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## LFC Honors Birmingham As 'Man Of The Year'



SEN. THOMAS F. BIRMINGHAM, president of the Mass. Senate, was recently honored by Charlestown's Life Focus Center (LFC) as its "Man of the Year" for the support and assistance he has provided the program that serves the mentally retarded and physically handicapped. An engraving of the Mass. State House by artist Tom Gorsuch was presented to Birmingham by LFC marking the event. Shown (l. to r.) John D. Millerick, LFC executive director; Birmingham; Gorsuch; and James W. Conway, banquet chairman and master of ceremonies.

(photo by Kathy Whitehouse)



CONGRATULATING Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham on being named the Life Focus Center (LFC) "Man of the Year" at a recent banquet at the Knights of Columbus Hall are (l. to r.) Kevin O'Halloran, LFC deputy director; Birmingham; June Reilly, chairman, LFC Board of Directors; and John D. Millerick, LFC executive director.

(photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

## MWRA Looking At Sites For Sewer Project

by Lynn Peters

The Massachusetts Resources Authority (MWRA) is currently evaluating two areas in Charlestown as sites for its Combined Sewer Overflow project. MWRA representative David Cupiak presented the

preliminary site findings for two areas, one near the Schrafft Center in Sullivan Square, another near the Tobin Bridge and the Navy Yard's Gate 5. The presentation was made at a Jan. 30 public meeting facilitated by the Charlestown Neigh-

borhood Council Environmental Committee.

Two screening and disinfection facilities, typically one-story 40-by-40-foot structures, will treat Charlestown's two sewer overflows at two different local

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## Voke And Birmingham Meet With MDC Regarding Skating Rink

State officials and hockey advocates held several discussions last week relative to the status of the shut-down MDC Rink in Charlestown. Confirming the fears of many, the MDC has announced that the local rink will remain closed for the rest of this skating season.

After meeting with Rep. Richard Voke and Sen. Thomas Birmingham, MDC Commissioner David Balfour told Charlestown Youth Hockey Association (CYHA) officials, including Dan McGoff, John Tobin and Tim O'Connell, that the record level of snow that has fallen, and subsequently accumulated on the rink roof, caused the supporting rafters to buckle.

While the MDC tried to make temporary accommodations, the stress caused the wood beams to de-

teriorate to a condition beyond repair. With the safety of kids skating underneath foremost on his mind, Balfour said the shut-down was necessary.

Talks, however, between the MDC and Voke and Birmingham did produce some encouraging news. The state will allow the MDC to proceed under emergency rules, thereby saving months on the process of repairing the rink. Because of this, Voke and Birmingham have been assured that the rink can again be operational in September.

Concerned, however, that some other rink failure could preclude such an opening, Voke and Birmingham have been assured that the rink's structure and operating systems will be inspected for repair and if necessary, replaced. Balfour has also pledged to

look at the possibility of building a new rink, if conditions, financing and available land warrant such a project. He will be working closely with Voke and Birmingham to do an in-depth and timely review on all of the options.

In the meantime, the MDC is continuing to work to make the temporary relocation of Charlestown's hockey programs more workable. In addition to getting the CYHA program into the Steriti Rink in the North End, the MDC has opened that rink's snack bar for operation by the CYHA, which uses the proceeds to help subsidize the program. Additionally, the MDC will allow the tennis courts next to Steriti to be used to alleviate parking problems.

Voke promised to continue to update residents on the rink renovations.

## Winners Of Two Tickets To The Ice Show

Four winners of two tickets each to Walt Disney's World On Ice coming to the FleetCenter on

Feb. 14 were drawn at random in a contest sponsored by The Charlestown Patriot.

The winners of the tickets, valued at \$20.50 each, are:

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- 9 to 10:30 a.m. - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group-Options Program, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866
- 10:30 a.m. to noon - Women's Recovery Group session, Kennedy Center, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

#### Fridays

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

#### First And Third Sundays

- 6:30 p.m. - CHarlestown After Murder Program (CHAMP) meeting, St. Catherine's Rectory, 49 Vine St.

#### Mondays

- 2 to 5 p.m. - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Tuesdays

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

#### Wednesdays

- 3 to 4:30 p.m. - Al-Anon meeting for friends and families of alcoholics, Kennedy Center Head Start, 23 Moulton St. (babysitting is available)
- 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. - Free Smoking Cessation course, second floor conference room, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.
- 6 to 7 p.m. - Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

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## CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### this week at a glance

#### Thursday, Feb. 8

- 3:30 p.m. - Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6:30 p.m. - Community meeting on proposed renovations of the library, sponsored by Friends of the Library, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. - Meeting on the status of the Union Street Park, sponsored by the Boston Parks Department, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Friday, Feb. 9

- 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group and Preschool Story Hour, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 11:30 a.m. - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an

adult, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

- 8 p.m. - Valentine Dance, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

#### Saturday, Feb. 10

- 8:15 p.m. - "Impostor Bostonians," K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Monday, Feb. 12

- 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. - New Student Registration for Kindergarten, Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, Tufts Street
- 7 p.m. - Rutherford Avenue Study meeting, sponsored by the Boston Transportation Department, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 13

- 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. - New Student Registration for Grades

1-8, Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, Tufts Street

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

- 6 p.m. - Warren-Prescott Site Council meeting, Warren-Prescott School, 50 School St.

- 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety/Police Community Relations meeting, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 14

- noon to 1 p.m. - Sen. Thomas F. Birmingham Office Hours, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 3 p.m. - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. meeting and Valentine Party, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

### upcoming events

#### Thursday, Feb. 15

- 12:15 p.m. - Charlestown Kiwanis Club meeting, Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza

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

- 7 p.m. - Meeting on the Sullivan Square beautification plan, sponsored by the Boston Parks Department, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

#### Friday, Feb. 16

- 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group and Preschool Story Hour, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 11:30 a.m. - Toddler Storytime,

stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an adult, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Saturday, Feb. 17

- noon - Meat Raffle to benefit the Dennis McLaughlin House, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Sunday, Feb. 18

- 7 p.m. - "'50s Nite," sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1, K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Monday, Feb. 19

##### Happy President's Day

- 7:30 p.m. - Daughters of Isabella No. 1 meeting, K. of C. Upper Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 20

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Li-

brary, 179 Main St.

- noon to 7 p.m. - "Fat Tuesday Feast" Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club, K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

- 5:30 p.m. - Healthy Charlestown Coalition meeting, Kennedy Center Drop-In Resource Center, 55 Bunker Hill St.

- 7:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion monthly meeting, Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 21

- 2 p.m. - Sing-a-long with Tom Pendergast for children 2 to 6 Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

- 7 p.m. - Austin Street Beautification/Charlestown Historic Trail meeting, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

### plan ahead

#### Friday, Feb. 23

- 7 p.m. - Charlestown Catholic Elementary School \$5,000 Dinner and Drawing, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Saturday, March 2

- 7:30 p.m. - Annual Corned Beef Dinner, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Friday, March 8

- 7:30 p.m. - Paddy Reilly in Concert to benefit the Bunker Hill Day Parade, K. of C. Hall, 75 West

School St.

#### Saturday, March 9

- 8 p.m. - St. Patrick's Dance, sponsored by the Bunker Hill Irish Heritage Society, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Thursday, March 14

- 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. - St. Patrick's Celebration to benefit St. Catherine's CYO, sponsored by the MAH<sup>2</sup>O Athletic Association, St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street

- 7 p.m. - Spelling Bee, sponsored by Keane Inc. to benefit the

Rising Stars program, C.R. Edwards Middle School, 28 Walker St.

#### Saturday, March 23

- noon - Meat Raffle to benefit the Christina Poole Fund, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

#### Saturday, March 30

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

#### Saturday, April 27

- 7 p.m. - Community Appreciation Awards Night, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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## Locke Wins Lions Club Speech Contest

The Charlestown Lions Club Speech Contest was held recently at the Bunker Hill Community College Auditorium.

This year's topic was "Communications: Should There Be Limits On Communications?"

Each contestant spoke between five and 10 minutes with a minimum of notes, each trying to justify and balance the right to inform without denying all their freedom to speak.

The judges, Charles McGonagle, John Tobin, Charles Paz and Oren McCleary, had their hands full in selecting a winner. When all points were added up for the various elements of the contest, the judges selected Christine Locke, a senior at St. Clement's High School, as the winner. Runner-up was Michael Thompson, a junior at Charlestown High School.

