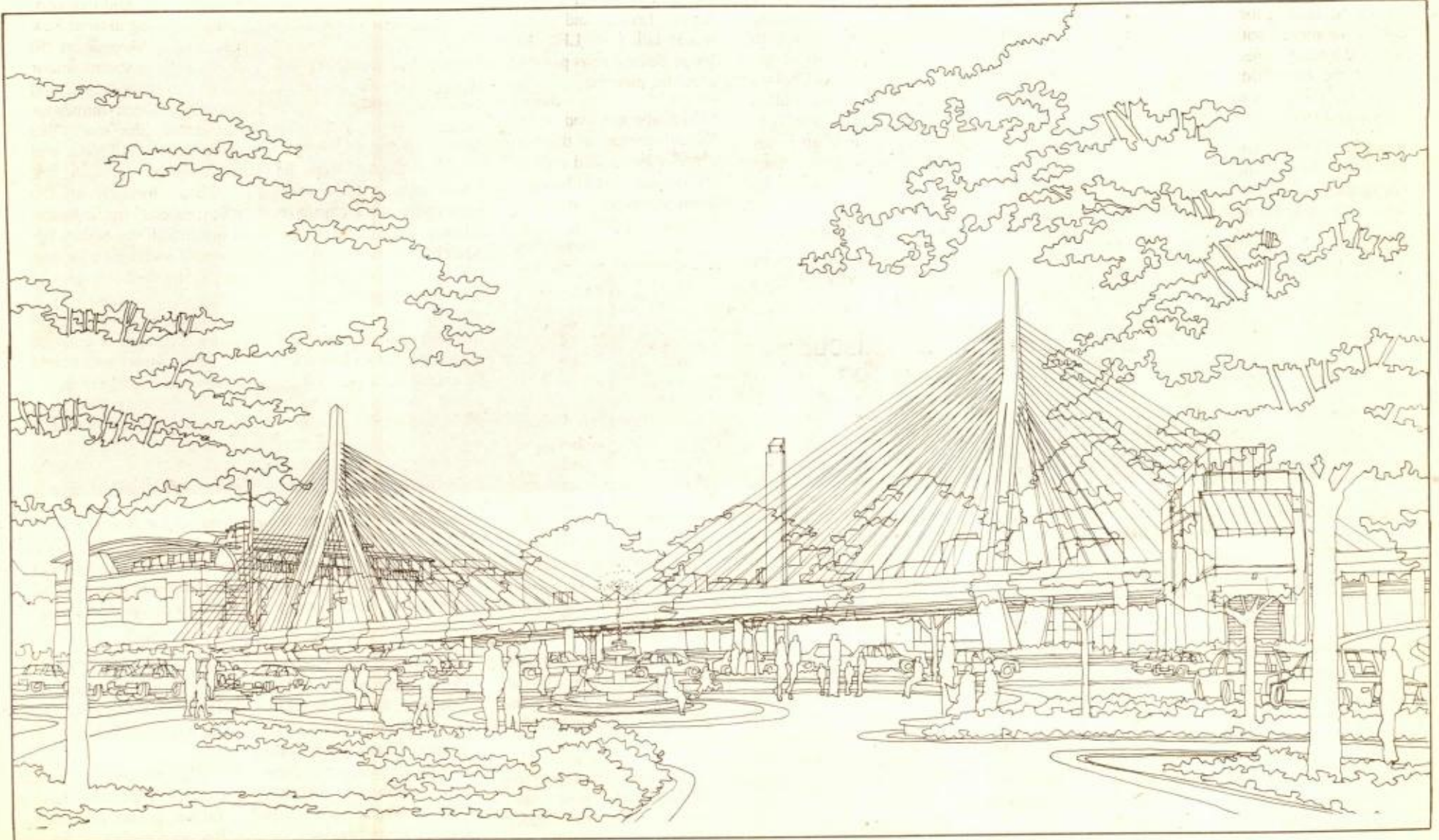
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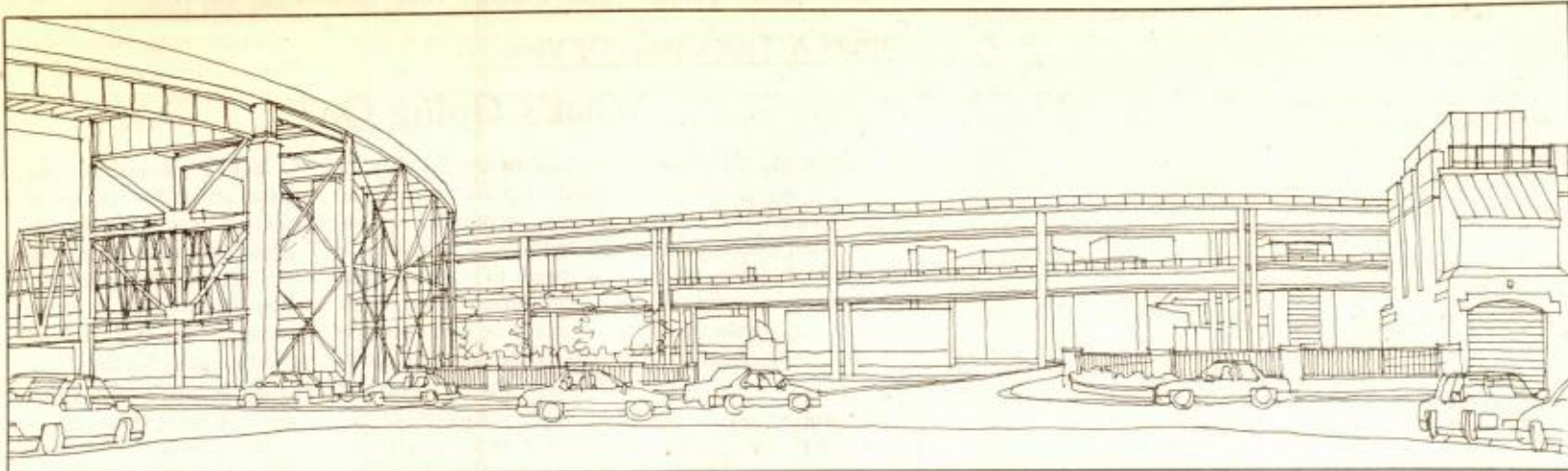
The Central Artery/Tunnel Project Files Charles River Crossing Report



THE FUTURE VIEW from City Square is shown in this artist's rendering of the Central Artery/Tunnel Project's new Charles River Crossing design. The main feature of the river crossing is a landmark cable-stayed bridge that will serve as the northern gateway to downtown Boston. Not clearly visible in this perspective is parkland and open

space that will be created between Rutherford Avenue and the Charles River. In order to give the viewer a better sense of what the bridge will look like, trees and other features of the new parkland are not shown or appear to be behind rather than in front of the bridge. The bridge

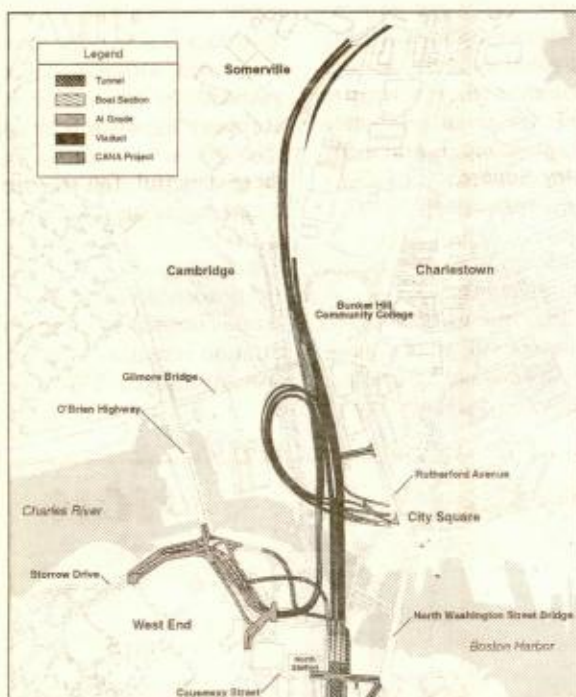
shown is 10 lanes wide and stands 500 to 700 feet west of Rutherford Avenue. A second, four-lane bridge stands to the west of the main bridge and is barely visible from City Square because it is parallel to and at the same height (courtesy of Mass. Highway Department)



