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Former Commanding Officers Question Safety In Sailing 'Old Ironsides'

FOUR FORMER Commanding Officers of USS CONSTITUTION held a press conference on Pier 1 in the Charlestown Navy Yard, adjacent to the 200-year-old ship, on April 14 where they presented their extensive research outlining the dangers of sailing or towing the ship on open seas. At the microphone is CDR. Robert L. Gillen, USN (ret.). Shown (l. to r.) are former commanding officers Victor Stevens Jr., Herman Sudholtz and Hugh Moore.



Sober House And New Hotel Plans Brought To The CNC

by Amy Chardavoyne
The monthly meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council was held on April 6 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. In attendance were Chairman Peter Looney, Vice Chairman Tom Cunha, Secretary Jim Mansfield, Treasurer Jim Conway, Marty O'Brien, John Dillon, David Whelan, Peg Bradley, Ken Stone, Tony Troiano, Kate McDonough, Don Haska, Edna Kelly, Jim Allwood,

Richard McCarthy, Bill McCabe, Bill Galvin, Dan Ryan and Judy Brennan. Jim Travers, Tom Howard and Jim Sweeney presented an update on the status of the proposed Sober House to the council. Travers started the presentation by providing a brief overview of how the project has evolved. He noted that Father Ron Coyne started this process over four years ago. Since that time, the

committee has secured \$150,000 from Mass. General Hospital's Community Benefits Program to dedicate to a Sober House in the community. After receiving the initial funding monies, the committee has investigated other Sober Houses in and around the Boston area and has developed a strong working relationship with the Gavin House located in South Boston. (continued on page 6)

Lt. Mike Quinn, USMC, Remembered At Annual Scholarship Dinner



FRIENDS AND FAMILY of Lt. Michael P. Quinn, USMC, who was killed in action on Aug. 29, 1969 in Vietnam, remembered him at the scholarship dinner-dance held on April 4 at the Knights of Columbus hall. Honored at this event was the recipient of the 28th annual scholarship awarded in Quinn's name, Brendan J. Sullivan, a graduate of Boston Latin School who is now attending Stonehill College. Members of the Quinn Scholarship Committee presented an award to Sullivan at the dinner. Shown front row (l. to r.) William Koelsch, trustee; Ronan FitzPatrick, treasurer; Sullivan; Chris O'Brien and John Tibbetts, both trustees. Back row (l. to r.) Thomas White, Thomas Morrissey, Edward Johnson, Mike Powers and Edward Doherty, all trustees.

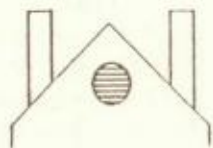
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The excitement generated by the sailing of USS Constitution under her own power last July 21 for the first time in 116 years has brought about invitations from Maine to New York to have this grand ship take part in various celebrations. This speculation has led to extensive research by former commanding officers of the ship whose first and foremost concern is the safety of this 200-year-old icon.

In order to bring these serious concerns to the attention of the public, four former commanding officers brought their questions and vast information on the ship to a press conference. (continued on page 7)

Charlestown Residents Invited To Sign Up For Special 'Old Ironsides' Turnaround

Have you ever stood on Pier 1 in the Charlestown Navy Yard on the morning of July 4 and watched the guests board USS Constitution for a journey out into the harbor on the two-century old ship and wish you could be aboard?

If you are a Charlestown resident and registered voter, you have an opportunity to enter a lottery for an invitation for you and

a guest to board "Old Ironsides" for a special Salute to Charlestown turnaround cruise on Saturday morning, June 13. This voyage will kick-off the official celebration commemorating the 223rd anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Commander Christopher Melhuish, USN, commanding officer of USS Constitution, has arranged

this special turnaround in conjunction with the Bunker Hill Day Parade and Commemorative Committee to thank Charlestown residents for the support and care they have given this historic ship over the years it has been here.

Melhuish invites residents to sign a special form and have their names placed in the Salute to Charlestown lottery with registration taking place at the Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St., (corner of Chestnut Street) from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, April 23, and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on

Saturday, April 25. To apply, the person must be a Charlestown registered voter. Persons who are not registered should do so at the Election Department at Boston City Hall and bring the certificate of registration with them to the Legion Hall. The winners will be drawn by Melhuish at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning, May 9 at the Administrative Office of the USS Constitution in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Winners will receive a non-transferable invitation by mail to participate on the special cruise. All guests must be at least 10 years of age.

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SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS

Monday

• 2 to 5 p.m. - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. **Note: Office hours will not be held on Monday, April 20, due to the holiday.**

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

Monday And Friday

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

Tuesday

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

Thursday

• 9:30 to 11 a.m. - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866

Friday

• 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

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, April 16

• 5:30 p.m. - CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) meeting - Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.

