

Mayor Menino Offers Suggestions For Winter In Charlestown

Mayor Thomas M. Menino has taken a number of steps to prepare Charlestown for the winter by coordinating each department's role during a winter storm. The annual winter snow brochure, titled "Digging Out," is currently being distributed to homes and businesses in Charlestown to provide key information on winter parking regulations, emergency numbers, city snow ordinances and winter safety tips. All rules and regulations relative to snow storms will be heavily enforced again this year.

Menino said, "Winter is a time when Charlestown must pull together as a

neighborhood to deal with severe storm elements. We have been distributing the storm brochures and I ask that you keep them handy. While there is a lot of helpful information in the brochure, I also ask that people look out for one another, check on your elderly neighbors, shovel your sidewalks for safe passage and please try to stay off the roads during the storms and, if your landlord is not providing heat, please call us immediately."

The snow brochure currently being distributed outlines a number of ordinances and regulations that go into effect if a snow emergency is declared. A

snow emergency will be declared only by the city officials. People who violate winter regulations will receive fines ranging from \$15 to \$250, depending on the violation. The following are highlights of the winter regulations for the Charlestown neighborhood:

- No parking on 18 different major roads or within 20 feet of an intersection during a snow emergency. These streets, in alphabetical order, are:

- Alford Street
- Bunker Hill Street
- Cambridge Street
- Chelsea Street
- Fifth Street
- First Avenue

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Mayor Menino Arrives In Town With Trolley, Santa And Tree Lighting



CHARLESTOWN WAS A STOP for Mayor Thomas Menino's Christmas Trolleys and a Macy's float to the community, along with Santa Claus and his helpers Eben Bear, Bulwinkle and several characters from the Nutcracker. The Rooney children of Charlestown joined the mayor on the trolley, singing Christmas favorites as he lit the Christmas tree. It was then on to One Thompson Square for refreshments as Santa posed for photos with each child and handed each a bag of candy and gifts. Shown front row (l. to r.) are the Rooney children - Gerard, Sarah, Rachel, Rebecca, Elizabeth and Hannah Rose. In the back row (l. to r.) are Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services; Mayor Menino; and Santa Claus.

ALL IN THE FAMILY!



Rita Biggins • Jill Buckley • Alice Buckley
 Three generations of winners!

We'll have to consult MIT to calculate the odds of three members of the same family, each being drawn as a winner of our Monumental Christmas Drawing!

- Other \$100 winners are: Suzanne Barkos, Charlestown • Francesca Carlson, Boston • Arthur Fiddler, Charlestown • Mahita Mishra, Charlestown • Colleen Walsh, Charlestown • Sheila Walsh, Charlestown • Marion Wood, Charlestown •

Congratulations to them all!

The drawing was such a success and we got to meet so many new friends and neighbors that we plan to make our Monumental Christmas Drawing a yearly tradition.

Just a note: 92% of our drawing entrants checked off that they were "Naughty" ... the remaining 8% were "Nice."

"NAUGHTY" OR "NICE," WE WISH YOU ALL

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SHIRLEY FOLEY CAROLYN SIDEMAN
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THE O'FLAHERTY FAMILY INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM IN CELEBRATION

as they wish Gene good luck following his swearing in as our new State Representative.
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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Tuesday, Dec. 31

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

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

Wednesday, Jan. 1

Happy New Year!

Thursday, Jan. 2

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

Friday, Jan. 3

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

Monday, Jan. 6

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee meeting - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• 7:30 p.m. - Kick-off for Race for Mayor of Charlestown, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown

Committee - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Tuesday, Jan. 7

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

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

Wednesday, Jan. 8

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

SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS

Thursdays

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

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

Fridays

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

First and Third Sundays

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

Mondays

• 2 to 5 p.m. - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. **Note: There will be no office hours on Monday, Dec. 30.**

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

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

Mondays And Fridays

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

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

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

• 7 p.m. - Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) meeting, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.

upcoming events

Thursday, Jan. 9

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

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on Parcel R-87 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• 7 p.m. - Adult Book Discussion Group meeting featuring "Ram of God" - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, Jan. 10

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

Main St.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

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

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee meeting - Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

plan ahead

Saturday, Feb. 22

• 7 p.m. - \$5,000 Drawing Dinner-Dance to benefit

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

THANK YOU, GOD

Say nine Hail Marys for nine days and ask for three wishes. First business, second and third is for the impossible. Have this published on the ninth day and your wishes will come true even though you may not believe in it. V.M.C.

PRAYER TO ST. JUDE

Most holy apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things most despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore you, of that particular privilege given to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly - (Here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever. I promise, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen. Thank you for prayers answered. F.D.

GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT

You have your list, checked it twice, took care of those you love who were naughty and nice. Now what did you get for yourself? Give yourself the gift of education! The Kennedy Center has a free ten week course starting in January! Do something in 1997 for you!

If your writing skills are used only for Dear Teacher, If you think math is a four letter word, If you need a transition between doing lunch on Sesame Street and doing lunch in the financial district, we have a class for you! Call Martha or Patty at 241-8866!



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Birthday Remembrance JOSEPH TOGNARELLI

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Happy 29th Birthday in heaven, Joe, on January 9th, 1997.

It has been nine long years since you left us, Joe. We miss you now even more.

Love . . . Mom, Dad and Mike

Birthday Mass Being Said at 4 p.m. on Saturday, January 11th, St. Francis de Sales Church

Touch of Irish

AT THE MALL
AT ASSEMBLY SQUARE
SOMERVILLE



*We wish you
all the best of the
Christmas Season!*

Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians Add Two Doctors And Expand Office Hours

Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians, Charlestown's family practice medical group, announced it has extended its office hours in an effort to make community health-care more accessible. The practice will be open five days a week, including Monday and Thursday evenings. In addition, the physicians will be available by telephone 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians, an affiliate of Winchester Hospital, is a family practice group which provides primary care to people of all ages. The group is committed to using prevention and patient education to foster wellness.

Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians recently added two new physicians to its staff, Dr. Nada Kerouz and Dr. Wellner Anne Poppe.

Kerouz specializes in internal medicine, endocrinology, diabetes and metabolism. She is board-certified in endocrinology. Kerouz is a part of Winchester Hospital's new diabetes treatment team, whose goal is to bring diabetes education into the commu-



TWO DOCTORS have joined the Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians. They are Dr. Nada Kerouz and Dr. Wellner Anne Poppe. Shown (l. to r.) Poppe, Dr. Joel Solomon, Kerouz and Dr. Ronald Backer.

nity. She earned her BS and MD degrees from the American University of Beirut in Lebanon and completed her residency in internal medicine at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinic in Madison. Her endocrinology fellowship was completed at Brigham and Women's and Joslin Diabetes Center.

Poppe is board certified in internal medicine and specializes in women's health and geriatrics. She earned her BA from Wellesley College and her MD from Tufts University

School of Medicine in Boston. She completed her residency in internal medicine at New England Medical Center in Boston.

Located at 41 High St. in Charlestown, the group also has an office at 11 Shore Road in Winchester. In addition to Kerouz and Poppe, Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians includes Ronald Backer, MD, who has been practicing in Charlestown for 24 years and who specializes in family practice, and Joel Solomon, MD, who has been practicing in Charles-

town for five years and who specializes in sports medicine and pediatrics.

Winchester-Charlestown Family Physicians may be reached at 242-1966.

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THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

IF YOU WANT TO READ THE WHOLE THING!

When you buy a house, you're asked to sign an amazing number of documents, especially if you're obtaining a mortgage. While it may seem prudent to read all of these papers before signing, it may not be practical to do this at the settlement. If you're the type who really does have to read everything first, we have some suggestions.

In an ideal world, the settlement attorney would have everything ready for your perusal several days before the big event. What often happens, however, is the lender delivers the paperwork to the settlement office at the last minute — sometimes later than that. If you insist on reading everything, including all fine print, you'll probably draw some serious groans from the others at the table. One solution is to request copies of all standard forms a week before settlement, since most of the papers are boilerplate. Then at settlement, you just check to ensure the blanks were correctly filled in.

If there's a move in your future, the real estate professionals at **Monument Properties** are ready to serve you. Please call us at **241-5900** or stop by our office at **85 Warren St., Charlestown.**

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The official kick-off for the
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MONDAY, JAN. 6TH!

