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"Boards Off, Families In" Theme Of Rehabilitation Plan For Public Housing

The removal of the plywood board from the window of a first floor housing unit on Carney Court in the Bunker Hill Housing Development

last Friday morning, was met with cheers and applause from tenants of public housing in Charlestown.

This action was termed by

Amy Anthony, State Secretary of Communities and Development, as a "symbolic board removal for people

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MAYOR RAYMOND L. FLYNN referred to charts illustrating the increase in the percentage of Boston Housing Authority (BHA) apartments under compliance with the State Sanitary Code. This apartment upgrade and the rehabilitation of 177 vacant apartments in the Bunker Hill Housing Development for occupancy by the end of 1987, was included in the announcement made by the Mayor and BHA Administrator Doris Bunte on Friday, August 15th on Carney Court. Shown with the Mayor

are City Councillor Robert Travaglini (far left), BHA Administrator Doris Bunte (third from right), Bunker Hill Housing Development Manager Bill Knox (second from right) and City Policy Director Neil Sullivan (far right), along with residents and members of the Bunker Hill Tenants Task Force, Mary MacInnes, Chairman of the Task Force, was spokesperson for the tenants at the announcement ceremony.

DPW Declares Baker and Company In Default On Main Street Project

by Marianne Martin

The Stoughton based construction team, Baker and Company, contracted by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works (DPW) for the Main and Warren Streets Reconstruction Project, was declared in default of their

contract yesterday, August 20th, by the DPW Board of Commissioners. The basis for the decision was the lack of progress on the project.

The construction work, which began the last week in April, never progressed beyond the 1000 square foot

area between Mishawum Street and Albion Place. In fact, no work has been done on the project since June 30th. Despite written and verbal warnings from the DPW to Baker and Company President Edward Zeytoog-

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Housing Versus Gardens Issue Presented At Public Hearing

by Marianne Martin

In the words of one woman, the fight is "over a crumb" of land, but the third of an acre which houses the Charlestown Community Gardens has become a highly sensitive debate in Charlestown. There are residents who want the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA), who took the entire land parcel at the corner of Bunker Hill and Main Streets by eminent domain in the 1960s, to return the entire parcel, including the gardens, to the community for the purpose of creating affordable housing. The Charlestown Community Gardens, a tenant-at-will of the BRA who originally agreed to vacate the property once the BRA issued a Request for

Proposals (RFP) to develop the land, are fighting to stay on the land and co-exist with any affordable housing built behind them.

The Development Committee of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, in an effort to put an end to the controversy, held a public hearing on Thursday, August 14th, at which time residents and other community people could voice their opi-

nions on the subject in either writing or verbally. All testimony was recorded by Committee Chairman Mike Powers. In an alternating fashion, Powers allowed speakers from either side, three minutes to express their opinions. Most, but not all, of those who spoke were personally involved in the debate, either because they were gardeners or because

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Eighth Congressional District Forum For Democratic Candidates On Monday, September 8th

The Ward Two (Charlestown) Democratic Committee will hold a Forum for all Democratic Candidates for the Eighth Congressional District Seat on Monday, September 8th, 1986 from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the Charlestown High School Auditorium on 254 Medford Street.

This Forum is open to the public and the Ward Two Democratic Committee urges all Charlestown residents to attend in order to meet and listen to the candidates seeking the Democratic nomination in the September 16th Primary Election.

Chairman Jack Whelan of the Ward Two Democratic Committee is pleased to announce that Representative Richard Voke will act as Moderator and a panel of Ward Two Democratic Committee Members will present various questions to the invited Democratic Candidates. Written questions may be submitted by members of the audience.

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Charlestown Community Calendar

This Week At A Glance

Thursday, August 21

Line Dancing for Senior Citizens - 2:15 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Boston Police Explorer Post 1212-15 Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - 55 Bunker Hill Street

"One-Acts Built For Two", a collection of one-act romantic comedies - 8:00 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Friday, August 22

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Saturday, August 23

Charlestown Town Team vs. Albany Football Game - 4:00 p.m. - Charlestown High School Athletic Field, Medford Street

"One-Acts Built For Two", a collection of one-act romantic comedies - 8:00 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Monday, August 25

Concert Series featuring "Double Standard" - 6:00 p.m. - Bunker Hill Monument

Establishment Days Celebration Concert with Tony Bruno and his 12-piece orchestra - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. - Charlestown Navy Yard

Tuesday, August 26

Children's Films - 3:30 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Auditions for **Look Back In Anger** - 7:00 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Dance Lessons - 8:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Wednesday, August 27

Representative Richard Voke Office Hours - 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. - Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square

Auditions for **Look Back In Anger** - 7:00 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street

Charlestown Little League Meeting - 8:00 p.m. - Memorial Hall, 14 Green Street

Upcoming Events

Thursday, August 28

Line Dancing for Senior Citizens - 2:15 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Friday, August 29

Charlestown Town Team vs. Taunton Football Game - 8:30 p.m. - at Taunton

Tuesday, September 2

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

Dance Lessons - 8:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Wednesday, September 3

Representative Richard A. Voke Office Hours - 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. - Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square

Plan Ahead

Saturday, September 6

Charlestown Town Team vs. Cape Cod Football Game - 4:00 p.m. - Charlestown High School Athletic Field, Medford Street

Monday, September 8

Eighth Congressional District Forum for Democratic Candidates - 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. - Charlestown High School Auditorium, 254 Medford Street

Tuesday, September 9

Police Community Relations Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Saturday, September 13

Charlestown Town Team vs. Randolph Football Game - 4:00 p.m. - Charlestown High School Athletic Field, Medford Street

Testimonial honoring Dr. Jack Tyrell - 7:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Tuesday, September 16

Distribution of Surplus

Food - 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Senior Lounge, 55 Bunker Hill Street

Saturday, September 20

Flea Market - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - First Church, Green Street (Rent a table for \$5.00, call 242-1112)

Sunday, September 21

Sixth Annual Communion Supper followed by entertainment by Ann Warren - following 5:00 p.m. Mass - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill Street

Saturday, October 18

Rummage Sale - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - First Church, Green Street

25th Reunion of the Charlestown High School Class of 1961 - 7:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Friday, October 24

Charlestown Reunion sponsored by C.H.S. Class of 1966 - 6:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Enlists In Air Force

Robert Kyle, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kyle, Sr. of 32a Dunstable Street, Charlestown, recently entered the Air Force Delayed Enlistment Program according to Staff Sergeant Peter M. Morisseau, Air Force

Recruiter in Boston.

A member of the class of 1987 at Charlestown High School, Kyle is scheduled to leave for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas on June 15, 1987.

Plans are for Kyle to receive technical training in a guaranteed career field for which transferrable college credits will be awarded through the Community College of the Air Force.

FOUND

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ACTORS NEEDED

The first play of the fall season at the Charlestown Working Theater will be John Osborne's **Look Back In Anger**. When this play exploded on the British theater scene in the 1950s, it changed the nature of theater. It opened the door for social realism, for the exploration of class and racial issues in theater.

Five actors are being sought for this production - two males and two females between the ages of 25 and 35, and an older male, 55 to 65.

Auditions will be held Tuesday evening, August 26 and Wednesday evening, August 27 starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill Street. No appointment is necessary. A prepared audition piece would be preferred.

The play will run for six weeks, from October 16 through November 22. Performances will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m., with one Monday evening performance on October 20th.

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RENATO MASTROCOLA

Everett resident Renato Mastrocola has announced his candidacy for the office of the Governor's Council from the Sixth District, which includes Charlestown.

Mastrocola is a graduate of Framingham State College with a Bachelor's Degree in social studies and Spanish. He also has completed successfully graduate courses in "Italian Studies" at Harvard University where he is pursuing a Master's Degree in Education.

Since 1973, Mastrocola has taught in the Everett Public Schools. Currently, he is assigned to Everett High School where he teaches civics and Foreign Languages.

Asked about his reasons for seeking the office of councillor, Mastrocola said, "I want to bring commitment and consistency to this

body. As an elected member I will strive to make the Governor's Council more accessible to the people; vote only for judges that will impose the 'maximum' sentence on convicted criminals; and I will never vote to reduce the sentences of convicted murderers. It's about time we show more consideration for the victims and impose longer sentences on the criminals. I believe that the people of the Sixth District need a stronger voice on the Governor's Council and I hope that they will consider me, Renato Mastrocola, for their vote for Governor's Council on Primary Day, September 16."

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<p>Disney's FLIGHT OF THE NAVIGATOR 1:00-3:15</p>	<p>MICHAEL MANN'S MANHUNTER 12:30-3:00-5:15-7:45-10:10 FRI & SAT 12:20</p>
<p>SIGOURNEY WEAVER ALIENS NO PASSES 1:30-4:15-7:15-10:00 FRI & SAT 12:30</p>	<p>TOM HANKS NOTHING IN COMMON 12:45-3:00-5:15-7:30-10:00 Fri-Sat 12:00</p>
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<p>TRAILER THE MOVIE 1:00-3:15</p>	<p>DENNY DUNN RUTHLESS PEOPLE 1:00-3:15-5:15-7:30-9:45 FRI & SAT 11:45</p>
<p>PREMIERE BACK TO SCHOOL 1:10-3:20-5:30-7:40-9:50 FRI & SAT 12:00</p>	<p>John Cusack Demi Moore Robert Goldthwait ONE CRAZY SUMMER 12:45-3:00-5:10-7:20-9:30 FRI & SAT 11:45</p>

"Let's Take Back Our World" Is Plea Of Charlestown Business Owner

by Kathy Giordano

"Are we going to let these hoods take over the town?" The questioner did not wait for a reply, but instead, responded with "Bad guys" have to be pushed back into their corner. We have to let them know we mean business!"

Area businesswoman Thelma Shapiro is mad, and rightfully so. Her store, Bunker Hill Relics, located on Main Street, was the scene of a recent attempted breaking and entering. The crime in itself is too common to warrant major headlines anymore, not just in Charlestown but nationwide. As one police officer, although sympathetic to her ordeal but cold in his response, told Shapiro, "Our crime rate is no different than anywhere else." Such a statement does

Named To Dean's List

Two local residents were named to the dean's list for scholastic achievement during the second semester at Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston.

Wentworth graduates engineering and industrial technicians and engineering technologists in programs leading to Associate in Engineering, Associate in Applied Science, Bachelor of Science, and Bachelor of Architecture degrees.