• 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on proposed development by Annette Tecce at Rutherford Avenue and Prescott Street - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. (please note change of date and time)

• 7:30 p.m. - "Changing Charlestown" with photographer Erik Anderson - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, April 17

• 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Program "City of Boston HomeWorks Program" with Anita Christon - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• 8 p.m. - DJ & Karaoke Night to benefit the Daughters of Isabella No.

Thursday, April 23

• 10 a.m. to noon - USS Constitution Powder Monkey Scavenger Hunt - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• 5 to 7:30 p.m. - Sign up for special USS Constitution cruise for Charlestown residents on June 13 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Friday, April 24

• 6 to 9 p.m. - Mayor Debbie Lang's "Sock Hop" for children 3-12 - St. John's Church, 27 Devens St.

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

Saturday, April 25

• 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Charlestown Lions Club Flea Market - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• 9 a.m. to noon - Spring Clean-up of the City Square area, sponsored by the Friends of City Square Park - meet at the corner of Chelsea and Warren streets

• 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. - CYO Yard Sale - outside St. Catherine's Church and in Hayes Square

• 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Sign up for special USS Constitution cruise for

Saturday, May 2

• 5:30 p.m. - Artists Exhibit and Reception, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - Preble Room, Building 5, Charlestown Navy Yard (exhibit continues until May 16)

Monday, May 4

• 5 to 9 p.m. - An Evening at the Commandant's House, historic house and garden tour, sponsored by the Mass. Bay Council of Navy League - Charlestown Navy Yard

Friday, May 8

• 7 p.m. - Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Annual Reunion - Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville

Saturday, May 9

• 10 a.m. - Bunker Hill Antiques Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - Bunker Hill Community College Field

Thursday, May 14

• 6 p.m. - Old Charlestown

1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
Saturday, April 18

• 10 a.m. - Charlestown Little League Senior League Tryouts - Ryan Field, Sullivan Square

Sunday, April 19

• 9 a.m. - Annual Firefighters Mass and Communion Breakfast - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Monday, April 20

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

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

• 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee meeting, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Tuesday, April 21

• 10 a.m. - Rep. Eugene O'Fla-

herty Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• 10 a.m. to noon - USS Constitution Powder Monkey Scavenger Hunt - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

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

Wednesday, April 22

• 6 to 9 p.m. - "Family" Family Feud, hosted by the Charlestown Catholic Parent Board - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• 6:30 to 8 p.m. - St. Catherine's Color Guard Exhibition - Charlestown Community Centers, 255 Medford St.

• 6:30 p.m. - Charlestown T-Ball/Wack-A-Ball coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers meeting - St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St.

upcoming events

Charlestown residents on June 13 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

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

• noon to 3:30 p.m. - Meat Raffle to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West school St.

• 2 p.m. - Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee meeting - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Sunday, April 26

• Following 11 a.m. Mass - Spring Extravaganza Raffle - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• 12:30 p.m. - Annual Charlestown Little League Parade - starting from Hayes Square to Ryan Field at Sullivan Square

• 2 to 4 p.m. - "Circle of Song Chorus" by Sea Revels - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• 3 p.m. - CHarlestown Against Murder Program (CHAMP) Candlelight Vigil - St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square

Monday, April 27

• 5:30 to 9 p.m. - Charlestown

Preservation Society Reception and unveiling of Commandant's House - leaving from the USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• 6:30 p.m. - ESL Conversation Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• 7 p.m. - An Evening of Songs of Victorian America & Boston with Anabel Graetz and Deborah Goss - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Tuesday, April 28

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

• 2:30 p.m. - City Councillor Paul Scapicchio Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Committee of the Whole meeting on the future of City Hall Plaza - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Wednesday, April 29

• 3 p.m. - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. Social - St. Francis de Sales Convent, 325 Bunker Hill St.

plan ahead

Schoolboys Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• 7:30 p.m. - Lynda Meyer performing "Abigail Adams: Remember The Ladies, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Saturday, May 16

• 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Charlestown Lions Club Annual Breakfast - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• 10 a.m. - Historic House & Garden Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - beginning at the School House, 30 Monument Square (for information, call 242-4235)

Thursday, May 28

• 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Lions Club

Eyemobile screening services - Bunker Hill Mall Parking Lot

• 1 to 7 p.m. - Health Awareness Day, sponsored by the MGH* Charlestown HealthCare Center - Johnnie's Foodmaster, Bunker Hill Mall

Friday, June 5

• 8 p.m. - Charlestown Rose of Tralee Contest, sponsored by the Charlestown Rose Contest Committee - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, June 14

• 12:30 p.m. - Annual Bunker Hill Day Parade - through Charlestown

Thursday, Oct. 15

• 7 p.m. - Annual Auction to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, Oct. 23

• 7 p.m. - Life Focus Center of Charlestown 20th Anniversary Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Charlestown Teen Named To Aviation/Transportation Expo '98 Committee

Kalidia Reyes, 15, a resident of Charlestown and a sophomore at Charlestown High School, is one of several Greater Boston students selected to serve with representatives from the Massachusetts Port Authority, the Federal Aviation Administration, United Airlines and MassPEP to help coordinate the fifth annual Aviation/Transportation Education Expo '98, at Logan Airport on Wednesday, May 16.