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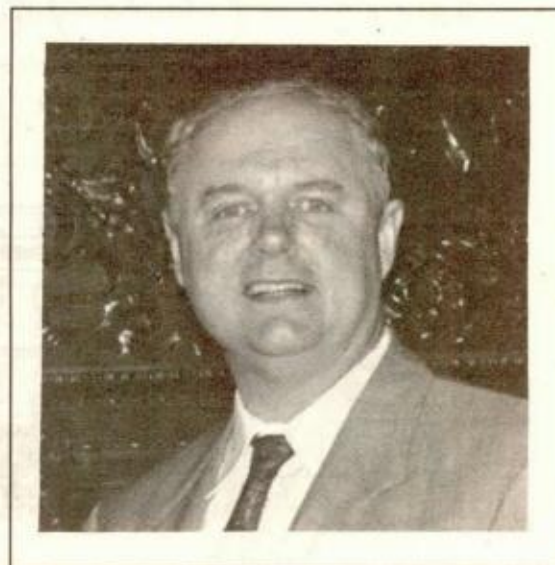
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73 Main Street



242-4214

Happy New Year,
Charlestown
from



RICHIE
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It's A Boy! & It's A Girl!

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Assad of Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their twins, a boy and a girl, on Dec. 19 at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Justin William Assad weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Cassidy Alana Assad weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Margaret and Bill Fitzpatrick of Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Tina and Lou Assad of Quincy.

Frieda Assad of Quincy is the proud great-grandmother.

Justin and Cassidy were welcomed home by their 3-year-old brother, Mark.

Mrs. Assad is the former Mary Fitzpatrick.

Garvin Sworn In As Captain Of Chelsea Police Department



FRANK GARVIN, formerly of Charlestown, was sworn in recently as Captain of the Chelsea Police Department. The son of the late Bridie and Frank Garvin, he is married to the former Ann Marie Greatorex and they are the proud parents of a son, Brendan. Shown at the swearing-in ceremonies are (l. to r.) Chelsea Police Chief Edward Flynn, Assistant City Clerk Debbie Columbo and Captain Garvin.

Charlestown Attorneys Appointed To Mass. Bar Association Sections

Two Charlestown residents have been appointed by Mass. Bar Association President Kenneth J. Vacovec to several of the association's section councils.

Appointed were: Carla A. DiMare, Young Lawyers Division, and Richard A. Johnston, Access to Justice section council.

Mass. Bar Association sections provide lawyers

with up-to-date information on specific areas of law, monitor law-related legislation, sponsor professional education programs and provide information on the law for the general public.

The Mass. Bar Association is the 19,000-member statewide attorney's professional organization.

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



♣ **As We Welcome 1997** . . . the staff of the Patriot would like to extend to all our very best wishes for a happy, healthy new year!

♣ **The New Year** . . . begins with many, many local birthdays . . . Jan. 4th is the day for Bill Stievater . . . Chrissy Sexton of Life Focus fame (and a delivery person for the Patriot) will celebrate her big day on Jan. 6th, a date also shared by Kelli Flanagan . . . John Walsh marks his 82nd birthday on Jan. 7th . . . and Jan. 8th is a real busy day with birthdays being shared by Lois Maher, John Scannell, Carol Whelan and Shannon Crosby . . . The very best of birthday wishes to all!

♣ **Happy Anniversary Wishes** . . . to Judi and Pat Dunphy who will celebrate their 26th wedding anniversary on Jan. 8th . . . May you have many more!

♣ **Our Sincere Thanks** . . . go out to St. Francis de Sales, Terry Ring and Catherine and Marty O'Brien for their holiday remembrances! . . . Thanks also to our friends who sent Christmas greetings . . . your thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

♣ **New Year's Eve In Charlestown** . . . Will be celebrated in style at the Bunker Hill Council #62, Knights of Columbus party on Dec. 31, beginning at 8 p.m. . . . For an evening of food, favors and fun it is just \$20 a person or \$35 a couple . . . Give Rick Walsh or Paul Herrick a call at 242-0062.

♣ **Own A Piece Of History** . . . The Charlestown Historical Society is selling Bunker Hill Cup Plates, a reproduction of the famous 1841 "singing glass" lead crystal commemorative cup plate sold at the "Ladies Fair" in Quincy Market to raise funds for the completion of the building of the Bunker Hill Monument . . . The cup plates, which are being sold for \$17.75, are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays during January.

♣ **Our Local Movie Star** . . . Jonathan Tucker (of *Sleepers* fame) guest stars on the Number One Saturday night show, "Early Edition," on CBS at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11th . . . Jonathan spent eight days shooting on location in Chicago for this show.

♣ **The Truth About Trash . . . Pick-Up, That Is** . . . Confusion reigned supreme in town the end of last week as to when the trash pick-up was taking place . . . To clarify matters for the upcoming New Year's holiday, our City Hall reporter relates that there will be no trash pick-up on Wednesday, Jan. 1 - New Year's Day - and for the remainder of the week, pick-up will be a day later than usual.

♣ **Speaking About Trash** . . . There seems to be a trend going on atop Bunker Hill Street where residents are putting their trash in the barrels of their neighbors so that person has to cart out their own trash along with what has been deposited by the inconsiderate neighbor . . . Hope these people got their very own barrels from Santa . . . and use them!

♣ **Sixth Annual First Day Hike** . . . Staff from the MDC Blue Hills Reservation and Blue Hills Trailside Museum will lead free First Day Hikes through Blue Hills Reservation. If you are interested in getting out and stretching your legs on New Year's Day, meet at noon at the Houghtons Pond parking lot on Hillside Street in Milton (exit 3 off Route 93 - follow the signs). For more information, call 698-1802 - the hike will be cancelled for rain only.

♣ **Animal Rescue League To Conduct "Doggie Bag" Lectures** . . . The Animal League of Boston introduces its "Doggie Bag" lecture series with "In the Dog House - Tips for Winterizing Your Pet" on Wednesday, Jan. 8th. The event will take place from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the league's headquarters at 10 Chandler St., Boston. The lecture is free and open to the public and guests are invited to bring their own lunch and learn about the importance of protecting pets from the elements. Please call 426-9170 for additional information and future topics.

♣ **Just A Little Note** . . . So many events have taken place in the town recently that the Patriot has a backlog of photos. Please be patient and bear with us and you will see your holiday smile in an upcoming issue.

♣ **Thought For The Week** . . .
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MAGGIE ANN
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Happy 3rd Birthday

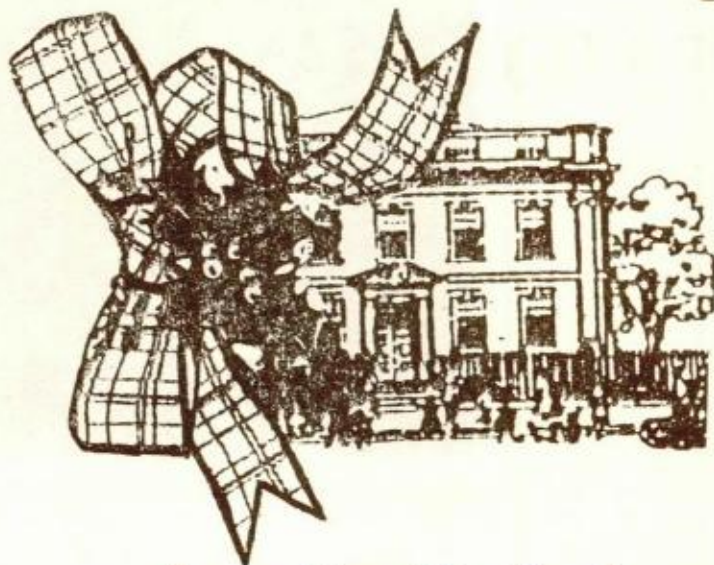
To My Little Princess . . .

I love you and miss you!