The local dean's list students are William J. Doherty of 15A Old Landing Way, who is majoring in Electronic Engineering Technology; and Ky Thuan Ly of 41 McNulty Court, who is also majoring in Electronic Engineering Technology.

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not set well with this energetic shopkeeper who states, "Let's take back our world!"

The attempted break in at Bunker Hill Relics took place during the night along a busy street but "no one" heard the would be robbers. "No one" heard their welding torch that was used to dismantle seven iron rods that had grated the door for over 50 years. (That's understandable — torches don't make that much noise.) "No one" heard the car that was used to pull the iron off the door when the torch didn't work. (Well, it's a busy street — a lot of traffic — one car more or less goes unheeded.) "No one" heard the five foot long railroad tie repeatedly slammed into the double laminated glass on the door under the grate, leaving it shattered in several places, but none-the-less kept the "hoods" from entry. ("That one I can't explain. That should have produced enough noise to disturb a body being waked in the funeral home next

door!") Has this become a town of "No ones"?

Shapiro admits she is fed up with the crime on Main Street but also is dedicated to eliminating it so that she and fellow shop owners can offer the community the wide variety of services they deserve. She continued, "They drove out the Irish Shop, the hardware store and dress shop. It affects our insurance rate and forces the stores to look like armed camps at night for security reasons. Main Street should be the most active area of any town. We should have shops for shoe repair, card shops, dress shops, a place to buy shoes, sneakers and the such. It should be thriving. We have garbage. Store owners have been so scared, it has driven them out and Charlestown is the loser."

Shapiro stated, "I've worked very hard to build up my business from a little shop to one that can be compared to any antique shop on Newbury Street — and a lot better than most of them." Not only Shapiro, but

other area business people and residents have voiced their contempt at the numerous break ins, car thefts and vandalism that is taking place throughout Charlestown. "It's not just on Main Street," Shapiro stated, "the Navy Yard is being hard hit, too." Instead of just getting mad, people are gathering to form a "crime watch" throughout the entire town. "We all have to get involved. Crime has to be reported," Shapiro stated emphatically. "If your window is broken or your car vandalized and you don't report it to the Police Department because your insurance doesn't cover it, the police are not aware of what areas of the community are being hit by a certain type of crime. The more reported crimes in any certain area justifies more police protection for that area."

Shapiro stated that she feels that the police are limited in what they can do. "They usually aren't called in until after the fact. The community has to get involved. Nothing is going to happen until we all get angry enough to clean up our own back yard. It will only get worse, after the stores — then the homes. We won't be safe in our own beds," she stated.

Norbert Lynch, President of the Charlestown Merchants Association agrees that in order to have increased police protection in Char-

lestown, victims of all crimes must report them to the Police Department so that the Department will know where to dispatch the needed coverage. "It seems that the areas of Boston that do the most screaming, get the most protection. No one is raising hell here," he stated. Lynch and the Merchants Association state that more police presence in the community is desperately needed and they have set up a meeting with Officer John McLean, Community Relations Officer for Charlestown, to begin to work more closely together in order to obtain the protection that is needed.

Boston Police Deputy Su-

perintendent Ron Conway, Commanding Officer of Area A, when contacted, stated that he has been advocating a crime watch program for over fourteen months and is willing to assist in any way to help the people of Charlestown set up such a watch. Deputy Conway urges business people and residents to attend the monthly Police Community Relations meetings and discuss their concerns and needs, and work together to set up a crime watch program in Charlestown.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street.

Concert At Bunker Hill Monument

Summer 1986 Concert Series concludes on Monday evening, a series which has presented the residents of Charlestown with the music of Boston's own bands.

On Monday, August 25th at 6:00 p.m., the concert series will present "Double Standard" at the Bunker Hill Monument. The concert is free of charge.

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Marathon Tours And Travel Opens New Office In Charlestown

by Marianne Martin
Ignore the warning on the door which reads, "Premises protected by an attack parrot." Pete is a beautiful, friendly, feathered addition to the three person staff at Marathon Tours and Travel, Charlestown's only travel agency.

The agency opened its doors for business in 1979 in Cambridge's Harvard Square, but moved one month ago to 108 Main Street, Charlestown, when owner, Tom Gilligan, found the perfect building for home and business. "I really got lucky," he said. Charlestown offers Gilligan and Marathon Tours and Travel the basic amenities Harvard Square could not; namely, parking, convenient loca-

tion, and no competition.

The only travel agency in the country to specialize in travel to various worldwide sporting events, particularly running events, Marathon has expanded its operation to include business as well as, vacation travel. "People don't have to run marathons", Gilligan laughs, noting some of the more popular vacation spots, Ireland, Bermuda, and the Caribbean, are among his most frequent bookings.

The move to Charlestown has been a positive one for Marathon. "As soon as the sign was up, almost immediately, we had people coming in," commented Gilligan, who has been dealing with Charlestown residents for years. Sharon O'Hagan,

Charlestown resident and winner of this year's Female Division of the Battle of Bunker Hill Road Race, leads the United States delegation of runners to the Dublin Marathon each October.

Gilligan and his staff, Linnea Webb, also a Charlestown resident, and Duncan Scott, invite Charlestown residents to visit them for all their vacation and travel needs at 108 Main Street, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., or by appointment.

As for Pete, the African parrot with "a long tail," Gilligan says, "There's no great story behind why I have him. I just always wanted one." Since moving to Charlestown, the bird has generated a bit of attention. Not only do people stop when they see the sign in the window, but a couple of weeks ago, Pete, himself, decided to check out the



MARATHON TOURS AND TRAVEL, located at 108 Main Street, Charlestown recently celebrated the grand opening of their new offices in Charlestown with a gala reception. The staff of the firm was on hand to greet the guests. Shown (l. to r.) Sharon O'Hagan, Out-

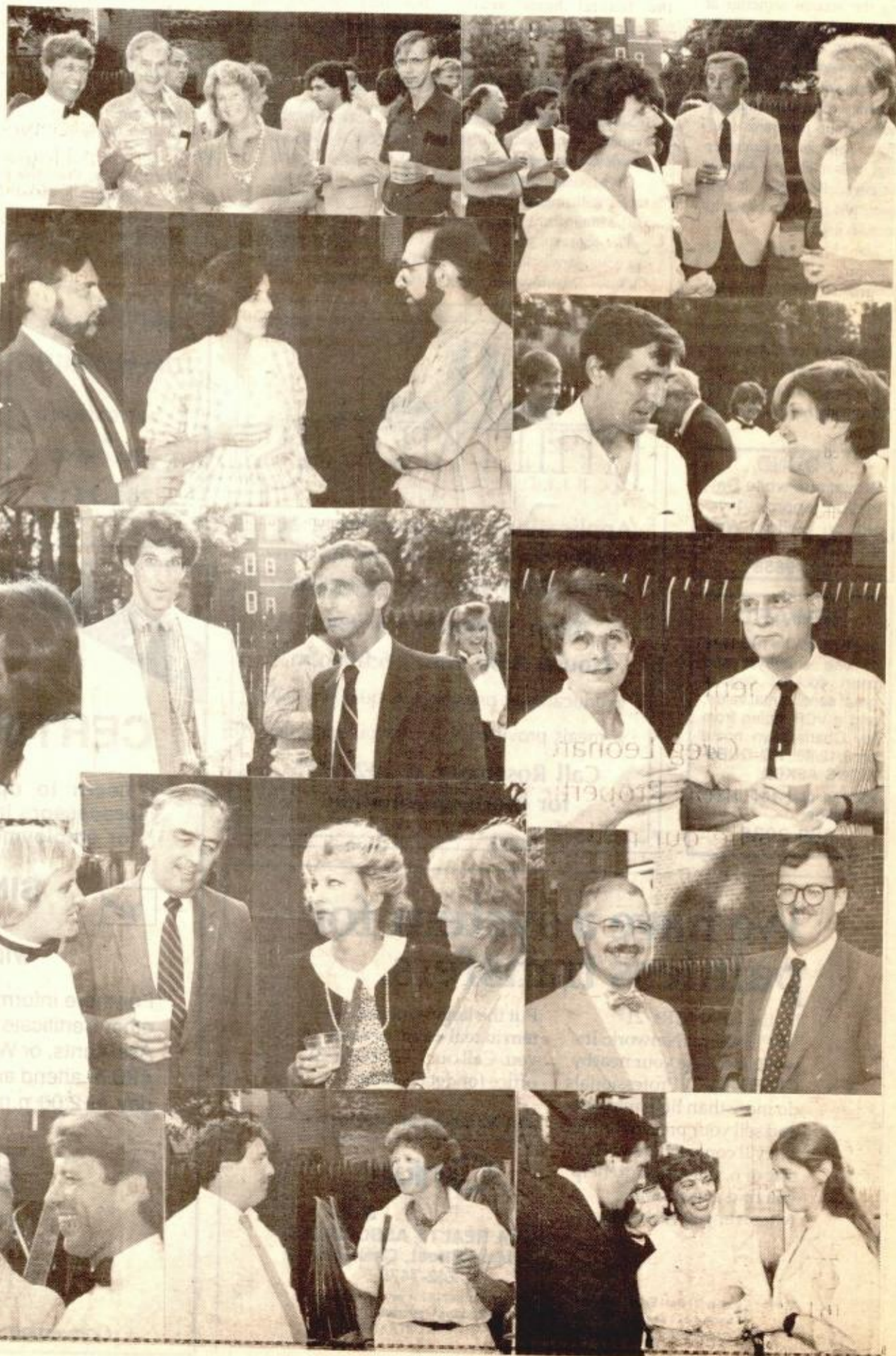
side Sales Representative; Tom Gilligan, President of the firm; Linnea Webb, Sales Assistant; and Duncan Scott, Sales Assistant. Perched on the shoulder of Gilligan is Pete the parrot, who is the mascot of the firm.

neighborhood and took to the air. After his "loop around Thompson Square," Gilligan has decided Pete is the only Charlestown resident, he does not want to see travel: "I think it's time to clip Pete's wings," he laughs.



TOM GILLIGAN (right), President of Marathon Tours and Travel, congratulates Architect Richard Bernstein, who designed the exterior and interior of the newly renovated building at 108 Main Street, on a "job well done".