AN ARTIST'S RENDERING of the existing elevated Central Artery as seen from Charlestown's City Square. The new Charles River Crossing design will replace the existing double-decked structure

seen here with an elegant, cable-stayed bridge that will stand 500 to 700 feet from Rutherford Avenue. The temporary ramps at the left will be removed. The new bridge and river crossing will

serve as a dramatic northern gateway to downtown Boston. Parkland and open space will be created between the bridge and Rutherford Avenue. (courtesy, Mass. Highway Department)



THE UPDATED MAP of the Charles River Crossing Design shows the exit ramp into the Charlestown area on Cambridge Street, adjacent to Sullivan Square.

The Central Artery/Tunnel Project has filed the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Report (FSEIS/R) for the new Charles River Crossing design with state and federal environmental agencies. The report is available for public review at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Comments on the new river crossing, as described in the (FSEIS/R), should be submitted in writing by March 10, 1994 to: Trudy Cox, Secretary, Mass. Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge St., 20th floor, Boston, Mass. 02202.

Also, comments should be submitted in writing no later than March 14, 1994 to: Daniel Berman, Project Manager, Central Artery/Tunnel Project, Federal Highway Administration, 55 Broadway, 10th floor, Cambridge, Mass. 02142.

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- Boston City Hall
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- State Transportation Library
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Youth Safety Meeting Brings Youths And Adults Together



PANEL MEMBERS heard teens and adults make comments and ask questions on issues of safety in Charlestown at the Youth Safety Meeting held on Feb. 14 at the Harvard-Kent School. Shown (l. to r.) parents Lisa Collins and Helen Grogett, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Direc-

tor Jerry Steimel, St. Catherine's Pastor Father Ron Coyne, teens Nicole DeRoeve and Greg McNeil, Healthy Charlestown Coalition Coordinator Joanne Massaro, Charlestown Community Centers Administrative Coordinator Bob McGann, Boston Police Department Capt. Ste-

phen Doris, Assistant Superintendent for Boston Public Middle Schools Joseph Bage, Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee Chairman Mel Stillman and Charlestown Against Drugs Chairman and meeting moderator Peter Looney. (photo by Jeanne Davis)

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Charlestown young people proved to be thoughtful and articulate in speaking up. They spoke of social concerns, such as youth facilities being closed on weekends and lacking transportation and of not being able to play league football games at the Charlestown High School field because of people drinking.

They called on the Boston Police Department to answer questions about, what they feel, is an inactive Police Athletic League in Charlestown compared to other neighborhoods. They expressed the need for more police officers walking beats in Charlestown, and asked where they are supposed to go on Saturday nights and Sundays when officers kick them off street corners. They suggested that the police and youth work together at getting to know each other.

"Maybe if the cops try and relate to us, they can help us out and get a better relationship," Hansen suggested.

They wanted to know what the police were doing to solve the drug problem.

"The police won't solve the drug problem," said Capt. Stephen Doris of the BPD's Area A. "We're making arrests regularly, but are we stopping drugs? No. As long as people depend

on drugs, they will continue to be on drugs, so maybe the community can help with that."

Charlestown Rose Julie Treanor added that "it's not just the police, it's us too. We're so afraid of ratting on our friends."

Looney remarked that public drinking is accepted in Charlestown. "As a community, we need to say no to public drinking. That doesn't mean if you're 17, it means if you're 50 also. We can't have a double standard. We're not sending the right message."

Panel members and Looney actually offered few solutions to specific problems, except that concerns required on-going work between youth and adults. Looney challenged the young people to be part of solving problems. He specifically called on the newly formed Youth Council, represented by its president, Jimmy Tallent, to help share that burden.

Tallent described the Youth Council as an effort to bring youth from different areas of Charlestown together. To date, the council is made up of two young people from the Boys & Girls Club, Community Centers, Boston Housing Authority, Kennedy Center and CYO who represent the active youth of those agencies and programs. Five

committees have been formed to work on issues determined by the council to be important to Charlestown youth: Employment, Activities, Lifestyles, Education and Transportation.

"I put a lot of responsibility on the Youth Council," Looney said later. "But I think a lot of people are excited about what this group can accomplish."

The Youth Safety Meeting also turned to school concerns. Teens said they don't feel safe at crowded bus stops during the day and asked why more kids are in the doughnut shop than in school. They admitted to being late and absent regularly and asked school officials why they weren't being disciplined.

"The best discipline is self-discipline," said panel member Father Ron Coyne. "We have to look at ourselves."

Yet students, particularly Charlestown High School students, called on the administration to raise its standards. One student said that she would like to go to Charlestown High, but her parents were afraid to send her because of safety reasons. Also, one neighbor of the high school on Medford Street, said that she is selling her house because she can't live with Charlestown High anymore.

Youth who participated at

the meeting seem skeptical of what will become of the information the adults gathered from them on Monday night.

"It'll be interesting to see what happens now," said one 17-year-old. "Peter Looney seemed pretty sincere. He'll probably do his best to follow through."

Panel members included: Joseph Bage, assistant superintendent for Middle Schools, Boston Public

Schools; Capt. Stephen Doris, Boston Police Department, Area A; Bob McGann, administrative coordinator, Charlestown Community Center; Jerry Steimel, clubhouse director, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club; Joanne Massaro, coordinator, Healthy Charlestown Coalition; Father Ron Coyne, St. Catherine's CYO; Lisa Collins, Citywide Parents Council; Helen Grogett, Citywide Parents Council; Greg Mc-

Neil, peer leader, Charlestown Teen Connection; and Nicole DeRoeve, delegate, Citywide Youth Congress.

Charlestown Youth Council officers are: Jimmy Tallent, president; Jennifer Ray, vice president; Rachel Melaugh, secretary/treasurer; and members Paula Hickey, Jimmy Yandle, Katie Farrell, Kevin Golden, Shannon Casey, PJ Hansen, Christine Locke and Son Dein.

From A Teen's Point Of View

'What's Going On?'

by Rachel M. Melaugh

Peter Looney introduced the panel of adults that led the community safety meeting on Feb. 14, where teens were to tell of the safety issues in Charlestown, such as lack of disciplinary policy at Charlestown High School and drugs, into a forum where Stacey Johnson, principal of Charlestown High School, refused to take responsibility for a woman selling her home because of harassment by some of the students at the school and Capt. Stephen Doris of the Boston Police Department refused to accept responsibility for solving the drug problem in Charlestown.

There were, of course, other issues raised during

the discussion, but they related to prevention of the issues mentioned above. Despite the willingness of the panel to work on these other issues, nothing significant can be done because some of the panel refused to identify the broad-based problems that cause the other concerns to be more important than they should be.

Issues such as sports, activities involving teens from different agencies, dances, new teen centers that would rely more on teen responsibility, and youth employment seemed important to the panel because, as professionals, they recognize these issues as preventive measures needed to offer alternatives to drug- and crime-filled lives.