Daddy xo xo



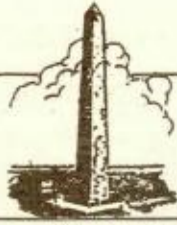
Season's Greetings



from the Staff of

Massachusetts General Hospital
Charlestown HealthCare Center

(formerly Bunker Hill Health Center)



around the town

**★ Neighborhood Council Meetings
Basic Services Committee**

Chairman Bill Galvin has announced that the Basic Services Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 6 at the Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

The meeting will be to discuss the change of legal occupancy of the store at 219 Bunker Hill St. to include a pizza and sub shop with take out food. The proposal is being made by Frederick Roberts and John Napolitano.

Monthly Meeting

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

Items on the agenda include a presentation by AT&T Wireless to erect an antenna on top of 30 Monument Square. Also, representatives of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club will be on hand to outline the proposed renovation of its High Street facility.

**Development Committee
On Parcel R-87**

Chairman Tom Cunha has announced that three proposals were submitted to the city's Public Facilities Department by the Nov. 13 deadline. The prospective developers will outline their plans at a meeting of the Development Committee at 7 p.m. on Jan. 9 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Public Safety Meeting

Co-Chairmen John Dillon and Bill McCabe have announced that the next Public Safety/Police Community Relations meet-

ing will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill St.

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

★ Community Office Hours . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will resume office hours on Monday, Jan. 6 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. She will be on hand to discuss problems and answer questions relative to city issues.

★ Board Of Appeal Hearing . . . A petition will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall: Kathleen E. Wright and Marie Goulin are seeking permission to change the legal occupancy of 98 Baldwin St. from a one-family to a two-family dwelling. (BZC-18552)

Persons with questions or concerns may call the board at 635-4775.

★ Board Of Appeal Decision . . . A petition Keith A. Swan and Amy Hosford Swan concerning the premises at 49 Elm St. was granted by the Board of Appeal and was filed in the office of the Commissioner of the Inspectional Services Department on Dec. 18.

★ Licensing Board Hearing . . . A petition will be brought before the city of Boston Licensing Board of Appeal at 10:25 a.m. on

Wednesday, Jan. 15 in Room 809A at Boston City Hall. McLaughlin Restaurant Inc. at 25 Park St., Charlestown, the holder of a C.V. 7-Day All Alcoholic Beverage License, has petitioned to amend the description of the licensed premises.

At present, there is a bulkhead entrance to the cellar on Joiner Street for stock; emergency exit to Joiner Street; in two rooms and kitchen on first floor; cellar for stock (enlarging kitchen).

The changes requested is the bulkhead entrance to the cellar on Joiner Street for stock; emergency exit to Joiner Street; in two rooms and kitchen on first floor; cellar for stock (enlarging kitchen); **and to include an outside patio.**

★ Making A New Year's Resolution To Quit Smoking? . . . The Mass. General Hospital Quit Smoking Service can help you succeed! They are offering an eight-session program which begins on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 5:30 p.m. Some topics offered are: preparation for quitting, stress reduction without cigarettes, strategies for preventing weight gain and avoiding relapse. These can be combined with the nicotine patch or gum. A telephone support line, individual counseling and ongoing resources are available.

For more information about location

and cost, call Jennifer at 726-7443.

★ Anti-Smoking Campaign Offers Support Kits . . . The Department of Public Health is offering free Quit Kits to smokers who pledge to go tobacco-free in 1997.

Quit Kits will provide inspiration, information and support for those who put "Quit Smoking" on their New Year's resolution list. Kit contents include expert tips on how to stay smoke-free, a *Smoke-Free* water bottle and other items to reinforce the pledge, and discount coupons for nicotine replacement products and spring water.

Smokers can make the pledge by calling 1-800-TRY-TO-STOP, a quit service coordinated by the American Cancer Society, or look for the booth at Boston's First Night celebration. Kits should be received within a week.

★ Be A Tutor . . . If you speak English, we need you. Students are waiting. Open orientation for volunteer English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) tutors with the City-Wide Friends of the Boston Public Library, Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 6:45 p.m. in the Mezzanine Conference Room, Central Library, Copley Square. For further information, contact CWF at 536-5400, ext. 341.

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Life Focus Center Clients Treated To A Christmas Party Hosted By Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L.


photos by Kathy Whitehouse



A CHRISTMAS PARTY, sponsored by the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion, was held at the Legion Hall for 52 clients of the Life Focus Center of Charlestown. Chef extraordinaire Al Gallarelli, past commander, assisted by his wife Cynthia, prepared and served the hot and cold buffet. Post Chaplain George Walsh, who served on the Christmas Party Committee, also volunteered for K.P. Each of the LFC clients not only

got a chance to sit on Santa's (Senior Vice Cmdr. Ron Taylor) lap, but received gifts along with a canvas duffel bag from Mass. Financial Services, through the courtesy of Christmas Party Committee member Vince Taormina, an employee of MFS. Other committee members were: Post 26 Cmdr. Ed Kelly, Legion Past National Historian Jim Conway, Sgt.-At-Arms Harvey Campbell, Executive Committeeman Al Kaliniak and Kathleen Taormina. The

clients and staff of LFC enjoyed a delicious meal and the gifts from Santa Claus . . . At the left, Sissy Ahearn sits on Santa's lap, and standing (l. to r.) are Conway, Kelly, Campbell, Kaliniak and Kathleen Taormina. Missing from the photo is Vince Taormina . . . On the right are (l. to r.) Jack Millerick, executive director, LFC of Charlestown, Walsh, Al Gallarelli, chef extraordinaire, and Cynthia Gallarelli. (photos by Kathy Whitehouse)



"No nonsense fare, expertly prepared. . . . And the wine list offers sophisticated selections that won't break the bank."

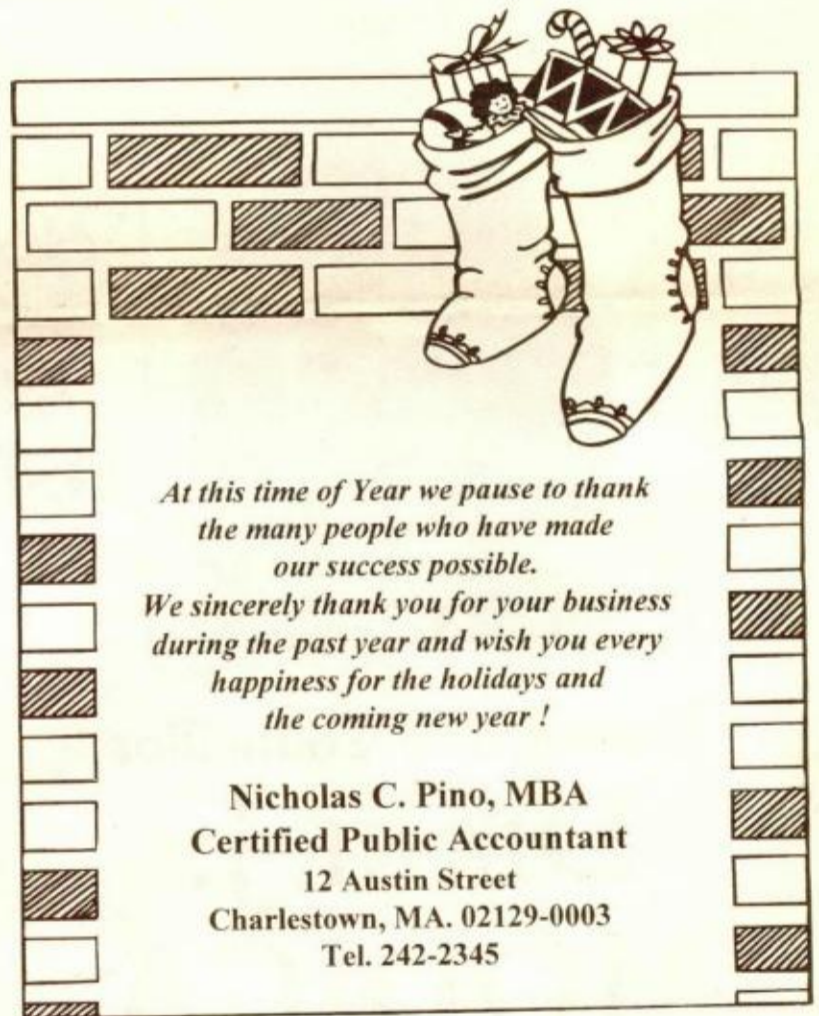
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Charlestown Residents Are Recipients Of Partners In Excellence Award

Partners HealthCare System recently presented its first annual "Partners in Excellence Award" to more than 400 employees of Partners member institutions. Three Charlestown residents were honored with this award. They are Barbara Kelly, Mass. General Hospital; Patricia George, Partners Community HealthCare, Inc.; and James Pappas, Partners HealthCare System, Inc.