Locke will go on to re-



THE CHARLESTOWN LIONS CLUB recently held its annual speech contest. The winner was Christine Locke, a senior at St. Clement's High School, and the runner-up was Michael Thompson, a junior at Charlestown High School. Shown (l. to r.) Harry Nutt, president, Charlestown Lions Club; Thompson; Locke; and Tom McLaughlin, chairman, speech contest.

present the Charlestown community and the Charlestown Lions Club in Zone 1 Lions competition.

Each of the contestants were outstanding in their preparation, poise and un-

derstanding of the complex topic. It was obvious they were well prepared by their teachers, coaches, and parents for this event and are a credit to themselves, their families and

their schools. Locke is planning to attend Sacred Heart College in Connecticut and Thompson is planning to attend Arkansas College after his senior year. - by Bud Coleman

### Completes Realtor Course

Sandra M. Carroll-Cotter of Walsh Realty in Hyannis, has successfully completed her GRI 101 at the Mass. Board of Realtors in Waltham. The course included financing and listing presentation.

Sandra is the daughter of Buddy Carroll of 13 Trenton St., Charlestown.

### Boston Park Rangers At The Charlestown Branch Library

Boston Park Ranger Rachel Bierenbaum of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will be the guest speaker at the adult discussion program at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Friday, Feb. 9.

What can you do in Boston parks in the win-

ter? Bierenbaum will show slides illustrating the variety of activities available in Boston's parks and talk about what the park rangers do.

The 10 a.m. program is free and open to the public.

For more information, call the library at 242-1248.

### SAINT JUDE'S NOVENA:

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and praised throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer nine times a day and by the eighth day, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. My prayers have been answered. G.L.

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## Charlestown Catholic Elementary School Honor Roll

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School has announced its honor roll for the second marking term. They are:

### First Honors

**Grade 4A:** Paul Collins and Brittany Wilkins

**Grade 4B:** Danielle Lacey, Stephen Carr, Ryan Hickey, Kristjan Jennings and Courtney Considine

**Grade 5:** Carol Duong, Michael Reid and Katlyn Walsh

**Grade 6:** Kathleen Lacey and Bridgette Chaisson

**Grade 8:** Candace Griffin  
**Second Honors**

**Grade 4A:** Casey Allen, Jill Connolly, Dennis Devlin, Erica Greene, Caitlin Greco, Stephanie Saccardo, Ryan Vraibel and John Woods

**Grade 4B:** Harry Sullivan, Sherina Purnell, Hillary Rudder, Steven Wadman, Meaghann Gallarelli, Erin Russell and Christine Quinn

**Grade 5:** William Boyle, Ashley Carr, Kerrie Brennan, Caitlin Durette, Candice Eatherton, Jason Flint, Derek

Garceau, Erin Tiffany Lacey, John Murphy, Kellie Myers, Vanna Pirrone, McKenzie Ridings, Sarah Rolinson, Ashley Smith and Chad Titcomb

**Grade 6:** Daniel Considine, Kristie Donahue, Lawrence Durham, Raymond Ortiz, Craig Powers, Christen Rodriguez and Courtney Wrenn

**Grade 7:** Roselyn Boyle, Katie Prince, Debra Lee Eatherton, Jenna Donovan and Amy Copithorn

**Grade 8:** Jessica Brassil, Lauren Brennan and Ryan Godfrey

## It's A Girl . . .

Ed and Darlene O'Connell of 148 Webster St., Marshfield, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Lindsey Elizabeth, on Jan. 4 at 8:38 p.m. at the South Shore Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds

7 ounces.

The paternal grandparents are John and Lois O'Connell of 41 Bartlett St., Charlestown.

Lindsey was welcomed home by her big sister, Amanda Kate.

## Birmingham To Hold Community Office Hours On Feb. 14

A member of Sen. Thomas Birmingham's staff will be available for community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, Feb. 14 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Charlestown

Branch Library, 179 Main St. The public is invited.

In the event that a constituent is unable to attend, he or she should contact the senator's office at 722-1650.

## Happy 22nd Birthday . . . NOR on February 10th!



Love . . . Nat

## Happy 30th Birthday DAD

on February 9th!

Love . . .

Michael & Mackenzie

## TIARA To Meet On Feb. 9

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a brief business meeting followed by a program on Friday, Feb. 9, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall, at Boston College.

Marie Daly, well-known genealogist and staff member at New England Historic and Genealogical Society, will speak on "Researching In Ireland." Daly has presented at local, national and

international conferences. In addition to relaying the nuts and bolts of where to go for information in Ireland, she will give the audience tips on how to ferret out lots of information in a short amount of time.

TIARA is an organization of amateur, family and professional researchers who meet to exchange information about Irish family history. There is no admission charge and the public is welcome.

## Happy Birthday

# THYA

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• **Valentine Winners . . .** A beautiful flower arrangement from Bunker Hill Florist will be going out to Gerard Wood (or his best gal) and a delicious dinner at The Tavern on the Water will be enjoyed by Diana MeLaugh and her best beau. Congratulations you two, and Happy Valentine's Day to everyone!

• **In The Race For Mayor Of Charlestown . . .** there is still time to challenge Chris Rizzo for the honorary office of mayor. If interested, give a call to Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee Chairman Arthur Hurley at 242-2724.

• **Welcome Home . . .** Ramiro Correia after a stay at Mass. General Hospital. Word is that he's back to work and going to Bingo.

• **Birthdays, Birthdays, Birthdays . . .** Today, Feb. 8th, is birthday time shared by Tom Hermessey and Brian Davis . . . Casey Ann Dolaher turns 11 on Feb. 9th . . . Feb. 10th is a very special day for Jimmy Venezia as he marks his 81st, and "The Twins," Natalie and Noreen Rizzo, turn 22 . . . Dorothy Conway will party for sure on Feb. 11, a date also shared by Barrister Tim Dineen . . . and Muriel Thompson will celebrate a Valentine Birthday on Feb. 14th . . . Have a happy day, each and every one of you!

• **Tour The Charles River Dam Pumping Station . . .** on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 1 p.m. with an MDC Park Ranger and view the facility that pumps floodwaters from the Charles River Basin into Boston Harbor. For more info., call 727-9650, ext. 436.

• **Boston Bruins And Boston College Alumni Teams . . .** will face off in a game to benefit the American Red Cross of Mass. Bay on Sunday, Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. at the Conte Forum at Boston College. Autographs and photo opportunities with sports greats will be available. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Call 1-508-875-5275 for tickets.

• **The Jimmy Fund . . .** is looking for memorabilia of all sorts to add to the historic displays being planned for the new Jimmy Fund Gallery in honor of Ted Williams, which is slated to open April 12 at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. All donors of selected items or memorabilia will be recognized on a special plaque to be hung in the gallery. For more information or to make a donation, call the Jimmy Fund at 632-3300.

• **Attends Dental Congress . . .** Peter J. Grossman D.M.D. of 338 Main St., Charlestown attended the Yankee Dental Congress in Boston from Jan. 25 to 28. The annual meeting is for dentists to keep current in all areas of the profession. Dr. Grossman maintains a general dental practice in Charlestown.

• **Gospel Concert . . .** takes place tomorrow night, Friday, Feb. 9 at 8 p.m. at the African Meeting House, 8 Smith Court, Beacon Hill. An evening of beautiful gospel music is being held to commemorate Black History Month and is free of charge. For more information, call Frank Middleton at 742-5415.

• **Attention All Figure Skaters . . .** Males and females - if you have strong figure skating ability, are available to travel, and have a background in jazz, ballet or modern dance, Walt Disney's World On Ice is looking for you! Bring your skates, resumé and photo to the skater auditions at the FleetCenter on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 3 p.m. (Female skaters should wear leotards and tights; male skaters should wear appropriate skating attire). To register or for more info, call Judy Thomas at 813-349-4848

• **Super Bingo 500 . . .** to benefit the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club will take place at the Bunker Hill Council Knights of Columbus Hall on Wednesday, Feb. 28 starting at 6 p.m. Admission is \$100 per player and over \$16,000 in prize money will be awarded, based on 200 players! Make your reservations anytime at the club or any Wednesday night at the K. of C. Hall. If you have any questions, call the club at 242-1775.

• **Thought For The Week . . .** No human creature can give orders to love.

- George Sand

## Happy 13th Birthday JENNA

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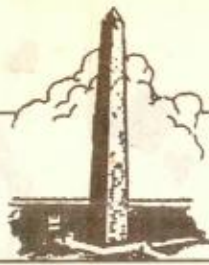
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## around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

### ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . . Public Safety Meeting

Co-Chairman John Dillon announces that the Public Safety/Police Community Relations meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St. A representative of the Boston Police Department will be present.

### Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ **Rutherford Avenue Study** . . . Representatives of the city of Boston Transportation Department (BTD) will meet with residents at 7 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 12 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. Vincent Gupta of BTD will be seeking community input on the Rutherford Avenue study.

★ **Charlestown Parks** . . . Representatives from the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will update the community on the status of the Union Street Park at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Feb. 8 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Polly Melton and James "Stretch" Walsh from the Parks Department and Clara Batchelor from C.B.A. Landscape Architecture will make the presentation.

The Parks Department is calling a meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 15 to solicit community input on a plan for the beautification of the green space in the center of Sullivan Square. Melton and Walsh from the Parks Department will be present as will Peter Lukacic from the B.S.C. Group. The meeting will be held in Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

★ **Charlestown Branch Library** . . . The

Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library have announced that 1996 is Renovation Year for the library. The planned improvements will be presented at a community meeting to be held tonight, Thursday, Feb. 8, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the library meeting room, 179 Main St. All are welcome.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings** . . . Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall.

• Paul J. Reppucci is asking to change the legal occupancy of 19 Mt. Vernon St. from a one-family dwelling to a two-family dwelling by installing a basement apartment. (BZC-18036)

• Tashmoo Realty Trust is asking the board for permission to sub-divide the lot at 213 Bunker Hill St. from the lot at 78 Elm St. and to change the legal occupancy from a one-family dwelling and a store to a one-family dwelling. (BZC-18038)

• Tashmoo Realty Trust is asking the board for permission to sub-divide the lot at 78 Elm St. from the lot at 213 Bunker Hill St. and to change the legal occupancy from a one-family dwelling and a store to a one-family dwelling. (BZC-18037)

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

### ★ Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee . .

The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 18 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. The committee will be planning the parade and fund-raising activities to support the event which will be held on Sunday, June 16.

### ★ Austin Street Beautification . . .

Representatives of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, the Austin Street Beautification Project and the Charlestown Historic Trail will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Drawings showing the following will be available for review:

• Three options for fences along the Bunker Hill Mall side of Austin Street;

• A gateway drawing showing a suggested design for the Gilmore Bridge end of Austin Street;

• A preliminary drawing giving an overview or a "bird's eye view" of Austin Street; and

• A perspective drawing showing Austin Street from the Gilmore intersection looking toward Thompson Square.

This will be the last public meeting prior to submission of the proposal on March 31. Upon notification of the award, the committee will reconvene to settle on the final plan to go to engineering for cer-

tified drawings. All are welcome.

★ **"Skating With Bobby Orr"** . . . Bay-Bank will sponsor a seven-week Skating in the Public Garden Program this winter on the Public Garden Lagoon.

At 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10, (weather permitting, no rain date), former Boston Bruin and NHL Hall of Famer Bobby Orr, will skate with youngsters from the Genesis Fund, and from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., he will sign autographs. Free public skating will continue until 6 p.m. and skates will be available for rental. Other attractions during the day will include costumed characters, off-ice entertainers and free hot chocolate. For more information, call 788-7400.

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## USS Constitution Museum Announces 'Kids Free' Program

Kids 16 and under can now swing in hammocks, hoist sails and engage in video battle at the helm of "Old Ironsides" for FREE, when accompanied by an adult, every school vacation week as well as on weekends year-round at the USS Constitution Museum.

Thanks to generous grants from the William E. and Bertha E. Schrafft Charitable Trust, the Mass. Society of the Cincinnati and the Yawkey Foundation, the museum's "Kids Free" program, in place for weekends since 1991, has now been expanded to include school vacations in 1996.

The museum, located in the Boston National Historical Park at the Charles-

town Navy Yard, and just yards away from USS Constitution, is dedicated to interpreting and preserving the heritage of the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. Interactive exhibits allow visitors to enjoy such experiences as loading and firing a cannon and reliving The Great Chase, Old Ironsides' first encounter with the British in the War of 1812.

Exhibitions also detail the restoration and preservation work now almost completed on Constitution. A video tour of Old Ironsides gives visitors a chance to see how the ship looks when fully-rigged and to explore her decks.

"Around the World Aboard 'Old Ironsides' 1844-1846" chronicles

Constitution's diplomatic voyage. Artifacts representative of what the captain and crew encountered during the ship's 852-day, 52,321-mile world cruise are on display as well as original journals kept by an officer and three crew members describing their trip and their colorful mates.

Museum admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for children 6 to 16, and free for children under 6. All children 16 and under are free on weekends and during school vacation weeks when accompanied by an adult. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Feb. 29, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from March 1 through May 31.

## Lahey Hitchcock VP Elected To American Hospital Association House Of Delegates

Pamela A. Corradino, vice president of hospital operations for Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center, has been elected to the House of Delegates of the American Hospital Association (AHA). Corradino was nominated by colleagues from the AHA's governing council of the Section of Metropolitan Hospitals.

Delegates to the AHA serve three-year terms and are charged with developing and advancing public policy, identifying and developing AHA programs and activities on behalf of the Metropolitan constitu-



**PAMELA CORRADINO** eny, and participating in liaison relationships with external governing and non-governing organizations.

The AHA, a not-for-profit organization, serves

as a national advocate for hospitals, health networks and the patients they serve; provides education and information for its members; and informs the public about hospitals, health systems and health care issues.

Corradino, a resident of Charlestown, has been employed with Lahey Hitchcock for 11 years. She holds a master's degree in medical care administration from Tulane University, and is active with more than 12 healthcare management and service organizations throughout eastern Mass.

## Charlestown CYO T-Ball Registration

The Charlestown CYO T-Ball and Wack-A-Ball League will be holding registrations on Saturdays, Feb. 17 and 24 and March 2, 9 and 16, from 8 a.m. to noon at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

The registration fee is \$10 per child. The T-Ball Division is for 6, 7 and 8-year-olds, and the Wack-A-Ball Division is for 4

and 5-year-olds.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer as a coach, there will be a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Parish Hall.

For further information, call Paul Buckley at 242-3944 or Joan Smith at 242-0700.

## Black History Month Celebrated At The Charlestown Navy Yard

Boston National Historical Park will celebrate Black History Month with free daily showings of the documentary film, "Proudly We Served: The Men of the USS Mason," at the Charlestown Navy Yard Visitor Information Center throughout the month of February.

Built and commissioned at the Charlestown Navy Yard in 1944, USS Mason was the first American warship to have a predominantly African-American crew. She and

her crew distinguished themselves numerous times during World War II while escorting convoys across the Atlantic. In 1995, the Boston National Historical Park created the first major exhibit on the USS Mason story.

The 55-minute film will be shown daily at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., with additional showings available upon request until 4 p.m. Showings are free of charge.

For further information, please call 242-5601.

## Cefalo Named To Honor Roll

Ariel Cefalo of Charlestown has been named to the honor roll for the second marking term at St. Mary's School in Winchester.

Ariel, a fourth grade student, is the daughter of Jill and Frederick Cefalo of Charlestown.

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# Birmingham Honored As LFC's 'Man Of The Year'

It was a celebration - good food, good fun, good friends.  
It was a time for reflection - 18 years of service to the mentally retarded and physically handicapped.

It was a time for recognition - to honor Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham for his service to The Life Focus Center (LFC) of Charlestown and its clients. The board and

staff of LFC chose to honor Birmingham by naming him their "Man of the Year."  
The Knights of Columbus Hall was filled with friends, on hand to wish the

LFC well as it continues to develop programs to meet the needs of the mentally retarded and physically handicapped as well as providing social and recreational outlets. They were

primarily in attendance to congratulate Birmingham as he received this honor and to thank him for caring.  
A delicious turkey dinner by Marty's Caterers was complimented by the

outstanding music of Fernando Argenti and company, and then it was on to the guests as they shared thoughts on LFC and the guest of honor. James W. Conway, banquet chair-  
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THE LIFE FOCUS CENTER (LFC) celebrated 18 years of service to the mentally retarded and physically handicapped of Charlestown and surrounding communities at a recent banquet held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The event was highlighted by the honoring of Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham as LFC's "Man of the Year" in recognition of his continuing support of the program. TOP ROW: At the left, Birmingham (center) receives a standing ovation. On the left is John D. Millerick, LFC executive director, and on the right is James W. Conway, banquet chairman and master of ceremonies . . . Second from left, Birmingham (right) addresses the gathering as Millerick and Conway look on . . . In the center, Millerick presents the guest of honor, Birmingham, to the audience . . . Second from right is Rep. Richard A. Voke,