Jack Schievink told the panel about how the police refused to supply adequate protection when there was an incident the first time Pop Warner had a home game at the high school football field and the continuing public drinking that goes on even now.

Teens told of how they are kicked off the corners and, consequently, have to subject themselves to police harassment because they have no place else to go. Alternatives offered by the panel were weekly or monthly dances at varying locations and activities to be planned by the recently formed Charlestown Youth Council, which is a group of teen-agers from varying

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CHARLESTOWN TEENS took the microphone at Monday night's Charlestown Youth Safety Meeting to ask questions and offer comments on issues facing the young peo-

ple of this community. Shown (l. to r.) Jim Tallent, president of the newly formed Charlestown Youth Council;

Christine Locke; Vinnie Donovan; Colleen Walsh; and PJ Hansen. (photos by Jeanne Davis)

'What's Going On?'

(continued from page 8) community agencies who meet regularly to plan events and work on the five issues they decided upon.

Shawna Pelton explained her belief that employment was a concern of most teenagers, and Peter Looney discussed workshops for application writing, etc., but no mention was made of additional summer jobs or a program that would extend the summer jobs year round.

The first issue raised about Charlestown High School was the unequal racial balance within the school. This concern, which is relevant but con-

troversial, was quickly and permanently dismissed by the panel. Another issue concerning the high school was a woman forced to sell her family home due to harassment by some of the students. Johnson, always looking to improve public relations, obviously didn't care that a life-long resident of Charlestown has to move because he can't control his students. But the high point in the evening came when two students, who go to the school, admitted to chronic tardiness and explained the school's failure to in any way punish them or even encourage punctuality.

The Boston Police Department received a lot of blame for problems, but the BPD might have come out of the meeting relatively unharmed, but Capt. Doris decided to comment. Not many people solely blame the police for the drug problem present in Charlestown, however, Capt. Doris seems to believe the drug problem is not even a police issue. What he said was, "Police aren't going to solve the drug problem." His statement has been interpreted to mean they aren't even going to try.

Townies, I have only one question for you: "What's going on?"

From A Teen's Point Of View

A Youth Perspective

by Phyllis "Abby" Whelan

We, as adolescents, might think that adults hold the answers, that they can solve our problems quickly and easily. But after Monday night's Youth Safety Meeting, my faith was shattered at what I and many other teens witnessed.

Peter Looney hosted the meeting, introducing all the members of the panel and giving a brief summary of what the night would be about. Teens were asked to give comments or ask questions. Many questions were raised, such as "Why do other towns have police and our town doesn't?" a question raised by Joe Brennan. "More cops should be walking the beat," a comment made by Jen Ray. These were understandable questions and comments. I'd bet you'd like to know the solutions to those problems, so would I! I sat within hearing distance and nothing was done. Instead of thinking of a solution, we commented and moved on.

Boys & Girls Club dwellers stated that there aren't any centers open on Saturdays. This was another rea-

sonable comment, and with over 125 people in the room, one might get the impression that a decision was made, instead we got "we will look into that issue later."

Capt. Stephen Doris of the Boston Police Department had a lot of explaining to do when many people questioned his job. He said: "The Boston Police Department was called to Main Street more than 400 times about the noisy kids." My personal statement is what are they doing if they get irritated by responding to calls and don't do anything about the drug problem, what are they doing?

Jimmy Tallent offered a few words such as "I was just recently elected president of the Charlestown Youth Council and what we do is discuss things with the club and other centers to try to get kids to join in some club activity." Joanne Massaro of the Healthy Charlestown Coalition stated that "we're not hearing from the youth."

Supported by a number of clapping teens, Lisa Collins, a parent of three, then

spoke of money, space and people. She was very brief, but to the point. Bobby D. ended the comments on having dances with a simple quote, "Two-hundred-and-forty dollars is the amount a janitor is paid to open the door." This brought up another subject: money.

Shawna Pelton showed interest in finding jobs for the youth of this community. Looney stated that most 20-year-olds can't find jobs. That is very obvious and without help, Shawna's cry for help was just another writing in the minutes. Instead of each question being carefully considered and a solution being considered, each question had an excuse. The panel members were clearly defending themselves.

Shawna and I feel the same way, as do a number of teens, that the results of this meeting were that hypocrites and adults want recognition for trying to do something for kids.

These are all quotes from young adults who felt that their Valentine's Day was spent being humored.

Bamidele Dancers & Drummers To Perform In Charlestown

The Charlestown Branch Library is pleased to present "The Bamidele Dancers & Drummers" in a special vacation week performance at St. Catherine's parish hall, 10 Tufts St., on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 24, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Bamidele Osumarea and other members of the company will encourage audience participation as they perform dances, rhythms, folklore and songs from Africa, the Caribbean and the Americas.

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library and made possible in part by grants

from the Mass. Biomedical Corporation and the Reading Is Fundamental (R.I.F.) project, the program is free and open to the public. Children 5 years of age and

older will receive a book to keep for his or her own personal library.

For additional information, please contact the library at 242-1248.

HAPPENINGS AT The Charlestown Working Theater

442 Bunker Hill St.



242-3285

What a thrilling winter we're having! Here at the theater we've battened down the hatches, and started turning our sights to our spring and summer productions.

Our season begins in March with a wonderful presentation of "An American Storyteller in Ireland" by storyteller Sharon Kennedy. Sharon traveled to Ireland and collected stories from 24 traditional storytellers, ranging from the west coast of Clare to County Armagh in Northern Ireland. What a great way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Performances will be held Thursday through Saturday, March 10-12 and March 17-19 at 8 p.m. We will also have a matinee performance and a storytelling workshop, with the date and time to be announced.

This performance will be free for any senior citizen here in Charlestown and transportation will be provided. General admission to the show will be \$12; \$10 for town residents, seniors and students with an ID. Look to the **Patriot** for more information about "An American Storyteller," or give us a call at the theater.

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We have two openings for piano lessons. These lessons are free, after a one-time registration fee of \$5. (This fee can be waived, if need be). We are very lucky to have Steve Lantner as our teacher. Steve is an accomplished performer, as well as a teacher in the Cambridge school system. He also teaches adults and children privately. These spots go quickly, so call today!

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Acting class for ages 11-14 still has room for a few more students. The lessons are free and the teacher is great! John Quinn has been teaching classes at CWT since the fall, and he is very popular with both students and parents.

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For more information about any of our programs, please call us at 242-3285. See you at the theater!

Bunker Hill Post To Meet

Bunker Hill Post No. 26, The American Legion will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. at the post quarters, 23 Adams St.

Charlestown Residents Graduate

Boston University awarded academic degrees to 1,002 students this winter.

Receiving degrees were Charlestown residents Patricia A. Mechan, MPH in Health Services; Kimberly M. Regan, BA in Economics, *cum laude*; and Hope A. Sullivan, BA in Economics.

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BOB D'S BEAT

by

Bob DeCristoforo

■ **Welcome . . .** This week I am happy to welcome Sandra Marrero to Charlestown. She will be joining me here at Bunker Hill. Her youth worker role will be an additional plus for Charlestown and I know you will give her the same help and support you continue to give me. Sandra is my new BHA partner and together we will give and do our best for the young people at the Bunker Hill Development and for the young people of Charlestown.

■ **All Stars . . .** BHA Metro Hoop Tournament Director, Jake Manning is pleased to announce that David Small and Tommy McDonough have been named to the Metro Hoop's 1994 All Star Team. Both played on the Charlestown Metro Hoop Team.

■ **Good Luck . . .** Stephen Mahan has finally received his military orders and is off to boot camp on Friday morning.