The award recognizes

individuals and teams throughout Partners health care delivery system for exemplary effort in the areas of quality treatment and service, leadership and innovation, teamwork, operational efficiency and outstanding community contributions.

"Thanks to the thousands of talented and dedicated individuals from the institutions that comprise Partners, we have achieved many significant milestones," said Samuel O.

Thier, M.D., Partners Chief Executive Officer. "The Partners in Excellence Award recognizes that our greatest strength is our caring and committed team of medical staff, nurses and employees."

Partners HealthCare System, Inc., formed in 1994, is the corporation overseeing the affiliation of Brigham and Women's Hospital, The Mass. General Hospital and The North Shore Medical Center in Salem.

S.A.F.E. ty Education For Charlestown Schools

Sen Thomas F. Birmingham announced that the Boston Fire Department has received a grant through a program administered by the Executive Office of Public Safety to provide health and fire awareness instruction to elementary school students in the Boston Public Schools.

Students in Charlestown and throughout the city, will receive valuable educational services through the Student Awareness Fire Education (SAFE) grant of \$8,000, which brings firefighters into the classroom to share fire prevention information with students.

The firefighters, who will receive training at the

state's Firefighting Academy will discuss smoke detectors, home escape plans and the hazards of smoking, among other health and safety issues. This program was initiated in the senate's budget. It is the first statewide fire and anti-smoking education program.

The SAFE program complements the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) grant. This program supports a collaborative effort between school and law enforcement personnel for drug and violence prevention education. The curriculum, supported by classroom materials and community-oriented law enforcement officers, is de-

signed to equip students with the skills to resist peer pressure, substance abuse and violence, while building decision-making, risk assessment and communication abilities.

"The earlier children learn about the detrimental consequences of drugs, smoking and playing with matches, the better we all are," said Birmingham. He praised "these valuable programs for making public safety and health issues that effect all of us very real to our most impressionable citizens."

Birmingham lauded the law enforcement and fire prevention professionals for their continued commitment to these valuable programs.

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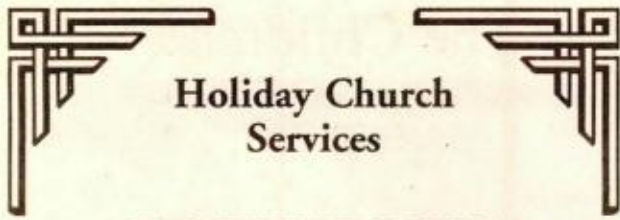
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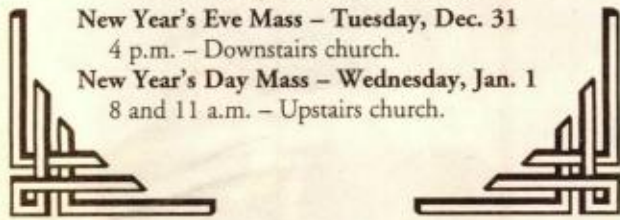
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New Year's Day Mass - Wednesday, Jan. 1
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Tran Tutors Young Children In Computers At Regis College

Jenny Tran of Charlestown, was a member of a team which conducted computer classes for young children as part of a leadership class in one of eight group service projects at the Management Department at Regis College.

The team, Jem and the Holograms, had to arrange

the details of introducing and tutoring the use of computers to young children in the Regis College's Children's Center. The grade of the individual student was based on the project and written reports submitted upon completion of the project.

Tran is a junior, majoring in social work.

Pop Warner Corner

On behalf of the Board of Directors, coaches, players cheerleaders and parents of Charlestown Pop Warner, we are forever grateful to CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) and the Bunker Hill Associates for their most generous donations to the program. They are truly very good friends of Charlestown Pop Warner.

Also, a very big thank you to another big supporter of Charlestown Pop Warner, Steve DeOssie. Steve is expecting big things from this program in 1997 and will be in touch throughout the year.

The Charlestown Pop Warner program again wants to thank all its supporters, volunteers, concessions staff, coaches, players and cheerleaders for their contributions during the past year. We look forward to your continued support in 1997. The planning and rebuilding process has already begun for the 1997 season.

Watch for announcements throughout the year regarding player and cheerleader registration. The Charlestown Pop Warner program and the city of Boston will be announcing some exciting news in the very near future to kick-off the season in 1997.

Catch the fever, Charlestown Pop Warner is back and better than ever in 1997!

Board of Directors
Charlestown Pop Warner

Book Discussion Group To Meet At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Adult Book Discussion Group of the Charlestown Branch Library, will meet on Thursday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. at the library, 179 Main St.

The book that will be featured this month will be **Ram of God** by John B. Keane.

The *Library Journal* said, "Life in the Irish village of Ballybobwan is full of incidents. Villagers plot and scheme, pine away for unrequited loves, abuse

their families and drink themselves to early deaths. Edward Drannaghy, the Ram of God, earned his sobriquet after being tricked into fathering a child, causing him to lose his place in the seminary. After 15 years of working the family farm with his brothers, he is about to return to his calling."

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

School Registration Begins On Jan. 6

The Boston Public Schools will be putting out the welcome mats in January, when thousands of parents and guardians will visit schools and register their children for kindergarten. School registration begins Jan. 6 for kindergartners and for children entering the "transition" grades - grades 1, 6 and 9 - next September.

Under Boston's school choice assignment process, parents are most likely to get one of their top school choices if they apply by Feb. 4. Registration for other grades is Feb. 10 through March 14.

Registration will take place at all Parent Information Centers and at the Boston School Department, 26 Court St. in downtown Boston, Monday through Friday, from

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Jan. 6 through Feb. 4. In addition, kindergarten registration will take place in all BPS elementary schools on Jan. 27 during regular school hours.

To register your child, bring their birth certificate, immunization record including TB test results and two pre-printed proofs of address.

To learn more about the Boston Public Schools, visit the schools during regular school hours or come to the Citywide Showcase of Schools from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8 at the Bayside Expo Center, 200 Mt. Vernon St. in Dorchester.

For more information, call the Boston School Department at 635-9010.

Free College And Mentoring To Be Offered At BHCC

Charlestown residents between 18 and 30 years old who find themselves underemployed or uneducated are invited to apply for a free program that includes college credit classes and mentoring at local businesses, organizations and agencies.

Writing, computer, career-planning and addiction psychology will be offered at Bunker Hill Community College tuition-free beginning Jan. 28 for 20 hours per week through the semester's end in May. Students are then placed with a local mentor in an internship during the summer to gain hands-on experience in the workplace.

Applicants must be Charlestown residents and have a high school diploma or GED to be eligible. Potential students are selected primarily on the basis of their willingness to complete the program.

The program is being offered through funding by Mass. General Hospital Community Benefits money.

Spaces are limited to the first 20 accepted residents, so apply immediately. Call Lynn Peters or Karl Smith at the Bunker Hill Community College office of Continuing Education and Business Opportunity at 228-2460 to apply before Friday, Jan. 3.

Put Your Old Eyeglasses To Good Use

The Charlestown Lions Club has recycled over 5,000 pairs of eyeglasses, making it possible for many who could not afford to buy eyeglasses to obtain them.

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Annual Christmas Concert



THE ANNUAL CONCERT of Christmas favorites, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society, was held before the Christmas holiday at St. Mary's Church. Hundreds of residents packed the church to hear the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum and the New England Brass in concert. (photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

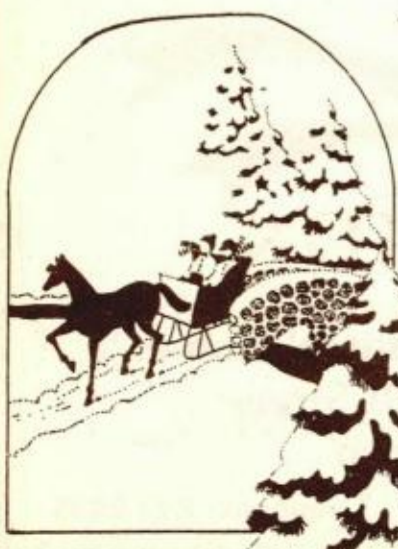
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On Sunday, Dec. 22, "Townie Santa" visited elderly, needy Charlestown shut-ins to deliver Christmas boxes with groceries, toiletries and gifts, along with a hot turkey dinner. The committee extends its sincere appreciation to each volunteer for taking time to share the "Spirit of Christmas."