House Majority Leader . . . On the right, Conway congratulates Birmingham. SECOND ROW: On the left, Mayor Thomas M. Menino brings his greetings . . . Second from left is Boston City Councillor At-Large Francis "Mickey" Roache . . . Second from right, a citation from the Boston City Council is presented to Birmingham (left) by District One Boston City Councillor Diane Modica and Boston City Council President James Kelly . . . On the right, Birmingham greets Sissy Ahern (left) and June Reilly (right). THIRD ROW: On the left, Millerick presents an engraving of the Mass. State House to Birmingham which was designed and executed by Tom Gorsuch . . . Second from left, Birmingham greets LFC Board Member Richard "Dickie" Sexton as LFC staff mem-

ber Linda Andrade and Voke look on . . . Second from right are (l. to r.) Kevin O'Halloran, LFC deputy director; Birmingham; and June Reilly, LFC board chairman . . . At the top right is Tom Cunha, president, Bunker Hill Council No. 62, Knights of Columbus Building Association . . . At the bottom right, Birmingham displays his gift as Millerick looks on. BOTTOM ROW: On the left (l. to r.), John P. "Jake" Comer, Past National Commander of The American Legion, Voke and Judith Brennan, clerk magistrate of the Essex County Juvenile Court . . . In the center, Conway with Mon O'Shea, acting president, Bunker Hill Community College . . . At the right, Birmingham is congratulated by Mike Cummings of The Flatley Company.  
(photos by Kathy Whitehouse)

## HEAVEN'S VERY SPECIAL CHILD

A meeting was held quite far from earth  
"It's time again for another birth,"  
  
Said the Angels to the Lord above,  
This special child will need much love.  
  
His progress may seem very slow  
Accomplishments he may not show  
  
And he'll require extra care  
From the folks he meets way down there.

He may not run or laugh or play  
His thoughts may seem quite far away  
  
In many ways he won't adapt  
And he'll be known as handicapped.  
  
So let's be careful where he's sent  
We want his life to be content  
  
Please, Lord, find the parents who  
Will do a special job for You.

They will not realize right away  
The leading role they're asked to play  
  
But with this child sent from above  
Comes stronger faith and richer love.  
  
And soon they'll know the privilege given  
In caring for this gift from heaven  
  
Their precious charge so meek and mild  
Is heaven's very special child.  
(Author Unknown)



## Birmingham Honored As LFC's 'Man Of The Year'

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man, served as master of ceremonies.

In his invocation, Rev. Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, praised Birmingham and spoke of the blessings that have been received from the activities of the LFC staff, administration, volunteers and parents, noting "all of us have been touched by the labor of love extended to God's special people."

The Boston City Council was represented by its president, James Kelly, At-Large Councillor Francis "Mickey" Roache and District One Councillor Diane J. Modica. Roache related a personal story of his cousin who is retarded, and the "great work of LFC." Kelly and Modica both praised LFC and congratulated Birmingham, presenting him with a citation.

Mayor Thomas M. Menino thanked "Jack [Millerick] and the rest of the staff at LFC for the job you do for God's special children." He referred to Birmingham as being "part of compassionate government," adding that "we have to have people who think about statistics," but "you need people like Tom Birmingham to step up to the plate to help." Menino also praised Bunker Hill Council No. 62, K. of C. for its service to this community.

Mon O'Shea, acting president of Bunker Hill Community College, congratulated Birmingham from the college. He stated that it was "fitting that LFC honor Birmingham," a caring person who "has the right values and whose decisions will reflect these values."

A welcome was extended by LFC Executive Director John D. "Jack" Millerick. He reflected on himself and Birmingham coming from the same generation - "the generation that went to college . . . which was something beyond the dreams of their parents who sent them there - parents who worked

with their hands in the 40's and 50's to build what has become known as 'the middle class.' . . . This generation, called the baby boomers, is supposed to be the best educated and the most affluent generation in American history."

Millerick went on to say that a portion of this generation has turned away from corporate America to "creating a better society." He said that Birmingham was chosen as LFC's "Man of the Year" last July, long before there was even a rumor that he would be President of the Senate. He noted that Birmingham is "going to do an enormous amount of good in the position that he now holds."

It was Birmingham and his able staff, said Millerick, who worked cooperatively with LFC "to make our prototype program for high quality early childhood education at Bunker Hill Community College a reality. His selection for the honor was "based on his unique approach and very real ability to hammer through things . . . with the intellect and ability to address the very problems of our internal society . . . He is a man who has earned respect."

Millerick then presented Birmingham with an engraving of the State House created by local artist Tom Gorsuch.

Birmingham, in expressing his thanks for the award, stated that he was "truly honored and humbled . . . it is truly meaningful to me." He noted that some of the honors given to him are more in his "institutional capacity" rather than in his "personal capacity" and this particular award was "a great honor."

He, as did Millerick, spoke about the "American dream." "Hard-working people work with their hands to achieve a middle class standard of living, to buy a house, send the kids to college and look forward to retire with dignity. Birmingham went on to say

that the "dream is becoming a dream only in the worse sense of an untenable fantasy."

Birmingham told the gathering that "another element of our American tradition is that of caring for one another, and this is becoming lost in this era." He spoke of "community spirit - caring for one another and for the most needy amongst us - as having been the hallmark of what makes Charlestown such a unique community."

Calling the people of LFC "shining lights" for the opportunities they have afforded the youngsters and adults who are their clients, Birmingham stated that "it is absolutely impossible for us to put a dollar value on what it is worth to give a human being a sense of dignity, a sense of self-worth, a sense of being a participant in society." He praised the leadership and

creativity of Millerick, especially in breaking down barriers and prejudices. He also spoke of the efforts of Kevin O'Halloran, LFC deputy director, and Conway for contributing to the community.

Birmingham called LFC "a family" with himself "a distant relation" and told of his pride in the honor, following his colleague Rep. Richard A. Voke, House Majority Leader, who was the recipient of the first LFC "Man of the Year"

award.

Voke reflected on his receiving the award as "a night I'll never forget because it meant so very much to me that you would accept me into your family of friends." He spoke of Cardinal Cushing who would visit St. Coletta's School and work with "God's special children" whenever he felt he needed to be rejuvenated.

Voke called Birmingham a "unique guy . . . someone who has convic-

tions . . . someone who feels deeply about his views . . . someone who is willing to work for them and really willing to be there for the working person and, in particular, for children."

He concluded by stating: "I think you have made a wonderful choice here tonight. Tom is someone I enjoy working with, someone I consider a friend and someone who'll be serving you in the district in the future for many years to come."

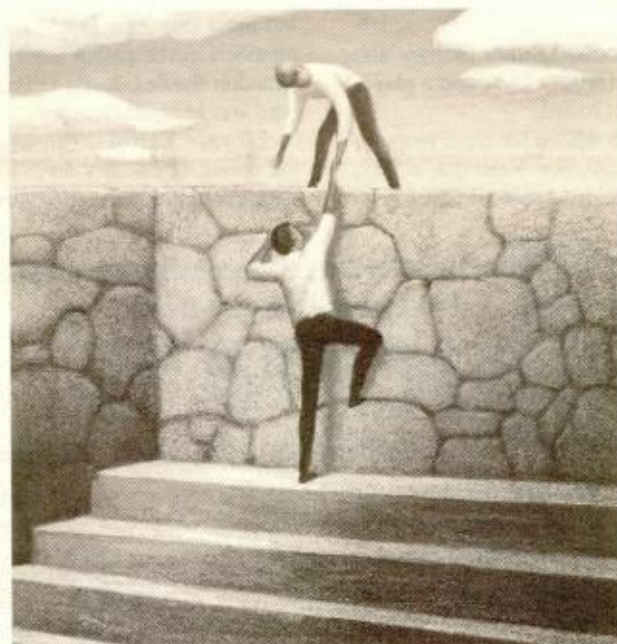


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## ♦ GAMES ROOM

**Second Annual Beach Party** - Thanks to everyone who made our second annual Beach Party a great success! Close to 100 kids stopped in to enjoy the sun and sand! Special thanks to Luz Ruiz, Nicole Lunt, Madeline Bonilla, Zack Brennan, Anthony Sorrentino, Kristen Moulton and Elisha Vasquez for volunteering!

**Torch Club Members** - The sleepover will be held tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 9 through Saturday, Feb. 10. See Mark or Damaris for a permission slip today if you plan to attend!

**Valentine's Party** - There will be a Valentine's Party on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 5 p.m. in the Games Room for ages 6-13. Stop by for Valentine card making, cookie decorating, games, snacks and more!

## ♦ PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**Girls Basketball** - After losing a tough game to Roxbury, the girls bounced back with a 24-16 win over Newton.