News From
The Charlestown
Boys & Girls Club
15 GREEN ST.

• TEEN CENTER NEWS

Vacation Week Club Hours — Club hours for vacation week will be as follows: Tuesday through Friday, Feb. 22-25, from noon to 7 p.m. The club will be closed on Saturday, Feb. 26 in observance of Presidents' Day.

Keystone Weekend Ski Trip — Our weekend ski trip to Butternut Mountain was cancelled due to the weather. The trip was postponed to this weekend. The vans will leave tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 18 at 4 p.m.

Valentine's Dance — Tomorrow night, Friday, Feb. 18, the Teen Center will host its annual Valentine's Dance. The dance will begin at 7:30 p.m., and the doors will close at

Charlestown Community Center Revised Pool Schedule

The Charlestown Community Center announces its revised pool schedule, effective Feb. 14.

Open Swim — Monday - Friday, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Adult Lap Swim — Monday - Friday, 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Open Swim — Monday - Friday, 6 to 7 p.m.

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Uncle Sam had put an anxious Steve on hold in January. We wish him the best on accomplishing a long sought after goal.

■ **Pro Line . . .** The Winnipeg Jets were grounded this week losing to St. Louis 6-5, Dallas 4-2 and Toronto 3-1, but Captain Keith Tkachuk was flying, scoring a goal in each game. Keith now has 30 goals and the Jets have a 17-34-7 (41 points) record, and playoff hopes aren't bright.

The Florida Panthers didn't have a bad week. They defeated the New York Islanders and Vancouver upping their season record to 25-20-10 (60 points), and look as if they are headed for the playoffs.

■ **Cherry Tree Monday . . .** A lot of basketball action will take place Monday at the Boys & Girls Club where the fourth annual Andy Puopolo Cherry Tree Basketball



242-1775

8:15 p.m. The dance will end at 11 p.m., and rides home will be available. Admission is \$3.

Broader Horizons — The Broader Horizons career exploration group began this week. The group will discuss and visit various places of employment and help guide teenagers toward making positive career decisions. The group meets on Tuesday afternoons. Anyone interested can contact Danny or Maureen in the Teen Center.

Community Service — We have set up some opportunities for teens to give something back to the club and Charlestown. Any teen interested in volunteering some time, please contact Danny.

Just A Reminder — Aerobics is every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m. . . . Arts & Crafts meets from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday . . . and the Teen Education room is open from 4 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday for tutoring, SAT prep, College Club, etc.

• GAMESROOM

— Torch Club Members - See Mark for the next Peer Mediation Training Meeting.

— Friday, Feb. 18, is the Volunteer Night Party. For all volunteers ages 6-12 with one hour of volunteer work or more only! There will be a movie, snacks and games from 6 to 8 p.m.

— It's Tournament Week once again! Stop by to compete in a variety of tournaments. There will be prizes for all the champions!

• PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Basketball — Last week, two games were cancelled due to the weather. However, two games were played.

The 12- and-under boys played at Roxbury against a very tough team. Roxbury had control from the start, although Charlestown played aggressively throughout. Eddie Kelly and Jackie Kelly received player of the week awards. Final score: Roxbury 49, Charlestown 30.

The Boys' 15-and-under team played against the West End House. P.J. Hansen played like a man possessed! Ian Urquhart also turned in his consistently strong performance. P.J. finished with 30 points and Ian with 15 points. The West End House pulled off the victory in the closing minutes. Final score: West End House 62, Charlestown 54.

Tournament takes place. Charlestown will be represented by two teams in the tournament.

G 1 - 10:45 a.m. East Boston vs. Mulrey Senior Club

G 2 - 11:45 a.m. Savin Hill vs. Charlestown II

G 3 - 12:45 p.m. Condon vs. MEMYO

G 4 - 1:45 p.m. Charlestown I vs. Devils

G 5 - 2:45 p.m. G 1 vs. G 3 winners

G 6 - 3:45 p.m. G 2 vs. G 4 winners

G 7 - 5 p.m. G 5 vs. G 6 winners (championship)

■ **High School Notebook . . .** Paul Myers got the Bosco Bears back on the winning track by scoring two goals in Bosco's 4-0 shutout of Bishop Feehan. Bosco had lost to CM 8 to zip at the beginning of the week. Bosco is closing in on a tournament spot with a record of 10-4-0.

Charlestown picked up a big city league win tipping East Boston 4-3. Tomo Donovan had a big goal for the Townies.

Arlington Catholic defeated Malden Catholic 5-2 and Arlington (Paul Allen) remained undefeated shutting out Everett 5-0.

Brendan Brennan of Wilmington High School (6-9-1), scored the game winner, an insurance goal and an assist for Wilmington in a game against Dracut, for a final score of 5-2. In an earlier game against Chelmsford, he had a goal and an assist, but it wasn't enough for a win, with a final score of 5-3.

In basketball action, Shannon McLaughlin had 17 points to lead St. Clement's past Hudson Catholic 50-27, and Jonathan Owens (37 points) pushed Somerville past Malden 71-65.

The Charlestown High girls were stopped by Burke 71-23.

Coach Marty Pierce's Matignon hockey squad qualified for the state tournament for the 25th time. The Warriors have a 13-4-0 record.

■ **Teen Dance . . .** All teens are reminded of the annual Valentine Dance that will take place tomorrow evening, Friday, Feb. 18, at the Boys & Girls Club Teen Center. You might even get a chance to dance with Danny Ryan! The dance is from 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

■ **Olympic Moment . . .** It's hard to believe that 14 years ago we welcomed home Olympic Gold Medalist Jack O'Callahan who was a member of the "Miracle On Ice" USA Hockey Squad that won the Gold at Lake Placid in the 1980 Winter Olympics.

■ **Youth Safety Meeting . . .** Congratulations to all the young people who made it a point to attend Monday night's Youth Safety meeting and express themselves. Let's hope your words produce some real positive action.

■ **College Board . . .** Joe DeRoeve is posting some numbers for the Stonehill hockey squad.

It was good to see Sharon Fidler's Suffolk Hoop basketball photo. Sharon worked very hard at Christopher Columbus High School, as she has continued to do throughout her basketball career at Suffolk.

■ Tidbits . . .

— Birthday best to Roger Britton.

— Happy Valentine Week to Amanda and Jimmy.

— What does Mike Erardi and Sesame Street have in common?

— Al Titcomb is looking.

— Who is Jason Britton's hair stylist?

— Melissa and Amanda are speaking.

— Welcome home Jimmy Saccardo.

— Valentine best to Joe Scadding and Jen H.

— Cancun countdown: 59 days!

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C.Y.O. & St. Catherine NEWS

by Father Ron Coyne

• **CYO One-Day Ski Trip** — Our last ski trip for the winter will be held on Sunday, March 13. All teen-agers 13-19 are welcome to join us. We will travel with Youth Enrichment Services (YES) and the cost will be \$38 per person, which includes transportation, all-day lift ticket, ski rental and a lesson. Anyone interested must sign up at the rectory, 49 Vine St., leave \$38 at the rectory and pick up a permission slip which must be returned prior to the fitting. The fitting will be on Wednesday, March 9 at 5 p.m. Buses will leave the church at 4:15 p.m. and return around 7:30 p.m.

On March 13, the bus will leave the church at 5:30 a.m. and return around 7:30 p.m. No one is allowed to go skiing if they don't attend the fitting (YES rules).