Open House At Marathon Tours



'Singin' In The Rain' Comes To The Shubert Theatre On September 2nd

The splashy new musical "Singin' In The Rain," brings real excitement to Boston when it takes the Shubert Theatre by storm on September 2nd to the 20th for a limited engagement as part of its national tour. Based on the classic M-G-M film (1952), "Singin' In The Rain" is a brand new tour-

ing version, mounted under the talented hands of veteran Broadway and television director, Lawrence Kasha and Tony Award-winning choreographer Peter Gennaro. Starring Donn Simone, Cynthia Ferrer, Brad Moranz and Jennifer Smith, "Singin' In The Rain" features some of the most

popular songs ever written, like *Good Mornin'*, *You Are My Lucky Star* and *Singin' In The Rain* — all penned by the famous composer/lyricist duo Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed; complimented with the mad-cap book written by the Tony Award-winning writing team of Betty Comden and Adolph Green.

Presented by Marvin A. Krauss, Irving Siders and PACE Theatrical Group, "Singin' In The Rain" boasts a 32-member company, a lavish set design, costumes and a genuine rain shower for the famous title production number.

Donn Simone portrays Don Lockwood, Holly-

wood's top leading man of the 1920's and Jennifer Smith is Lina Lamont, the queen of the silent screen. When the team is forced to appear in "talking pictures" during Hollywood's frantic transition from silent films, ingenue Kathy Selden (sung and danced by Cynthia Ferrer) along with comic sidekick Cosmo Brown (Brad Moranz), come to the rescue and help Don and Lina save their new film from being shelved.

Donn Simone comes directly from the Broadway company of "Singin' In The Rain" and has appeared on Broadway in "A Chorus

Line" and "Dreamgirls". Cynthia Ferrer has appeared in a host of musicals and many television shows including "Fame" and "General Hospital". From the role of Anne in the Broadway smash musical "La Cage Aux Folles", Jennifer Smith joins the "Singin' In The Rain" company along with Brad Moranz, who also comes directly from the Broadway company of "Singin' In The Rain".

Director Lawrence Kasha has had a long career producing and directing Broadway musicals. His credits include "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers", "Woman of the Year", "Applause" and television's "Knots Landing". Peter Gennaro has choreographed many Broadway musicals, most notably "Annie", the musical for which he received a Tony Award. Peter Wolf, who designed the scenery for the Broadway productions of "The Wiz", "Music Man" and "Peter Pan", has crea-

ted the early Hollywood set design. Accomplished costume designer Thomas Skelton, whose Broadway credits include "Death of a Salesman" and "Mame" has created the lighting design.

"Singin' In The Rain" opens September 2nd and runs through September 20th. During the week of September 2nd and September 9th, performances are Tuesday through Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m. with Matinees Wednesday and Saturday at 2:00 p.m. and Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Performances during the week of September 15th are Monday through Saturday nights at 8:00 p.m. with Matinees Wednesday and Saturday at 2:00 p.m. Opening night performance is on Friday, September 5th at 8:00 p.m. Tickets \$21.00 to \$40.00. Tickets are now on sale. For charge tickets call Telecharge at 1-800-233-3123. For more information call the Shubert Theatre at 426-4520.

Life Behind The Wall



by Ronan FitzPatrick

A former curate of Saint Mary's Parish, Monsignor Russell Novello gave the benediction for the tugboat Jamboree on August 9th. Monsignor Novello is a beloved priest who served the parishioners well, and will always be remembered for his compassion and superlative sermons. As a former Knight of the Altar, I had the pleasure of serving him, which I cherish.

With this auspicious "Townie" start, the program commenced, with the 29 tugboats exercising their might and best appearance. All ages were enthralled with the display, in spite of a short, but ferocious downpour. Local Captain, Jake Tibbetts' tugs dominated the enjoyable power event.

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It is nice to see many "Townies" strolling the Yard and enjoying all the atmosphere. Spotted the other evening was Mary Carroll taking her nightly constitutional in the vicinity of Pier 4. Additionally, a legend to the area, going back to the stevedores, "Dada" O'Connor, was observed with his grandchildren. He was a truly fair and decent hiring boss to all that had contact with him.

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What excitement Commander Romano DiCecio and his crew of the *Amerigo Vespucci* generated on its second visit to the Yard. This magnificently appointed tall ship brought pleasure to all, and needless to say the crew gravitated to downtown Boston and the innards of the North End. A feast was had by all.

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As related in a prior article, the paramount concern of tenants at Anchorage Apartments has been the lack of air conditioning. Finally, the issue has been resolved with a mutual benefit for all. The other evening, long time "Townie", Ruth Duffy, informed me of the improved conditions and is greatly relieved. With the proper ventilation, she awaits the visit of her daughter and family, Kathy and Butchie McGrath, with great anticipation.

HMCS OJIBWA To Dock At Charlestown Navy Yard

The submarine *HMCS Ojibwa*, built for the Maritime Command of the Canadian Armed Forces, will dock in the Charlestown Navy Yard on Sunday, August 24th. The vessel will depart on Thursday, August 28th.

The *HMCS Ojibwa* (pronounced O*JIB*WAY) is named after a group of North American Indians.

The *HMCS Ojibwa* was commissioned at Chatham Dockyard in England in 1965.

The 295 foot long *HMCS Ojibwa* is capable of cruising for long periods of time at great depth and is capable of bursts of high underwater speed. She has a wide range of equipment to increase her detection capability.

Under the command of Lieutenant Commander William C. Irvine, the *HMCS Ojibwa* will dock in Charlestown, forward from the *USS Constitution*, on Sunday, August 24th. The submarine will be open to visitors on Monday, August 25 and Tuesday, August 26 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

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Thank you St. Jude.

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'Boards Off, Families In' Theme Of Rehabilitation Plan For Public Housing

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 who have looked at boards for over a decade."
 Mayor Raymond L. Flynn, Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Administrator Doris Bunte, Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini, Bunker Hill Tenants Task Force Chairman Mary MacInnes, Anthony, and representatives of the City and BHA, were on hand in Charlestown on Friday, August 15th to hear the announcement by Flynn and Bunte of an historic vacancy renovation and code compliance program that will change the face of public housing in Boston.

When the renovations for which the BHA already has funds are completed in 1991, there will only be 397 vacant apartments citywide, down from the 3,750 vacant units throughout the city at the time Court Receivership began.

In December 1979, conditions at the Charlestown development were typical of those in public housing citywide, that compelled the Superior Court to order the Authority into receivership. The Court found gross mismanagement, neglect and failure to provide decent, safe and affordable housing.

At the start of receivership, almost one third of the units in the Charlestown development were vacant, many apartments were unfit to live in, and the development was badly dilapidated.

Once an example of public housing at its worst, the major renovation program will turn Charlestown into an example of public housing as it was originally meant to be.

There was steady progress in correcting code violations and making vacant apartments liveable during the five years of receivership. This trend has been continued and reinvigorated in the first year and a half of renewed City management of public housing.

When Court receivership began in January 1980, there were 391 vacant units in Charlestown. During the five years of receivership, the number of vacancies was reduced 32 percent, down to 267. By May of 1986, the number of vacancies was down to 177, reduced another 34 percent.

Conditions in the Charlestown development today are dramatically better than they were in 1980 with vacancies down 55 percent and code compliance up 55 percent.

Neil Sullivan, City Police

Director, acted as moderator for the announcement ceremonies.

Mayor Flynn told the gathering that public housing is a "social need and a high priority for me and my administration." He stated that the units will be brought up to code and families will be moved in. He credited the tenants for providing the incentive for the rehabilitation and referred to the Charlestown people present as being representative of the tenants throughout the city.

The Mayor expressed appreciation to City Councillor Travaglini, and to the unprecedented commitment of the Commonwealth to public housing redevelopment and modernization as embodied in the work of Senator William Bulger; Representative Kevin Fitzgerald, co-chair of the legislature's housing committee; EOOD Secretary Amy Anthony; and Governor Michael Dukakis. The Mayor made special note of the active leadership role of Charlestown's Representative Richard Voke, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, in obtaining funding for this program through the legislature. He also praised officials of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for continuing the well coordinated funding effort.

The Mayor commended the efforts of the residents and told them that the Charlestown BHA development, which is slated to receive \$15 million in mixed state and federal funds, would be a model of what is going to happen to public housing throughout the city.

In introducing BHA Administrator Bunte, Sullivan pointed out that Bunte's objective since assuming the top BHA position has been "maintenance, maintenance, maintenance."

Bunte stated that there are currently 177 vacant apartments in the Charlestown development and by the end of 1987, the boards will be off, the apartments will be completely renovated and people will be living in those renovated buildings.

She further stated that today, less than half of the apartments in the Charlestown development comply with the state Sanitary Code for decent housing. By the end of 1987, all of the apartments will be brought up to code compliance.

Bunte referred to the external appearance of the development, which she said has been completely neglected.

She continued, stating that by the end of 1987, the Charlestown development will have a new coat of paint and a face lift that will change its appearance dramatically.

Bunte said that there are "over 13,000 on the BHA waiting list — persons looking to find decent, affordable units." She continued, stating, "The objective of the BHA is to rid the developments of sanitary code violations and to improve the quality of life."

She stated that in order to rehabilitate public housing, there has to be cooperation on the city, state and federal level and that the residents of the developments and the communities have to work with the BHA to make this ambitious program work.

Bunte concluded by commending the residents of the Charlestown development. She said, "We look for the kind of support that we have received from the Bunker Hill Development", and she especially noted the contribution of Mary MacInnes, Chairman of the local Task Force.

Mary MacInnes addressed the gathering on behalf of the tenants in her role as Chairman of the Bunker Hill Tenants Task Force. MacInnes

expressed thanks to the BHA and stated, "This is an exciting day for the members of the Task Force and for the residents. This is just the start. We are going to work hard and every apartment will be open when we are through." This met with cheers from MacInnes' neighbors.

City Councillor Robert Travaglini praised the diligence of Mayor Flynn. He then noted that, "Our Mary (MacInnes) will be working as diligently as possible to see that all units open." He then turned to MacInnes and stated, "Mary, you have done one heck of a job."

EOOD Secretary Amy Anthony commended the Mayor and Bunte for setting high goals for public housing and stated, "It is a privilege that we have been able to provide the city and BHA state funds to rehabilitate federal housing developments, such as the Bunker Hill Housing Development."

The rehabilitation program is going strong in the Bunker Hill Housing Development, offering the promise of decent, affordable housing as these 177 units are completed by next year. As was noted by the Mayor, the "boards will be off, and the families will move in."

Inducted Into Honor Society



RESIDENTS of Charlestown and Somerville were inducted into Alpha Kappa Mu, the Honor Society at Bunker Hill Community College for superior Academic Achievement. Seated (l. to r.) Barbara Hughes, Donna Marlow and Ana Perez of Somerville. Standing (l. to r.) BHCC Director of Student Activities Paul Richards, Thomas Appleton of Charlestown, and Dean of Academic Affairs, Kathy Assar.

