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Barrett Gets Nod To Head BRA

by Kathy Giordano

Mayor Raymond L. Flynn has named Paul Barrett as the seventh director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA). The announcement, made on Aug. 18, was greeted with praise by community activists who had endorsed Barrett's appointment to the post.

In recommending Barrett's appointment to the BRA Board of Directors, Flynn stated: "He will bring talent and enthusiasm to his new position, as well as strong support from a range of people who care about Boston's future." The mayor added: "Paul brings

a deep respect for neighborhood concerns to the development process and will always be mindful of the interest of the surrounding neighborhood when pursuing planning and development plans."

Tom Cunha, Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee Chairman, was pleased with the announcement. His committee oversees community development issues that involve close contact with the BRA. He stated: "It's nice to see that the administration has appointed someone who doesn't have to be brought up to speed; someone who knows

all the players on both sides of an issue — developers and community residents." Cunha, when asked about the relationship held between the Council and the new BRA director, stated: "The Charlestown community always had a good working relationship with Paul Barrett and considers him a straight shooter."

Barrett comes to the position with over three years of experience with the Authority, first as Assistant Director for Harbor Planning and Development, and most recently as Director for Economic Development. Prior to his position at the Authority, he served as Deputy Parks Commissioner for the Boston Parks and Recreation Department and as a special assistant to the mayor on youth and education programs.

The 37-year-old South Boston resident graduated from Boston College and received a master's degree in education from Harvard. He is a long-time Flynn friend and political ally.

Last spring, Barrett's influence was felt in the community when developers Roland Betts and Tom Bernstein brought their concept to construct a pirate museum in the Charlestown
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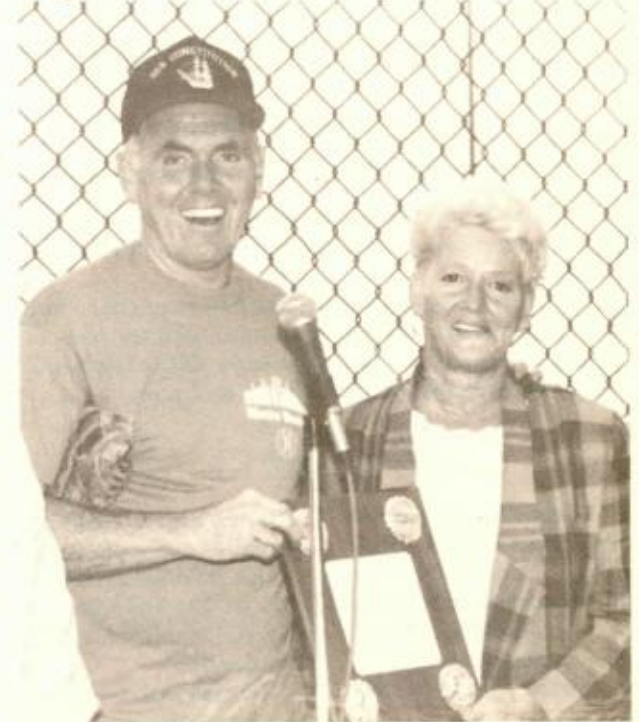
Hundreds Gather At Barry Playground For Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game

It was an event that Dennis McLaughlin would have enjoyed — there were children, senior citizens, and all ages in between.

It was the First Annual Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game, sponsored by the Friends of Dennis McLaughlin, but it was more than just a game. It was a gathering of residents, heads of city agencies, elected officials, clients and friends of the Lindemann Center and, most of all, a get-together with his family and friends.

Mayor Ray Flynn was on hand to present a plaque in tribute to Dennis on behalf of the Friends of the Lindemann Center to his widow Jean. He spoke of the concern and commitment Dennis had to the center's clients and the mayor added words of his own in praise of the work Dennis had done and the caring he dis-

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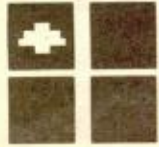
MAYOR RAYMOND L. FLYNN presents a plaque to Jean McLaughlin, widow of the late Dennis McLaughlin, in honor of the contributions and commitment made by McLaughlin to the Lindemann Center. The presentation was made on Aug. 13 at the First Annual Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game at the Barry Playground.



THE MAYOR'S All-Stars played the Friends of the Lindemann Center in the first annual Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game at the Barry Playground on Aug. 13. The All-Stars were the victors by one point in the exciting game that saw the lead change hands several times. Shown front

row (l. to r.) are Joe Del Gardo, Ed Roache, Bob Jenkins, Peter Looney, Howard Liebowicz and Tom Clark. Back row (l. to r.) Jim Hart, Mayor Ray Flynn, Leo Boucher, Doug McDonald, Mike Testa, Tom Cunha, Jim O'Donnell and Dan O'Neil.

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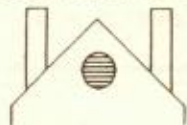
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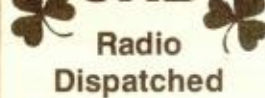
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Deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at 5 p.m.

Boston Police Hold Office Hours In Charlestown

The Community Relations Office of Area A of the Boston Police Department is holding weekly office hours in Charlestown.

The officer will be on hand in the first floor conference area at One Thompson Square to meet with residents or business persons on an individual basis. Office hours will held on Wednesday, Aug. 26 from 5 to 7 p.m.

It's A Girl . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jeremiah MacCormack of 8 Cook St., Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Katey Lee, on Aug. 4, at the Melrose/Wakefield Hospital.

(political adv.)

Jerry ESPOSITO
for
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The new arrival weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces at birth.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ridlon of 24 Elm St., Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Kathleen and Paul MacCormack of East Weymouth.

Katey Lee was welcomed home by her sister Jillian, age 5½.

Mrs. MacCormack is the former Doreen Ridlon of Charlestown.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

This Week At A Glance

Thursday, Aug. 20

- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for boys 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street

Sunday, Aug. 23

- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Aug. 24

- 12:30 p.m. — Commemoration of the first meeting of Gov. John Winthrop and the Court of Assistants, Charlestown District Court, 3 City Square

Tuesday, Aug. 25

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for girls 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street

Wednesday, Aug. 26

- 11 a.m. — Celebrate Women's Equality Day with "Rosie The Riveter," a 90-minute ranger-guided program sponsored by the National Park Service, from the Visitor Center, Building 5, National Historical Park, Charlestown Navy Yard
- 5 to 7 p.m. — Boston Police Community Relations Office Hours, first floor conference area, One Thompson Square
- 5 to 7 p.m. — Sen. Thomas Birmingham Office Hours, first floor conference area, One Thompson Square
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)
- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for boys and girls 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street

ABCD Offers College Courses

The Urban College Program of Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD), an accredited collaborative program administered in conjunction with area colleges and universities, is beginning its 26th year of offering affordable college courses to Boston residents.

On Monday, Aug. 31, from noon to 8 p.m., the Urban College Program will hold an open house for people who want to learn more about fall classes which are scheduled to begin on Sept. 14.

As part of its usual wide selection of classes, the Urban College Program is offering credit courses in Administration of Early Childhood Programs, Child Growth and Development, Management I, Principles of Psychology, Government and Politics, Introduction to Human Services, Sociology and College Writing I and II.

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Upcoming Events

Thursday, Aug. 27

- 8 a.m. to noon — Farmers' Market, Schoolyard of the Old Kent School, Hayes Square
- 12:15 p.m. — Charlestown Kiwanis Club Meeting, Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant
- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for boys 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street

Friday, Aug. 28

- 8 p.m. — Karaoke Night Fund Raiser for Governor's Council candidate Vincent J. Ragucci, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, Aug. 30

- 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. — Tour of the Commandant's House, from Visitors Center, Building 5, National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Aug. 31

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.

Tuesday, Sept. 1

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for girls 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street
- 7 p.m. — Charlestown Neighborhood Council Meeting, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Wednesday, Sept. 2

- 10 a.m. to noon — Boston Police Community Relations Office Hours, first floor conference area, One Thompson Square
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)
- 6 to 8 p.m. — Tennis Lessons for boys and girls 7 to 17, Tennis Courts, rear of Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, Terminal Street

Plan Ahead

Thursday, Sept. 10

- 7 p.m. — Camp Bunker Hill Sunset Cruise, from Pier 1, Charlestown Navy Yard

Sunday, Sept. 13

- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Craft Fair, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 6 p.m. — CYO Sports Award Banquet, St. Catherine's School Hall, Tufts Street

Sunday, Sept. 20

- noon to 6 p.m. — Eighth Annual Harborpark Day and 10th Annual Chowdaffest, Shipyard Park and Dry Dock 2, Charlestown Navy Yard

Friday, Oct. 2

- 8 p.m. — Charlestown Lions Club Annual Charity Dance with Dickie McManus and the Irish Revolution, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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'USS Constitution' Welcomes New Executive Officer

Cmdr. Richard B. Amirault has announced that Lt. Clark D. Smith has reported to **USS Constitution** as Executive Officer.

USS Constitution, berthed in the Boston National Historical Park at the Charlestown Navy Yard, is the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. The ship is undergoing a "Drydocking and Inspection" period, her first repair in nearly 20 years.