• **Eighth Grade Boys Olympics** — St. Catherine's invites all 7th and 8th grade boys from both public and parochial schools to represent Charlestown in the annual CYO Junior Olympics on Wednesday, Feb. 23 at West Roxbury High School. There will be approximately 14 parishes competing in basketball, volleyball, gym hockey, water basketball and superstars contests throughout the day. We will leave by bus at 8:30 a.m., and return around 6 p.m. All boys interested are asked to call Father Coyne at 242-1750. Lunch is included.

We also need high school students to referee the events throughout the day. We sponsor this event and therefore are responsible for refereeing, scorekeeping, etc. Any teen-ager interested in helping out is asked to call Father Coyne.

• **St. Catherine's Three-Night Mission** — All Charlestown residents are invited to a three-night Mission with the theme "Life — Keep It Simple" on Monday, Feb. 28, Tuesday, March 1 and Wednesday, March 2. The Mission will be led by Jack Roche, a Columban priest, and will include

Mass each evening beginning at 7:30 p.m.

A Mission is like a three-day retreat and is open to all who would like to deepen their understanding of how good God is and how wonderfully God has made us.

Jack Roche is a dynamic speaker and a great storyteller. The time you spend in his presence will be long-lasting. He will preach at all the Masses on the weekend of Feb. 26-27 introducing himself and the Mission to the people of Charlestown.

• **Disney World Trip Open To All** — St. Catherine's is sponsoring a trip to Walt Disney World Aug. 20-27 and all Charlestown residents and their friends are welcome as are children traveling alone.

We are close to our goal of 99 people to assure us of a chartered flight. There is still time to put down your \$50 deposit. For a brochure or if you have any questions, contact Sheila Brown at 242-2683.

• **Roller Skating Party** — A roller-skating party for all children and teen-agers will be from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 21, during school vacation, at Rollerworld in Saugus. Buses will leave St. Catherine's at 3:45 p.m. and return around 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale at St. Catherine's rectory and Charlestown Catholic. The cost is \$5 per person, which includes admission, skate rental and transportation. Parents are also welcome.

• **All Nighter** — One of our most popular CYO activities is our All Nighter. Our next All Nighter, open to all teen-agers from both public and parochial schools, will begin on Friday, March 11 at 6 p.m. and conclude on Saturday morning, March 12 at 6 a.m. We will travel by bus throughout the night to various activities. The cost will be \$20 per person, which includes admission to all events and transportation. Teen-agers 13-19 may sign up at St. Catherine's rectory, 49 Vine St., and leave \$20 to guarantee a seat.

• **Third Annual Sleepover** — St. Catherine's is sponsoring the third annual Sleepover for children in grades 3-5. The night will be filled with games, crafts and fun, fun, fun! The sleepover will be on Thursday, Feb. 24. Permission slips are available at St. Catherine's rectory and must be returned by Monday, Feb. 21. No child will be admitted without a permission slip.

• **Adult Family Feud** — St. Catherine's third annual Adult Family Feud will be held on Friday, Feb. 18, in St. Catherine's Hall. The 1993 champions, 2 Bills, A John and 2

Babes, will try to hang on to their title, as 16 teams battle it out to be the 1994 champs.

Admission is \$3, and a cash bar will be available. This event is sponsored by St. Catherine's Adult Activities Committee and is for adults 21 and over.

• **Student Family Feud** — Charlestown Catholic held a Family Feud on Feb. 11 in St. Catherine's parish hall. There were 16 teams with five students on each team from grades 6-8. The entire student body and the faculty, as well as parents, formed our audience. The afternoon was modeled after the famous TV show.

We are grateful to those students willing to be team captains and form their team of five. Team captains were: Joe Wilkins, Chris Tamburello, Erin Dineen, Kristen Golden, Michelle Marino, Kairsten Burke, Tim Getchell, Denise Devlin, John Wrenn, Jack Kelly, Eddie Prince, Aileen Gorman, Bonnie O'Leary, Ryan Evers, Jimmy Kane and Larry Mulcahy.

The four top place teams received prizes: the fourth place team, winning rollerskating tickets, were Aileen Gorman, Meaghan Brady, Lauren Brennan, Jim Garvey and Candace Griffin; the third place team winning Tag Day passes were John Wrenn, Pat Kane, Rich Prince, Mike Murphy and Mike Powers; the second place team winning movie passes were Kairsten Burke, Jolie Burke, Meaghan Murray, Caitlin Callahan and Katelyn Considine; and the first place champions who will be celebrating their victory with dinner and the movies were Erin Dineen, Erin Brennan, Michelle McLaughlin, Jacqui Neff and Janelle Ortiz.

We are grateful to all the children who were willing to be on a team. Special thanks to Mary Featherston, Mary Rizzo, Noreen Ridings, Kathleen Colucci and Lynne Woods for their assistance.

Teen Connection Corner

Charlestown Community Centers 635-5169

• **Charlestown Community Center Fund Raiser** — On Friday, Feb. 25, the Charlestown Community Center will hold a fund raiser at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. The night will begin at 8 p.m., and will feature the D.J. Connection. Tickets are \$10 and can be reserved by calling 635-5169.

• **Charlestown Youth Council** — The Youth Council is currently working on the Youth Safety Town Meeting that took place on Monday night. They have also formed five committees that will address teen concerns in Charlestown. The committees are: transportation, employment, education, activities and lifestyles. The group also traveled to city hall this week to visit with City Councillor, Diane Modica and tour the city council chambers.

• **Volleyball Standings** —

Team	W	L	Points
Mahoney Club	5	0	10
Wrenn Club	4	1	8
Newtowne	4	1	8
Horseshoe Tavern	3	2	6
Chaco's Curbside	2	3	4
Cricket's Crusaders	1	4	2
Gallagher Club	0	5	0
Thornton's Melons	0	5	0

Player of the week — Kristin Connolly

For the past five weeks, Kristen has helped keep the Wrenn Club near the top of the league. A solid serve, strong defense and a collective attitude has assured her success in a very competitive league.

• **Girls Ball Hockey** —

JRS. 13, Bunker Hill 0

The JRS. took advantage of an inexperienced Bunker Hill squad and chalked up their first victory of the season. Katie O'Leary, Bonnie O'Leary and Kairsten Burke each had multiple-goal games.

Matson Neutralizes Newtowne —
Lancers 5, Newtowne 4 in O.T.

Nicole Matson scored four goals including the game winning minutes into overtime to give the Lancers their second win in as many weeks. Matson took a pass from Erin McDonough and put it by Newtowne goalie Tegan Leonard to end the game. Both Leonard and Shannon McLaughlin (three goals) kept Newtowne in the game. The play of the game came early in the second half when Courtney McLaughlin laid a perfect pass onto the stick of Matson, who lobbed the ball into a wide open net.

Team	W	L	Points
Lancers	2	0	4
Main Street	1	1	2
Newtowne	1	1	2
JRS.	1	0	2
Bunker Hill	0	1	0
Redrunners	0	2	0
Parkies	0	0	0

• **BU Basketball** — Any teen wishing to attend the BU vs. Northeastern basketball game on March 1 should sign up with Kenny or Mimi at the Teen Center. The tickets will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB YOUTH OF THE MONTH



MARK HANSCOM

Congratulations to Mark Hanscom who has been selected as the Youth of the Month for January at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. Mark has participated in many activities at the club during January including: in-house hockey and basketball leagues, the Jump Rope Challenge, the Bo Knows Contest, the Olympics program, and several games room tournaments.

In addition, Mark is always courteous and helpful toward club staff and fellow members, and he has contributed several hours of volunteer time helping out around the club.

All Charlestown can be proud of this young man.

Pop Warner Corner

Charlestown Pop Warner will begin preparing for its 1994 season.

The board is eager to have cheerleading added to its program and is looking for a cheerleading coordinator. Anyone interested is asked to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb.