The event, "Exploring the Possibilities," is geared toward providing valuable information to high school and college students on career opportunities available in the aviation and transportation industry. The first expo was held in May 1994 with 750 students participating. Since then, the event has grown considerably with over 3,000 students attending the 1997 expo.

"Having students like Kalidia Reyes working with this committee is



KALIDIA REYES of Charlestown is shown with Kevin A. Lyles, career specialist at Charlestown High School. Reyes is one of several students selected to serve on this year's Expo '98 event committee.

important because it helps us learn first hand what students need to know," Massport Executive Director and CEO Peter Blute said. "The aviation and transportation industry offers a wide-range of career opportunities. Expo '98 will provide valuable information to the thousands of students

who may want to pursue careers in these fields."

Reyes thinks the expo is a great idea. "I'm happy to be one of the students selected to have a direct input on Expo '98," she said. "It's nice to see that all these agencies involved are concerned and willing to help open doors to the job

market in the aviation and transportation fields, for all students."

Over 75 hands-on activities and information booths representing various aspects of the transportation community will provide the backdrop for this dynamic education experience. In addition, the array of static aircraft which includes military, general and commercial has been expanded for this year's expo.

Also serving on the committee is Alvaro Membreno, 16, a sophomore at Charlestown High School.

The expo, a part of Massport's Concerned Minority Employees Program, will include presentations by the FAA, Raytheon, Boeing, Hamilton Standard, United Airlines, General Electric, WRKO Radio, Federal Express, Mass. Aviation Space Education Council, Alpha Education Resources, military representative from the Army, National Guards, Marines and Air Force and others.

USS Constitution Museum Offers Powder Monkey Scavenger Hunt

The USS Constitution Museum in the Charlestown Navy Yard is looking for fleet-footed, quick-witted kids ages 6 and up to become USS Constitution powder monkeys on Tuesday, April 21 and Thursday, April 23, from 10 a.m. to noon on both days.

Powder monkey candidates will scour the USS Constitution Museum and the Charlestown Navy Yard, tracking down fun facts about Old Ironsides. Young swabbies who complete the USS Constitution

Scavenger Hunt will receive a Powder Monkey Certificate from the captain of the 1812 Marine Detachment and Federal Period currency redeemable at the Museum Store for a special gift.

The Powder Monkey Scavenger Hunt is open to children ages 6 and up, accompanied by an adult. The Scavenger Hunt and admission to the USS Constitution Museum are free of charge.

Powder Monkeys were boys ranging in age from

10 to 14 years old who served aboard Constitution. During the battle, they risked life and limb supplying gun powder from the ship's magazine to the gun crews.

Since they were small and agile, they made tough targets for enemy sharpshooters, and they could quickly run up and down between decks, earning the nickname, "powder monkey."

For more information, call the museum at 426-1812.

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Charlestown Residents In Production of 'Carousel'

The Colonial Chorus Players of Reading will present the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical hit *Carousel* at the Volpe Transportation System Center, 55 Broadway (Kendall Square), Cambridge, on Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18, at 8 p.m. with open seating and free parking; and at Reading High School on Saturday and Sunday, April 24 and 25 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, April 26 at 2 p.m. where all seats are reserved and there is free parking.

The time is 1873. The place, a small-fishing village on the rocky New England coastline. Billy Bigelow (Michael Margolis), the handsome and swaggering barker for Mrs. Mullin's (June Wulff) carousel in the local amusement park, meets Julie Jordan (Diana Doyle), a lovely young girl working at a nearby mill, when Julie and her friend, Carrie Piperidge (Johanna Perri), come to the carousel. Billy and Julie fall in love and are soon married.

Everyone, it seems, is against this union. The townspeople caution Julie, and Billy is warned and



TIM DINEEN and CAMILLE DONATO

even threatened by his boss, Mrs. Mullin, who is jealously in love with him. Because of the marriage, Billy loses his job. Thereupon he becomes sullen and difficult, raging bitterly and bullying his wife until Julie quietly informs him that he is about to become a father.