Smith will be second in command of "Old Ironsides," reporting to Amirault, who is the 63rd commanding officer of the 194-year-old ship. Smith relieves Lt. Len LaPorta, who will leave active duty to attend the Wallace E. Carroll Graduate School of Management at Boston

College.

Since being commissioned in the U.S. Navy in 1988, Smith has received decorations and awards including the Navy Commendation Medal, in recognition of meritorious service during Desert Shield, and the Navy Achievement Medal, in recognition of superlative performance.

Before coming to Boston to join the **USS Constitution** command, Smith served on the **USS Stump** in New Orleans, where the Navy was performing a regular overhaul on the ship. Smith was a main propulsion assistant, strike warfare officer and anti-submarine warfare officer for the **USS Stump** from April 1991 to July 1992.

His initial assignment

with the U.S. Navy was on **USS Concord** in Norfolk, Va., where he served as weapons officer and First Division officer from February 1989 to April 1991. He completed two deployments there including a Desert Shield tour.

Smith graduated from Cornell University in Itha-

ca, N.Y. in 1988 with a bachelor of arts degree in government. He attended college on a Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship.

Born in Hazelton, Pa., Smith grew up in the Reading, Pa. area. He and his wife Anne live in Charlestown.

Summer Fun In The Park



FUN ON WHEELS at the Doherty Park has been a summer-long activity enjoyed by hundreds of Charlestown youngsters. The Boston Parks Department program is locally run through the capable hands of Amy Chardavoynne. Shown learning the art of crafting with gimp are: front row (l. to r.) Meg Gallagher, Catherine Burke and Owen Burke. Back row (l. to r.) are Chardavoynne, Kelly Gouthro and Kathleen Lynch.

Children's Films

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Aug. 25 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "The Cat Came Back," in which a persistent yellow cat keeps returning to Mr. Johnson's house; the action in "The House That Jack Built" is set in suburbia; and a magic stick changes anger into laughter in "The

Wonderful Walking Stick."

Superstitious Rodney scares himself on Halloween night in "Who Spooked Rodney," shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **The House That Jack Built: A Mother Goose Nursery Rhyme**; **Roger's Umbrella** by Daniel Manus Pinkwater; and **Sylvester and the Magic Pebble** by William Steig.

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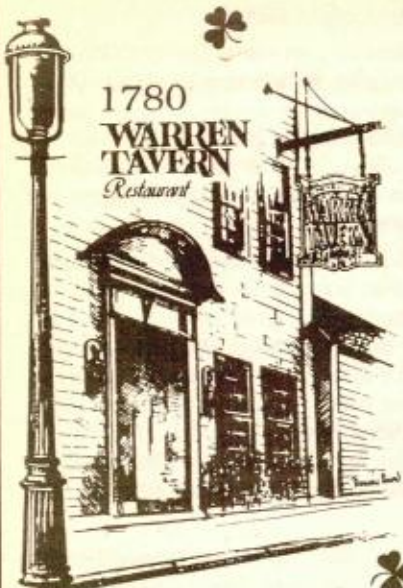
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Love . . . Courtney and Erin 


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Love . . . Tara, Pam and Eddie

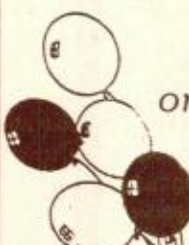
**Happy 25th Birthday on Aug. 21
MICHELE** 
Love . . . Dad, Mom, Dorene,
Joe, Beth and Rosetta 


**Happy 10th Birthday
UNCLE BRIAN** 
on August 22nd
Love . . . Kelly and Jimmy

 **Happy 2nd Birthday
MICHAEL WILLIAMS**
on August 20th
Love . . . Nana, Papa and Mylene

**Happy 25th Birthday
MICHELE** 
on August 21st
Love . . . Your Favorite Cousin

**Happy 2nd Birthday
JIMMY** 
on August 23rd
Love . . .
Auntie Carol
"You're still the best
thing that happened to
the month of August!"

**Happy 23rd Birthday
JOE** 
on August 23rd
Love,
Amy

 If you see this girl
on August 22nd,
wish her a
Happy 50th
Birthday!
Love . . .
Mom and
Your Younger Siblings

Announces Engagement



PRISCILLA A. DANIELS

Attorney and Mrs. Carney D. Daniels of Wakefield announce the engagement of their daughter, Priscilla A. Daniels, to Thomas F. Hollenbeck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hollenbeck of Binghamton, N.Y.



The bride-to-be graduated from Wakefield High School. She received a B.A. from Saint Anselm College and a J.D. from Suffolk University Law School. She is the Director of Compliance for Commonwealth Equity Services, Inc. in Newton.


The groom-to-be graduated from Binghamton Central High School in Binghamton, N.Y. He received a B.A. from Geneseo State College in New York and a M.B.A. from State University of New York at Binghamton. He is employed by Fidelity Investments in Boston.


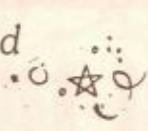
Miss Daniels is a native of Charlestown. Her mother is the former Mary Therese Sawyer. She is the granddaughter of John H. Sawyer and the late Mary M. (Kenney) Sawyer, and the niece of John H. Sawyer Jr. of Bunker Hill Street, Charlestown.


The wedding is planned for Oct. 31, 1992.

**Happy Sweet Sixteen
BABY
BLUE EYES** 
on August 21st
Love . . .
Ma, Dad,
Sean and Amy

**Happy Birthday
on August 22**  
JOAN
Love and Kisses,
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Barbie & Pat

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on August 22nd
Love,
Ma, Dad, Leon, Annemarie,
Michelle and Nanny

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

- **Three Cheers . . .** for the Mayor's All-Star Team who were victorious at the first annual Dennis McLaughlin Softball Game last Thursday night. It was wonderful to see so many of Dennis' friends turn out in his memory for a fun-filled event . . . Kudos to the good folks at the Lindemann Center for helping to present such a memorable evening.
 - **Historic Trivia . . .** Did you know that five colleges in the United States are named after native sons of Charlestown? See if you can name them. (Answers can be found at the bottom of the column.)
 - **Birthday Wishes . . .** go out to Joanie (White) McKinnon who'll turn a "nifty fifty" on Aug. 22nd . . . and to Marion "Auntie Mame" Burr who'll turn a youthful 86 on the 26th . . . Have a splendid year, ladies!
 - **Special Arrangements . . .** are being made to celebrate the 83rd birthday of Mary Giarratani on Aug. 24th. Mary is a former resident of the Constitution Cooperative who is now a patient at Youville Hospital. She would love to hear from her many old friends. Why not drop her a cheery birthday wish to 1575 Cambridge St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138.
 - **Concerts And More . . .** CambridgeSide Galleria's River Music Fest will feature Aimee Mann of 'Til Tuesday between 6 and 7 p.m. tonight, Aug. 20 . . . The Oldies 103 Saturday Night Concert on Aug. 22 will feature Jan and Dean, starting at 7 p.m. on City Hall Plaza . . . On Wednesday, Aug. 26, the South Station/Jazz It Up series will present the Monty Craig Band from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. . . . Also on Aug. 26, the last of the City Hall Plaza Concerts will begin at 7:30 p.m. with musical selections by the National Guard Band and a show by well-known comic Pat Cooper . . . And if you feel like taking in a movie, go to the Hatch Shell on the Charles River Esplanade on Friday, Aug. 21 at 8:30 p.m. and see the original version of "King Kong." . . . All events are free, just bring a blanket or chair for comfort.
 - **As Republicans Gather In Houston . . .** for their convention . . . do you know how that party came to be? . . . Thomas Jefferson, along with other well-known names in history, formed the party to oppose the Federalists, believed to be too pro-English. This was in 1792, 200 years ago, and the Republican Party enjoyed much popularity until 1828 when Andrew Jackson's election put a new coalition in power — known as the Democratic Party!
 - **Get Well Wishes . . .** go out to Emily O'Brien of Green Street who, after six weeks at the Mass. General Hospital following major surgery, is now a patient at the Braintree Rehabilitation Hospital, 250 Pond St., Braintree, Mass. 02184 . . . Why not send her a cheery note? We're sure that she'd love to hear from her Charlestown friends.
 - **Helpful Hints . . .** If you have more fresh or left-over vegetables than your family can use before they go bad, puree them with a little water or broth and freeze the results in ice cube trays. You can use a cube in soups, stews or sauces . . . Prepare a supply of ice cubes by using plastic egg trays. Store the cubes in plastic bags in your freezer . . . and . . . Corn cooks up nice and tender if you use unsalted water adding a tablespoon each of sugar and lemon juice to each gallon.
 - **Greetings . . .** to Bob Munstedt, former director of the Bunker Hillbillies, who sent a delightful note our way recently. It was so nice to hear from you, Bob. Your presence in Charlestown is missed . . . Good wishes to you and your family!
 - **Blood Drive . . .** sponsored by the American Red Cross, will take place on Saturday, Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Teamsters' Local 25 Building in Sullivan Square. For more info, call Joe Laffey at 241-8825.
 - **Commemorative Meeting . . .** will take place on Monday, Aug. 24 at 12:30 p.m. at the Charlestown District Court in City Square. The Court Historical Society will sponsor the event in honor of the first meeting of Gov. John Winthrop and the Court of Assistants. The guest speaker will be the Honorable John Winthrop Sears, former Sheriff of Suffolk County . . . All are welcome to attend. For more info, call the court at 242-5400.
 - **Countdown Continues . . .** only 21 days left 'till the opening day of school!
- (Information for sharing this information.)*
Charlestown men are: Harvard University, named after Charles Tufts; Tufts University, named after John Harvard; Tufts University, named after Charles Tufts; Doane College in Crete, Neb., named after Thomas Doane; Colby College in Waterville, Maine, named after Gardner Colby; and Carleton College in Northfield, Minn., named after William Carleton. (Thank you, Mary Doherty, for sharing this information.)