23 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Also, anyone interested in coaching cheerleaders or football players should be there at 7:30 p.m.

For further information, call Charlestown Pop Warner Board President Jack Schievink at 241-7767.

Bruins Greats To Play In Charlestown

The New England Ice Sharks, a hockey team made up of former Bruins greats and their friends, will play a benefit hockey game in Charlestown at the MDC skating rink for Charlestown Youth Hockey. Included on the Sharks roster are: Gord Kluzak, Rick Middleton, Reggie Lemelin and Barry Pederson.

Skating against the Sharks will be a team of Charlestown All Stars including Pat, Dan, Ed and Steve Considine, Jackie Woods, Joe Wilkins, Tim O'Connell, John Pope, Lynn Anthony, Jack Martin, Richie Griffin, Paul Cedorchuk, Bill and Greg

Nolan, Steve Chiappa, Dan and Sean Noonan, Paul Wrenn, Phil Coleman, Bill Doherty and Steve Brennan with Rob McIntosh in goal. John Gryzlyck and Anne Considine will be on the bench coaching the All Stars to victory.

The game will be played on Sunday, Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. Tickets will be available at the rink snack bar before the game and at the door on the night of the game. Adult tickets are \$10 and children are \$3. Between periods, the Sharks will be available for pictures and autographs. All proceeds will benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey.

Information Nights Rescheduled

Due to the numerous snowstorms, Don Bosco Technical High School is rescheduling information nights for eighth grade students and their families.

They will be held on Fri-

day evening, Feb. 18 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call the school at 426-9457.

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11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge (\$1.15)

Monday, Feb. 21
PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY — CLOSED

Tuesday, Feb. 22
10 a.m. - Swim Program, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard
10 a.m. - Crochet, Beading and Crafts, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)

Wednesday, Feb. 23
9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Anchorage Apartments
10 a.m. - Beading, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge (\$1.15)

Thursday, Feb. 24
9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Constitution Co-op, Senior Lounge & Golden Age Center
10 a.m. - Crochet, Crafts and Sunshine Club, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)

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- See Sheila for details and reservations on . . .**
- **St. Patrick's Irish Tour** — A trip to the Beacon Motel in N.H. is being planned for March 6. It will include two days, one night and three meals with a corned beef dinner, an Irish theme party and a lobster clambake by the pool, all for only \$119 per person. For details, call Sheila and be sure to sign up early.

TAX CLINIC
A Tax Clinic will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 23, and another will be at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9.

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Wanted: Nominees
For Teacher Of The Year

The Massachusetts Department of Education is seeking nominations for its 1994-95 Teacher of the Year program.

The award has been presented annually since 1963 to a teacher who demonstrates professionalism, leadership, excellent communication skills and outstanding commitment to students and the teaching profession. All 66,000 public school classroom teachers in Massachusetts are eligible. Last year, a record 277 nominations were received.

"Parents, students, teachers, administrators and community members are encouraged to submit nominations. The winner of this prestigious award gains a unique opportunity to be a champion for teachers in Massachusetts, and an active representative of the energy and creativity of the profession at the many speaking opportunities which are made available to the Teacher of the Year," said Commissioner of Education Dr. Robert V. Antonucci.

The current Teacher of

the Year, Virginia Freyer-muth, is the arts coordinator for the Duxbury Public Schools. Since receiving the award as 1993-94 Teacher of the Year, she has made 50 presentations statewide.

Nominations are due by March 14, and must include the name of the teacher, the name and address of the teacher's school, and the name and address of the person making the recommendation. Letters should be sent by mail to the Department of Education, c/o Teacher of the Year Program, 350 Main St., Malden, Mass. 02148, or by fax to 388-3393.

The Massachusetts Teacher of the Year will officially be appointed by the state Board of Education this fall, and will receive various substantial awards for the teacher's school donated by leading state corporations, and will represent Massachusetts in the National Teacher of the Year Program sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers and the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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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.



My Thanks

I would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who came to my recent fund raiser and everyone who has bought chances. The fund raiser was a great success, with plenty of dancing, prizes and raffles. I appreciate all the support!

Myself and my committee members will be out campaigning until March 18. Stop and buy a chance at \$1,000 for a dollar, and a vote for me.

Sincerely,
Alice Buckley
Candidate for Mayor

My Heartfelt Thanks

Dear Mr. Director,

I am writing to you regarding an employee of the MWRA. He said his name was Sonny and on his ID badge, the letters INFO Aid appeared. I don't know his last name, but I hope you can find out and thank him for me.

On Thursday, Jan. 27, I was leaving Store 24 and I started walking back home, which is in the elderly housing in the Yard. I started to eat a piece of candy when it got lodged in my throat. I couldn't get it out and I couldn't yell for help. This MWRA employee saw me on the ground choking and immediately helped me by standing me up and pushing on my stomach. The candy came out and I started breathing, thank God. That MWRA employee was a God-send. He is a hero.

I think Howie Carr should write about the good that MWRA does and stop writing bad things. The MWRA is great and Sonny is a credit to your organization. I thought that nobody cared about the elderly, but this MWRA employee surely does.

Thank you,
Celia Murphy

HEALTH UPDATE

The Massachusetts General Hospital
BUNKER HILL HEALTH CENTER
73 High St., Charlestown
242-5704

A recent Boston Globe article stated that AIDS is the leading cause of death for Massachusetts residents between the ages of 25 and 44. Just what is AIDS? AIDS stands for Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome.

- Acquired — Something that a person gets, or acquires from another person.
- Immunodeficiency —
Immuno — The body's disease fighting system.
Deficiency — A shortage of something
Immunodeficiency — The person's immune system is not strong enough to work and cannot fight off disease-causing organisms.
- Syndrome — A group of conditions that indicate an abnormal condition.

AIDS is an infectious disease caused by the HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus). First identified in the United States in 1981, it was estimated in 1992 by the World Health Organization that between 10 and 15 million men, women and children worldwide have been infected with HIV and about two million of them have died from AIDS.

AIDS is not casually transmitted. It can only be passed from one person to another when the virus comes in direct contact with the bloodstream:

- During sexual contact
- Sharing drug needles or syringes with an infected person
- Passing from an infected mother to her unborn baby
- By receiving infected blood or blood products

Today, it is extremely rare in the U.S. to be exposed to AIDS by receiving infected blood or blood products. Since 1985, all blood donated in the U.S. has been tested for antibodies to the AIDS virus. All blood donors are screened for HIV antibodies and high-risk factors.

There is no vaccine to prevent it. The only way to prevent AIDS is to avoid high-risk behaviors.

The MGH AIDS Educational Task Force is sponsoring HIV/AIDS Awareness Week Feb. 14-18. During this week, two segments of the International Names Project Quilt (The AIDS Quilt) will be on display at the Charlestown Navy Yard, Building 149, until 4 p.m. today, Thursday, Feb. 17, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18.

In addition, MGH will start a panel for the quilt to include the names of patients, family and friends who have died from AIDS. Quilt pieces and directions are available in the lobby of the MGH Bunker Hill Health Center.

Teren Murphy-Lind, RN
Health Education Coordinator

Dear Gloria,

I am writing as a candidate for Charlestown Mayor, which is run each year by the Charlestown-to-Charlestown Committee to raise funds for the Charlestown Rose Contest. I thought the community should be aware of some of the tactics being used to win this election.

Tuesday afternoon my office received a call from an individual leaving a message that I should pull out of the Mayor's Race or that they would try to cause problems with my family. My mother received the same call at home on Wednesday evening.

I am outraged at the actions of this coward. The Charles-

I Am Outraged!