Desperately anxious to provide for the coming child, Billy is persuaded by Jigger Craigin (Tim Dineen), a shiftless sailor, to take part in a hold-up. The robbery attempt is thwarted, Jigger escapes, but Billy

is caught by Mr. Bascombe (Richard Powers), the would-be victim, who vows to hand him over to the police with the prospect of a long prison term. Cornered, disgraced and terrified for Julie and their unborn child, Billy kills himself. Julie arrives on the scene, upon her return from the clambake, and cradles Billy as he dies.

Fifteen years pass. Carrie marries Enoch Snow (Rod Chandler) and has nine children. In heaven, the 15 years are only 15 minutes. Billy is escorted by a

Heavenly Friend (Lorraine Dennis), to the backyard of heaven. Here he meets the Starkeeper (Tom Smith Sr.), who informs him that he will not get into heaven until he redeems himself. After some argument, Billy is given a chance. He is allowed to return to earth for one day, during which he must perform one good deed. Afforded a glimpse of Louise (Marla Pascucci), his lonely and unhappy 15-year-old daughter, Billy steals a star to give to her at their first meeting.

How does it turn out? You'll have to come and see the show!

Carousel is produced by Tom Coffin, directed by David Daley, music directed by Ron Cavicchio, choreographed by Mary Ryan and stage-managed by Jerry Barrett.

Clarence R. Edwards Middle School teacher Camille Donato, local attorney Tim Dineen and Charlestown resident Jerry Barrett, are involved with the production.

Tickets are \$12 (\$10 for seniors and students) and are available by calling Diane at 781-245-3140.



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

♣ **Question Of The Week . . .** Why isn't Reading 101 required before the Registry issues driver's licenses? Basics should include how to read a street cleaning sign . . . the meaning of "Yield to Pedestrians on Turns" . . . and the single word "STOP" - particularly at the intersection of Austin and Main streets!

♣ **Word Has It . . .** that the construction going on at the Bunker Hill Mall is the resurfacing of the parking lot . . . part of an ongoing maintenance program.

♣ **Happenings Around The Town . . .** this week include "Changing Charlestown," with new pictures from the collection of longtime Charlestown resident and photographer, Erik Anderson. He will take you back to a Charlestown that many of us are already beginning to forget. The program, which is free and open to the public, will be held tonight, **Thursday, April 16th**, at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. at 7:30 p.m. . . . The Daughters of Isabella No. 1 will host a DJ and Karaoke Night at the Knights of Columbus Hall on **Friday, April 17th**, beginning at 8 p.m. . . . **Sunday, April 19th** at 9 a.m., is the annual Firefighters Mass and Communion Breakfast at St. Francis de Sales Church . . . on **Wednesday, April 22nd**, St. Catherine's Color Guards will host an exhibition of their talents at the Charlestown Community Centers, 255 Medford St., starting at 6:30 p.m. . . . and also on **Wednesday, April 22nd**, the Charlestown Catholic Parent Board will host a "Family" Family Feud Contest from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Bishop Lawton Hall in St. Francis de Sales Church. If parents and their children and friends would like to participate, call Beth at 242-2997 - only a few openings are available.

♣ **It's Birthday Time This Week . . .** as Tricia Dunphy reaches the ripe old age of 18 and Courtney Whitehouse turns "Sweet 16" on April 16th . . . Clifton Agri will kick up his heels on April 21st, a date also shared by Tom Getherall . . . The very best of birthday wishes to all of you! . . . And, this week is the 105th birthday of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club . . . Congratulations!

♣ **Save The Date . . .** Representatives from the Central Artery/Tunnel project will be in Charlestown on Thursday, April 30 to update community residents and business persons on the Big Dig. The time is 7 p.m. and the spot is the K. of C. Hall . . . More details will follow.

♣ **Wedding Anniversary Wishes . . .** go out this week to Ellen and Russell Mondt, who will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary on April 21st . . . Congratulations - may you have many more!

♣ **The Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Committee . . .** thanks everyone for their support in assisting the committee's continuing efforts in helping Charlestown youth pursue their dreams of a college education . . . The raffle winners at the 29th annual dinner/dance on April 4th were: Joseph Ostiguy of Quincy - \$300; Robert DePauw of Marshfield - \$100 (which he donated to the scholarship fund); and Allen Praught of Dedham - \$75.

♣ **Lookin' Ahead To Summer . . .** Charlestown's senior citizens are invited to participate in the 12th annual Boston Community Center's Clambake cruise aboard the "Spirit of Boston" on July 23rd. The cruise, which costs \$30 per person, will be 1 1/2 hours long, include a full clambake meal and transportation to and from your neighborhood. To reserve your spot, contact Kaye Ryan, Boston Community Center's Senior Citizen Coordinator at 635-4920, ext. 2299.