Lafayette Vases On Display At The Shirley-Eustis House

From 1824 to 1825, the Marquis de Lafayette, hero of the American Revolution, returned to America as "Guest of the Nation" at President James Monroe's invitation. He visited Boston at the beginning of his tour in August 1824, and also at the very end of his tour in June 1825, when he came back to lay the cornerstone of the Bunker Hill Monument.

A rare pair of gilded vases said to have been brought to America on that trip are on display at the Shirley-Eustis House in Roxbury. According to a Lafayette family tradition, the Revolutionary hero brought with him 13 pairs of French porcelain vases, each with a likeness of himself painted on it, one pair for each of his principal hosts in the 13 original states. His host in Massachusetts was his old friend Gov. William Eustis.

Today only five pairs of the Lafayette vases are known to survive — including two at the State



A PAIR of French porcelain vases, each bearing a likeness of the Marquis de Lafayette, hero of the American Revolution, are now on display at the Shirley-Eustis House.

Department Diplomatic Rooms in Washington, D.C., and one at the Winterthur Museum in Delaware. This summer one of these rare sets is being exhibited at the Shirley-Eustis House, courtesy of Bernard and S. Dean Levy of New York.

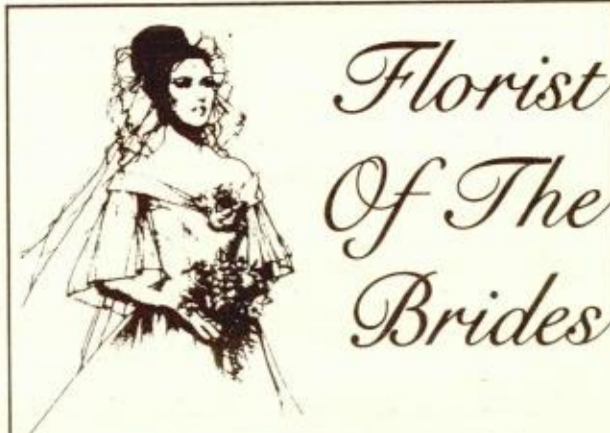
Eustis's house, where these rare vases have "re-

turned," is now called the "Shirley-Eustis House" — giving equal credit to William Shirley, a Royal Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, who built it between 1749 and 1751 in what were then the bucolic fields of Roxbury. Designed by Peter Harrison, the

house is one of the most important early Georgian dwellings in the country. A careful restoration during the 1980s returned the mansion to the way it looked about 1824 when Lafayette stayed there. Last year the Boston Preservation Alliance gave the Shirley-Eustis House its award for "the best small-scale restoration in the city of Boston."

Besides displaying the Lafayette vases this summer, the Shirley-Eustis House also has an exhibition "Changing Times, Changing Places," which traces the architectural evolution of the house from 1749 through the present. One is literally able to look into the old Georgian walls from 1749, which are filled with brick!

The museum is open Thursdays through Sundays, noon to 4 p.m., through September and is located at 33 Shirley St., just off Massachusetts Avenue.



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On Sunday, Aug. 30, the Boston National Historical Park will offer a special tour of the Commandant's House in the Charlestown Navy Yard. The 50-minute tours are free and will depart from the Charlestown Navy Yard visitor information center in Building 5, next to USS Cassin Young, at 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30

p.m.

The tours will highlight the architecture of the Federalist-period Georgian structure and the prominent role which the Navy Yard Commandants played in Charlestown society. Participants will have to climb two flights of stairs.

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'Give It Back Dan'

Tecce Demands Dan Hurley Pay Back The Elderly

Disbarred: Thursday, June 18, 1992, by Supreme Judicial Court, Justice Ruth I. Abrams.

Sal Tecce, businessman and candidate for Governor's Council in the Sixth District, today charged that "disbarred Attorney Daniel Hurley has the money to run for re-election, but not the money to pay back the elderly clients from whom he is accused of pilfering."

Dan Hurley has contracted with Vincent Printing Company Inc. of Chattanooga, Tenn. for artwork and Ackerley Communications Company of Stoneham, Mass. for rental space to erect 12 billboards at a cost of over \$6,000 in his bid for re-election in the Sixth District.

Tecce states: "The Supreme Judicial Court demanded Dan Hurley pay full restitution of the approximately \$178,000 the Board of Bar Overseers found he owes the elderly clients plus interest costs and attorney fees. Dan Hurley was charged with 147 counts of wrongdoing.

paigned that "integrity needs to be restored to the office of the Governor's Council. It is difficult to participate in a political system that ap-

pears to be filled with abuse and out of touch with the problems of ordinary people." (political advertisement)

The Mayor And The Rose In Ireland



CHARLESTOWN Mayor Pat Harty (left) and Charlestown Rose Shannon Kiely (right) pause on the grounds of their hotel in Killarney, one of the stops in the 10th annual Charlestown-To-Charlestown tour of Ireland. (photo by Marty O'Brien Sr.)

Tall Ships Photo Exhibition On Display At Boston City Hall



A PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION recounting the Tall Ships visit to Boston in July is now open in the fifth floor gallery at Boston City Hall. The exhibit continues through September. This photograph of the AMERIGO VESPUCCI passing through Boston Harbor to the Charlestown Navy Yard is the work of Terri Davis.

On behalf of Boston Mayor Raymond L. Flynn, the city of Boston announces a photography exhibition on display through September in the fifth floor gallery at Boston City Hall which recounts the Tall Ships visit to the city in July.

This exhibition, sponsored by Ackerley Communi-

cations, is a joint effort between the Mayor's Office of Business and Cultural Development and the Parks and Recreation Department.

City photographers Gail Oskin and Terri Davis are showing their photographs documenting the Parade of Sail and other events high-

lighting the week-long Tall Ships celebration. Other contributing photographers include Boston Youth Clean-Up Corps worker Marykate Killilea who documents aspects of the city's summer jobs program.

The gallery is open to the public Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



SAL TECCE

Nancy Kaufman, assistant bar counsel to the Board of Bar Overseers, has publicly stated that "disbarment is the ultimate sanction" and her office has turned the case over to the office of Middlesex County District Attorney Thomas Riley for further action.

Tecce also said that he is in the process of contacting the Middlesex County District Attorney's office to urge speedier action on this case and clear the air to make way for a good, honest campaign. Tecce said from the outset of this cam-

Girls' High Reunion

The Girls' High School Association Annual Reunion for all classes will be held on Saturday, Oct. 17 at 11:30 a.m. at the 57 Restaurant, 200 Stuart St., Boston.

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On Parle Francais

Hundreds Gather At Barry Playground For First Annual Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game

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(continued from page one) played for his hometown — Charlestown.

Stephanie McLaughlin thanked the mayor and the Friends of Lindemann for the tribute to her father on behalf of her mother, Jean, and her sisters Jeanmarie O'Neil and Denise Dagle.

Brian Wallace, longtime friend and one of the prime organizers of the event, presented a certificate to Jean for a tree that will be planted in the Training Field at a later date in honor of Dennis.

Some of the team and members of the Friends of Lindemann arrived in grand style — in trollies with a police escort. They

were met by the cheers and applause of those already at the Barry Playground.

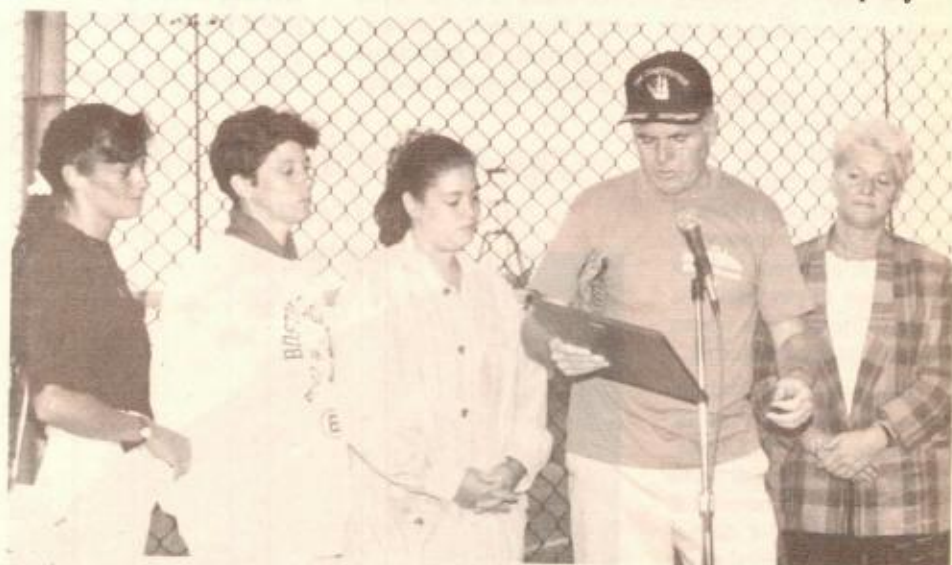
Wallace then gave the call "Play Ball," and the game between the Mayor's All-Star team and the Friends of Lindemann got underway, with Wallace calling the play-by-play action.