We Look Forward
To A Healthier Future

Dear Gloria,

Earlier this month an unfortunate incident occurred in Charlestown involving a school bus with small children aboard. Healthy Charlestown Coalition members were among a number of people contacted by concerned residents, although none of us were there to witness the reported series of events. While we feel a responsibility to respond, we are not concerned with analyzing which participants behaved badly or assigning blame to anyone in particular for this isolated situation.

As with many incidents where tempers flare, this one began as an argument over parking and traffic flow. We understand that frustration turned to verbal violence, escalating from yelling and cursing to threats, to spitting and, finally, to banging on and rocking the school bus. No one was physically assaulted, but one individual, who apparently was happening by this argument between two motorists, was eventually arrested for his actions.

The 7- to 9-year-olds did arrive at school. They are probably not contributing to any ongoing speculation about which adult was at fault and who started what became a bizarre exchange. They were caught in a verbal crossfire that terrified them and put them in potential physical danger.

There is perhaps a list of possible solutions any of us who were not at the scene could suggest. If we were directly involved, perhaps some of us may have done exactly what the participants did. But the Healthy Charlestown Coalition respectfully suggests that we stay focused on the importance of the whole incident: that the children, placed in a dangerous situation that did not concern them in any way by out-of-control adults, are the most impacted by what happened.

We are in the midst of an epidemic of youth violence in

My Thanks

I would like to thank my family and friends who, despite the stormy weather last Friday night, attended my fund raiser for Mayor of Charlestown.

A special thanks to my sister, Rosetta, who carried her stereo, along with her many tapes and CDs, to the K. of C. when the DJ called and said he could not make it through the storm.

Also, thanks to Jay and Keith who, at the last minute, filled in as DJs.

With the support of my family and friends, the storm did not seem to exist.

Thanks again,
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I have no intention of withdrawing from the race. I am running for the sole purpose of having some fun and hopefully representing this community, which I love and serve, in Ireland. I wish all the other candidates well and sincerely hope that none of them were involved in this childish act.

Sincerely,
Jim Mansfield

this city and in this country. How do we expect our young people not to be violent? It is increasingly important that we adults model for our children non-violent ways of resolving our disagreements. The more our children witness violence as a way to resolve differences, the more they are apt to use the same means themselves.

As a coalition, we have looked at many issues in our community, learning from hundreds of residents that safety in our streets is a chief concern. One of the most important steps all of us can take is to look at how and what we teach our children. The behavior we model for them sends an important message that can help them when confronting frustrating and potentially violent situations in their lives. We need to find other ways to work out differences with each other because we cannot afford to tolerate violence in any form as a means of resolving conflicts.

This recent incident, while isolated, is symbolic of a much greater issue in our city and country. While we cannot undo any past harms, we can still look toward a healthier future by supporting each other to find a better way for all of our Charlestown neighbors.

Thank you for your time and sensitivity on behalf of the coalition.

Respectfully,
Lynn Peters, coalition chairperson

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IRAs may be established with a bank, insurance company, mutual fund, brokerage firm or credit union. You can have as many IRAs as you like and divide your monies among them generally in any manner you desire. You may, for example, place \$1,000 in a mutual fund and the remainder in a credit union.

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Tuesday, Feb. 8

A stolen automobile was recovered on High Street.

Wednesday, Feb. 9

A stolen automobile was recovered on Monument Street.

Thursday, Feb. 10

At approximately midnight, a business on First Avenue was broken into. The culprit climbed through a rear window, stole a computer printer and fled in a waiting automobile.

A stolen automobile was recovered at 500 Main St.

Friday, Feb. 11

At 1:30 a.m., Officers Reaney and Kelley responded to a disturbance in an apartment on Monument Square. The resident had been assaulted by the spouse. An altercation resulted when the officers attempted to place the resident under arrest. The 24-year-old resident was arrested by the officers.

At 3:15 p.m., a man wearing a ski mask entered the bank at 201 Main St. where he showed a gun to the teller and demanded money. A passer-by observed an automobile with its engine running at Hathon Square and shut off the vehicle. The suspect fled from the bank without any money and noticed the vehicle's engine was not running, so he fled on foot down Main Street. The vehicle had been reported stolen.

An automobile parked in the vicinity of 94 Bunker Hill St. was broken into during the evening, and a jacket was stolen.

A business on Roland Street was broken into during the evening, and a computer was stolen.

Saturday, Feb. 12

A stolen automobile was recovered on Eighth Street.

Sunday, Feb. 13

A stolen automobile was recovered on Union Street.

An office on Fifth Street was broken into by smashing a side window. The alarm went off, frightening the culprit away.

Monday, Feb. 14

At 1 a.m., Officers Reaney and Kelley stopped an automobile on High Street for a violation and found that the operator, a 23-year-old resident, was wanted on a warrant. They placed him under arrest.

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

• If you know of any drug activity in your neighborhood, call the Area A Detectives office at 343-4571. It is not necessary to give your name, and all information will be investigated.

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

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

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NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS

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Resume and cover letter to: Katherine McDonough, Executive Director, John F. Kennedy Family Service Center Inc., 27 Winthrop Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 by March 10, 1994. No phone calls please. The Kennedy Center is an equal opportunity employer.

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Louis R. Nickinello, president of Ackerley Communications of Massachusetts, recently promoted W. Drew Hoffman to local sales manager. Ackerley is the largest outdoor advertising company in the Commonwealth. In his new position, Hoffman will be responsible for all local sales, as well as management of the local sales force.

"I am pleased with the opportunity Lou Nickinello has given me to continue to strengthen sales in the local area," said Hoffman. "By

motivating the Ackerley Communications' sales staff to work as a team, I am confident that we can exceed the local sales budget and surpass the company's sales goals for the coming year."

Nickinello said, "Drew has been a member of our local sales team for over six years. In his new position,

I am sure that he will continue to do an exemplary job of promoting Ackerley throughout the community."

A native of Andover, Hoffman is a member of The Ad Club of Boston and the New England Broadcasting Association. Hoffman resides in Charlestown with his wife, Kate.

World Affairs Lecture/Discussion Series At The BPL

"Great Decisions," an annual lecture/discussion series that will focus on the most pressing foreign policy issues of the year, will be introduced at the Boston Public Library in Copley Square on eight consecutive Tuesday evenings from March 1 through April 19.

Co-sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Boston, in conjunction with the Foreign Policy Association, each program will feature noted experts to address the topic. The schedule is:

March 1 - "Conflict in the Former Yugoslavia," quest for solutions.

March 8 - "South Africa," forging a democratic union.

March 15 - "Ex-Soviet Bloc's Environmental Crisis," whose problem? who pays?

March 22 - "Trade with the Pacific Rim," pressure or cooperation?

March 29 - "Defense," redefining U.S. needs and priorities.

April 5 - "Argentina, Brazil and Chile," democracy and market economics.

April 12 - "Islam & Politics," Algeria, Egypt and Tunisia.

April 19 - "New World Disorder?" U.S. in search of a role.

A 96-page briefing book has been prepared by the Foreign Policy Association that provides background and policy options on each topic and may be obtained by calling the World Affairs Council.

The programs will be held at 6 p.m. and are free and open to the public. For more information, please call the World Affairs Council at 482-1740, or the Boston Public Library at 536-5400, ext. 336.

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Harvard-Kent School Math Olympiad Update

The January competition in the Math Olympiad contained five tricky word problems including a difficult geometric problem which involved both the idea of area and the idea of perimeter. The only Harvard-Kent

problem solver who got this problem was Tim O'Connell.

An especially brilliant performance was turned in by O'Connell, who got three problems correct in

the time allowed.