**Boys 15 & Under Basketball** - The boys 15 & under team is now 1-2 after a huge win against Lynn. After being down 18 points, David Bryson nailed a three-pointer with 30 seconds to go to give Charlestown the lead, and Mike Kelly's free throws with five seconds left sealed the game.

**Boys 12 & Under Basketball** - The boys 12 & under basketball team lost a tough game to Lowell. Their record is now 0-1.

**Boys 13 & Under Ball Hockey Champs** - The boys 13 & under ball hockey team has won the championship and their record stands at 13-0. Team members include Billy Burrill, David Bryson, Timmy Brennan, Mike Wilkins, Thai Tu, Joe Roche, Sean Noonan, Ryan Connolly, John Grzelczyk, Mike Kelley, Derek Garceau, Joe Wilkins and Pat Kelley.

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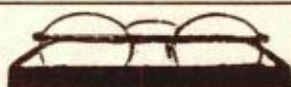
**Chess Club** - On Jan. 31, the Chess Club held its second tournament to determine who will advance into the tournament versus the Somerville Library. This time, 12 members took part, with Jack Doherty capturing the championship. Tommy Dyer was the runner-up, so he will be one of the players who will go to Somerville.

The 12 players who took part in the tournament were: Tommy Dyer, Ryan Allen, Zara Doyle, Xamara Saez, Patrick Arroyo, Andrew Southern, Derek Garceau, Jason Bernard, Jack Doherty, Stephanie Saccardo, Aaron Munde and Chris Connors.

The four players in the Somerville Library tourney are: Jack Doherty, Andrew Southern, Tommy Dyer and a player who will be determined in the next round.

**Poetry Club** - The Poetry Club will be having a party on Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 4 to 5 p.m. for Valentine's Day. Poetry Club members are: Zara Doyle, Ashley Foley, Chris-

## From Jerry's Desk...



### BOYS CLUB REUNION

On Jan. 20 the club hosted its eighth annual Boys Club Reunion. Each year our alumni gather to share stories from the old days and to honor one of their own. This year the recipient of the Gold Lifetime Membership Card in recognition of his contributions to the club and community was Jack Whelan. Jack was "eulogized" by Phil Carr whom the comedian found to be a difficult act to follow. Thanks, Jack, for all you've done for the club and for all the help I know you'll continue to give us.

The Boys Club Reunion is always a great time and along with the Annual Gift Drive is an important fund raiser for the club. If you or anyone you know is not on

our mailing list and you think they would like to know about this reunion we hold each year, please call me at the club and we will put them on our mailing list. We are particularly interested in alumni that have moved out of state and whom we have lost track of.

### GOODBYE KENNY!

We lost a great staff person this past week when the FleetCenter decided to hire our very own Teen Center Director, Kenny Giordano, to drive their zamboni! Kenny has worked with Charlestown's youth for many years, both at the club and the Community Center, and he will be greatly missed by both his peers and the young people he served. Good Luck Kenny! I'll miss all of our wonderful hockey talk!

tine Burke, Lyndsey Ferreira and Jacquelyn Croon. There is still room to join.

**Valentine's Day Party** - The tutoring program will host a Valentine's Day Party on Feb. 13 and 14 from 4 to 8 p.m. each day. There will be activities and refreshments.

**No Tutoring During Vacation** - There will be no tutoring the week of school vacation unless special arrangements are made.

**February Focus** - The focus for the month of February will be Current Events. We are also having an Invention Convention with the judging to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 27. Please sign up with Christine.

**Human Body Month** - As part of "The Human Body Month," the library also conducted an endurance and speed test with 13 members participating. The persons who could open and close the clothespin the most were Zara Doyle, Chris McGrath and Madeline Bonilla with 87 "snaps." The person who could open and close their hand the fastest was Nicholas McGrath with 74 "hand gestures." The persons who could raise the book the most with their right hand was Ladonna Phipps, Jennifer Buckley and Chris McGrath; and with their left hand was Zara Doyle and Chris McGrath again. Other members participating were: Steve Awbrey, Kristi Hayes, Brandon Swales, Justin DiFrummolo, Jeff Curry, Jason Bernard and Michael Buckley.

**Library Extra!** - The winners of the reading contest for the month of January are: Jon Paul Awbrey and Stephenie Saccardo - 17 books; and runner-up Jack Flaherty - 15 books.

Other readers included: Ashley Foley, Ryan Allen, Christine Burke, Jillyan Flaherty, Lyndsey Ferreira, Derek Bourgeois and Tommy Dyer.

### ♦ TEEN CENTER NEWS

**Maureen O'Mara** - Don't forget to stop by and say hello to Maureen O'Mara on Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 6 to 9 p.m.

**Financial Aid Forms** - Be sure to talk to Jenny if you need help with your financial aid forms or if you want an application for the Francine Adams Scholarship.

### ♦ EDUCATION

**Computer Classes** - Sign ups for computer classes will be tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 9, starting at 3 p.m. in the computer room. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Come and learn all about the Internet! Talk to Richard Hodgson.

**Science Room** - The Science Room is up and running again. It will be open on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Sign ups for classes will be tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 9, and Tuesday, Feb. 13. Welcome to our new science instructors David Vizcaino and Nikimya Ligon.

**Piano Recital** - Don't miss the piano recital on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the music room.

**Ballet Classes** - Call Christine Mahan to sign up for ballet classes, or talk to Jenny or Adrienne.

**Art & Photography Show** - If you missed the 1996 Art & Photography Show, you can still come and see the amazing work at the front desk and in the third floor conference room.

**April Talent Show** - Talk to Jenny if you would like to be part of a special act for the April Talent Show.

## Gammon Participates In BU Alternative Break Program

While many of her classmates were sunning in the tropics, Kriste Gammon of Charlestown, was among 21 Boston University students who spent the last week of their winter vacations volunteering in Florida City, Fla., as part of the university's Alternative Break Program.

Through Alternative Break, which is organized by the university's Community Service Center, students traveled to Florida

City to help build affordable housing for hurricane victims. Gammon and her team volunteered at a site that will eventually hold six homes. They spent five days leveling dirt and soil, and digging trenches that will support the structure of each house.

Gammon, a junior majoring in psychology, is a resident of Constellation Wharf. She is a 1993 graduate of Holliston High School.

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## MWRA Looking At Sites For Sewer Project

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tions. The facilities are designed to handle the overflow of home and business sanitary sewage and storm-water runoffs during wet weather. Currently, combined sewage and rainwater back up and flow into the Boston Harbor. The facilities will reduce harbor pollution by treating the sewer's "floatable materials" to Charlestown's Mystic River and Little Mystic Channel.

According to Cupiak, approximately \$2 million of an estimated \$370-million Combined Sewer Overflow project will be spent in Charlestown by 2008. Every Boston neighborhood will be affected by the program, Cupiak said, helping to relieve the city's more-than 100-year-old single-pipe sewers.

Charlestown's facilities will likely include screens, disinfection and dechlorination equipment and dewatering pumps. The MWRA is studying seven sites on either side of the Tobin Bridge, from the Barry Playground to inside the Navy Yard, and six in the area of the Schrafft Center and Bunker Hill Street.

Cupiak said the areas being studied over the last six months were ranked based on each site's potential for neighborhood impacts, including engineering, environmental, community and economic concerns. Three of the seven sites evaluated near the Tobin Bridge and two of the six studied near the Schrafft Center were identified as "more favorable" than others.

"We identified the top sites as those we will continue to look at," Cupiak said, "but that doesn't eliminate any of the sites completely."

Near the Tobin Bridge, the top four sites considered to have fewer impacts are the William J. Barry Playground on Medford Street, a vacant lot on Massport property under the bridge, a vacant 2.25-acre site accessed from Fifth and 16th streets in the Navy Yard and a second vacant lot accessible from 16th and Chelsea streets.

Near the Schrafft Center, the two more-favorable sites are a vacant lot along Charles and Main streets with a parking lot behind the former Bunker Hill School, and a partially vacant industrial site on

Medford Street.

The facilities would require at least a half acre to house the building and provide a buffer area. The buildings would sit atop the overflow pipe treating floatables with chlorine and the chlorine with sodium bisulfate. Cupiak said that little would happen outside of the structures, with flows contained inside, except for trucks similar to garbage trucks coming in to pick up screenings after wet storms and delivery trucks with the treating solutions.

According to Cupiak, odors and leaks would be contained inside the fenced, alarmed and locked buildings. The facilities would probably be used approximately 15 to 20 days during the year, depending on the number and size of storms.