There were hot dogs, hamburgers, cookies and punch for all; face painting by Linda Lacey for the little ones; and an opportunity for friends to meet and talk.

Among those on hand for the event were Peter Looney, chairman of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, and members Tom

Cunha, Kay Whelan, Bob Wallace, Jeanne Davis, Tom Pitts, Marty O'Brien Sr., Jim Conway, Mel Stillman, Kate McDonough and Moe Gillen; Sen. Thomas Birmingham; Boston City Councilors Robert Travaglini and Albert "Dapper" O'Neil; Boston Police Commissioner Francis "Mickey" Roache; and newly appointed Director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority Paul Barrett.

The one-point victory by the Mayor's team was but a small part of the evening — the good spirit and camaraderie were what made the event a success. Dennis would have enjoyed it!



THE FAMILY of the late Dennis McLaughlin to the center. Shown (l. to r.) daughters Jeanmarie O'Neil, Denise Dagle and Stephanie McLaughlin; Mayor Flynn; and the widow of Dennis, Jean McLaughlin.



Ragucci Seeking Sixth District Seat On The Governor's Council

Stating that more checks and balances are needed in the Governor's Council, Vincent J. Ragucci III of Everett is campaigning for a seat on the eight-member council from the Sixth Dis-

trict, which includes Charlestown.

The Governor's Council, which serves as a review board for the executive branch of state government, is charged with a variety of

critical responsibilities including approving judicial appointments by the governor, advising and approving pardons and commutations, issuing warrants, certifying election results and acting

on veterans' appeals.

"One of the major problems in the past," Ragucci noted, "is that little attention has been given to the Governor's Council itself, let alone the responsibilities the councilors are charged with." The Democratic candidate further noted: "The Governor's Council is not a high-profile board and does not receive the same type of scrutiny and review as others do from both the media and the public."

"But," Ragucci added, "when you stop and think about the type of power and authority the council holds, you want to make sure there is a clear system of checks and balances in place so that the public's best interests are being openly served."

Ragucci, citing the coun-

cil's power for approving judicial appointments, stated that with each appointment, hundreds and thousands of lives are impacted over the course of many years. "A number of other states elect their judges, but when a judge is appointed in Massachusetts the individual is pretty much guaranteed tenure for life," said Ragucci.

"This type of appointment provides little accountability on the part of the 'tenured' judge to the public at large," the candidate added. "There is definite room for improvement in the way judicial appointments are made, especially when you stop and consider that few judges leave their positions unless they retire or, as in rare instances, are forced to step down from the bench

because of improper actions. All too often," Ragucci explained, "problems within the judicial system reach explosive and damaging levels before the issues are ever addressed."

Ragucci said that as a councilor, he could work to create more accountability and help tailor a more efficient system for everyone. He stated that he is "a strong believer in the public's right to know, and will work hard to help increase awareness on the part of the public about the Governor's Council and better inform the people of the specific tasks and responsibilities that councilors are charged with overseeing and acting on."

(political announcement)

Esposito Campaigns For State Senate



JERRY ESPOSITO and his wife Toni campaigned in the Bunker Hill Mall on a recent Saturday. Esposito is a candidate for the state Senate. Shown (l. to r.) helping Esposito campaign are: Dot Harris, Esposito and his wife Toni, local photographer John Dillon and Donna Mento. (political release)

'Rosie The Riveter' To Be Featured In Women's Equality Day Program

Come celebrate Women's Equality Day, the anniversary of the 19th Amendment, with "Rosie the Riveter!"

On Wednesday, Aug. 26 at 11 a.m., the Boston National Historical Park will offer "Rosie the Riveter," a 90-minute ranger-guided program comparing the myths and realities of women industrial workers during World War II. The interactive program will begin in the Visitor Center, Building 5, in the National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard. The program is free.

During the first half of the program, visitors will be encouraged to explore war-time propaganda. The

second half of the program takes place on the USS Cassin Young, a 1943 Fletcher-Class Destroyer. On the ship, visitors will meet a living history version of

"Rosie" who is a welder in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Participants will have to climb a few steps.

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Charlestown Youths Make A Splash At The Schrafft Sailing Club

The Schrafft Sailing Club, a non-profit club that offers free sailing lessons to Charlestown youths, recently promoted six of its students to advanced levels.

Earning new titles were: Keri Abrams and Kevin McCaffrey, Bosuns; Mike Carol and Paul Cormier, First Mates; and Tim Getchell and Caitlin Murphy,

Helmsmen.

There are five levels of mastery at the Schrafft Sailing Club: Recruit, Bosun, First Mate, Helmsman and Helmsman Racing/Instructor. During the first few weeks of instruction, a new club member, called a recruit, will go out in a boat with an experienced sailor and learn how to tie knots,

how to rig a boat, the basic parts of a boat and a few simple sailing maneuvers. A new club member may receive a Recruit Award and advance to Bosun.

As a Bosun, members learn how to be an effective crew member as well as skipper a boat in light wind. As First Mate, members learn how to skipper a boat in moderate to heavy winds.

And, as a Helmsman, members learn the rules and strategies of sailboat racing and/or work toward becoming an instructor at the Schrafft Sailing Club. A member can work toward passing each of these levels as his/her own pace, or sail just for the fun of it.

For more information, contact the Schrafft Sailing Club at 241-5431.

Free Sailing Lessons At The Courageous Sailing Center

St. Catherine's is sponsoring sailing lessons at the Courageous Sailing Center from Monday, Aug. 24 through Thursday, Aug. 27 for young people ages 8 to 20.

Rain and the departure of the Tall Ships resulted in the lessons planned in July being held only one day. Those who signed up for July are invited and encouraged to participate this

month.

Permission slips may be picked up at St. Catherine's rectory, 49 Vine St. Those who signed up in July do not need another permission slip, but they need to sign up at St. Catherine's.

Young sailors are asked to meet at the Courageous Sailing Center on Pier 4 in the Charlestown Navy Yard at 1 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 24.

Preliminary Round Of Three-Point Shoot Out Challenge on Aug. 25

Converse and the WFXT-Fox 25 Future Celtics Club, along with Boston Community Centers, have teamed up to sponsor the Grandmama 3-Point Shoot Out Challenge. Open to teenagers 13 to 18, one of the four preliminary Challenges will held at the Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St. on Tuesday, Aug. 25. The tournament will begin at 7 p.m. and last for approximately two hours.

Participants in the preliminary tournament will be competing for pairs of Converse Aerojet and Converse Accelerator athletic shoes. Winners of the preliminary tournaments will compete at the final Challenge to win an autographed Celtics basketball.

Teens interested in the Challenge, should see Paul Martell at the Community Center by Monday, Aug. 24. Registration is limited.

BOB D'S BEAT

by

Bob DeCristoforo

■ **Thanks, Skip . . .** Charlestown bowed out of the Tom Yawkey playoffs, losing a tough five-game series to the McKay Club. McKay now advances to the Rivera Division championship series, and for the locals it's "wait till next year."

In a brief conversation after the game, a down Coach Mike Sheeran compared the now-completed '92 season to a roller coaster ride. I reminded him that there would be no ride if it wasn't for him, and he smiled. I also said "thanks."

You see, "Skip" as he is called, loves the game, and he certainly puts his whole self into each game and each season, currently his second. Charlestown is most fortunate to have this well-respected man at the helm. With the twinkle in his eye, I get the strong feeling that his "wait till next year" has already begun.

■ **A Real BAD Saturday . . .** Boston Against Drugs (BAD) is a whole city effort, and as a member of both the Charlestown team (CHAD) and the North End team (NEAD), I have the opportunity to share the expertise of many caring people from two fine neighborhoods who have a common goal.

On Saturday, these two neighborhoods came even closer together as two teams of young people representing CHAD and NEAD played a softball game as part of the North End Pride Day celebration.

Prior to the game, they marched through the streets of the North End together, sending a strong message against drugs throughout the area.

Schanne Auch, Bob Yandle, Bonnie O'Leary, Jennifer Ray, Rachel Britton, Bobby Scadding, Kathy O'Leary, Michael Stone, Mike Sweeney, Jimmy Saccardo and Coach Jim Yandle did a fine job, and the results were even greater than the 4-3 victory.