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Contributions for Townie Santa are continuing to arrive, and the committee welcomes the additional donations as there are still bills to be paid.

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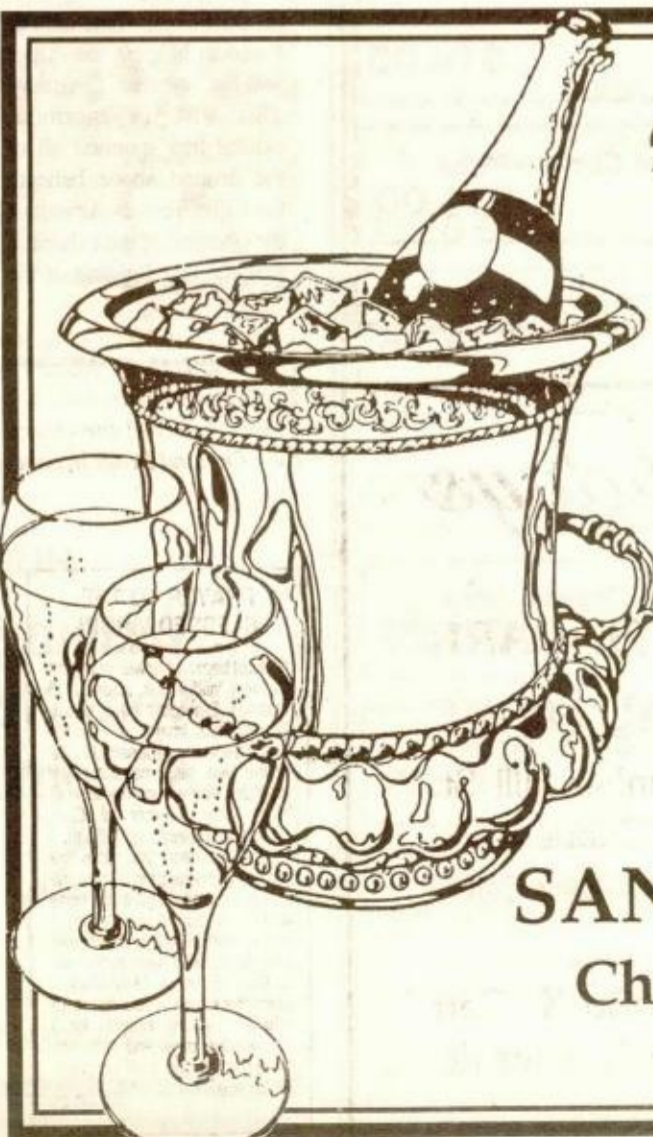
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Mayor Menino Prepares Charlestown For Winter

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Menino has ordered two garages be made available for Charlestown residents to use as alternative off-street parking. They are: Shipyard Garage, Building 199 - 13th St., Charlestown Navy Yard, open 24 hours - \$1 per day, and Government Center Garage, Cambridge Street, Government Center, open 24 hours - \$8 per 24-hour period. These rates will be available whenever a snow emergency parking ban is declared in Boston. Vehicles must display a Charlestown Resident Parking Permit and two hours after the parking ban is lifted, the standard parking regulations and prices will go back into effect;

• On secondary roads parking, where permitted, is on the **even side** of the street only;

• Residents must make resident parking stickers visible within 24 hours after a storm;

• Do not extend cars onto the street or sidewalk when parked in a driveway;

• Sidewalks abutting property must be passable within three hours after the storm;

• Do not shovel or plow snow from driveways and sidewalks onto the street;

Violators will be subject to fines and, where relevant, towing.

When a snow emergency is declared, Menino will open the "storm center" in city hall to answer all storm-related questions and requests. The storm center's number, 635-3050, is listed with over a dozen other important numbers in the Digging Out snow brochure.

Eleven different departments have a defined role in the event of snow emergency or extreme cold. Menino has made the following preparations:

Snow Removal - The Department of Public Works currently has 400 pieces of equipment for snow plowing, sanding, salting and snow removal operations with 600 staff workers available at peak times. Between eight and 10 locations will be used as snow farms for dumping snow from snow removal operations.

Transportation - Crews will ticket and/or

tow all vehicles blocking snow arteries or violating other snow emergency regulations.

Code Enforcement - Officers will issue fines of up to \$250 a ticket to residential and commercial property owners who plow or shovel snow from their property on to the street. Fines will be issued to property owners who fail to shovel sidewalks adjacent to their property. The fine is \$15 for residential properties and \$50 for residential properties larger than 16 units and commercial properties. Code Enforcement also has a list of chronic violators from last year which officers will check up on during snow storms.

Emergency Response Personnel - The Boston Fire Department will work on trying to clear fire hydrants. Given that there are 13,000 fire hydrants in Boston, the mayor and the fire commissioner are asking people to help out by shoveling the hydrant close to their house. Emergency Medical Services will also add up to six additional crews for duty during a snow emergency. Supervisors in 4x4 vehicles equipped with emergency medical apparatus will also be on duty to reach places with difficult access because of the storm. EMS also advises people who are out of shape or people with heart problems to use extreme caution when shoveling snow.

Housing Enforcement Awareness Team (HEAT) - All landlords are required to maintain the unit's temperature at a minimum of 68 degrees during the day and 64 degrees at night. Tenants can call in a "no heat" complaint to 635-4500 for Inspection Services Department to follow up. Any landlord who fails to comply with this regulation will face punitive action if the problem is not corrected.

Elderly Commission - A buddy network has been established to keep seniors in contact with their services and to make sure they are alright. A list of community groups with volunteers willing to shovel for elderly people has also been compiled. Elderly Commission staff will be on call for seniors who may need assistance.

Emergency Shelter Commission - The Commission has coordinated a system of outreach with the Pine Street Inn to bring clients in from the cold during storms or extreme cold.

Boston Community Centers - Forty-one Boston Community Centers will be available again this winter to serve as emergency shelters for people who have lost heat and power during a snow storm.

School Department - School cancellations will be made by 6 a.m. on the day of the storm.

'Creating Family Photo Albums' At The Charlestown Library

Beverly Williams, an instructor with Creative Memories, will present a workshop on "Creating Family Photo Albums" during the first weekly adult discussion group meeting of the new year at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 3.

Are your photos in boxes or bags? Williams will show you how to get those

precious memories into scrapbook-style albums which are creative and personal. Using archival-quality materials, she makes an adventure out of preserving family history and traditions in a creative way so that they can be more easily seen and enjoyed.

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

Jack Gensemer Dies At Age 85

Jack P. Gensemer died at his Charlestown residence on Dec. 18. He was born on Jan. 24, 1911 in Philadelphia, the son of the late Clara (Meyers) and Harper W. Gensemer.

Jack graduated from the University of Penn. in 1937 with a degree in architecture.

He served in the State Department in Europe just after World War II, first as an attache in Yugoslavia, and as regional director of building operations in Germany.

Jack designed an exhibit to educate the French people on the role of the US Air Force in helping the Allies win the war over Germany. This was an enormous exhibit that spanned all of the ground space beneath the Eiffel Tower. As part of the opening of the exhibit, it was the first lighting of the

Eiffel Tower after the war. He traveled extensively in Europe and made a number of drawings and watercolors there. He studied at Bonn University in Germany and at the Grande Chamiere in Paris.

Jack was the regional director of Foreign Building Operations for the State Department in West Germany. He supervised the design and construction of the rebuilding of the American consulates, American housing and housing for the State Department employees, including ambassador's residences.

When he returned to the United States, he established his architectural practice in Cambridge, Cambridge Group Architects, for 25 years where he designed both residential and commercial buildings in the New England area.

He not only was an architect but an artist as well. He exhibited his watercolors at the Mystic Seaport Museum, the Cambridge Art Association and annual with the Charlestown Artists Exhibit.