No sites have been officially selected, however, residents at the Jan. 30 meeting commented on their concerns about how environmentally safe the facilities would be, that certain places, such as parks, will be off-limits, that MWRA compensate Charlestown for the impacts and that the buildings add architecturally to the neigh-

borhood.

Cupiak said the project is in the earliest stages. The MWRA filed its "Interim Assessment of Facility Siting" report to the Mass. Environmental Protection Agency last month. Further site evaluation would include public review through October, with final recommendations for the particular sites to come in April 1997. Design would be ongoing until construction, expected near 2005, Cupiak said.

Hundreds of Charlestown property owners who could be affected by the project were notified in writing. Cupiak said that questions about future plans for property and whether an owner would consider selling are standard practice in order to identify all possible constraints surrounding particular sites the MWRA might consider for the facilities.

Ongoing community meetings will be scheduled for residents to ask questions and make comments. Committee Chairperson Judy Brennan said she will arrange an April meeting to receive answers from the MWRA on residents' current concerns.



### Healthy Charlestown Coalition 15 Green Street • 241-3756

#### COALITION MEETING

The Healthy Charlestown Coalition meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 20 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Kennedy Center's Drop-In Resource Center, BHA Administration Building, 55 Bunker Hill St. This is an open meeting and all are welcome.

#### GED TUTORING FOR TEENS

The Education/Career Options Design Team will begin a tutoring program for teenagers who are interested in acquiring their GED. The program, which began on Feb. 6, is intended to encourage teenagers who do not have a realistic chance of obtaining their high school diploma, and to set goals for their future. The class will meet every Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club. Any teenagers who would be better served in a high school program will be referred to the appropriate program. If you are interested or know of any teenager that may be interested in learning more about this new opportunity, please contact the coalition office at 241-3756.

The next meeting of the Education and Career Options Team will be on Thursday, Feb. 15 at noon in the Boys & Girls Club Conference Room. At this meeting we will discuss the progress of the GED Tutoring Program and present some ideas on how to further address attendance problems in the high school aged population.

#### TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION PROJECT

The next meeting to discuss the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Project will be held on Monday, Feb. 12 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Kennedy Center. At this meeting, we will review the input teenagers have given us in terms of the survey which we will use to measure the effects of sex education on teen decision making. The teenagers, who are members of the Boys & Girls Club Teen Discussion Group, will also give us input into the topics which they feel will generate the most appropriate discussion around teenage decision making. The teen discussion group meets every Tuesday in the Teen Center at 7 p.m.

#### VIOLENCE PREVENTION DESIGN TEAM

The Violence Prevention Design Team has been surveying residents on issues of safety. This interview process has been helpful in assisting the team to determine where to concentrate their program efforts. The survey process will end on Feb. 28 and the team will use the information to develop a game plan for the spring and summer months.

Any local organization or individual who lives or works in the Charlestown community that would like to become involved with the coalition, contact Danny Ryan at the coalition office at 241-3756.

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# BOB D'S BEAT

BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



◆ **Andy Puopolo Basketball** ... The Andy Puopolo 17 & under team had its best game of the season on Sunday, defeating the Southie Boys & Girls Club. This weekend the second place Andy Puopolo Club will take on the first place Dan Marr Club in a 2 p.m. game. Players should be ready to go by 1:15 p.m.

◆ **Bruins Wives Carnival** ... Thanks to our Boston Police Area A Youth Officer Teddy Boyle, I was able to take a number of Charlestown young people to the Bruins Wives Carnival at the FleetCenter. Among those attending were: Marc Russell, Paul Hennessey, Brian Dole, Richie Sullivan, Mike Sweeney, Andrew Brennan, Sean Dacey and Chris Dacey. The event benefitted the Cam Neely Foundation. Once again, Officer Ted has come up big for our young people.

◆ **Bunker Hill Cup** ... In round two of the Bunker Hill Cup Ball Hockey Tournament, the Boys & Girls Club (2-0) stunned Tidbits in an overtime shootout, and Tidbits (2-1) did the same to Newtown (1-1). The Poole Club (1-1) pushed Freddy's Flintstones (0-2) to the brink, and Linnane's Lemons (0-1) are waiting in the wings.

◆ **Charlestown High-Lights** ... It was a good week for the hoopsters! The ladies defeated Latin Academy 64-62 in overtime and Brighton 56-50. The Boston Herald placed star junior guard Nicole Matson on their weekly honor roll list. Nicole had 45 points versus Latin Academy and 31 points versus Brighton.

The boys updated their record to 11-1 overall and 6-1 in

Boston North League play easily defeating Brighton, and tipping Latin Academy 79-72. Scott Clark and Anthony Walker continue to be among the league leaders, and Scott is one of the top 10 scorers in the state.

On the ice, Charlestown shutout West Roxbury 5-0. Charlestown goals were scored by Tim Warren, Willie Hutchins, Joe Tallent, Paul Hennessey and Ricky Evers. Ricky is also one of the league scoring leaders.

Charlestown also has a fine swim program under the direction of Coach Anna Leonard. Members of the team are: Claudi Paul, Melissa Korvich, Kim Leonard, Greg Bellegarde, Jen Brown, JoJo Lau, Miguel Espita, Estuardo Pinto, Tuan Nguen, Mike Dias, Amin Vargas, Soraya Linares, Peter Gabbard, Tomayo Manzillo, Yarrelli Alvarez, Kelly Moses, Rafael Inchaustegui, Eaine Lau and Pauline Coleman.

Charlestown athletes JoJo Lau and Ronnette McFarland also took part in the National Female in Sports Day held at Boston University.

◆ **High School Notebook** ... Boston Latin hoopsters continue to improve their second place status in the Dual County League with a 9-3 record, and a 12-4 overall record. Townie-Club kid Nick Smith is a key reason why the Wolf Pack is back in hoop.

Andrew Ray gave me a call during the week updating us on the Cape Cod Tech Hoop Program, which is atop the Mayflower (small) League at 13-0. Andrew has become an excellent playmaker, and he is looking forward to the big Feb. 13 game at Avon, and the up-and-coming state tourna-

ment.

◆ **College Board** ... Looking for a big game? Tonight, Thursday, Feb. 8, Corey Gallagher and Bentley square off in "The Game" versus archrival Stonehill. Bentley, ranked Number 4 nationally, is 19-1, and their only loss has been to Number 7 ranked Stonehill.

◆ **Tip of the Cap** ... The men and women, past and present, who have directed Charlestown Youth Hockey have done a great deal to make CYHA one of the best programs in the state, and bring quality events to the rink. Now, more than ever, they continue to keep the '96 program going under tough conditions, and for this, we should all say "Thank you" for a job well done!

◆ **PAL Tournament** ... The first annual Police Athletic League (PAL) 14 & under Basketball Presidents Day Tournament will take place at the PAL gym in South Boston on Monday, Feb. 19. Interested coaches should call tournament director John Lyden or PAL Executive Director Billy Stoddard at 635-4505 for details. The entry deadline is Saturday, Feb. 10, and the entry fee is \$50 per team. I have rosters.

◆ **Tidbits** ...

Birthday best to Angelique Kane ... Dede Arroyo, good to see you back at school ... If you see Dave Evers, ask him where his basketball game went ... Jen Ray, who is Tony? ... Good luck to Steve Linnane on his boxing match on Tuesday evening in Lowell.

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• **Membership Drive** - Just a reminder that membership week at the Community Center will be from Feb. 20-24 and applications will be available at that time. Anyone using the facility must be a paid member of the Center. For rates and additional information, call the Center at 635-5169.

• **Mayor's Youth Service Awards** - On Feb. 5, Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Boston Community Centers, under the direction of Carolyn Shannon, hosted teens from across the city at the third annual Mayor's Youth Service Awards Dinner. The awards dinner, which was held at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, recognizes

youth for their leadership abilities and their commitment to their communities. The Charlestown recipients of this honor were Aileen Gorman and Monique Matarazzo. The Community Center would like to congratulate these young ladies on this achievement.

• **Charles Playhouse** - Last Tuesday evening the Teen Connection took a trip to the Charles Playhouse to see a performance of the popular show, "Blue Man Group." As well as being part of the audience, the kids also worked as ushers at the theater for that evening's production. A good time was had by all.

• **Family Fun Night** - Last Friday night the Center hosted the monthly Family

Fun Night. Over 45 children attended and were treated to a night of arts and crafts, gym activities, a movie and refreshments. Thanks to Anthony, Andrea and Mimi for a job well done. Thank you also to the parents who attended with the children. Watch the Patriot for the date of the March Family Fun Night.