■ **Women's Ball Hockey . . .** Ball Hockey has taken over the Kane Basketball Court on Corey Street. Once again, The Charlestown Teen Connection has taken over the place for an open tournament, and the results have been magnificent.

Six teams — some old, some current and some new, but all familiar — are battling for the championship, and in the process are having a good time.

Participants in the tournament are:

— **Barbies:** Noreen Hagerty, Anne Hansen, Joanne Wallace, Kim Krupcheck, Kerry Wadman, Linda Howell, Melanie Marsden, Maureen Wedge, Cori Mirdik, Erin Brennan, Megan Murray and Leslie Borden.

— **Newtowne:** Michele Macomber, Shannon McLaughlin, Jessica Sweeney, Jessica Baker, Kristyn Powers, Alexis Finneran, Dina Duraes, Meg Lillis, Janell Pappas and Chrissy Howell.

— **Sue's Dream Team:** Sue Wrenn, Nicole Matson, Courtney McLaughlin, Erin McDonough, Christine Locke, Loreen Jones, Colleen Walsh, Mary Kay, Paula Wrenn and Kathleen Connolly.

— **Silver Box:** Shannon Lawler, Kim Campbell, Elaine Harty, Cheryl Collins, Corey Gallagher, Melissa Doherty, Jodi Neff, Amy King, Tasha Lyman and Colleen Hanlon.

— **Old Main Street:** Nancy Kane, Jennifer Swales, Nancy King, Kathy Kacvinsky, Theresa King, Dawn Boyden, Christine Sorrentino and Helen Scales.

— **Gym:** Joanie Crowley, Nancy Gamby, Tricia Tkachuk, Caitrin Houlihan, C.J. Fornash, Tracey Lawler, Kerry Woods, Maureen Sullivan, Bridget Centola, Kristine Connolly and Jeanie Holden.

The tournament should become an annual summer event and, like the "For Girls Only" program, it is something to really build upon.

■ **Reebok Basketball Tournament . . .** "Charlestown Pride" will take part in the citywide Reebok Basketball Men's Open Tournament this Saturday at 1 p.m. at St. Anne's Playground courts in Hyde Park. This is the second annual Reebok Blacktop Basketball Tournament, and local regional winners will be advancing to the final championships at Columbus Park in South Boston in late September.

Charlestown Pride will also have teams in the youth division of the Reebok Tournament taking place the weekend of Sept. 18-20 in South Boston.

■ **Girls BNBL . . .** Congratulations to Shannon McLaughlin, Nicole Matson and Stephanie Ward who were invited to take part in the South Boston BNBL All-Star Game.

■ **Rock Hill Basketball . . .** "Raindrops Keep Falling On My Head" might be the theme song of the '92 season. Charlestown Pride will try again this Sunday at 8 p.m. when it is scheduled to play the Long Club.

■ **BNBL Regionals . . .** Charlestown was the site of the Region One BNBL playoffs, and the gym was filled each evening with very enthusiastic fans for the semifinals and championship games. The site coordinator was old friend Joe Jackson.

Both Charlestown teams fared well, advancing to the championship game by defeating East Boston in both the 15-and-under and the 19-and-under divisions. Charlestown was swept in the finals by two very talented South Boston teams who should do some damage in the city playoffs.

— **15-and-under semifinals:** Charlestown jumped off to a quick start and never looked back, downing East Boston 60-25. Danny Gibbons (13), Nick Smith (12) and Adam Olsson (10) led the very balanced scoring attack.

— **19-and-under semifinals:** East Boston came to Charlestown with South Boston on its mind. You could even suspect they were thinking ahead. They certainly weren't thinking about trailing 25-23 at the half, thanks to a superb three-point play by a crowd-charged Chris Brennan, nor were they thinking about Jamie Smith who had 12 of his 18 points in the second half, or Anthony Matson who had eight of his 12 points in the same half. East Boston did manage to take a second-half lead, but the Charlestown contingent kept their cool, and kept playing. East Boston didn't. With the help of some clutch-free throws by Pat Owens and Jamie Smith, Charlestown went on to win a very satisfying 56-49 game.

— **15-and-under championship:** Brendan Brennan played the basketball game of his life, scoring 14 of his game-high 20 points in the first half, but South Boston still clung to a two-point lead as the first-half buzzer sounded. Unfortunately, Charlestown hit a cold streak offensively, and Southie hit a hot streak at the same time. Charlestown made a run at the end, thanks to Mike Collins, but the damage was done. The final score was South Boston 57, Charlestown 41.

— **19-and-under championship:** Charlestown and South Boston is competition at its best. A keen rivalry has always existed, and in the end a great deal of respect and friendship is seen. This championship game would be no different. South Boston couldn't shake Charlestown in the first half. They would lead 25-20, but it was an uneasy lead. Jonathan Owens kept the contest reachable, but he would be the only offensive threat. Southie got untracked in the early minutes of the first half behind the incredible three-pointer performance of Mike Mallon. Jamie Smith and Chris Brennan did get hot in the final minutes, and a late-arriving Chris Walsh added much-needed board strength, but like the 15-and-under game, it proved to be too much too late. Jonathan Owens finished the evening with 16 points. The final score was South Boston 53, Charlestown 47.

Congratulations to the members of the 19-and under team of Jamie Smith, Jonathan Owens, Brian Thompson, Pat Owens, Chris Brennan, Anthony Matson, Chris Walsh, Mike Erardi and Kenny Hayes, coached by Greg Jackson and Joe Fitzpatrick, and the 15-and-under team of Mike Collins, Dan Gibbons, Brenden Brennan, Nick Smith, Adam Olsson, Mark Collins, Dennis Doris, Chris Walsh and Mike Leahy, coached by Jason Gallagher. Both teams had a fine season.

■ **Sport-A-Rama . . .** Jimmy Saccardo will represent Charlestown and the Bunker Hill Housing Development on the Boston Housing Authority Boston team that will travel to Fall River on Saturday for statewide competition in the Track and Field Housing Sport-A-Rama.

■ **Multi-Cultural Festival . . .** The second annual BHA Multi-Cultural Festival will take place on City Hall Plaza on Saturday, Aug. 29. The festival will bring music, entertainment, food and exhibits from every development in the city together for a day of celebration and fun. The day is hosted by the BHA Youth on the Rise program.

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520 Baseball Team 'Messages From The Manager'

In only its second year in the Thomas Yawkey League, the 520 Baseball team went from a fourth-place finish (13-11) in 1991 to a second-place finish (15-9) this year. The club also accomplished another goal by winning two playoff games.

This year's team started off very fast, staying in first place for several weeks. A number of injuries around mid-season proved to be costly for the Rivera Division title. Many of the players still played hurt and did a fine job for the remainder of the long season.

The Sponsors

Speaking for the team, I would like to once again thank the sponsors for their support. Without them, we could not have presented a first-class team in the league.

The 520 Club of Charlestown was our main benefactor. The 520 Club has been very generous by supplying uniforms and money for our entry fee.

The home game sponsors this past season were: Bunker Hill Council No. 62, Knights of Columbus, McCarthy Brothers, The Smoke Shoppe, Attorney John L. Tobin, Tuttle Cleaners, Andy Puopolo Club, Teamsters Local 25, The Holden School, Dr. Bob Esdale, Lori-Ann Donuts, Jenny's Pizza, The Alert Club, Massport, John Houlihan and the "Southie" Connection which includes Skip's Barber Shop, Chip Batchelder, Yankee & Co., Jerry Martin and "Blackie" Palmer. The home game sponsors made it possible for us to purchase the best of supplies — thank you.

The Fans

No team can be successful — be it not for the fans. The "Townie" fans were absolutely great. For the past two seasons, there was a loyal group that not only attended home games, but traveled with the team to away games — "A Tip Of The Hat" to you all!

The Advisors And The Board

I would like to give special thanks to Officer Bill Connell for his expertise and infinite wisdom. Tom Cunha was super in helping us raise funds. Bob "D." DeCristoforo, another member of our advisory board, assisted with many fine ideas. Members of the

Executive Committee, Carl Jaena, Dave Jackson and Eric Johnson, did most of the leg work before and during the season.

The Team

The following is a profile of each member of the 1992 team:

- **Dan Desmairas:** 25, attended Skidmore College. Occupation - retirement planner. *A well-liked player who wishes he was a Townie, Dan had an outstanding year, especially with the bat. Danny plays shortstop and resides in Brighton.*

- **Marc Dollosa:** 18, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - student. *The rookie is part of our youth movement. Marc had a surprisingly fine year pitching and playing left field.*

- **Tim Donovan:** 26, attended Charlestown High School and Northeastern University. Occupation - carpenter. *Shoulder and leg injuries plagued Tim most of the season - played outfield well in the playoffs.*

- **Ed Dyer:** 29, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - corrections officer. *Eddie led the team with eight home runs — plays every position — well.*

- **Bob Elliott:** 25, graduated from East Boston High School. Occupation - employed at MIT. *Bob came on board late in the season. He did a good job as relief pitcher.*

- **Dave Jackson:** 25, attended Boston Latin and Stonehill College. Occupation - revenue control coordinator. *A contact hitter plus a "cannon" for an arm, Dave played right field.*

- **Carl Jaena:** 25, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - plumber. *Carl is the regular centerfielder and spiritual leader. An industrial accident kept him out of the line up for eight games.*

- **Neil Keane:** 26, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - firefighter. *He was voted best catcher in the league, hard worker and improved slugger. Neil resides in Woburn with his wife and two daughters.*

- **Dave LaPointe:** 25, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - roofer.