Mr. Gensemer leaves his wife, Sandra Swan Gensemer of Charlestown; his son John Gensemer of Las Vegas; a step son Christopher Snell of Las Vegas; two step daughters Lorie H. Sava of Newburyport, Mass. and Christi Scoones of Sherrill, N.Y.

Arrangements were by the Robinson Funeral Home of Melrose, and a private interment was held at the Wyoming Cemetery in Melrose.

A memorial service will be held at his late residence, 37 Rutherford Ave., Charlestown at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 25.

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The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.


The features will be "The Little Rooster Who Made The Sun Rise," the story of a rooster's discovery about his crowing . . . Donald Duck is rescued after accidentally causing a fire in "Fire Chief Don-

ald" . . . and a mischievous tugboat becomes a hero in "Little Toot."



Jody lets another girl win a skateboarding contest in "A Different Kind of Winning," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.


Suggested good books to read are **Rooster Who Set Out to See the World** by Eric Carle and **Little Toot** by Hardie Gramatky.

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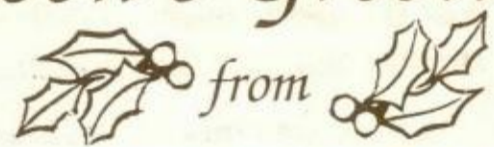
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BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



♣ **1997 Resolution: Peace** . . . On Christmas Day, many of us heard the words "Peace on Earth, Good Will to all Mankind." As we begin 1997 and head to the year 2000, let this be our resolution. Let's make this year the best ever for our beautiful neighborhood and for everyone who lives here. Let's share all the great things we have, even if it's just a smile, and bring everyone together. Thanks to you, Bob D's Beat is paved with gold, and now it's time to let this gold shine all over. May this be the happiest of New Years!

♣ **Tip Of The Cap** . . . It's never too late to say "thank you," and to realize how fortunate we are to have such a fine person among us. Over the past few weeks, you might have read the story in the newspaper or seen the story on TV. Both were well-deserved, and you might say long overdue. Boston Police Officer Ron Conway is the captain of Area A and he is a real "good guy." This district has become his second home, and we are very fortunate to be part of his second family. Let's add our "Tip of the Cap" to a real good guy. You are always there when we need you.

♣ **High School Prep Notebook** . . . The break is over, and now we have a little catching up to do. The winter sports season has begun big time, and our local heroes and their teams are in action all over the place. A good place to start is Boston Latin. Nick Smith a senior! It wasn't too long ago that we were seeing Jamie Smith off to school. Nick's time has arrived and Dual County League coaches might want to cast an early all-star ballot for Nick. The Latin captain scored 15 points as the Wolf Pack crushed Westford by 20 in the season opener - remember Nick, 'tis the season to have some fun!

"Dropped by Arlington Catholic, Coach Serg Clivio was singing the praises of hard-working Brian Ward, who now takes his skills to the basketball court. The AC Cougars are defending their crown, and Brian Ward will be a key to their success. In days gone by, Arlington Catholic and Christopher Columbus had some mighty basketball battles and Columbus was led by a Ward, named Danny! Who said skills aren't hereditary?? Brian and Danny are related.

The Don Bosco varsity basketball team is led by senior Shane Fisher, another hard-working Townie both on the sports field and in the classroom. Shane is a real good kid,

and the college he chooses to attend will be most fortunate. On the junior varsity team, Russell Grogget is the man, and he would score a bundle of points if he went up strong, all the time!

You'll read a lot about Townie Ian Urquhart in the "Charlestown High Lights," but it's important to note that Ian is not only a fine athlete for the CHS basketball, which will be heard from in '97, he is also a scholar-athlete. Ian earned high academic honors during the first marking period, and he too, will be a big plus for any college that he is accepted to, his options will be many. This very talented young man is taking advantage of all his talents, and is not scared to use them.

There are three good reasons why the Latin Academy Hockey Dragons will be heard from - Townies Kevin Golden, Chris Breen and Timmy Brennan. BC High has a solid blue chipper in freshman Jimmy Byrnes - the grandson of Leo Byrnes of the grand Byrnes family of Charlestown. Like his dad and his uncle, Number 17 is a player to watch and word is that he too likes chocolate brownies! A lot of great, good memories were shared at the BC High Hockey game over the weekend.

♣ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk has upped his goals to 19 as he headed into the Christmas break, and Phoenix had upped its record to 15-16-4 (34 points). The Coyotes 2-1 win vs. Anaheim moved them into third place in the Central League and tied for third in the overall Western Conference standings in a very close race.

Florida has the most points in the NHL with a 20-8-7 (47 points) record, but needed a 4-3 overtime win to stay there versus the N.Y. Islanders. The Philadelphia Flyers are just two points back with a 21-12-3 record. Tom Fitzgerald and the Panthers come to Boston this month (Jan. 23).

I had the opportunity to catch up with Chicago Blackhawk via BU star Tony Amonte after the Bruins-Chicago game on Monday. Tony is another great guy who hasn't forgotten where he came from.

♣ **Alvin Ailey Dancers** . . . CHS Dance Coordinator Erica Drew is pleased to announce that three members of the famed Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre will be doing a residency at Charlestown High School Jan. 8 and 9 for students enrolled in the dance class. This will be an extraordinary experience for students. CHS is alive and getting better.

♣ **College Board** . . . Got my traveling orders for the new year. Thank you Mr. Collins for the North Adams schedule, and to Mr. DeRoeve for the Curry schedule.

Kevin McGonagle, head-coached his first of what should be a good number of Cod Fish Bowl Tournament games for UMass-Boston, over the weekend. He has certainly earned the respect of his players not only for his hockey knowledge, but for being a really good person. (Something we have always known!).

More doors are being opened widely for anyone with the right stuff. Charlestown students should take note!

♣ **Charlestown High Lights** . . . As we get ready to ring in the new year, the winter sports Townies have rocked their opponents in pre-New Year's celebrations.

Desmond McDuffie poured in 17 points and Anthony Walker chipped in 15 points to lead CHS hoopsters past BC High 57-44 in the season home opener played before a large evening crowd at the Medford Street gym. Hugh Coleman had seven of his nine points, and hometown folk hero Ian Urquhart had five of his nine points in the first half to ensure a close 26-23 lead. The Townies broke it open early in the second half to coast to a victory.

Up at Lawrence, CHS defeated Haverhill in the opening round of their Christmas tournament still in progress as we go to press.

Members of the CHS varsity team are Anthony Walker, Hugh Coleman, Desmond McDuffie, Mike Coleman, Jammel Francis, Lavelle Larkin, Edwin Walker, Lamont Harris, Ian Urquhart, Joe Wilson, Delmar Luc and Cedric Warren.

The Lady Townie hoopsters topped South Boston and Dorchester in their season openers. Nicole Matson closes out a stellar high school career this year and it might be a milestone season as she nears the 1,000 point mark.

Members of the girls basketball team are Iesha Bland, Gabrielle Clermont, Leslie Crump, Aljani Darrah, Claressa DuBerry, Alexandra Duperval, Nicole Flynn, Myrienne Gurrier, Zakiyyan Id-Deem, Cornelia Marshall, Nicole Matson, Iris Medina, Gina Mendes, Verma Oquendo, Natalie Pearson-Lewis, Sonia Roach, Xaymara Saez, Tuva Silcott, Champa Touch and Michelle Waite.

The hockey Townies spotted mighty Latin Academy a 2-0 lead before Eric Burns cut the lead in half. Greg Poole tied the game at 2-2,

and then put the Townies ahead to stay with a blistering shot. Joe Tallent and Brian Dole kept the red light aglow giving CHS an impressive 5-2 lead. LA did get one back on Dave Hansford's second goal of the game, but by then the damage had been done with the Townies coasting to a 5-3 win. Goaltender Pat Lacey recovered from a shaky start to buoy the Townies in net with some fine help from defenseman Chet Ferreira and Phil "out of retirement" Jones.

In the opening round of the still-in-progress Northeast Christmas Tournament, Joe Tallent got the overtime winner as CHS stunned Mansfield 4-3. Equally stunning was the outstanding play of Pat Walsh, who had two goals and Marc Russell, who chipped in a single tally. CHS had trailed in the contest.