• **Scheduling Note** - Due to home games of the Charlestown High School girls' basketball team and the Bunker Hill Community College men's team, there will be NO gym time tonight, Thursday, Feb. 8. However, the pool and the weight room will be open. Thank you for your cooperation.

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## CYO &amp; ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

BY FATHER RON COYNE

▲ **CYO Basketball** - We are nearing the end of the regular season in our CYO Basketball League. We are proud of all our young people who represent Charlestown on our five teams. This week's schedule includes: Sunday, Feb. 11 - Bantam Boys vs. Sacred Heart at 1 p.m.; Cadet Girls vs. St. Agatha at 2 p.m.; Cadet Boys vs. St. Margaret at 3 p.m. (all of these games will be played at the club); and Bantam Girls vs. St. Margaret at 6:10 p.m. at UMass.

▲ **CYO Ice Hockey** - This week's games are Sunday, Feb. 11 at 9 p.m. at the Revere MDC Rink and Saturday, Feb. 17 at noon at Milton.

▲ **St. Catherine's Color Guards** - Our girls are continuing to thrill audiences every weekend as they compete in the Eastern Mass. Color Guard Circuit. Our next competition will take place on Saturday, Feb. 10 at Westwood High School, and Saturday, Feb. 17 at BC High School, both beginning at 5 p.m. Please reserve Saturday, March 23 and join us to support our young ladies as we host the contest at Charlestown High School at 5 p.m.

▲ **CYO Day Ski Trip** - On Sunday, Feb. 18, we will sponsor a day ski trip for any boy or girl in grades 5 through high school, with the bus leaving at 5:30 a.m. This trip is organized through the Youth Enrichment Services (YES). The cost is \$35 each which includes ski rental, all day lift ticket, lesson and transportation. Any-

one who wishes to go on this trip must go to a fitting for skis on Wednesday, Feb. 14 with the bus leaving St. Catherine's at 4:30 p.m. They must have a permission slip filled out and brought to the fitting. If interested, please leave \$35 at the rectory and pick up your permission slip.

▲ **Vacation Roller Skating** - Reserve Friday, Feb. 23 from 10 a.m. to noon for a roller skating party at Rollerworld in Saugus. All children and teenagers from public and parochial schools, are welcome. Parents are encouraged to join us. The cost is \$5 per person which includes transportation, admission and skate rental. Tickets are on sale at the rectory.

▲ **Charlestown Catholic Family Feud Winners** - As part of Catholic Schools Week, the students in grades 6 through 8, competed in teams of five in the School Family Feud. We are grateful to all the boys and girls who played on our teams and generated a wonderful spirit among themselves. Special appreciation to our team captains: Christine Biggins, Jessica Brassil, Lauren Brennan, Richie Burns, Ryan Getchell, Joe Marchesi, Sean Noonan, Laurie Prince and Chris Schievink. Our three top teams were: Third place - Captain Kathleen Lacey, Bridgette Chaisson, Kristie Donahue, Kristen Rodriguez and Courtney Wrenn; Second place - Captain Joe Wilkins, Ryan Connolly, Phil O'Neil, Joe Roche and Mike Wilkins; and First place - Captain Paul Woods, Danny Devlin, Ryan Godfrey, John Lillis and Steve Regan.

▲ **Adult Family Feud** - On Friday, March 1, we invite all Charlestown residents to join us for a night of "friendly" competition among "families" in an Adult Family Feud. Anyone interested in entering a team can call Father Coyne at 242-1750 or Mary Rizzo at 242-1076. The cost is \$50 per team and there must be five on a team, including the captain. The games begin at 7 p.m. and team members are asked to be present by 6:30 p.m. We invite all families and friends to join us in the audience. There will be a cash bar. We can accept 12-16 teams, so please call as soon as possible.

▲ **Snow Tubing Trip** - We had such a great time last week in Amesbury, that we are going to go snow tubing again on Wednesday night, March 6 at the Amesbury Sports Park. All students in grades 5 through 8 and above, public and parochial, are invited to join us. A bus will leave St. Catherine's at 3 p.m. and return about 8:30 p.m. We will be sledding from 4 to 7:30 p.m. The cost is only \$8 per person, which includes transportation. Our numbers will be limited and no names will be taken without the \$8 fee. You may sign up at the rectory. They make their own snow and expect to be open through the end of March.

▲ **Atlantic City Trip** - A trip to Atlantic City is set for Wednesday through Friday, April 24-26 for two nights at the Trump Plaza on the Boardwalk. Call Sandra Aldrich at 242-9612 for reservations and more information.

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• **Acting Class** - Acting class will resume on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. and will be taught by Patrice Melanson. This class is open to ages 7 and up. Because of previous attendance problems, we are asking for a refundable deposit of \$15. This fee will be returned at the end of the eight-week session, however, \$5 will be subtracted for each unexcused absence. As always, this refundable fee will be waived for committed students who may have financial concerns. Please call the theater to reserve a class placement.

• **Dance Class** - A new class, "Dancing Through the Decades," taught by "Annie!" choreographer Laurie Marchese, will focus on dancing styles especially designed for theatrical presentation and will range in styles from the 1920s through the 1990s. This class, for ages 7 and up, will be held on Saturdays. There will be a non-refundable class fee of \$25 per student for each six-week session and there is a family cap of \$75. Scholarships will be available.

• **Audition Notice** - Laurie Marchese has begun her own theater company, Class Act Productions. She will be holding auditions for "Nunsense" at the theater this Saturday, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m. For information and to schedule an audition, call Laurie at 388-0046.

• **The Wizard of Oz** - CWT Players will hold auditions for a Young Adult/Children's versions of "The Wizard of Oz," directed by Patrice Melanson. Auditions will be held during the week of Feb. 20-24. You must call the theater to schedule an audition time! Auditions are open to all young people ages 7-17.

On Saturday, Feb. 17, general workshops for auditions will be held starting at 1 p.m. Each workshop will last one hour and will hold 15 participants each.

Patrice has also scheduled audition workshops on Sunday, Feb. 18 for the following parts: 11 a.m. to noon - Workshop/Dorothy; noon to 1 p.m. - Workshop/Glinda; 12:40 p.m. to 1 p.m. - Workshop/Gloria; 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. - Workshop/Tin Man and Lion; 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. - Workshop/Scarecrow; and 3 to 4 p.m. - Workshop/Three Wicked Witches.

You must reserve a workshop space for Saturday and Sunday by Wednesday, Feb. 14, and an audition time by Monday, Feb. 19. If you would like an audition package, please call the theater by Feb. 10.

We hope this will be another great show, and we look forward to meeting all our young auditioners. Break a leg! Of course, we always need those important behind-the-scenes workers, so if you're interested in the following, please give us a call: student director, assistant to the choreographer, assistant to the musical director, student stage manager, prop manager and stage crew.

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

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



## Thank You

Thank you everyone for my surprise birthday party. It was so wonderful to see all my relatives and friends. A special thank you to my daughter, Charlotte.

Sincerely,  
Dot Stewart

## Thank You

Dear Dunny Cup Committee,

My name is Mark Hanscom and I go to Charlestown Catholic Elementary School. I am in the 3rd grade. I got a \$500 scholarship from your committee which made me very happy and my family happy.

I would like to thank you for this award. I would like to thank Linda Donovan, Gregg Nolan and Paula Wrenn for giving out my award.

Thank you,  
Mark Hanscom

## Thank You, One And All!

Dear Gloria,

On behalf of the Newtown Christmas Stroll Committee, I would like to thank EVERYONE who so generously gave of their time, effort and donations.

Unfortunately, Terry Ring had to be rushed to the hospital the day before and had to miss the stroll. But, thanks to her son Danny (a chip off the old block), who jumped in and did a tremendous job keeping things going in the manner in which Terry would have, had she been there.

Finally, you Gloria and the Patriot Staff, for your continuous support and help, a hearty thanks to all.

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It's fine to accept the recommendations of friends and business associates for the selection of a professional, but keep in mind that the individual making the referral may have a significantly different problem from yours.

If you have an on-going need for an accountant, spend some time interviewing one to determine if he or she has the background which best suits your needs. Call for an appointment and request a "no charge" conference to become acquainted. This first meeting should determine the suitability of the accountant for your business and financial affairs.

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## Charlestown Catholic Celebrates Catholic Schools Week



**Catholic Schools: Schools You Can Believe In:** You can believe in Catholic education in Charlestown. You can believe in Charlestown Catholic Elementary School. Over the past week, all involved in Charlestown Catholic have celebrated Catholic Schools Week with a variety of academic, spiritual and social activities.