THE 520 BASEBALL CLUB finished its second season in the Tom Yawkey League in second place. Shown front row (l. to r.) Rob McIntosh, Ed Dyer, Mike Widrow, Dan Desmairas, Marc Dollosa, Bob Elliott and Manager Mike Sheeran. Back row (l. to r.)

Neil Keane, Paul Wrenn, Dave LaPointe, Joe Upton, Pat Sullivan, Ed Tucker, Kevin McGrath, Carl Jaena and Dave Jackson. Missing from the photograph are Tim Donovan and Mike Mason.

Another versatile player, severe leg problems slowed Dave down — but he was still a force.

- **Kevin McGrath:** 25, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - meat cutter. *He produced some big key hits this year. A broken finger and shoulder injuries limited Kevin to mostly D.H.*

- **Rob McIntosh:** 22, attended Don Bosco High School. Occupation - corrections officer. *The freshman baseball coach at Don Bosco has added some expertise to the club. Mac plays first base and outfield.*

- **Mike Mason:** 17, attends Winthrop High School. Occupation - student. *If he stays healthy, he will become a future star. Mike, a right-handed pitcher, is part of the youth movement.*

- **Pat Sullivan:** 25, attended B.C. High and Boston College. Occupation - accountant, banker. *Knowledgeable, solid clutch hitter, he has done a good job as assistant coach. Pat resides in Charlestown, and plays third.*

- **Edzo Tucker:** 33, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - truck driver. *A tribute to all the older players. He has a*

"sweet" swing and plays 110% — always. Edzo resides in Wilmington with his wife and family.

- **Joe Upton:** 25, attended Charlestown High School. Occupation - corrections officer. *He is the work horse pitcher who won half of our league games. Joe made All-League two years in a row.*

- **Mike Widrow:** 33, attended UMass/Amherst. Occupation - liquor sales (just what we need!) *Woody is another crafty vet who has been a great addition to the team. He plays second base, and resides in Randolph.*

- **Paul Wrenn:** 26, attended Christopher Columbus High School. Occupation - elevator repairman. *A steady "nifty" second baseman and a key man on the double-plays, Paul resides in Charlestown with his new bride, Mimi Dowd Wrenn.*

- **Vinny Donovan:** 12, attends C.R. Edwards Middle School. Occupation - bat boy. *Vinny not only was a good bat boy, but did some fine coaching as well.*

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City Councillor Travaglini Treats 'Red Shirts' To Pizza Lunch

Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini sponsored a Pizza Party for the city's "Red Shirts" in recog-

niton and appreciation for the wonderful job they are doing this summer in cleaning up the city. This pro-

gram is under the direction of the Boston Youth Clean-Up Corps.

Red Shirts from Charles-

town, Chinatown and the North End attended the party, which was held at the Charlestown High field.



BOSTON CITY COUNCILLOR Robert E. Travaglini (right) commended the "Red Shirts," who are members of the Boston Youth Clean-Up Corps, for their outstanding work over the summer cleaning lots, parks, playgrounds and public areas. Travaglini treated the teens to a pizza party at the Charlestown High School Field on Medford Street. Shown (left) with Travaglini is Brian Connolly, executive director of the program.



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★ EVENTS OF THE WEEK ★

Friday, Aug. 21

10 a.m. - Arts and Crafts, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Monday, Aug. 24

10 a.m. - Crochet and Seniorobics,
Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Tuesday, Aug. 25

10 a.m. - Crochet, Senior Lounge
10 a.m. - Sunshine Club, Senior lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge

Wednesday, Aug. 26

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Anchorage
Apartments
10 a.m. - Crochet, Mary Colbert Apartments
10 a.m. - Arts & Crafts and Seniorobics,
Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge

Thursday, Aug. 27

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop bus, Senior Lounge,
Constitution Co-op Apts. and Golden Age
10 a.m. - Crochet, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge

★ UPCOMING TRIPS ★

• **Vanity Fair Trip** — Thursday, Oct. 22. The cost is \$22.50 and includes transportation and lunch at the Hawthorne Country Club with a choice of schrod or chicken.

For more information on senior activities, home-maker services or transportation, contact Judi Meaney, director of Senior Services, at 241-8866.



KIT CLARK SENIOR LUNCH PROGRAM

Senior Center, 114 Rutherford Ave.
Golden Age Center, 382 Main St.
Senior Lounge, 55 Bunker Hill St.

Aug. 21 - 31

Friday — Juice, vegetarian lasagna, tossed salad, birthday cake

Monday — Turkey tetrazini, Italian-blend vegetables, peaches

Tuesday — Strip steak, gravy, O'Brien potatoes, peas, brownie

Wednesday — Dilled chicken breast, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, carrots, mixed fruit

Thursday — Stuffed pepper, rice, mixed vegetables, pudding

Friday — Tuna salad roll, lettuce & tomato, potato salad, nectarine

Monday — Orange juice, macaroni, cheese & tomato, zucchini & onions, raisins

Bread, margarine and milk served with all meals.

Voke Terms Proposal For Hike In Elder Insurance 'Outrageous'

Calling it "outrageous," state Rep. Richard Voke expressed dissatisfaction with a proposal by Blue Cross/Blue Shield to increase MEDEX insurance rates by 18 percent. He called on the commonwealth's insurance commissioner to reject the requested hike. Voke said the state must take action to stop the spiraling cost of insurance while addressing the other end of the spectrum which is the cost of medical care itself.

"These astronomical rate increases just cannot continue. Our seniors are being priced out of the market. I do not want to see our elders being forced to make a decision between paying their MEDEX premiums or paying their food bills. It is downright unfair to place that kind of burden on folks who have given so much to society during the course of their lives," stated a frustrated Voke.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield offers MEDEX coverage to over 250,000 Massachusetts residents. MEDEX supplements Medicare coverage

for seniors. It covers those things, such as prescription drugs and eyeglass wear, that Medicare does not.

"The commissioner of insurance should not rubber stamp the Blues request for yet another rate increase. Seniors deserve an explanation as to how the Blues can purchase Baystate Insurance Company for \$100 million then turn around and demand more money from elders; most of whom are living on a fixed income," said Voke.

Voke also encouraged the Weld Administration to step up its review of benefit and subsidy packages for MEDEX subscribers. "A panel was convened some eight months ago to review MEDEX-type coverage, yet no recommendations have come up for review. I hope the commissioner will look to the working group for its suggestions before she entertains any proposed rate hike. A freeze in the MEDEX rates will give our seniors relief from feeling 'Blue,'" concluded Voke.

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POLICE LINE

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Monday, Aug. 10

At 8:45 a.m., an officer responded to Rutherford Avenue and Mishawum Street for a two-car collision. Both operators were taken to Mass. General Hospital for the treatment of injuries.

At 5 p.m., an officer responded to City Square for a breaking and entering report. The victim stated that between Aug. 7 and 6:30 a.m. this day, unknown person(s) forcibly entered the work trailer at that location and stole a water blaster with an estimated value of \$4,000. This incident is currently under investigation by Area A detectives.

Wednesday, Aug. 12

At approximately midnight, officers responded to Dorrance and Main streets for a motor vehicle accident. The victim reported that while operating his motor vehicle, his tire blew out causing the vehicle to slide and collide into a cement upright. The victim was not injured.

At 8 a.m., a woman reported that unknown person(s) smashed the rear window of her automobile which was parked at 417 Main St. A man at the same location reported that the driver's side window of his automobile was smashed.

At 4:45 p.m., an officer, while at a traffic post at Rutherford Avenue and City Square, stopped the traffic for a red light. The driver of one motor vehicle ignored the red light traffic signal, the officer's whistle and hand signal, and crashed into another vehicle causing that driver to strike his head, rendering him unconscious. He was taken to Mass. General Hospital for the treatment of head and neck injuries. His condition is unknown at this time. The driver of the first vehicle was issued a citation, and both vehicles were towed from the scene.

Friday, Aug. 14

At 12:40 p.m., a boy was riding his bicycle on Tibbetts Town Way when, according to his mother, he was knocked to the ground by two males. The victim identified the

suspects, and the victim and his mother will seek complaints at the Charlestown District Court.

At 11:45 p.m., officers responded to Medford and Terminal streets on a report of a gang drinking and fighting. As the officers attempted to clear the field, one person was observed throwing beer bottles at one of the officers. The suspect was apprehended and arrested.

Saturday, Aug. 15

At 3:15 a.m., a suspect was arrested after returning to 74 Medford St. having been identified by two victims as the person who had stabbed them earlier that morning. The injuries to both victims were not life-threatening.

At 3:15 a.m., a victim was found at 56 Old Ironside Way, apparently intoxicated. Further investigation revealed that the victim had also been beaten by unknown person(s). The victim was taken to the hospital for treatment. The incident is currently under investigation by Area A detectives.