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Mayor Flynn To Initiate An Attack Against "Crack"

by Gloria Conway
In the words of New York Drug Enforcement Administration Chief, Robert M. Stutman, "Crack is the most devastating trend in drug

abuse that I have ever witnessed." This statement, which comes from one of America's most respected drug enforcement agents with 21 years of experience,

was delivered at a seminar on Tuesday morning for about 100 business, judicial, police, education and religious leaders at the Parkman House.

Mayor Raymond L. Flynn had invited these leaders to this forum on crack, to request their assistance in combining efforts to attack the problems of drugs in the city — especially crack.

Stutman related the insidious, rapid spread of crack in New York City, stating that the distribution started from a very small section in Harlem and quickly spread to the center of Manhattan in a period of several months. He stated that most of the drugs sold in Boston come from New York, thus the saturation of this area with crack may not be far off.

Stutman was one of three experts on Tuesday's panel. The other speakers were William Weld, United States Attorney, District of Massachusetts, and Dr. Arnold Washton, Director of the National Cocaine Hotline.

In opening the program, Mayor Flynn referred to the fact that drug abuse and drug

trafficking have been the focus of national attention in recent weeks. He noted that crack has yet to dominate lives and neighborhoods in Boston in the extreme way it has in other major cities, but emphasized, "If we fail to act quickly and effectively, there is no reason to presume that crack will not take over."

Flynn went to say that city officials are working on a proposal to create a multifaceted, anti-crack initiative. The initiative is expected to include action on education for children and parents, statute and sentencing reform, and law enforcement coordination.

Attorney William Weld outlined the legislation pending to secure stiffer penalties for drug trafficking, mandatory sentencing, federal initiatives to be utilized in the prosecution of those involved in laundering money from drug trafficking, and the enforcement of "schoolyard" laws aimed at preventing drug pushing within 1000 feet of a school.

Dr. Arnold Washton described the characteristics of crack to the audience. Crack

is the street name given to freebase cocaine that has been processed from cocaine hydrochloride to a base, using ammonia or baking soda and water and heating it to remove the hydrochloride. The term "crack" refers to the crackling sound that is heard when the mixture is smoked.

Crack is sold in tiny chips that give the user a five to twenty minute high. When smoked, cocaine molecules reach the brain in less than ten seconds; the resulting euphoric high is followed by crushing depression. The cycle of ups and downs reinforces the craving and can produce an addiction with as little as six uses.

Washton reviewed the medical and psychological damage that crack can cause. He stated that the fifth or sixth grade was too late to

begin drug education, and that the program should start in kindergarten.

Dr. Washton, in his position as Director of Research for the National Cocaine Hotline (800-COCAINE), stated that prior to October 1985, no one on the hotline had ever heard of crack — today, most of the 1,200 hotline calls per day are related to crack. He used these figures to illustrate the rapid rise in the use of crack nationally.

Washton emphasized to the group the dangers of this drug and how it can come to control brain function and behavior.

Flynn stated that the panel would be meeting with neighborhood leaders later this week and would disclose the citywide plan to attack drugs and drug trafficking early in September.

Some Facts About Crack

What is Crack?

Crack (sometimes called "Rock") is the street name for a more purified (freebased) form of cocaine that is smoked. Crack, which may be as much as 90 percent pure, is five to six times stronger than the cocaine normally purchased on the street.

Crack is sold in small plastic vials and is in the form of small white, gray or beige rough chunks that can be smoked in a marijuana or tobacco cigarette, or in a pipe. Crack can be purchased in small amounts — enough for two uses — for an average of \$5 to \$10.

What Are The Effects Produced By Crack?

Some users think that smoking is a less dangerous method of using the drug. But smoking Crack brings the vapors directly into the lungs, where they are immediately absorbed into the bloodstream and large doses of the drug are carried to the brain in a highly-concentrated form. It produces a rapid and intense reaction that can lead to particular psychological and physical effects and problems.

PSYCHOLOGICAL

The effects of Crack are very similar to those produced by cocaine. And, like cocaine, Crack is an extremely seductive drug. The drug initially gives feelings of self-confidence, power and exhilaration. This is normally followed by a period of extreme depression or "crash." With continuing use, tolerance develops and the drug causes depression, paranoia, irritability, and other problems. Some users are reported to become violent or suicidal, primarily as a result of the paranoia and depression that can come with regular use.

PHYSICAL

Physically, Crack's effects are like those caused by cocaine. General effects of cocaine use include: extreme changes in blood pressure and increase of heart and respiration rates; insomnia; anxiety; nausea; tremors and convulsions. Researchers have indicated that smoking Crack can cause lung damage; heart attack; stroke; respiratory problems, including congestion, wheezing and spitting up of black phlegm; burning of the lips, tongue and throat; weight loss; and general poor health.

Why Is Crack So Dangerous?

Crack is an especially dangerous drug because it can cause intense dependency and addiction after only a relatively short period of use. One of the most commonly heard remarks on the street is, "Once you start using Crack, you can't stop."

Nearly every physical and psychological high produced by a drug is followed by a low. The intensity of the high produced by Crack is followed by an equally intense "crash", or period of depression. In other words, the higher the high, the lower the low. The desire to compensate for the low leads to the pattern of compulsive use that users report.

Smoking Crack provides the user with a rapid and intense high that lasts about five to seven minutes and is followed by severe depression, feelings of worthlessness, and a craving for more of the drug. In a brief period of time, the drug begins to control the user, rather than the user the drug. This is the pattern of behavior that leads to addiction and dependence.

The compulsion to continue use of Crack has led to the "binges" that are often described by users. During the binge, Crack is smoked continuously until money and/or drug supplies are gone or the user experiences physical collapse.

How Is Crack Sold?

Crack is merchandised by drug dealers as the cheap, easy and accessible way to use cocaine. Because it is smoked, rather than snorted (sniffing through nasal passages) or injected, its appeal has grown dramatically.

Young users, in particular, are attracted to Crack by its "harmless" appearance and small size — making it easy to conceal.

How Can You Tell If Someone You Know Is Using Crack?

An early sign of difficulty can be an abrupt breakdown in family communications or change in a person's behavior. A marked change in personality, a loss of interest in personal appearance, paranoid behavior or animosity toward family and friends may all be significant.

Other symptoms include restlessness, anxiety, an inability to concentrate, marked agitation, weight loss and altered sleeping patterns.

These symptoms, where young people are concerned, may often be signs of anxieties experienced during adolescence, but if illicit substances are involved they would probably be magnified. Other danger signals include associations with new friends known to use drugs or unexplained disappearances of money and valuables from the house.

Surplus Food Distribution In Charlestown September 16th

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) and the J.F. Kennedy Family Service Center announce that butter, cheese, rice and flour will be distributed to income eligible residents from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 1986 at the Senior Lounge, 55 Bunker Hill Street. Please note change in distribution site.

Persons must obtain an ABCD Surplus Food Registration Card which will entitle the holder to receive the free surplus food. Those who did not receive a new registration card after February 1986 must get one now.

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Housing Versus Gardens Issue Presented At Public Hearing

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they were in need of affordable housing.

The first person to speak was City Councillor Robert Travaglino, who is in favor of retaining the garden and building the "mandate" of 40 units of housing "up in back" of the gardens. Travaglino, who told the audience he did not "profess to have a wisdom of real estate", stated that it was his opinion that Sullivan Square was already "very congested", and because of the "environment, traffic and noise", the garden site was inappropriate for housing.

There were other supporters of the garden who shared this view. Karen Olson, Secretary of the Charlestown Community Gardens, told the committee that the "configuration of the land" best suited housing behind the gardens. "If I was buying a house, I wouldn't want to live there," she added. Stephen Spinetto, another pro-garden supporter, commented that as a housing devel-

opment planner for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, he felt the garden site "would not be favorable for housing" and he would not approve such plans if they were presented to him. Noting the noise factor, Spinetto said, "There are times when we (the gardeners) have to stop talking because of the noise."

Charlestown Community Garden President Jimmy Hall told the committee that the garden attracts as many as 70 area families each year. "A lot of work, a lot of time, and a lot of sweat" has gone into the garden, he added. "There are a lot of sites available for affordable housing.... If they (the city) could do it in Roxbury, they could do it in Charlestown." Hall continued, "What we've done here, can't be accommodated elsewhere."

Short Street Place resident, Lance Margolis, told the committee as a property owner near that parcel, he was concerned about the

density of any future development in the area. He said he lived in a "quiet neighborhood" and any increase in the density would deter people from living in Charlestown. Committee member Dennis McLaughlin told Margolis that attracting people to Charlestown was not the problem, the problem was keeping life long residents here.

Margolis agreed that the BRA had done a great injustice to the residents when they took the land and took over 20 years to correct the situation, but added "one can't turn back the clock" and "we all want to protect our little piece of land."

Dan Kovacevic told the committee members that after reading the BRA draft RFP for the parcel, the density factor of 25 units per acre would not change if the garden stayed or was removed. He added that moving the garden would be both a "physical and financial burden on the individual who gardens."

Kovacevic warned that the "kind of quality" of any housing should be carefully watched. "We have to build them right the first time. If you get another Mishawum on the parcel, how can you get someone else to invest in it?"

McLaughlin told several people who spoke in favor of the garden using the poor location of homes on the site and poor quality as support of their argument, that such issues were "between the buyer and the seller." McLaughlin said that the noise of Sullivan Square would be no greater than it was for families who lived near the "El" which ran along Main Street years ago. As for the quality of homes, he asked Kovacevic if he was familiar with the term "starter

home"? McLaughlin said that the type of home and location of home was between the buyer and the seller. "At what point do we have the right to say, 'You can't buy that. It's poor quality. Therefore, you can't build it?' When does the third party get out?"

Those who asked the committee for their support for affordable housing said that they were not against the gardens, but when it is compared to the need for housing, land would best serve families year round as homes instead of gardens for eight months. Many mentioned the figure of nine units of housing could be built on the garden parcel.

Julia Rodriguez, Chairperson of the Charlestown Committee for Affordable Housing, told the committee that they did not have "a personal vendetta against the gardeners", but Charlestown needed more than the 40 mandated units of housing. "Why do you think if you give us 40 homes, we're going to be happy? We need more than that."