**Teacher Appreciation:** At an opening prayer service, all teachers and students prayed that they would be able to bring peace into the lives of one another. Each teacher received a carnation, a special "Thank you" for days and years of dedication. Later, teachers and staff enjoyed breakfast prepared by eighth grade students. Other eighth graders and a few parents taught the classes.

**Student Appreciation:** On Tuesday, stu-

dents in grades kindergarten through 5 enjoyed games in the hall. Forty parents conducted these games and the children received many prizes.

**Open House:** Parents enjoyed a range of activities in the classrooms. "The Diary of Anne Frank," performed by grade 8 was a special success. In other classes, parents heard songs and poems, learned science and social studies, participated in math bingo, enjoyed reading and phonics lessons. Following a pizza lunch, grades 6 through 8 enjoyed Family Feud with 12 teams competing.

**Mass and Celebration:** On Thursday, the entire student body circled the lower church, singing with reverence and joy, "We Are One Body," the song sung by the youth

of the world when Pope John Paul came to Denver last year. Later in the Mass, all joined in singing "I Will Walk With You Jesus."

The Charlestown Catholic Awards for Spirit and Cooperation were presented to two students in each classroom. The recipients were students who exemplify cooperation and enthusiasm in their school work and all school activities. The awards were given in memory of Geraldine McGowan Burns, with donations made by her friends. The recipients were: grade 8 - Aileen Gorman and Corie Hollien; grade 7 - Roselyn Boyle and Michael Travis; grade 6 - Christen Rodriguez and Michelle Dagle; grade 5 - Ashley Smith, Christine Copithorn and Caitlin Durette; grade 4A - Brittany Wilkins and Dennis Devlin; grade 4B - Andrew Shea and Erin Rus-

sell; grade 3A - Kathleen Eddy and Annelise Hanlon; grade 3B - Taylor Murphy and Shawn Doherty; grade 2A - Brent Getchell and Kristin Connolly; grade 2B - Brittany Lacey and Erin Walsh; grade 1A Casey Durham and Brendan Watson; and grade 1B - Sean Anthony and Megan Daniels.

Teachers attended a Professional Day on Friday. Dr. Brooks, the speaker, highlighted the importance of developing self-esteem in a challenging and humorous presentation.

Over the past weekend, students in grades 6 through 8 served as lectors at all the Masses. This culminating Catholic Schools Week activity reminds us that the reason for Catholic education is to develop young men and women who strive to spread the Gospel message of Jesus by their words and actions.



CHARLESTOWN CATHOLIC Elementary School students celebrated Catholic Schools Week with a variety of activities. TOP ROW: At the left, Mrs. Michele Yandle applies face paint to Jill Connolly . . . Second from left, eighth grader Aileen Gorman prepares breakfast for the teachers . . . Second from right, Prayer Partners Stephanie

Saccardo, grade 4, shares milk and munchkins after Mass with Brittany Murphy, grade 1 . . . On the right, first graders Keri McGuire and John Castrucci sing for their parents. BOTTOM ROW: On the left is the first place winners in the Family Feud, Stephen Regan, Ryan Godfrey, Paul Woods, Danny Devlin and John Lillis with Father

Ron Coyne . . . In the center are the Feud second place winners Joseph Roche, Joseph Wilkins, Michael Wilkins, Philip O'Neil and Ryan Connolly with Father Coyne . . . At the right are the Feud third place winners Kristie Donahue, Bridgette Chaisson, Courtney Wrenn, Kathleen Lacey and Christen Rodriguez with Father Coyne.

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### Charlestown Gym Hockey News

There were no players of the week last week because all of the games were cancelled due to the weather.

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gize to anyone who didn't get notified of the cancellation of last Saturday's games. I do not have everyone's phone number.

- Debbie Lent

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### Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "The Wizard," a tale in which a mouse asks a wizard to change him into something else . . . learn about your favorite animals from the zoo in "Zoo Animals of Our Storybook"

. . . and while dreaming, Ana travels to a tropical rain forest in "Ana and the Rain Forest."

Meet some of the most unusual creatures in the world in "Animal Oddities." It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are *The Great Kapok Tree* by Lynne Cherry and *At The Zoo* by Douglas Florian.



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## NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARDS RECIPIENTS

The Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Committee, sponsored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, will hold its sixth annual Community Appreciation Awards Banquet on Saturday, April 27 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. After a very successful event last year, the committee is hoping that the community will once again respond to a call for nominations in the seven award categories.

The purpose of the awards ceremony is to recognize those who have helped enrich the quality of life in Charlestown, but have done so in such an unassuming manner that their deeds have gone unheralded and, in most cases, unknown to the general population. Seven award categories have been established to encompass all aspects of the community. Residents, non-residents, businesspersons and employees are urged to take the time to nominate a person, business or organization deserving of recognition.

Persons, businesses and organizations that have previously received recognition for their deeds and members of the committee and the Neighborhood Council are not eligible to receive an award.

Award recipients will be chosen by the committee from nominations received from the community. Persons who sent nominations in the past are requested to resubmit their choices for these awards. If potential recipients would be eligible for consideration in more than one category, submit an entry for each award. The number of entries received does not make that candidate more eligible for consideration. Rather, the quality and description of the good deeds performed, improve chances of being selected.

### AWARD CATEGORIES

- **Youth** – A Charlestown resident who is 18 years of age or younger as of Jan. 1, 1996 whose deeds have gone unheralded.
- **Elderly** – A Charlestown resident who is 55 years of age or older as of Jan. 1, 1996 whose deeds have gone unheralded.
- **Organization** – An incorporated non-profit, Charlestown-based group that primarily serves Charlestown and whose goals are geared toward the betterment of the community.
- **Business** – A Charlestown-based business that supports and enhances the quality of life in the Charlestown community.
- **Public Servant** – A person who performs service within his/her job capacity, but goes beyond that job description in service to the betterment of the Charlestown community. (Example: an employee of the federal, state, county, city or an authority/government agency or community agency who may or may not be a resident of Charlestown.)
- **New Resident** – A person who has taken up residency in Charlestown within the last 10 years and whose deeds have contributed to the quality of Charlestown life.
- **Unsung Hero** – A Charlestown resident whose deed/deeds were performed within the community and have gone publicly unheralded. These deeds cannot be performed as part of his/her job performance. There is no age restriction for this recipient. The deed/deeds would result in the enhancement of the quality of life in Charlestown.

All nominations should be sent to:

Community Appreciation Awards Committee  
P. O. Box 397  
Charlestown, Mass. 02129

Deadline for the submission of nominations is Friday, March 22 at 5 p.m. All nominations must be signed and include a telephone number for confirmation purposes.

### COMMUNITY APPRECIATION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Award Category: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Length of Residency (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of Business/Employment (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
Reason for Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Use separate piece of paper if necessary

Name of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bryson Appointed ARTS/Boston's Board Chairman

ARTS/Boston, Greater Boston's audience development organization, has announced the appointment of David C. Bryson as chairman of the organization's board of directors.

Bryson joined the ARTS/Boston Board of Directors in 1987 and was appointed vice president/secretary in 1990. In 1994, he co-chaired the committee to devise and implement a five-year long-range plan as part of the National Endowment for the Arts Advancement Grant which directly resulted in a major grant of \$50,000.

Bryson has also been an invaluable member of ARTS/Boston's executive committee, which oversees the organization's finances



DAVID C. BRYSON

and operations.

"I believe deeply in the role that the arts play in our lives and in the ARTS/Boston mission and programs," commented Bryson. "I am extremely delighted to lead ARTS/Boston and look forward to working with the outstanding staff and our 'working' board of directors and associates. ARTS/Boston


plays a critical role in the arts community today, and the board is determined to support programs that serve over 150 arts organizations in and around Boston," Bryson continued.

"Of particular interest to me, as the parent of four children in Boston's public schools, is the opportunity to continue to grow our Tomorrow's Audiences program, which is geared toward introducing the arts to underserved youth," he concluded.

Bryson is currently assistant general counsel in the law office at Bank of Boston, one of the top 20 banks in the United States. At Bank of Boston, he is responsible for the management of legal affairs for personal banking, technol-


ogy and operations businesses. An active community member, Bryson is currently involved with a number of civic and not-for-profit organizations, including United Way, the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children on the Boston Board of Directors, Dimock Community Health Center as a volunteer attorney, and the Boston Bar Association. Bryson is also a coach for Charlestown Youth Hockey.

A 1974 graduate of St. Anselm College, a 1977 graduate of Suffolk University Law School, and a native of Windsor, Conn., Bryson resides in Charlestown with his wife Kathy and their children David, Emily, Will and Charlie.



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