At 7:30 a.m., an officer responded to a radio call on a fight. As the officer approached, one of the suspects fled on foot and evaded the officer. As the officer returned, he observed the second suspect beating the victim, and the suspect was apprehended. The victim stated that the suspects were known to him. They had gotten into an argument and then both suspects attacked him, one hitting him with a tire iron, striking him on the back of the head. The victim was transported to the hospital for head injuries and a possible skull fracture. The suspect was taken into custody and the officer will seek further complaints against the second suspect. It was found that the arrested person was in possession of stolen credit cards. The incident is under investigation by Area A detectives.

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 of-

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Story Time Registration

Registration for Preschool Story Hour and Toddler Story Time is now taking place in the Children's Room at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Preschool Story Hour is a weekly one-hour program for children ages 3 to 5.

Toddler Story Time is a semimonthly half-hour program for children ages 2 and 3 and their parents.

Enrollment in both programs is limited. Please call Anne Smart, Children's Librarian at 242-1248 for more information.

Board Of Appeal Hearing

The city of Boston Board of Appeal will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, Sept. 1, in Room 801, Boston City Hall.

• At 11:30 a.m., Daniel and Joseph Fitzpatrick will seek variances from the Boston Zoning Code to change the legal occupancy of 160 Bunker Hill St. from a drug store to an ice cream store, including take-out.

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Area A Gets Domestic Violence Officer

Declaring that "we must do everything we can to protect women and children from terrorism in their home," Mayor Raymond L. Flynn announced that specially-trained domestic violence officers have been assigned to each of the city's 10 police districts.

Detectives James Fitzgerald, George Torres and James Giardina have been assigned to Area A of the Boston Police Department, which covers Charlestown.

The local officers joined 19 others for a three-day training seminar earlier this month, held at Northeastern University under the direction of the Boston Police Academy, with the support of the Boston Women's Commission, area shelter providers and legal advocates for battered women.

At the seminar, the officers participated in a number of workshops, ranging from the dynamics of do-

mestic violence to the roles of the district attorney and the courts in handling domestic violence cases. Officers were also trained by experts in protocol matters and received briefings on making the best use of available resources for investigating domestic violence.

Police Commissioner Francis "Mickey" Roache said he hopes that women throughout the city in need of such services will take full advantage of the program. "We are here to help," said Roache. "Domestic violence is a serious crime, and with a trained officer in every station, we will see that it is treated seriously."

Boston is one of the few cities in the country with a Domestic Violence Unit. Sergeant Detective Pat Levitan, head of the city's seven-year-old Domestic Violence Unit, said her office will work closely with the

local domestic violence officers.

"They know the laws, the practical applications of that law, and they know how to integrate the whole criminal justice system into investigations," Levitan said of the newly trained officers. "That means bringing in the police, the district attorney's office, victim advocates, social service providers, shelters and probation officers."

"This is an important statement of priorities," said Mayor Flynn. "Boston takes the crime of domestic violence very seriously — and we intend to treat it seriously. In Boston, we believe that no one should be forced to live in fear and intimidation. To be battered by someone you have loved and lived with is a particularly cruel form of terrorism. Through innovative approaches like our expanded domestic violence ef-

fort, we hope to make home a safe place for women."

(The Boston Police Department is looking for volunteers to work with the domestic violence officers. For more information on how you can help, call the department's personnel office at 343-4677.)

Volunteer Drivers Needed

Volunteer drivers are needed to bring cancer patients to and from treatment appointments through the American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery program. Appointments take place weekdays during business hours. A car and safe driving skills are needed. Free training is provided and the schedule is flexible.

For further information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

Barrett Gets Nod To Head BRA

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Navy Yard before the Charlestown Neighborhood Council. Barrett had worked closely with the development team, recommending that they develop the museum at the Yard's End sec-

tion of the Navy Yard, making it an anchor for future development plans in the area. The council endorsed the Whydah Pirate Complex and forwarded it to the BRA Board for approval.

Community Liaison Judy

Evers from the Office of Neighborhood Services remarked on the appointment: "Paul Barrett has worked with the Charlestown community and has many friends here. I have complete confidence in his

ability and look forward to working with him on future development projects which will enhance the quality of life for all our residents, now and for many years to come."

Former BRA Director Stephen Coyle recommended Barrett as his successor before leaving Boston last January to head the AFL-CIO Housing Investment Trust office in Washington, D.C. After confirmation by the BRA Board of Directors, Barrett is expected to report to the director's ninth floor office in City Hall on Monday, Aug. 24, to head the agency responsible for overseeing Boston development into the 21st century.

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C.Y.O. & St. Catherine NEWS

by Father Ron Coyne

• **Confirmation II** — This year, the three parishes of Charlestown — St. Mary, St. Francis de Sales and St. Catherine of Siena — will begin a joint Confirmation program for Catholic youth wishing to be confirmed in their faith. The program will be a two-year course designed to prepare the students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation I will be for eighth grade (or above) students and will be offered in the individual parishes.

Confirmation II will be for ninth grade (or above) students and will bring together youth from all three parishes. Father Casey from St. Mary's will be the director of the Confirmation II program.

Registration and an informational meeting for Confirmation II will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 17 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

Only those confirmation candidates who have completed Confirmation I or who have been in parochial school during grade eight are eligible for Confirmation II. Classes will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month from October through May.

Parents are strongly encouraged to attend the first meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17. Persons with questions or needing further information, are asked to call their parish rectory.

• **Baseball Uniforms** — We are deeply grateful to the 60 young men from the community who played CYO baseball this summer. We had a good season and displayed sportsmanship that is a credit to the CYO organization. The boys paid a \$40 deposit for their uniforms and they may return the uniform (shirt and pants) clean to the rectory and their deposit will be returned. This can be done before Aug. 25 or after Labor Day.

• **CYO Sports Banquet** — St. Catherine's will sponsor its second annual Sports Night honoring the youth and youth leaders of Charlestown who have been involved in our CYO sports programs during the past year. The event will be held in St. Catherine's School Hall on Sunday, Sept. 13, beginning with dinner at 6 p.m. The cost of tickets is \$5 per person which will help to pay for the meal and trophies. There will be door prizes awarded throughout the evening.

Trophies and awards will be presented for boys ball hockey, track, high school boys olympics, eighth grade girls olympics, eighth grade boys olympics, ice hockey, cheerleaders, CYO girls basketball, CYO boys basketball, girls softball, boys baseball and girls color guard.

• **Boys Ball Hockey** — Last year we had a very success Ball Hockey League for our boys 10 to 14. The league runs from Sept. 21 through mid-November with games played in the Cage and beside the Head Start building. We had six teams and each played two games a week. All games begin at 3:30 p.m.

This year, we will also run a league for 15- to 17-year-old boys who will also play two games a week.

Each team will have a captain who will choose his team at a meeting with all the boys present. The cost to play in the league is \$5 per person. Each boy must pay at the registration meeting when the teams will be made up.

There will be a sign up for all 10- to 14-year-old boys on Monday, Sept. 14 at 4 p.m. in the lower rectory, 49 Vine St. Captains and teams will be chosen at this time.

The sign up for 15- to 17-year-old boys will be at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15 in the lower rectory.

• **Girls Ball Hockey** — This year, we would like to host a girls ball hockey league in the Cage. The league will be open to all girls 13 to 17. Captains will be chosen and teams will be picked at a sign-up meeting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16 in the lower rectory. The cost is \$5 per person to be paid at the sign ups. The girls will play two games a week.

• **Referees And Scorekeepers** — We are in need of older teen-agers and adults to referee our ball hockey games and keep score for our leagues. If you have the time and would like to be part of this program, please call Father Coyne at 242-1750.

• **St. Catherine's Parish Show** — Once again this year, under the direction of Ed Rooney and our choreographer Maryann Dennis, St. Catherine's will put on our teen-age show "Clowns-A-Poppin '92." The cast will sing, dance and make you laugh as they entertain you. Many will dress as clowns and will challenge you to guess their identity. The main cast will be open to all teen-age boys and girls from 13 to 19. There will also be many parts for children in grades three through seven. Rehearsals will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 13 at St. Catherine's School Hall, and the show will be on the weekend of Oct. 10-11.

We ask that you consider being on stage with us. Talent is not necessary — just the desire to enjoy yourself and add to the spirit present in our community.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



A Sincere Thank You

A very sincere thank you to everyone for your prayers, cards, flowers and gifts — they are all very much appreciated. It is a long, slow recuperation, but I hope to be back to the Courthouse to serve you all again by the end of September.

Thanks again.
Sincerely,
Barbara Burke
Chief Probation Officer
Charlestown District Court

Thanks To The People Of Charlestown

Dear Gloria:
I would like to take this opportunity to thank the good people of Charlestown for their support and involvement in last week's First Annual Dennis McLaughlin Memorial Softball Game. As a leader in the community and one who sought to empower the neighborhood, my friend Dennis would have been proud of the turnout at the game and the fine display of community spirit so evident at the event. I'm looking forward to next year's game, and look forward to continuing our work to keep Dennis' spirit alive through our pride in Charlestown.