Others commented that gardening is a hobby and did not carry the same weight as the need for housing. Mike Coppinger commented, "We're talking about people raising a family in their own home versus people in a garden. They're not equal." He added the gardeners were "zealous", but theirs was a hobby, like bowling is a hobby to other people. "We're talking about going home and being proud. I don't think this is worth debating. It's beyond my reasoning that you can have an intelligent conversation about this."

"I'm a resident of this town and I want to stay," Lois Gallagher said, "I've given a lot of blood, sweat, and tears here too. I raised a family." She told the committee that if she was willing to buy a house located on the garden site, despite what others said were adverse living conditions, "no one should second guess what I want."

"Maybe I'm naive," another woman said, "but I can't understand this. We have an opportunity to build affordable housing for young

families. They should be given the best possible means to stay here. What's there to question?"

Yet another added, "Charlestown is a great place to live — just look at all the condos here. We are the people being left in the dark. We need a start. You're losing more and more of us everyday."

"Most of the gardeners have their own homes," David Flanagan told the committee members, he added that if the gardens were allowed to stay, the gardeners should conduct a lottery to allow all residents of Charlestown an opportunity to utilize the area.

A spokesperson from Boston Urban Gardens, told the committee that she was sad to hear people fighting amongst themselves for the garden parcels and suggested that residents should band together and form a coalition to demand that the BRA supply the community with a list of all available housing sites and promise that all sites be for affordable housing. "You might get the crumb, but lose real equity otherwise," she said.

Before leaving the hearing, Travaglino told the audience that this was not the

only housing site available in Charlestown and would not "remedy" the housing situation for residents. Residents disagreed with the councillor's view, and many told him that they were down to two large BRA sites in Charlestown and a "handful" of smaller single family sites. Therefore, the community had to fight to secure all of the sites and settle for nothing less.

Gerry Byrnes told the committee that the BRA "should keep their word" that the entire parcel be affordable housing. Mary Byrnes added that since the gardeners had agreed to vacate the land once the BRA was ready to release the RFP, they should not expect to have any right to remain.

Before closing the hearing, Powers told the residents that his committee would accept written testimony only if submitted to his home address (11 Short Street, Charlestown) within seven days. The deadline for such testimony is today, August 21st. The development committee will then review all residential input and make a recommendation to the full Neighborhood Council at their next meeting.

Crew Of USS Bunker Hill To Be Welcomed At Community Party

The Charlestown community will welcome the crew of the USS Bunker Hill CG-52 on Monday, September 15th as this new Aegis Class Missile Cruiser docks at the Charlestown Navy Yard to begin a week of festivities that will culminate with the commissioning of this vessel on Saturday, September 20th.

The Monday event belongs to the Charlestown community and a welcoming party has been planned for the crew of the USS Bunker Hill and will include bands, dancing, refreshments, a dinner and will conclude with shuttle buses transporting the crew into downtown Boston. Gift packets will be presented to each of the 400 member crew, containing information on Boston and Charlestown as well as various "Townie" gifts.

The committee is seeking the assistance of local residents, businesses and organizations in order to raise the few thousand dollars necessary to put the finishing touches on this welcoming party. Any donation, no matter how large or how small, will be appreciated so that Charlestown may display typical "Townie" hospitality to the crew of this ship that will carry the name Bunker Hill around the world.

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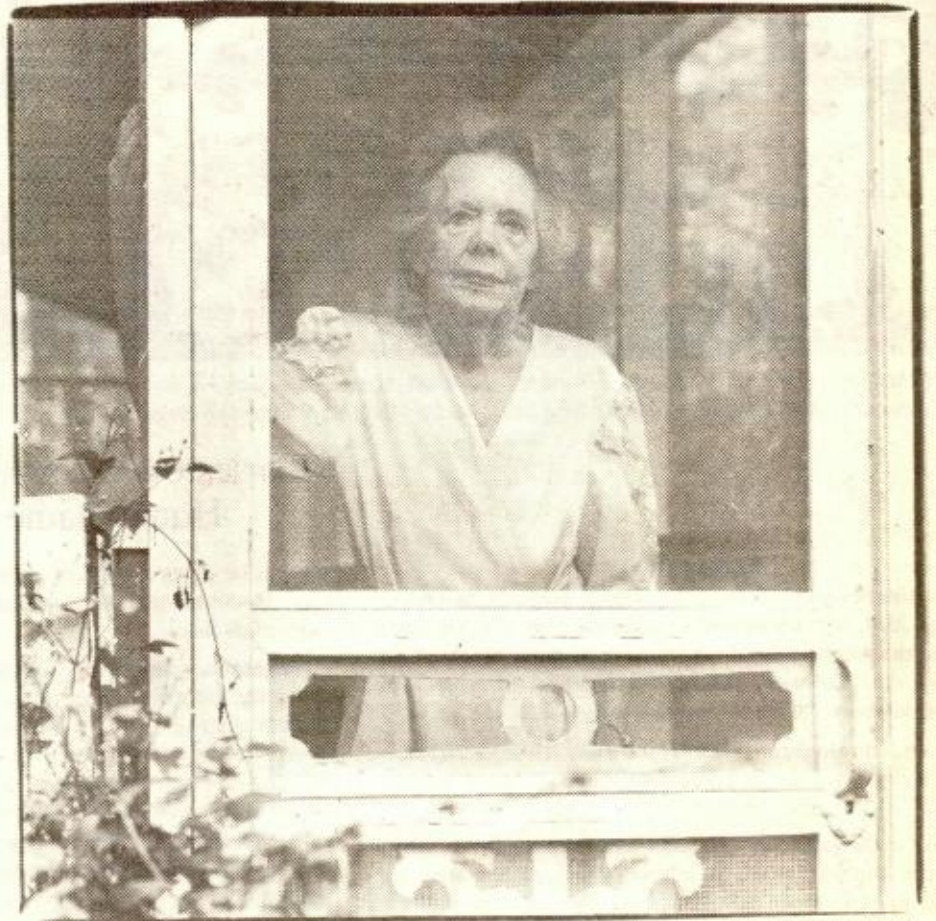
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A neighbor of mine, an elderly woman, lives by herself in a home that she's no longer young enough or rich enough to maintain.

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I don't see how we can ignore that. I believe that housing and healthcare, social security and medicaid benefits are central issues for many, many elderly people in this district. And I think our government ought to have some kind of an answer.

A man turned to me at a meeting one afternoon. He was a disabled veteran. If you want to know the truth, though, that man had more scars from dealing with the government agencies appointed to help him than from any battle he ever fought.



place of their own. Who can't afford quality healthcare. Who can't—for whatever reason—manage.

We're not talking about issues on a piece of paper here. We're not talking about ideas that come and go. This is about real people, real lives, basic necessities. That's what's at stake. Those are the issues.

As I see it, it's the job of a Congressman to do something about those basic issues. To be a compassionate and imaginative problem-solver. To knock down barriers. To take a problem by the lapels and shake it.

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Charlestown Town Football Team



MEMBERS of the Charlestown "Townies" Football Team. The Team, a part of the Eastern Football League, will meet the Albany-Metro Mallers on Saturday, August 23rd at 4:00 p.m. at the Charlestown High School Athletic Field on Medford Street. Come on down . . . Support the Charlestown "Townies". (photo by John Dillon)

Charlestown Town Team To Play Home Game Saturday

by Dan O'Neil

The Charlestown Town Team returns home on Saturday, August 23rd, after a long and unsuccessful road trip. The team played the league's top three teams in as many weeks. Last Friday, the "Townies" went down in defeat at the hands of the Middleboro "Cobras" by the score of 29 - 6.

Coach John Houlihan said after the game, "We played very well, both offensively and defensively, we just didn't get the breaks."

Early in the game the "Townies" were on the drive, when the team fumbled on the Middleboro ten yard line after the whistle had blown the ball dead. Then the oddest play of the game came; a Middleboro player picked up the ball and raced 90 yards for a touchdown. Coach Houlihan questioned the call, saying the ball had been blown dead. His appeal fell on deaf ears and he was told "any more protesting about this call

you will be given a 15 yard game misconduct along with a fine." Houlihan threw his hands up in the air and walked away shaking his head.

The team has played very well in the past three games, taking on the top three teams in the league. "We have a very complex offense," said Houlihan, "but I can see a great improvement over these past weeks. Against the Middleboro Club, we controlled the ball more than in any of the previous games. Mike Charbonnier looked real sharp, mixing his plays, and keeping the Middleboro defense on their heels. As the weeks go by, we keep getting better and we are not out of it yet. You must keep in mind our defense is the best in the league and once our offense starts to click, there will be no stopping the 'Townies'."

The team had a good following last week in Middleboro and the "Townies" expect to fill the Charlestown Athletic

Field Stadium this Saturday when the team takes on the Albany "Mallers" at 4:00 p.m.

This is the first time a team representing a state capital will visit Charlestown. So lets get out and cheer our team on the show the "Mallers" what the "Townies" are made of?

CHARLESTOWN TOWN TEAM SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 23 — Charlestown vs. Albany at the Charlestown High School Athletic Field. Game time 4:00 p.m.

Friday, August 29 — Charlestown vs. Taunton at Taunton. Game time 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 6 — Charlestown vs. Cape Cod at Charlestown High School Athletic Field. Game time 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 13 — Charlestown vs. Randolph at the Charlestown High School Athletic Field. Game time 4:00 p.m.

Little League News!

PLEASE NOTE! All Little League Sluggers who were not mentioned in the rundown of the Massport - Charlestown Little League Sluggers Softball Game in the August 7th Patriot, did make it in the Patriot of August 14th. No way did I intend to leave anybody out. When I get the information on the Massport hits, etc., that also will be in the Patriot.

Players who graduated this year, please return your uniforms to managers.

To the Minor league players who were rained out most of this past season, we will work out a better schedule for next year. The weather clobbered you little ones.

Little League Meeting: A Little League meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 27th at 8:00 p.m. at Memorial Hall on Green Street. All managers, coaches and officers should be there. The main topics will be the Election of Officers and early registration and tryouts.

Managers and coaches who are no longer interested, please let me know.

Thank you,
John Curtin

Boys And Girls Clubs Garner \$100 For Every Point Scored By Patriots

Every time the New England Patriots score, it will not only mean points for the team, but also dollars for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, which includes the Charlestown Clubhouse.

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Clubs will garner \$100.

Last year the Patriots tallied 556 points in the 24 games, including playoff and Super Bowl battles which meant \$55,600 from Frito-Lay, maker of Lay's and Ruffles brand potato chips and Fritos brand corn chips, for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, a non-profit organization supporting activities of more than 5,000 youngsters.