Members of the CHS hockey team include Joe Tallent, Greg Poole, Timmy Warren, Bobby Krol, Brian Dole, Richie Sullivan, Fred Arroyo, Eric Burns, Marc Russell, Pat Lacey, Paul Hennessey, Phil Jones, Pat Walsh, Terry Smith, Phil Jones and Chet Ferreira.

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Guess who has the honor of being the first tidbit of the new year? She works at the CHS cafeteria, and word is that she was seen pumping gas for the very first time. Good thing those directions were posted on the side of the pump! . . . Speaking of the CHS Cafe staff, our resident singer-dancer, Eileen was spotted riding around the kitchen in a cafeteria cart singing Christmas carols. Must have been that Christmas tea . . . Watch out - Jen Ray has her license! . . . Good news for Ricky Evers, you can stamp letters at CHS, the rate is lower, but there might be a diploma in the end . . . The Brian Butler family spent a nice week in Florida, and they say I never call . . . Word is that they might dedicate the escalator at Haymarket Station in honor of Paul Wrenn. (He used to fix escalators.) . . . Richie Sullivan, is it Nicole or Agnes? Prom time is near! . . . Did Billy Nolan really get brother Gregg a weight belt for Christmas, or did Gregg just borrow Billy's? . . . Being there, watching the New England Patriots defeat the New York Giants in one of the most exciting games in the franchise history at Giant Stadium will always be something Danny Ryan will never forget. Ask him! . . . Billy Stella, Mel Gibson would like to know your definition of mellow.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



Thank You, Judy!

Soon the year will be over. And we have to be thankful for our "Judy Evers." She is always there for everyone, day and night.

Bless you Judy, bless you.

Sincerely,
Charlestown Resident

Thank You, Townie Santa

There is a God who made all the volunteer people in Townie Santa. I really appreciated the people who delivered and visited me.

I am very grateful to know people like this.

G.T.

Many Thanks

I would like to thank the people who came to my assistance when I fell on Oct. 27 after the 11 a.m. Mass.

So many nice people, I can't mention names for fear I may forget somebody. Also, thank you to the kind neighbors, relatives and friends for all the prayers, flowers and cards.

God bless you all and again, Thank You!!

Sincerely,
Jo Ferguson

And To All . . .

Happy New Year to all who took the time to help the homeless, needy and just people who are having tough times. I can't say enough!!

The following are all angels for the Ecumenical Food Pantry: Churches all year, Warren-Prescott School, Edwards Middle School, (awesome kids), R.O.T.C. at Charlestown High School, Old Ironsides, Johnnie's Foodmaster, Bunker Hill Insurance Agency, Memorial Hall, Project Bread, and all you loving Charlestown people who gave from your heart.

God Bless You All,
Rudy Doenges and Staff
Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry

The Boston Herald
Editorial Department
One Herald Square
Boston, Mass. 02106

Dear Editor,

This letter is in response to the comments of Sen. Stephen F. Lynch (D-South Boston) that appeared in the Tuesday, Dec. 17 edition of the Boston Herald in an article written by Bernard J. Wolfson on the future of a stadium in Boston.

While we as a community, appreciate Sen. Lynch's concern for the residents of South Boston, we do not understand why he is trying to dump the location of the stadium into other neighborhoods such as Charlestown where Boston Sand & Gravel is located. We, like the people of South Boston, do not want a football stadium in our neighborhood for the same reason the people of South Boston are opposed to it. Charlestown has had the CANA Project for the past 10 years, and the Charles River Crossing Pro-

Not In My Backyard!

ject will be starting any day. Charlestown has hosted its share of infrastructure projects already.

You think you have parking problems? Drive over to Charlestown and experience trying to park your car here. In Charlestown, we have daily commuters into the city of Boston, who drive to Charlestown, park their car for free, and then take public transportation to their final destination. They come into the community, park their car, empty their ashtrays and dump their garbage on the streets. Then arrogantly look at you and say, "It's a free country, I can park here if I want."

Each neighborhood in the city of Boston has the same goals, an improved quality of life for its residents. Each neighborhood in the city should cooperate and work together to achieve that goal. We need to eliminate the "Not in my backyard, but it's okay in yours" syndrome and work together to foster economic development in the city of Boston.

Sincerely,
Peter Looney

**Ross Graduates
From Basic Training Program**



SUFFOLK COUNTY SHERIFF Richard J. Rouse awards Officer Christopher Ross of Charlestown a certificate of completion for graduating from the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department's five-week basic training program. Ross was one of 27 officers assigned to both the house of correction and jail who were trained in a wide range of correctional topics from legal issues to emergency medical techniques.

Children's Film Program

At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

"Castle of the Cards" is the adventure of the king of diamonds, queen of spades, jack of hearts and joker . . . Ferdinand would rather smell flowers than fight in "Ferdinand the Bull," . . . and "Little Red Riding Hood" is the old

familiar story of Little Red Riding Hood, her grandmother and the wolf.

A Hopi Native American boy helps a "sacred" eagle in "The Legend of the Boy and the Eagle," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Little Red Riding Hood** by Paul Galdone and **The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush** by Tomie DePaola.

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Congress has limited the total number of MSAs to 750,000 over the four-year period, so if you think an MSA may be right for you, look into it right away. Contact our office if you'd like more information.

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Sunday, Dec. 15

A woman reported that person(s) unknown slashed all four tires of her car which was parked at Mystic and Terminal streets. All four tires of a second car were slashed at the same location.

Monday, Dec. 16

The window of the passenger side of the front door of a motor vehicle was smashed while it was parked on First Avenue in the Charlestown Navy Yard. A Sony CD player, golf clubs and Christmas gifts were stolen.

A 24-year-old Somerville man was arrested on Old Landing Way on a default warrant for an assault and battery.

Wednesday, Dec. 18

A woman reported that between Nov. 24 and this date, person(s) unknown stole the license plates from her car while it was parked on Old Rutherford Avenue. The plate is registered in Indiana and the plate number is 99L3573PA.

An Austin Street resident stated that he was awakened by a noise and sat up in bed to see the head of an unknown person sticking in the window. The suspect had apparently pushed open the window and was attempting to climb through. The suspect fled up Austin Street.

The report of a breaking and entering was given by a man who lives on Chestnut Street. Someone broke in, smashed a glass coffee table and caused some vandalism.

A woman stated that an unknown male had attempted to steal her motor vehicle which was parked at the rear of a house on Chestnut Street. The vehicle was found unlocked with minor damage to the driver's side door handle and ignition, and with the alarm sounding. A ratchet-like tool was found on the front seat and the lock to the gate had been broken. The suspect was described as a thin white male, wearing a black ball cap, green jacket, jeans and sneakers.

A woman moving into an apartment on O'Brien Court was asked to use a side entrance since the newly cemented front walk had not dried, was covered in plastic and roped off. She reportedly refused, swore at the foreman of the company, and moved various household items into the apartment over the damp cement, leaving footprints on about 125 feet of walk, which resulted in approximately

\$5,000 damage to the cement.

Thursday, Dec. 19

Officers were called to Walford Way to investigate a report of a child in need of services. The officers talked to the occupants of the apartment, saw the child and noted there was food, clothing and the child appeared in good health. The male occupant told the officers he had received several phone recordings that contained racial threats and insults. They referred the man to the Community Disorders Unit.

While on routine patrol, officers saw a van on Old Landing Way wanted in a larceny over \$250. The description was for a white male wearing a dark suit jacket and a green shirt who reportedly stole a computer system from a downtown company and then fled in a gray van driven by a white male wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and jeans. The two 33-year-old men, one from Charlestown and one from Medford, were in the van. Employees of the computer company identified the two men. They were arrested and brought to Area A and the computer was returned to the company.

A motor vehicle accident occurred on the Alford Street Bridge. Victims were transported to MGH for treatment.

Saturday, Dec. 21

A motor vehicle parked at Old Rutherford Avenue and Union Street was reportedly broken into. A radio and a black wallet with \$30 cash was stolen.

A motor vehicle parked at Old Rutherford Avenue and Union Street was reportedly broken into by smashing the passenger's side window. A radio, CD player, hockey stick, bracelet and a MVP sports bag containing a "Townie" sweatshirt and a Patriots sweatshirt were stolen.