♣ **It's That Time Again . . .** when "Paul Revere" makes his annual ride through town. Activities will begin Monday, April 20th at 9:30 a.m. with a flag raising ceremony on City Hall Plaza. Participants will march from there to Hanover Street in the North End at 9:45 a.m., and the enactment of Paul Revere's ride will commence at 10 a.m., passing through Charlestown shortly thereafter.

♣ **Running For Dana-Farber . . .** A Charlestown team will be running the Boston Marathon on April 20th, to benefit patients at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The team, all Charlestown residents, are: Monica Antezana, Matt Bergin, Marie Caulfield (team captain), Jonathan Choate, Diane Gora, Amy Kennedy and Lori Marchetti . . . So, if you're anywhere along the route, be sure to cheer them on. Way to go!

♣ **Thought For The Week . . .** Have faith in what you believe and don't give up on the future.

- Anonymous

Happy 16th Birthday
To My Role Model COURTNEY
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Best Wishes To . . .
PHYLLIS SENNA
as new chairperson of
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Joey & Stefanie
April 18, 1998
Love . . . Mom, Don & Family

An Evening Of Songs Of Victorian America And Boston

The Victorian era comes alive in an entertaining soiree featuring songs, recitations and dramatized descriptions of the period, including references to Charlestown's own 19th century history, reenacted in period costume.

On Monday, April 27 at 7 p.m., at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., revisit an era of incredible technological change,

of hardship and wealth, of women leading the foremost movements for social change through the unique a cappella arrangements of the exciting duo of Anabel Graetz and Deborah Goss, also known as "The Proper Ladies."

This program is free and open to the public.

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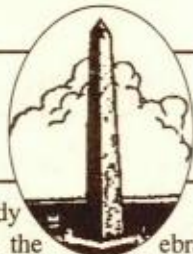
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★ **Community Office Hours** . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be not be holding office hours on Monday, April 20 due to the Patriot's Day holiday. Office hours will resume on Monday, April 27 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

★ **Neighborhood Council Meetings** . . .
Development Committee

Chairman Tom Cunha has called for a meeting of the Development Committee at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 16, at the Mary Colbert Apartments Community Room, 20 Devens St. This meeting will focus on the proposed development by Annette Tecce at 61-69 Rutherford Ave. and 25 Prescott St.

Committee Of The Whole

Chairman Peter Looney has called a meeting of the Committee of the Whole for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Ann Donner will make a presentation for the City Hall Trust on the future of City Hall Plaza.

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ **Celebrate Patriot's Day** . . . Mayor Thomas M. Menino will launch the Patriot's Day celebration in Boston on Monday, April 20 at 9 a.m. with a flag-raising ceremony on City Hall Plaza. The ceremony, which commemorates the famous midnight rides of Paul Revere and William Dawes that occurred 223 years ago on April 18, 1775, will continue at King's Chapel on Tremont Street where there will be memorial services at the grave of William Dawes. Further on at the Granary Burial Ground, a wreath will be laid at the grave of Paul Revere.

A parade will be held in the North End of Boston, starting at 9:15 a.m. The reenactment of Paul Revere's ride begins from the Paul Revere Mall on Hanover Street, in front of the Old North Church, at 10 a.m. This year, the rider is Trooper Eli Dow of the Mass. National Lancers. He will be escorted on his ride through Charlestown, Somerville, Medford, Arlington and Lexington by Lt. Darin Reale. The entourage usually travels along Main Street, Charlestown shortly after 10 a.m.

For more information on the celebration, call 635-3911.

★ **Charlestown Against Drugs** . . . Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will meet at 5:30 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 16 at the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St. All interested persons are welcome.

★ **Design Review Committee** . . . The Design Review Committee of the Charlestown Preservation Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 20 in the community room of the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Home owners with design issues may contact Ron Swenson at 242-9213 to be added to the agenda.

All interested persons are welcome.

★ **American Legion Meeting** . . . Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 20 at the Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

★ **Rep. O'Flaherty Office Hours** . . . Rep. Gene O'Flaherty will hold office hours at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21. Constituents who are unable to attend the office hours may call 722-2370 to make an appointment.

★ **Open House** . . . The staff of the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., invites all to an open house in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Boston Public Library. It will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 23.

★ **Mark Your Calendar** . . . The year 2000 starts in 20 months! While you're at it, pencil in a few other dates.