Giving above average performances in this international competition involving over 80,000 students world-wide were: Kelly

Burke, Teresa Chow, Jennifer Fonseca, Phan Quoc Hoang, Christine Lewey, Quaneke Louis, Melissa Noe, James Smith and Yu Lin (Janice) Tan.

Children's Films

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "My Ball," in which a red ball rolls through the city to the royal palace; "The Three Little Pigs" is the famous tale of the pigs and the scheming wolf; and "Tom Cat's Meow" is an animated version of *Toads and Diamonds*.

Tools create a ballet based on their everyday functions in "The Toolbox Ballet," shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are *The Ball Bounced* by Nancy Tafuri, *Richard Scarry's The Three Little Pigs* by Richard Scarry and *Who Uses This?* by Margaret Miller.

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by Charlie McGonagle

The day started innocently enough. The sun was shining and the wind was but a pleasant breeze. For several days the temperature had been struggling to reach 20 degrees, but today it had climbed all the way up into the low 30s. By comparison, it seemed fairly warm.

Since the snow had arrived in late December, jogging outdoors had become downright difficult, not to mention dangerous. The snow on unshoveled sidewalks had turned to ice, and the streets had been narrowed by banks of plowed, once white, winter misery. Avoiding slippery sidewalks by jogging on the streets had become a foolhardy adventure. Most running over the past month, quite understandably, had been done in the boring indoors. The temptation to quit when running indoors is much greater than it is outdoors, because the runner is only steps from the starting point. Eventually a return trip is in order. The temptation to quit hardly exists when a runner is a couple of miles or so from the starting point.

This day, this Sunday, held promise. The temperature, along with the sunshine, was beginning to bring the snowbanks down, and thoughts of returning to the streets played prominently in my mind.

"What a beautiful day to take a ride to a mall and do some shopping," my wife said, interrupting my mental jogging.

My disappointment lasted only seconds, however, as I reasoned that a shopping trip combined with a leisurely run was not only possible, but practical as well. After all, the mall parking lots were not just big, they were plowed.

"Sure," I agreed, "I'll take a ride to the mall, and while you're shopping, I'll go for a run."

"Maybe we can stop for a bite to eat on the way home."

Again, I agreed.

I donned a warm-up suit, and placed a stocking hat and a pair of gloves in my tote bag. I long ago learned that these were important pieces of equipment for outdoor jogging when the temperature hovered around the freezing mark. As I was about to leave, a final thought struck. Why not bring something else to wear just in case we did happen to stop for a sandwich. After all, I did not want to enter an eatery looking as though I just completed a local road race. Surely, I would be able to find some place to change.

All was going according to plan. She shopped, and I jogged. The Sunday newspaper was still on the front seat when I completed my run, and it provided ample reading while I waited for the shopping fix to satisfy the addict.

Soon small hints of hunger began to interrupt my reading, and I remembered that we might be eating soon. It was time to get out of the jogging clothes and into something more presentable. Ideally, a shower was in order, but to my knowledge, the malls have not yet installed shower facilities.

I looked around the enormous parking lot and saw huge snowbanks piled high in the distant and remote stretches of the area. It was approaching closing time, and many of the cars had vacated the lot. I selected one snowbank off in the distance, and I was thoroughly convinced that it afforded the perfect place behind which I could change into the clothes I had brought along. The closest parked car was more than 100 yards away from the heaping pile of snow, and once I drove behind it, I would be com-

It's A Boy . . .

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Scales are proud to announce the birth of their son, John James Scales, on Feb. 4 at 5:10 p.m. The new arrival weighed 9 pounds 1 ounce.

The maternal grandparents are Phil and Helen Myers of Lawrence Street,

Charlestown. The paternal grandparents are Rita G. Scales of Devens Street, Charlestown and the late George P. Scales Sr.

John was welcomed home by his siblings, Helen Kristen, Kerin and George.

Karen Scales, the mom, is the former Karen Myers.

Storyteller/Musician Burrows At The BPL

Storyteller and musician Derek Burrows will present a special Black History Month program for children in the Rabb Lecture Hall of the Boston Public Library in Copley Square at 11 a.m. on Wednesday morning, Feb. 23.

A storyteller, musician and educator, Burrows studied at Berklee College of Music in Boston. For the past 15 years, he has performed with the international music group, Voice of the Turtle. He has also

performed throughout Mass. with Bartholomew's Fair, for Young Audiences and currently works as a storyteller and artist-in-residence in various schools. As an educator, he designs Art in Curriculum projects.

The program, which is free and open to the public, is intended for children of all ages and their families, however, space is limited and day-care groups cannot be accommodated. For additional information, please call 536-5400, ext. 328.

'Get Out Of The Car, Sir'



pletely out of anybody's sight.

I started the car and noticed the windows had become steamed from the heat my body had manufactured from running. In spite of the fogged-up windows, I drove toward the huge screen of snow. Parking behind it, I got out of the front seat and moved into the back where I would have a bit more room to change. I opened my bag and removed the clothes I had taken with me and then untied my running shoes before pulling them from my feet. I looked around once again just to be sure I was not subject to public scrutiny. Through the fogged rear window, I saw nothing. In front, I could see only the immense snowbank.

It was not until I had removed one leg from the pants of my warm-up suit that I heard the flashlight tapping on the window next to my left ear.

Delegates And Alternates Elected To The Democratic Convention

Some 116 registered Democrats braved slippery streets and sidewalks on Feb. 12 to attend the Democratic Caucus at the Knights of Columbus hall to elect delegates and alternates to represent Ward 2 Charlestown at the upcoming Massachusetts Democratic Convention.

A total of 12 delegates, six men and six women, along with four alternates, were elected at the caucus.

The election results for male delegates are as follows:

*Mel Stillman	98
*John Ezekiel	92
*Edward Callahan	89
*Douglas MacDonald	86
*Kevin Roche	83

*Jim Mansfield 81
*Indicates Winner

Also in the race for delegate were Jamsie O'Brien and Bob Peabody.

Elected alternates were Charlie Clabaugh and Dan McGoff.

The election results for female delegates are as follows:

*Mary MacInnes	84
*Ruthellen Chardavoyne	81
*Kathleen Giordano	76
*Margaret Ings	76
*Susan Joyce	75
*Jean McLaughlin	74

*Indicates Winner
Also in the race for female delegate was Edna Kelly.

Elected alternates were Winnie Walsh and Paula Wrenn.

"What's up?" It was the voice of somebody who had done things like this before.

I reached up and cleared a small bit of steam from the window, enough for me to see out, but hardly enough for him to see in. I mean, here I was, literally half-naked (the pants of my warm-up suit still covered my right leg) in the remote stretches of some alien parking lot with some guy in a blue uniform holding a flashlight asking me what I was doing. What do I say?

"Open the door, sir."

Sir? I wondered for a minute if he had ever encountered a sir with half his pants off.

"I can't."

"What do you mean, you can't. Just open the door, sir."

"Wait until I put my pants on."

"Sir?"

"Yes."

"Is there somebody in there with you?"

"Of course not."

"Then why are your windows all steamed up?"

This one was easy. "Because I was jogging."

"In the car, sir?"

"Of course not."

I finally decided that it would be much easier if I opened the door and explained what had happened. The true story was not all that unbelievable, and when he saw my two sets of clothes and my half-bare self, he relented.

"It looked kind of suspicious, sir. You understand. Have a nice day."

How much nicer could it be?, I wondered.

The moral of the story? Do not judge a man by the clothes he wears, or for that matter, the clothes he does not wear.

The Charlestown Preservation Society
and the
Boston National Historical Park
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