This is the eleventh year that Frito-Lay has teamed with the New England Patriots in this worthy community project, according to Steve Williamson, Frito-Lay Division Sales Manager. Over the past ten seasons, Frito-Lay has donated more than \$435,000 to the Boys and Girls Clubs for points scored by the Patriots.

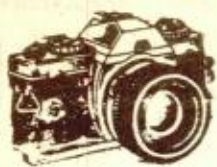
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O'Neil Assisting Blind On Route To Independence

Many miles and many years separate the young girl who sat in the classroom of Saint Francis de Sales Grammar School here in Charlestown, from the young woman who teaches English as a Second Language at the Braille Institute in Los Angeles, California. Helen O'Neil is this young woman.

The fifth child of Lawrence and Agnes O'Neil of 59 Pearl Street, Charlestown, Helen graduated from Boston Girls' Latin School and entered Boston State College. At the end of one semester, she decided to enter the Maryknoll Novitiate, where she remained for two and a half years. Upon leaving the Novitiate, O'Neil took many courses at various universities, spending a year in New York and some time in Ireland.

O'Neil went to Hollywood, California some thirteen years ago to participate in a friend's wedding and decided to remain and this is where she is today. Her mother, Agnes, says proudly of her daughter, "Learning has always been her goal and teaching is her challenge."

It was in this teaching setting that a *Los Angeles Times* reporter, Mike Wyma, found Helen O'Neil on a recent morning. The class was discussing love. Toros Afarian, 51, blind and struggling with an unfamiliar tongue, had delivered a speech on the subject. Love ennobles mankind, he told his five classmates at the Braille Institute, while selfishness is the chief cause of human grief.

"Now, I want to ask them," Afarian said. "What is love?"

"In my opinion, understanding is very important," said Mostafa Nasserara, 29, of Los Angeles, a glaucoma victim from Iran. "Love can be to share our problems, our painful problems. When we try to solve our problems and make our situation better, we care for each other."

Afarian, a native of Lebanon who lost his sight in a sports accident 21 years ago, leaned back and nodded in agreement.

"Love is affection," said Farzad Tayebaty, 23, born in Iran and now living in Van Nuys. "Affection is a very important part of love."

'We Are Obligated'

"No, no," Afarian said. "Love is not so much forgiving or affection. We, the Braille Institute students, are coming from many countries and we are passing time here learning many things. We are taking from the people who help and we are learning from fact what is love. We are taking some things that are coming from the source of love, and we are obligated to do something for others. We must do our best for the others."

Among the "things" Afarian and other blind persons

gain from the Braille Institute in Hollywood are training in cane travel, cooking, Braille word processing and other skills that help them become independent. But before students may enroll in the classes, they must understand and speak English. The continuing influx of foreign speakers into Southern California has included many blind people; so many, in fact, that three years ago the Braille Institute began offering classes in English as a second language.

"Right now I have 38 students," said Helen O'Neil, 38, of Hollywood, the institute's ESL teacher. "About 60% of them are Hispanic. We divide them into four levels according to how much English they know."

The discussion of love took place in the most advanced class. Beginning classes are laborious and repetitive, as O'Neil leads the students through such basics as saying their names, addresses and telephone numbers.

"Even with sighted people, ESL is painstaking," O'Neil said. "When you get no visual cues, it's even harder. They can't read my lips when I try to teach a consonant. I have to draw from sources within me that I didn't know existed, in order to be gentle and be a good experience for them."

To relieve the drudgery of grammar lessons in advanced classes, she encourages occasional discussions such as the one on love. In beginning classes, she leads students in songs and asks beginning students to walk around the room and identify the piano, tables, chairs and other objects they encounter.

"I remember talking to my mother before I took this job and she said, 'Helen, it would be so depressing,' but I don't feel that way," O'Neil said. "I know what she meant — being around the frustration and limitation of blindness. I see it in the classroom. One will get up and think he's headed for the door, but he's going in the opposite direction. Blindness is a loss of personal independence. But it's amazing to see how well some of them learn to cope."

Martin Rocha, 22, who was born in Mexico and lives in La Puente, knew no English when he was blinded in a motorcycle accident in August, 1983.

"At first my mother came with me (to the Braille Institute) the whole day," he said, "and she waited outside by the fountain. Now I know how to go on the RTD."

The trip takes an hour and a half each way and requires two transfers. Rocha makes it cheerfully. He says he's grateful to be alive. "I was in a coma for one month," he said, holding up a finger of one small hand, "and I stayed at the hospital five months. When I was there first,

the doctor said, 'I don't think he is going to live for tomorrow.'"

Rocha smiled, "But I did."

He is not angry at the hit-run driver who nearly killed him, he said.

O'Neil said Rocha's acceptance of his condition is not unusual.

"Somehow many of these people are given the power to transcend their disability," she said. "It's quite something. Some of the Central Americans, they love their countries and they want to go back, but for political or economic reasons they can't. They're here and they don't speak the language, they don't see and they have no country. But somehow they transcend."

Patience Pays Off

Before coming to the Braille Institute, O'Neil taught ESL to sighted adults; she was accustomed to watching her students improve fairly quickly. But in beginning classes for the blind, progress is painfully slow. She puts pieces of cloth-covered cardboard in the hands of students, who then spend most of the two-hour class struggling with concepts of "square" and "triangle," "soft" and "hard."

"I had to work for more patience," O'Neil said, "and something else too. Unconsciously I'd thought that as they learned, their blindness would gradually get better. But of course it doesn't."

Students do not pay for instruction at the Institute, which is supported entirely by private donations. Among its projects to help foreign speakers, the center is recruiting volunteers to record audiocassettes in Spanish.

O'Neil, however, doesn't allow languages other than English to be spoken in class. One afternoon her advanced students discussed a subject even sighted English-speakers sometimes find hard to understand — punk rockers. O'Neil had asked what they are.

"They are a special group that wears their hair short at the top or on the center," Mostafa Nasserara said.

"Yes, but why?" O'Neil asked.

"Maybe they want to be against something," Tayebaty said.

"Yes," said Nasserara. "They want to break the customs. Maybe they are tired of following someone else's way."

Class ended a few minutes later. The students took their red-tipped canes from under the table and each slowly found their way out of the room. When one can't see, copying another's way is not an option.

(Story by Mike Wyma, courtesy of the "Los Angeles Times".)

Establishment Days To Be Celebrated At Charlestown Navy Yard

On Monday, August 25, the National Park Service and the U.S. Navy will share in the celebration of their respective establishment days to commemorate both the founding of the National Park Service and the Charlestown Navy Yard, part of the Boston National Historical Park.

According to Park Historian, Paul Weinbaum, legislation establishing the National Park Service became law on August 25, 1916 and on August 26, 1800 the United States took title to the first piece of land that became the Charlestown Navy Yard. The tract of land, measuring 1½ acres and 16 rods, was purchased from Richard Boylston for \$600.

In honor of these establishment days, the public is invited to the Charlestown Navy Yard on Monday evening, August 25 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to share in the celebration and enjoy the music of Tony Bruno, Jr., of Wonderland Ballroom fame,

whose 12-piece swing band will play sounds of the 40's. This will be special interest to the Park and to the Navy are people who worked in the Navy Yard and reside in the area. Bring a picnic supper, if desired, or refreshments may be purchased; also bring something to sit on and jackets as needed.

Sailing On The Charles

Sailing on the Charles River continues until November 1st at Community Boating. A 30-day membership costs \$50 and includes all instruction and use of boats. Sailing hours are from 1:00 p.m. to sunset, Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to sunset on Saturday and Sunday.

For more information and an application, stop by the boathouse, located on the Esplanade between the Hatch Shell and the Longfellow Bridge, or call 523-1038.

Edward M. Burns, an Assistant District Attorney of Suffolk County for the past seven years, is a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Suffolk County.

Burns stated, "As an Assistant District Attorney, I've prosecuted approximately a thousand criminals with a conviction rate in excess of 85 percent. In December of last year, I prosecuted a gang rapist who received the longest sentence any criminal ever received in the history of the Commonwealth, a sentence of 120 to 240 years, and, as far as I'm concerned, he deserved every day of it. I've been putting them away and now I intend to keep them away."

The overcrowding at the Charles Street Jail was the major theme of Burns' announcement speech. He ad-

Burns Seeking Office Of Sheriff Of Suffolk County



EDWARD M. BURNS

ressed the issue by saying, "There is a serious problem at the Charles Street Jail that has grown and festered for the last decade. The Sheriff's Office is letting accused criminals who are known to be repeat offenders out on the streets. People who are known not to show up in court are being set free. And

so now the citizens of Boston, Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop not only have more criminals in their midst, but we also are enduring a new episode of governance by judges. Once again, we as citizens are having decisions made, not by our elected public officials, but by the likes of the same federal judges and state supreme court judges that we should know well by now answer to no one and who cannot be voted out of office."

In closing, Burns stated that "the selection of the new sheriff should depend on who best can meet the needs of the moment, and who will respect the best interests of all the citizens of Suffolk County in the capacity of sheriff. Because of my experience, education, ability,

commitment and sincere interest, I submit that I am the best candidate for the job. I ask for your support."

A graduate of Suffolk University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration, Burns later received a law degree from Suffolk Law School, and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Burns has lived in Winthrop for the past twelve years.

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Kennedy Center On The Move

By Kathy Giordano
Many changes have taken place at the John F. Kennedy Family Service Center since January, 1986. A new Executive Director has been hired and a new President of the Board of Directors has been elected. Through their efforts and those of the Center's staff and Board members, a new direction in both attitudes and programs is being instituted.

Steve Wright, President of the Board of Directors, stated that the new Executive Director, Kate McDonough, is striving for a more collaborative effort with other agencies and organizations in the community — an effort

to work together to better serve the people of Charlestown. "The Kennedy Center is re-establishing itself in the community. It's still there and still very much alive," stated Wright.

With all these changes taking place at the Center, Wright feels that this is the perfect time for the community to get involved with the future plans and direction of the Center and let the Board know the programs and services they feel are needed in Charlestown. "The Kennedy Center has all the future in the world, but has to have the support of the community ... from every aspect of the community — youth,

elderly, newcomers and long time residents — and from every location of the community — Sullivan Square to City Square, Hayes Square and the Navy Yard. Their ideas and needs can only be heard and responded to if they take the interest and give their input," he stated.