Boston 2000 is hosting a series of public meetings to help plan how Boston will officially mark the year 2000. The possibilities range from major projects that will benefit the city for years to come, to special events and celebrations throughout 2000. Working groups of community leaders are considering proposals in several categories. The charettes are your opportunity to hear about and comment on what's being considered. All meetings are at 7 p.m.:

- Thursday, April 16 - "Arts and Culture" at the Beacon Center for the Arts, Cyclorama, 539 Tremont St.
- Tuesday, April 21 - "History, Tourism, Sports and Recreation" at the Boston Athenaeum, 10 1/2 Beacon St.
- Monday, April 27 - "Community Building" at Tremont Temple, 82 Tremont St.
- Wednesday, April 29 - "Healthcare and

Biotechnology" at Brigham & Women's Hospital, Bornstein Amphitheater, 75 Francis St.

• Thursday, April 30 - "Education" at Boston University, Photonics Center, 8 St. Mary's St.

For more information, call 635-3342 ext. 461.

★ **Spring Clean-up** . . . The Friends of City Square Park will be holding a Spring Clean-up of the City Square area between 9 a.m. and noon on Saturday, April 25. Plans are to fertilize the street trees, sweep the sidewalks and pick-up litter.

Participants are asked to meet at the vent building at the corner of Warren and Chelsea streets and bring gardening tools if you have them.

In the event of rain, the clean-up will be held on Saturday, May 2.

★ **Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting** . . . The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 25 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. Persons willing to assist with the planning and fund raising for the June 14, 1998 parade are welcome.

★ **Smoking Cessation Groups** . . . MGH* Charlestown HealthCare Center at 73 High St. offers five-week programs to help you stop smoking. The sessions are held in the second floor conference room.

A morning group will start on Tuesday, April 28 and runs from 10 to 11 a.m.

A Wednesday night session from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. begins on April 29.

The cost of the program is \$20, with \$10 refunded at the fifth session.

Please call 485-6210 to register.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings** . . . Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

Tuesday, April 21 at 9:30 a.m.

• CCC Realty Trust, Donato Pizzuti, trustee (by Jeff Buckley) is seeking to change

the legal occupancy of 30-50 Terminal St. from storage, office space, light manufacturing and wholesale bakery to storage, office space, light manufacturing, wholesale bakery and restaurant, including take-out food. (BZC-19468)

Tuesday, April 28 at 11:30 a.m.

• Werner Bundschuh is seeking to change the legal occupancy of 11 Harvard St. from a one-family to a two-family dwelling. (BZC-19480)

For further information, call the board at 635-4775.

★ **Board of Appeal Decisions** . . . Two petitions on Charlestown properties were presented to the Board of Appeal on April 14.

Duncan A. Donahue asked permission to construct a roof-top bulkhead and roof deck on a four-unit apartment building at 22 Monument Square. Architect Tom Driscoll and Donahue made the presentation to the board.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, told the board that Donahue had met with abutters who were supportive of the plan.

City Councillors Peggy Davis-Mullen, Mickey Roache and Stephen Murphy asked the board to approve the petition.

The board approved the petition, subject to design review.

Also before the board was the petition of Cork Realty Trust seeking to erect a two-family dwelling at 51 Park St. Tom McNichols and Mike Moxley made the presentation to the board.

Evers told the board that the Mayor's Office was in favor of the proposal with pre-visors requests by the abutters and agreed upon by the developers.

City Councillors Davis-Mullen, Roache and Murphy asked the board to approve the petition as did Rick Shaklik of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. Abutter Peg Bradley supported the proposal with restrictions and abutter Richard Smith spoke in favor.

The board approved the plan with design review.

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Sober House And New Hotel Plans Brought To The CNC

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Travers stated that the committee, a registered non-profit organization, began to look at the real estate aspect of locating a Sober House in the community. It was concluded that it would be most practical to find vacant land to build a facility to accommodate 25 beds.

The vacant lot behind McCarthy's Liquor Store in Hayes Square proved to be the most viable option. For years, this land has been used for storage and has been otherwise vacant. The committee is in negotiations with the Boston Housing Authority, owner of the land, and the Bunker Hill Tenants Task Force has voted in favor of using the land for the purpose of a Sober House.

The committee aims to design a facility that is compatible with the area, landscaped and provides parking. According to Travers, they have spoken with Father James DiPerri, pastor of St. Catherine's Parish, and will attempt to provide some additional parking for the parish.

In addition, they have spoken with representatives from both the Kennedy Center's Head Start Program and from the Harvard-Kent School and both have agreed that siting a Sober House at the proposed location will not conflict with either program. Travers stressed that they would never compromise safety or jeopardize the efficiency of any existing facilities in the area.

Jim Sweeney, executive director of the Gavin House in South Boston and president of the Recovery Homes Collaborative, was next to speak. He provided a brief history of the Gavin House and its relationship with

the South Boston community.