A taxi driver said he picked up a fare on Newbury Street to come to Union Street. When he arrived, the woman said she had lost her wallet and did not have any money. When the driver told her that he would call the police, she told him he had kidnapped her. He asked her to stay in the vehicle to await the police. She swore at him, got out and ran up Union Street. She was described as a white female wearing black pants and a white sweatshirt.

A resident of Bartlett Street stated that unknown person(s) had thrown a brick through the front windshield of her car.

The front door of an apartment on Ferrin Street was found forced open. The apartment was secured by police. Later, police were called after the tenant heard someone try

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to force open the apartment door. The incident will be further investigated by detectives.

Sunday, Dec. 22

A Charlestown woman reported that unknown males grabbed her from behind, pushed her to the ground and stole her pocketbook while she was walking on Austin Street.

A Salem man reported that while he was inside Store 24 on Main Street, he was approached by a man who berated him for swearing. Once outside, after the victim had apologized for his language, the suspect pushed the victim's brother, then struck the victim on the shoulder with a baseball bat and smashed the driver's side rear window of the victim's car.

A woman stated that the front passenger window of her motor vehicle was smashed while it was parked at Bunker Hill and Vine streets. Taken were clothes, a watch and CDs.

A motor vehicle parked on Pleasant Street was damaged with its passenger side window broken. Two hispanic males were reportedly seen fleeing the area in an unknown direction.

Monday, Dec. 23

A woman reported that she was awoken in her O'Meara Court apartment by a suspect who was banging on her kitchen window. He demanded to be let into the building and after she refused, he proceeded to rip the screen from the window, destroying the screen and damaging the window. The suspect fled when she called the police. He was described as 28-30, thin build with blond hair, wearing a black jacket and jeans.

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The Religion Classes on Sundays are only for public school students. Next spring both Catholic school and public school students will come together once a week before First Penance and First Communion rehearsals.

New Years Mass Schedule

The Mass schedule for New Year's - Feast Day of the Motherhood of Mary - A Holy Day of Obligation, will be on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 4 p.m. and on Wednesday, Jan. 1 at 9 and 11 a.m.

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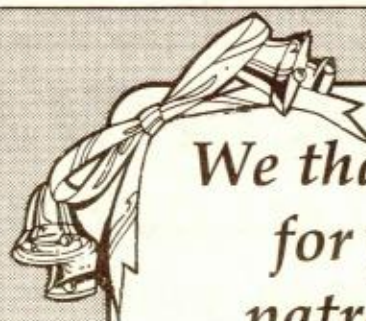
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	Property	Price		Property	Price		
SOLD	Cedar Street	Victorian single, custom finishes	\$450,000	SOLD	Cedar Street	Victorian brick	\$410,000
SOLD	Adams Street	brick single on Training Field	\$585,000	SOLD	High Street	2 bedrooms plus den	\$185,000
SOLD	Devens Street	brick penthouse condo	\$235,000	SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	3-bedroom single with parking	\$170,000
SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	brick 2 family	\$308,000	SOLD	Cross Street	3-bedroom single, central air	\$257,500
SOLD	Soley Street	2-bedroom duplex	\$210,000	SOLD	Auburn Place	5-bedroom single with yard	\$180,000
SOLD	Lexington Street	wood, single family	\$283,000	SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	single family with parking	\$170,000
SOLD	Russell Street	single family	\$125,000	SOLD	Laurel Street	renovated brick Victorian	\$525,900
SOLD	Mead Street	2 bedrooms, fireplace	\$143,000	SOLD	Commonwealth Avenue	2-bedroom penthouse	\$242,000
SOLD	Main Street	upper penthouse, 2 fireplaces	\$210,000	SOLD	Bunker Hill Court	single	\$167,500
SOLD	Flagship Wharf	1 bedroom with library	\$341,500	SOLD	Chappie Street	3 family	\$177,500
SOLD	Flagship Wharf	2 bedroom with deck	\$343,000	SOLD	Albion Place	3-bedroom condo	\$133,500
SOLD	Flagship Wharf	1 bedroom with library	\$345,000	SOLD	Concord Street	2-bedroom condo	\$192,000
SOLD	Flagship Wharf	1 bedroom with library	\$270,000	SOLD	Henley Street	2-bedroom plus den	\$200,000
SOLD	Flagship Wharf	1 bedroom with Marina views	\$175,000	SOLD	Union Street	early 1800's renov. home	\$400,000
SOLD	Common Street	3-bedroom penthouse	\$249,900	SOLD	Chestnut Street	2-family Victorian	\$725,000
SOLD	Monument Square	renovated brick 2-bedroom	\$250,000	SOLD	Monument Square	1-bedroom condo	\$186,000
SOLD	Washington Street	2-bedroom brick condo	\$110,000	SOLD	Park Street	2 bedrooms, with deck	\$147,400
SOLD	Elm Street	single family	\$209,000	SOLD	Russell Street	single family, fully restored	\$235,000
SOLD	Henley Street	2-bedroom duplex	\$219,500	SOLD	Jefferson Avenue	single-family Federal	\$205,000
SOLD	Bartlett Street	2 bedrooms	\$157,000	SOLD	High Street	2 bedrooms, plus den	\$275,000
SOLD	Chestnut Street	2 bedrooms with parking	\$189,000	SOLD	Sullivan Street	2-bedroom condo	\$117,000
SOLD	Main Street	2-bedroom duplex	\$205,000	SOLD	Elm Street	2 family	\$225,900
SOLD	Common Street	1 bedroom on Training Field	\$149,000	SOLD	Orchard Hill	carriage house	\$345,000
SOLD	Monument Street	2-bedrooms, fireplace	\$100,000	SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	1-bedroom condo	\$65,000
SOLD	Pleasant Street	3 family	\$270,000	SOLD	Main Street	1-bedroom condo	\$130,000
SOLD	Washington Street	2-bedroom brick condo	\$219,000	SOLD	Blaban Place	restored single family	\$165,000
SOLD	High Street	2-bedroom penthouse	\$185,000	SOLD	Chestnut Street	2-bedroom condo with parking	\$215,000
SOLD	Elm Street	2 bedrooms, 1 bath	\$149,500	SOLD	Wallace Court	single family	\$516,000
SOLD	Devens Street	2 bedrooms with fireplaces	\$221,250	SOLD	Flagship Wharf	1-bedroom condo with parking	\$265,000
SOLD	Green Street	single family	\$172,000	SOLD	Bartlett Street	2 family	\$205,000
SOLD	Monument Square	2-bedroom Victorian brick	\$240,000	SOLD	Baldwin Street	2-bedroom condo	\$210,000
SOLD	Courtyard	2-bedroom penthouse	\$339,000	SOLD	Pleasant Street	3 family	\$259,000
SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	2-bedrooms, newly renovated	\$148,000	SOLD	Cordis Street	4-family, needs renovation	\$449,000
SOLD	Cordis Street	2 bedrooms, marble fireplace	\$220,000	SOLD	Auburn Street	1-bedroom condo	\$152,000
SOLD	Monument Square	garden level 1 bedroom	\$160,000	SOLD	Auburn Street	3-bedroom condo	\$170,000
SOLD	Cordis Street Avenue	2-bedroom penthouse	\$144,000	SOLD	North Mead Street	2-bedroom condo	\$99,000
SOLD	Orchard Hill	penthouse cityside, parking	\$395,000	SOLD	North Mead Street	2-bedroom condo	\$150,000
SOLD	Orchard Hill	2-bedroom duplex, parking	\$270,000	SOLD	Russell Street	1-bedroom condo	\$130,000
SOLD	Orchard Hill	2-bedroom duplex, parking	\$260,000	SOLD	Bunker Hill Street	2-bedroom condo with fireplaces	\$199,000
SOLD	Orchard Hill	2-bedroom duplex, parking	\$225,000	SOLD	Sullivan Street	2-bedroom condo with fireplace	\$129,900
SOLD	Salem Street	1 bedroom, 2 decks	\$130,000	SOLD	Warren Street	3 family	\$625,000
SOLD	Main Street	2-bedroom brick with deck	\$155,000	SOLD	High Street	4-bedroom single family	\$335,000
SOLD	Blaban Place	single family	\$76,000	SOLD	Bartlett Street	3 bedrooms, 2 family	\$225,000
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