At the present time, the Board of Directors is in the process of reviewing their by-laws and he anticipates this task to be completed by their September meeting. As president, Wright would like to follow more common rules of order at future meetings. In the past, he feels, the rules of order were too informal allowing time to argue rather than have a constructive debate. "Rules of order must be kept as loose as possible so that an agreeable, lively debate is possible but such debate has to be kept to a minimum. These changes are not bad and not unusual

to help growth. I would like to see a more workable board, able to adjust to the changes that are taking place now at the Center and in the community. This will only help us to work better with the residents of Charlestown," said Wright.

"The Board is planning a stronger role in the input and policy making of the Center, based on the community's needs. The day to day operations at the Center are handled by the Executive Director, but the Board sets the policy," he commented.

An election for openings on the Board will take place in the fall for both precinct and at-large positions. To be an eligible candidate, one must be at least 18 years of age and a resident and be able to obtain the needed signatures on the nomination papers. Wright hopes that this election will bring in dif-

ferent points of view from every area of Charlestown. "The youth have just as much to offer as to the elders and I hope that both age groups — and all in between — will seek nomination papers for the seats that are open," Wright said. "Some appointed seats are held by City and State elected officials and I would like to see them get more actively involved in the future, also," he continued.

It was a real shot in the arm for the Kennedy Center when the New England Tele-

phone Company allocated a \$4,000 grant for the maintenance and upkeep of the day care center located in the old Kent School at Hayes Square. "Big business feels we are on the right track. What we need now is the support of the community," Wright commented.

Wright urges residents to contact him with any questions, ideas and needs by writing him at the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 or by calling him at 241-8190. He welcomes your input.



Senior Citizen Lunch Program

The Kit Clark Senior House provides lunches for Senior Citizens, Monday through Friday, under the Title III Senior Nutrition Program at the Rutherford Avenue Senior Center, 114 Rutherford Avenue.

MENU

Friday, August 22 - Split pea soup with crackers, egg salad, lettuce/tomato, cheese, carrot raisin salad, fresh fruit, hamburger roll with butter.

Monday, August 25 - Vegetable chowder with crackers, chicken salad, lettuce, tomato, cheese, cookie, hamburger roll with butter.

Tuesday, August 26 - Omelette, Creole sauce, Delmonico potato, peas, fresh fruit, wheat bread with butter.

Wednesday, August 27 - BBQ chicken, potato salad, brussel sprouts, chilled fruit, pumpernickle bread with butter.

Thursday, August 28 - Salisbury steak with gravy, baked potato with butter, carrots, lemon pudding, oatmeal bread with butter.

Milk served with all above meals.

"Wednesday Evenings On The Plaza" Presents The Singing Priests

The "Wednesday Evening on the Plaza" concert series comes to an exciting finish for the '86 season with the Singing Priests of the Boston Archdiocese on August 27th at 7:30 p.m.

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Friday, August 22

10:00 a.m. - Arts and Crafts at the Senior Lounge

1:00 p.m. - Bingo at the Senior Lounge

Monday, August 25

9:30 a.m. - Crochet at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens Street

11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch (Soup and Sandwich) at the Senior Lounge

1:00 p.m. - Bingo at the Senior Lounge

Tuesday, August 26

10:00 a.m. - Crochet at the Senior Lounge

11:00 a.m. - Day Trip to the "People Are Talking" Show

Wednesday, August 27

9:30 a.m. - Social Security Representative at 27 Winthrop Street

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus at the Anchorage Apartments

9:30 a.m. - Crochet at the Mary Colbert Apartments

1:00 p.m. - Bingo at the Senior Lounge

5:00 p.m. - Evening Trip - Box Lunch at the Senior Lounge and shopping at Burlington Mall

Thursday, August 28

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus at the Senior Lounge and Constitution Co-op

TRIPS

(Contact Phyllis Bryant at 241-8866)

• **Anita Bryant at the King Phillip in Wrentham** - Tuesday, September 23, 1986. Depart from the Senior Lounge at 10:00 a.m. and King Phillip at 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$26.00, including transportation, dinner and entertainment.

• **Mystery Ride** - Tuesday, November 25. Depart from the Senior Lounge at 10:00 a.m. The cost is \$16.00, including transportation, dinner, and entertainment (tax and gratuities included).

SENIOR LUNCH SITE

Don't forget the Kit Clark lunch (\$.75) served every Monday at 11:45 a.m. at the Senior Lounge. Please sign up by Thursday mornings.

FARMERS' MARKET

The Farmers' Market will be at the Senior Lounge on Tuesday, September 9 and Tuesday, September 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

BRUNCH

The R.S.V.P. Brunch will be held Wednesday, September 10 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The September Birthday Brunch will be held on Wednesday, September 24 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The cost of the brunch is \$1.00 and they are held at the Senior Lounge. For reservations, contact Patty Gould at 241-8866.

\$10.00 JACKPOT

Starting September 2nd, sign up in the Senior Lounge for the \$10.00 cash give-away. You can only sign-up once in each month and every month we will have a Jackpot-Drawing and a "Sing Along" Party.

SURPLUS FOOD

Surplus food will be distributed on Tuesday, September 16 at the Senior Lounge, 55 Bunker Hill Street. If you do not have a Surplus Food Card, please register at the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop Street, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For more information on Senior activities or transportation, laundry service or homemaker service, contact: Judi Meaney, Director of Senior Services, at 241-8866.

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.

My Thanks

To all my friends and neighbors, "Thank you" from the bottom of my heart for the Mass cards, get well cards, gifts, flowers, telephone calls and books I received while I was in the hospital. I am now convalescing at home.

Thanks again — Love ya!

Anna Roche
Union Street, Charlestown

A Tribute To A Friend

The patrons of the Charlestown Branch Library, and her many friends in Charlestown, are saddened by the death of Helen Neary.

Helen was Senior Library Assistant for twenty-two years. She had been seriously ill for one year. She fought cancer bravely, sustained by her deep faith in God and the support of a loving family.

When a final diagnosis had been made, Helen accepted it calmly. She said, "This is God's plan, it's my time to go. . . I've lived a good life. . . God has blessed me in many ways."

Helen's outstanding quality was her ability to find "good" in everyone.

We, who worked closely with her, shall always remember her sincere love of people.

When we think of Helen, we shall also remember her enthusiastic "greeting" . . . outstretched arms . . . a huge smile . . . and a hug.

May she rest in peace.

Helen Harrison

Thoughts Of A Former Resident

Dear "Charlestown Patriot",

As a former resident of Charlestown who was priced out of my apartment, I know the need for affordable housing in Charlestown. I also know the value of neighborly cooperation, sweat, and volunteerism which came together to produce the community garden. These are the same values which made this country great.

If there is enough imagination in Charlestown, the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and the Charlestown Committee for Affordable Housing, a solution will be found which will not destroy the Community Garden.

Do the future generations of Charlestown, young and old, deserve a little bit of nature and green space or will the heritage we pass on be more asphalt, chainlink, weeds, and broken glass?

Sincerely,
Mr. Jamie Rein
Jamaica Plain

Commending Officer McHale

To the Editor:

We read with interest, an article in the Charlestown Police Line (Patriot, July 17) . . . at 8:20 p.m. there was a robbery in the vicinity of Decatur and Medford Streets about 9:00 p.m. (only 40 minutes later!) an arrest was made in the Combat Zone in downtown Boston.

An Officer McHale, assigned to a "Paid Detail" in the Combat Zone, observed two men fitting the "description" of the suspects who had been involved in the robbery.

They were brought back to the scene of the crime, and positively identified by the victim! All property was recovered!

Officer McHale deserves commendation, not only from his superiors, but also from all Charlestown residents!

It is reassuring to know that our lives (and our property) are being safeguarded by men of the calibre of Officer McHale. Thank you Officer McHale, you wear your uniform proudly.

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Dear Gloria,

A sincere thank you to Marianne Martin for a well written and very enjoyable article in the August 14th issue of the Charlestown Patriot entitled "Individual Gardening Projects Source of Pride for the Neighborhood", which is about the gardening and efforts of the residents of the Bunker Hill Development.

As the founder of Mrs. Bee's Gardens in 1977, I would like to say, "We've come a long way since then." There are gardens sprouting up from Decatur Street to Polk Street, from Bunker Hill Street to Medford Street. It's a pleasant surprise and a treat to walk through the Development and view the beautification and vegetable gardens that the residents have prepared and maintained themselves.

In the Articles of Organization, the purpose of Mrs. Bee's Gardens is that the participants will adopt a responsible work pattern by hard work coupled with self-discipline and the mastery of skills, thereby gaining a sense of self worth, while they clean and landscape the outside areas. The inhabitants will, with direction, gain an aesthetic appreciation by improving their own neighborhood.

As you can gather, the residents, in particular the youth, of Bunker Hill Development have proved the skeptics wrong. They showed that there is dignity in hard work and pride in one's achievement and where they live.

Congratulations to all of you who persevered and worked so hard for you are responsible for the success of Mrs. Bee's Gardens. We are proud to say that we have reached our goal. Our sincerest thank you.

Mrs. Bee

Meagher Named To Advisory Council On Workers' Compensation

Governor Michael S. Dukakis recently swore in Paul F. Meagher of Charlestown to the Advisory Council on Workers' Compensation.

As a member of the Council, Meagher will help monitor the workers' compensation system in Massachusetts. He and other members of the Council will report to the Executive Secretary of Labor and the Legislature.

A graduate of Suffolk University and Suffolk University Law School, Meagher is currently working as an associate counsel for workers' compensation and liability insurance for the Associ-

ated Industries of Massachusetts. For more than eight years, he served as an aide to State Senator Robert D. Wetmore.

Meagher served on the governor's transition team in both 1978 and 1982, the first time as a member of the Economic Development Task Force, and the second time as a member of the Environmental Affairs Task Force.

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Sealed General Bids for MPA Contract No. 1.2918 RESIDENTIAL SOUNDPROOFING PROJECT-PHASE I, EAST BOSTON AND WINTHROP, MASSACHUSETTS will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the Office of Mr. George P. Johnson, Director of Engineering, 4th Floor, Room 4510, Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts 02116, until 11:00 A.M. local time on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1986, immediately after which, in a designated room, the proposal will be opened and read publicly.

NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT (ABOVE ADDRESS) AT 9:00 A.M. LOCAL TIME ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1986.