The Gavin House was established in 1962 as a 30-bed recovery home and is licensed by the Department of Public Health. It is located 50 yards from the Tynan Community Center and has enjoyed a friendly and productive relationship with the center. The Gavin House also works closely with the Boston Police Department, specifically the commanding officer of District 6 and its community service officers. Sweeney assured the council that since 1962, there has never been an incident or a problem with the neighbors.

Before taking residence in the Gavin House, all potential residents are carefully screened and a criminal background check is conducted for every applicant. Anyone who has been implicated in such crimes as a sexual offense or arson will not be admitted. In addition to the many rules residents must abide by, each client is given a weekly substance screening. Anyone testing positive for any substance is immediately evicted.

This issue was assigned to the Development Committee and a public meeting will be scheduled to further discuss this matter.

The next presentation was delivered by Jim Lydon and Brian Callahan relative to the proposed hotel development by Summerfield Suites at Tudor Wharf, adjacent to the North Washington Street Bridge. Callahan informed those present that the proposal calls for a seven-floor, 175-room hotel geared toward a business clientele.

Lydon, the project manager for the hotel, assured the council that the developer wants

to design a building consistent with the historic character of the area. In addition, there will be many public amenities. Over 50 percent of the first floor would be open to public use and the developer is working with the MDC to continue the Harbor Walk encircling the building. A plaque honoring the fallen firefighter, Lt. Steve Minehan, would be dedicated at the site and meeting rooms on the first floor would be made available to community organizations free of charge.

The developer proposes to work with Bunker Hill Community College to assist the hospitality program and they are committed to advertising job opportunities in the Charlestown Patriot prior to general advertisement.

The developer has yet to secure parking for the hotel and many council members expressed great concern about the lack of a confirmed parking plan. Lydon assured council members that they are currently working on a parking plan. The Development Committee will hold a public meeting to discuss this matter further as soon as parking plans have been determined.

Beka Economopoulos of MASSPIRG addressed the council regarding pollution problems emanating from the Mystic Power Plant. The plant, owned and operated by Boston Edison, is a target for an air pollution campaign by MASSPIRG as it is one of several power plants that have been grandfathered in from existing clean air standards. As a result, these plants, as stated by MASSPIRG, are contributing to air pollution and the increase in respiratory problems and cancers associated with the

pollution.

MASSPIRG will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, April 29 at MGH Chelsea, to address this issue and is asking residents from affected areas, including Charlestown, to attend and support the campaign. The CNC voted to send a letter endorsing the campaign to Gov. Paul Cellucci. For more information, contact Beka at 292-4800.

Ivy St. John gave a brief update on proposed plans for the Urban Ring. The Urban Ring calls for a connected public transit system around the Greater Boston area. Apparently, discussions are focused on many different alternatives and Sullivan Square is involved in most of the options. Stay tuned for more information.

Judy Evers is coordinating a follow-up meeting to further discuss the issues surrounding LNG shipping and storage on the Mystic River. A specific date and time will be forthcoming.

The council also endorsed a letter to Boston Neighborhood Network (BNN) requesting the use of the cable access van for Bunker Hill Day Parade and Commemorative Exercises. It has been rumored that BNN will have a stringent policy regarding the use of the access van and the CNC wanted to ensure that it will be available for the Bunker Hill Day celebration events and that Charlestown gets its fair share of the use of the van during the year for local programming.

The next meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council will be Tuesday, May 5, at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

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WIC PROGRAM ADDS MORE EVENING HOURS

The Charlestown office of the Chelsea/Revere WIC Program at the MGH*Charlestown HealthCare Center is adding more evening hours beginning in May. The office will be open for appointments until 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of the month. The change in hours is hoped to accommodate more women who are working or going to school and cannot make it to daytime appointments. Many such families have been affected by welfare reform and may think they are not eligible for WIC when, in fact, they are.

WIC is the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children which is funded by the US Department of Agriculture and the Department of Public Health. WIC provides special food and nutrition counseling to pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children under 5. To be eligible, a person must have a low or moderate income.

People on the WIC program are seen by a nutritionist approximately every three months. Vouchers are then given which allow the participant to purchase nutritious food items such as infant formula, milk, juice, cereal, cheese, eggs, peanut butter and beans. Advice on issues such as breast feeding and how to feed a picky toddler can provide welcome support for a young family or a first time mother.

You can get information on the WIC program by calling the office at 724-8198. Since WIC is a program for low and middle income ranges, all pregnant women and newcomers to Charlestown with children under age 5 are encouraged to inquire.

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Former Commanding Officers Question Safety In Sailing 'Old Ironsides'

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ference on Pier 1 in the Charlestown Navy Yard, adjacent to "Old Ironsides."