Sincerely,
Raymond L. Flynn
Mayor of Boston

Charlestown Residents Will Be Able To Vote On Handgun Ban

Dear Editor:
Like a long-running play, the debate over the right and necessity of individuals to own and carry a handgun continues as America limps toward a future increasingly more like that of an armed camp than a healthy society and a civilized nation.

And like a tennis match with no end, the "handgun people," both pro and con, battle it out in the editorial pages of the nation's newspapers while citizens sit on the sidelines and watch the interminable back-and-forth action. In the meantime, the score of handgun victims continues to get higher and nobody seems to win the game, with the possible exception of gun manufacturers and dealers who stand to lose profits if firearms are reduced, even minimally, through a waiting period before purchase as called for in the Brady Bill, now stalled in the U.S. Senate.

With little or no action forthcoming on the federal level and the continuing debate and issue-clouding about "law-abiding citizens" and their fabled "right to bear arms" being waged by the well-financed gun lobby, it is time for the people to speak for themselves, especially people in urban areas who most feel the pain and suffering of handgun violence run rampant.

On Nov. 3, voters in Charlestown will have an opportunity to vote on a public policy referendum question as to their

opinion about banning handguns in the city of Boston.

The question will read:
Shall the representatives from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation banning the sale, possession and transfer of handguns in the city of Boston?

This vote is non-binding — it will not become law if approved. But it is a first step in getting long overdue movement on the handgun issue through the democratic process. It would not affect anyone's "right" to go hunting or engage in "sportsmanship" or target practice, even if it did become law. The referendum is a chance for the people themselves to get involved in the serious issue of handgun violence. The areas in which the question will appear represent a good cross-section of Boston's neighborhoods, not to mention a great deal of hard work by a similar cross-section of Bostonians in securing the necessary signatures to get the issue on the ballot.

A long time ago on Lexington Green, Capt. John Parker ordered his men not to fire unless fired upon: "But if they mean to have a war, let it begin here." We like to think that he'd feel the same about peace here in Boston in the 1990s. It has to begin somewhere. And what better place?

Thank you,
Jim Murray
CEASE-FIRE Boston

The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Says Thank You

The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee extends its thanks and publicly acknowledges the following contribution:

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Contributions to the Bunker Hill Day activities are still most welcome. There are several outstanding bills yet to be paid and the committee would appreciate any and all assistance.
The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee

Mall Walk To Benefit Muscular Dystrophy Association

On Sunday, Aug. 23, mall walkers everywhere will have the opportunity to exercise their initiative by walking for a good cause. The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) will be holding their First Annual Gloria Jean's 3-Mile Walk at the CambridgeSide Galleria from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Registration for the walk begins at 9 a.m. at Gloria Jean's Coffee Bean on the second floor of the

Galleria. The morning event will also include fun for the whole family — clowns, balloon-making, face painting, games and prizes, live entertainment and much more. Prizes will be awarded to the top fund raisers and each person signing up will receive a \$2 coupon off one pound of Gloria Jean Gourmet Coffee. For more information, please call 461-0310.

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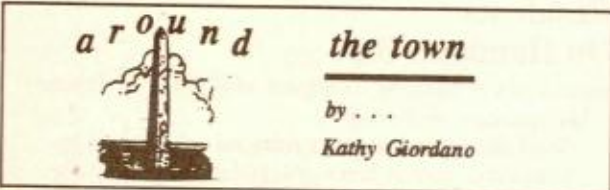
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★ **Chestnut Street . . .** The city of Boston Board of Appeal heard a petition by Grace Meehan of 49 Chestnut St. at a hearing on Aug. 4, requesting permission to convert her home from a two- to a three-family dwelling. The Board voted to deny the appeal without prejudice, and asked Meehan to return with more detailed plans for the conversion.

★ **Charlestown Neighborhood Council . . .** The Charlestown Neighborhood Council will resume its monthly meetings on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at 7 p.m. at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. The meeting is open to the public, and all are welcome to attend.

★ **Charlestown Street Reconstruction Update . . .** Ralph Cunningham, resident engineer with Bryant Associates, states that the contractor, John Mahoney Construction Co., has been working this past week to get streets paved and new sidewalks installed, as well as attending to as many of the "punch list" items as practicable. According to Cunningham, many of the damage complaints have been and are being attended to. He said that they are working with the contractor to resolve other complaints and are awaiting confirmation from Mahoney's insurance company on others.

Much of the work to "back up" the new sidewalks has been ongoing to alleviate residential concerns. This, coupled with the new sidewalks and paving going down on Russell Street and Washington Street and the water lines being completed in the Mt. Vernon Street and Mt. Vernon Avenue area are, said Cunningham, making things look and feel a lot better to all concerned.

Numerous water problems have cropped up with all the rain. Between Boston Edison, Boston Gas and the contractor, most everyone was able to be bailed out with a minimum amount of drainage and inconvenience.

Bryant Associates, stated Cunningham, is working closely with the contractor and the gas company to come up with a reasonable work schedule and sequence to get the major thrust of the construction work going again. The gas company is moving onto Mt. Vernon Street and Common Street at Park, starting about Aug. 19, for approximately two weeks.

Mahoney will be doing the sidewalks on Concord Street this week. Lyndeboro and Middlesex streets and Monument Court will be sequenced in order to do the adjustments to Ellwood and Putnam streets. The exact order has not yet been confirmed.

Bryant Associates and CANA representatives met this week on the drainage at the low end of Putnam Street and a plan is being finalized with the CANA engineers.

The contractor is looking to start Ludlow, Common and Lawrence streets about the first week of September if all goes well with the city inspection scheduled later this week.

The rains of this past week have literally washed out the Middlesex Corp. from any further work on the 40 Flights (Mead Street stairs) contract. Hopefully, with some sunshine, they will be able to dig out and get going again.

Questions and comments on the reconstruction of the streets and the 40 Flights should be directed to Community Liaison Peter Looney at 722-4300, ext. 5674, or Judy Evers, community liaison from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, at 635-3485.

THE 10th ANNUAL Charlestown-To-Charlestown tour of Ireland was enjoyed by all as they accompanied Charlestown Mayor Pat Harty and were the cheering section for Charlestown Rose Shannon Kiely as she competed in the Western Rose Festival in Charlestown, County Mayo, Ireland where she was named "Most Photogenic." Shown front row (l. to r.) during their stay in Killarney are: Cathy Walsh, Terry Ring, Charlestown Rose Shannon Kiely and Jerry Higgins, bus driver. Second row (l. to r.) Patty Harty, Charlestown Mayor Pat Harty, Catherine Malone, Mary

Walsh, Marguerite Doherty, Doris Martin, Tom Martin, Florence Johnson and Mary Lou Tracey. Third row (l. to r.) Janis Kiely, Rose Lyman, Katherine Perry, Ann Marie Whalen, Josephine Perotti, Gertrude Brown, Ruth Andrea and Carol Walsh. Fourth row (l. to r.) Theresa Buban, Josephine Marsolais, Charles Doe, Bernie DePauw, Robert Harty, Catherine O'Brien and Marty O'Brien. Back row (l. to r.) Ed Doherty, John Walsh, Martha Desmond (hiding), Eleanor Smith and Arthur Hurley.

Celebration Of The Anniversary Of The First Sitting Of A Court

Hon. Peter W. Agnes Jr., presiding justice of the Charlestown District Court, invites the residents of Charlestown to a special session of the court at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 24 in the main courtroom at the City Square facility. This event will mark the anniversary of the first sitting of the Court of Assistants which was called together by Gov. John Winthrop on Aug. 23, 1630. This event is sponsored by the recently established Charlestown District Court Historical Society.

The first meeting of the Court of Assistants was an important event in the history of Massachusetts as well as the nation. Gov. Winthrop came to Charlestown in the spring of 1630 and intended to make it the capital city of the colony. The governor took up resi-

dence in the Great House, located in what is now known as City Square.

The first meeting of the Court of Assistants, which is memorialized on a tablet attached to the courthouse, signaled that the growing colony was in need of a more formal governmental structure. It is the earliest sign of a court and suggested the distinction to come later between executive, legislative and judicial functions. The Court of Assistants eventually developed into the separate branches of government which John Adams wisely provided should always remain separate when he wrote the constitution of 1780.

Winthrop's Court of Assistants led to the Superior Court of Judicature, estab-

lished in 1692, and known today as the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, the oldest continuously sitting court in the western hemisphere. Charlestown should proudly claim to be the birthplace of that great tradition of judicial activity.

This year is the 300th anniversary of the Supreme Judicial Court. The celebration on Monday will honor this event that contributed to that great institution and illustrates in yet another way the contribution that Charlestown has made to American history.

The featured speaker on Aug. 24 will be the Hon. John Winthrop Sears, former Sheriff of Suffolk County.

The President of the

Charlestown District Court Historical Society is Susan Mellen, the First Assistant Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and the daughter of retired Justice James Mellen of the Charlestown District Court. Membership in the society is open to anyone with an interest in the history of the court.

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