The work includes ALL LABOR, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ACOUSTICAL PERFORMANCE OF TEN (10) RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS. SOUNDPROOFING MEASURES INCLUDE NEW WINDOWS OR WINDOW REPLACEMENTS, NEW STORM WINDOWS, NEW DOORS AND REPLACEMENT DOORS, CAULKING AND WEATHERSTRIPPING.

Bid Documents will be made available beginning WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1986. In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this project, General Bidders must submit with their bid a current Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Division of Capital Planning and Operations and an Update Statement. The General Bidder must be certified in the category of GENERAL CONTRACTOR OR METAL WINDOWS. The estimated project cost is \$180,000.

Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Director of Engineering of the Authority, together with any addenda or amendments which the Authority may issue. A charge of \$25.00, PAYABLE BY CHECK ONLY, will be made for these Documents, which charge will be refunded upon their return in good condition, within forty-five (45) days after receipt of the General Bids.

Bidding procedures and award of the contract and sub-contracts shall be in accordance with the provisions of Sections 44A through 44H inclusive, Chapter 149 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

A proposal guaranty shall be submitted with each General Bid consisting of a bid deposit for 5 percent of the value of the bid, when sub-bids are required, each must be accompanied by a deposit equal to 5 percent of the sub-bid amount, in the form of a bid bond, or cash, or a certified check, or a treasurer's or a cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, payable to the Massachusetts Port Authority in the name of which the Contract for the work is to be executed. The bid deposit shall be (a) in a form satisfactory to the Authority, (b) with a surety company qualified to do business in the Commonwealth and satisfactory to the Authority, and (c) conditioned upon the faithful performance by the principal of the agreements contained in the bid.

Return of bid deposits will be in accordance with the provisions of the above cited General Laws. No filed sub-bids will be required for this project.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a bond for the faithful performance of the contract and a payment bond as set forth on the Form for General Bid. Attention is called to the minimum rate of wages to be paid on the work as determined under the provisions of Chapter 149, Massachusetts General Laws, Section 26 to 27D, inclusive, as amended, which the Contractor will be required to pay.

The right is also reserved to waive any informality in or to reject any or all proposals and General Bids.

This Contract is subject to Affirmative Action requirements of the Massachusetts Port Authority contained in the General Requirements and Covenants, and to the Secretary of Labor's Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Opportunity and the Standard Federal Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246).

The General Contractor is required to submit a Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities prior to award of the Contract, and to notify prospective subcontractors of the requirement for such certification where the subcontract exceeds \$10,000.

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Compliance Reports. Within 30 days of the award of this Contract the Contractor shall file a compliance report (Standard Form (SF100)) if:

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- (b) The Contractor is within the definition of "employer" in paragraph 2e (3) of the instructions included in SF 100.

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volunteers, announced MDA State Co-chairpersons and Telethon hosts Chet Curtis and Natalie Jacobson. The 2 1/2 hour entertainment

spectacular will be aired on WCVB-TV5 starting at 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 31, through 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 1.

This year the entire pledge operation has moved to WCVB-TV5's new studios in Needham. Here, thousands of pledges from throughout eastern Massachusetts will be received and processed during the telecast.

"Volunteers play an important role in the Telethon's success," said Natalie Jacobson. "Each year, they handle a variety of behind-

the-scenes jobs, such as answering pledge phones and sorting pledge envelopes. The fantastic people of the Boston area have always come through for us in the past, and I'm sure we can count on them again this year."

Anyone interested in volunteering for the Labor Day Telethon should call the MDA office at 461-0310.

**August Summer
Film Club**

The August Summer Film Club will continue at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street on Tuesday, August 26, 1986 at 3:30 p.m.

The film program will feature "Rendezvous", in which fur trappers meet in Wyoming, and Mole must find a way to return an egg to the mother hen in "Mole And The Egg".

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Voke Announces Expansion Of Educational Services

Representative Richard A. Voke has announced that the Higher Education Center at the Boston Public Library will expand its services due to an additional \$190,000 in state assistance. Voke, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said that the money will be used to continue the toll free education hotline, which is set up to answer questions concerning higher education, and to develop several new programs.

Other programs offered by the Higher Education Center include education awareness seminars at local high schools and the new computerized college informa-

tion system. "These projects will be helpful to all high school students pondering a college education. The services are free for all who wish to use the system, and I strongly encourage their participation," Voke said.

The computer information system features several options that help students identify the best career or college for them. Some of the options are a detailed description of over 3,500 two and four year colleges, a career interest test and a student loan advisory.

While encouraging local residents to use the new computer system, Voke said,

"It is never too early to start thinking about college." He also noted that probably the most important feature of the new system was the listing of over 600 sources of financial aid available to Massachusetts students. "It is important that all students be allowed the opportunity to further their education," commented Voke.

Voke, who was thanked for his role in securing the \$190,000 by the Director of the Education Center, Ann Coles, said that "education is vital for building a sound future for Massachusetts." Believing this, Representative Voke recently gained an additional \$75 million in fi-

nancial aid for college students. "Providing the funds to assist students in school is the first step. However, we must provide the necessary information to let students know what is available to them. It is my hope that this new computer system will do that," said Voke.

The Education Center at the Boston Public Library is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Education Hotline number is 1-800-442-1171.

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Board of Appeal Hearing

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From the desk of

Ronald X. Conway, Deputy Superintendent, Area A
Downtown, East Boston, Charlestown, Beacon Hill

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

At 2:00 a.m., Officer Harrington responded to a call at Walford Way relative to shots fired. The victim stated she heard what sounded like a car back firing. Approximately two minutes later, the victim heard the same noise followed by the crash of her apartment window as it smashed. The officers

On Dean's List

Dean of Students William F. Field has announced that three students from Charlestown qualified for the Dean's List for the 1986 spring semester at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

In order to qualify, an undergraduate student must receive a 3.5 grade point average or better, on a four point scale.

"Because fewer than 15% meet this high standard, making the Dean's List marks significant accom-

plishment," said University Chancellor Joseph Duffey. "This academic honor is a source of pride to the entire University community."

The following local students were named to the University of Massachusetts at Amherst Dean's List for the 1986 spring semester: Linda B. Cobin of 18 Shipway Place, Christopher W. Newell of 7 Neal Court and Venetia M. Pimley of 29 Soley Street.

investigated the premises and found a hole in the wall opposite the window, appearing to be a bullet hole. The officers were unable to see or remove any object from the wall.

At 2:30 a.m., Officer Trayner responded to a call at a Dunstable Street apartment. Upon arrival of the officers, the victim stated that she heard someone attempting to gain entrance to her rear door, and found that the screen was removed. The victim shouted and unknown person(s) fled the scene.

At 3:44 a.m., Officers Harrington and Fuedo assigned to

Unidentified Substance Found At Town Dock Dig Site

by Marianne Martin

An unidentified liquid, described as similar to anti-freeze, was discovered approximately two weeks ago, underground at the site of the former Town Dock, at the corner of Gray and Chelsea Streets, by archaeologists who are currently excavating the area.

The archaeologists from the Public Archaeology Labs in Providence, Rhode Island, were hired by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works (DPW) to study the underground land area which will permanently be altered by the depression of the Central Artery overhead road-

way into tunnels under City Square. The liquid was discovered between 15 and 20 feet below the earth's surface and was accompanied by "strong fumes." According to DPW spokesperson Janice Sargoni, Department Site Engineer Jim Elliot has sent a sample of the substance to the Ronald Green Laboratories in Wellesley. However, the lab results will not be known for "two to three weeks." Until that time, the site has been closed. An eight foot high plywood reinforced fence has also been installed to prevent unauthorized access to the site.

Sargoni added that Elliot does not believe the liquid to be hazardous or a threat to the surrounding community, but has taken these measures simply as a precaution. Elliot also said the presence of the liquid was not the result of "anything too recent" and probably is a remnant of the site's former uses which include a junk yard and a leather tannery.

It's A Girl . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gillis of 58 Pearl Street, Charlestown, announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Jean, on August 7, 1986 at the Winchester Hospital.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gillis of Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mehigan of 7 Hancock Street, Charlestown.

Mrs. Gillis is the former Maureen Mehigan.

the A102A car, responded to Bartlett Street to a call of someone breaking into a motor vehicle. On arrival, the officers observed a suspect inside an auto with the passenger door open. The suspect fled down several back alleys as the officers approached. The suspect was apprehended. The suspect had two cassette tapes and a Boston Penal Department Badge in his possession when apprehended. The owner of the motor vehicle was notified. The suspect was transferred to Area A for booking.

At 4:00 p.m., Officer Olsen responded to a call relative to an attempted break in at Bunker Hill Relics on Main Street. Upon arrival of the officers, the victim stated that sometime between August 9th and August 12th person(s) unknown attempted to break in to her shop, but did not gain entrance. Damage was done to victim's property.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

At 2:15 a.m., Officer Dashner, while patrolling the Monument Square area, observed and stopped a motor vehicle with New Hampshire plates for a popped trunk. The driver could produce no license. Officers ran a check on the driver and the three occupants of the vehicle for warrants. A brown leather bag was found in the front seat of the vehicle containing drug paraphernalia and a GRN container of white powder. Two male occupants of the car were charged with possession of a class "B" substance.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

At 3:30 p.m., Officer Bollen stopped a suspect at City Square on a moving violation. The operator was found to be unlicensed and was placed under arrest by Officer Bollen, assisted by Officer Olsen.

At 8:00 p.m., Officer Meeker observed a suspect crossing the court yard at Walford Way. Knowing the suspect to be wanted on outstanding warrants, the officer arrested the suspect, advised him of his rights and transported him to Area A. The suspect was searched and a small white packet containing white powder, believed to be cocaine, was found in his possession.

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247-4697

Report Drug Activity 24 hours a day,
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Boston Police Explorer Post 1212-15

The Explorer Post will be meeting on Thursday evening, August 21st at 7:00 p.m. at 55 Bunker Hill Street. Be there to plan the end of the summer events.

PLAY SAFE!

Steve DaCorta,
Advisor

DPW Declares Baker and Company In Default On Main Street Project

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nian, only 3% of the project was completed, while over 25% of the work schedule had elapsed.

This is the second state awarded contract in which Baker and Company has been declared to be in default. They lost their contract on the Clark Street reconstruction job in Plymouth, and according to DPW spokesperson, Scott Pickard, the company may be in danger of losing two other contracts; one in Newton and the other in Somerville.

The bonding company which insured the Baker and Company for the Main and Warren Streets reconstruction will be responsible to complete the project. Pickard reported that Department Commissioner Robert Tier-

ney will be meeting with their representatives sometime next week and establish a new work schedule for the project.

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