CDR. Robert L. Gillen, USN (ret.), a Charlestown native and 59th in command, made the presentation. Joining Gillen in front of the cameras was Victor B. Stevens Jr., 50th in command; CDR. Hugh A. Moore, USN (ret.), 54th in command; and CDR. Herman O. Sudholz, USN (ret.), 60th in command.

Gillen told the gathering, "The sailing of *USS Constitution* on July 21, 1997 captured the hearts and souls of all Americans. Sailing under her own power for the first time in 116 years was a spectacular event that has generated a real demand for the magnificent ship to visit cities all over the United States. The problem with this concerns the structural integrity of this 200-year-old vessel.

"The recent rash of articles in newspapers and magazines has been fraught with erroneous information. This has generated much confusion regarding the benefits versus vulnerabilities of deploying *USS Constitution* to ports around the country. Before this matter gets completely out of hand, we, the former commanding officers (FOCOS), have asked you here today so we may explain why we have grave concerns about the future safety of Old Ironsides.

"In 1992, it was estimated that it would cost approximately \$64 million to perform a complete restoration of *USS Constitution* and if started right then, it would not have been completed for the bicentennial celebration in 1997. As a result, only those repairs which were absolutely necessary for *Constitution* to carry out her mission were to be completed between 1992 and 1996. All other repairs were to be postponed for a later overhaul. In 1992, the mission of *Constitution* was to conduct Turn-Around Cruises in the Boston Harbor. Therefore, the main restoration project everyone agreed to undertake was to eliminate the serious hogging condition that constituted a grave danger to the ship.

"Between 1992 and 1996, a total of \$12 million was expended. All of this money went to making the ship safe to sail within the Boston Harbor, or when ideal conditions existed, in Massachusetts Bay. The many other deficiencies were neither funded nor eliminated because in the 1992-1996 time period, there were no serious thoughts of having Old Ironsides operate in an open ocean environment. Regrettably, that view has changed.

"The Navy Department recently announced plans to take *USS Constitution* out of the protected waters of Massachusetts

Bay to visit the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine. This will put this 200-year old vessel into harms way and she is not ready for that. We do not understand why it is so important to send Old Ironsides into the open sea and thus put her in danger by exposing her to unnecessary risk.

"You may well ask, "what risk?" since there has been official statements that '*Constitution* has been restored to her original strength. The \$12 million restoration has made *Constitution* stronger than it ever was.' These statements and others like them are false. What thinking person really believes that a keel that has been bent out of shape and straightened and bent again, and straightened again and again, is as strong as it ever was?

"*Constitution's* hull is composed of three main elements. The outer or hull planking (7-inch white oak), which run horizontally; frames of live oak (frame dimensions vary depending on where they are located, but most are 7-inches deep and 12-inches wide) and run vertically; and the inner or ceiling planking (7-inch white oak) which runs horizontally on the inside of the ship.

"Every time a hull or ceiling plank is changed, a new drift pin is inserted into the same frame that was used by the previous pin. How many times can you drive a drift pin into a frame without weakening the frame? I do not know the answer to that, but I do know that some frames are peppered with holes that dowels have been driven into. How can these frames be 'stronger than they ever were?'

"The simple fact is that a lot of hype has been made about *Constitution's* structural integrity. Anyone who wants the true facts should ask the men and women who have worked on *Constitution* for years. Not one of the experienced craftsmen would say that the ship is stronger than ever. In fact, if they were free to speak without fear of any repercussions, they would probably reveal that they recommend against any open ocean operation, towing or sailing of *Constitution* in her present condition. Why? Without going into too much technical jargon, consider the following:

- The bow sections have serious problems that have been known about for years. It is one of the most vulnerable areas of the ship, yet only partial 'make-do' fixes have been made. Sailing in the open ocean, even in moderate seas, would cause great stress to this vulnerable area. Towing *Constitution* in the open ocean would be even worse as the towline would be putting a constant strain on this vulnerable area.

- Transom framing has not been fully exposed since 1927. Decay of these frames

at the spar deck area have been repaired because the area was easy to get to, but without major dismantling of this area, the condition of the framing below the spar deck can not and has not been ascertained.

- The ability of various hull planking, lodging knees and frames to withstand torque and stress of a working sea has not been determined.

"Eliminating these serious problems would have significantly increased the cost of restoration and taken several more years to complete. That would have prevented having the ship ready for her bicentennial birthday on Oct. 21, 1997. So the decision was made to postpone these critical repairs until a later overhaul. We agree fully with that decision because it enabled Old Ironsides to be ready for her bicentennial. What we find unsettling, however, is how in 1997 anyone could have said that this historic ship was just as strong as ever. It simply was not and is not. But how do we verify this?

"Tests can be run to determine how a ship handles in various weather conditions or how much ballast might be needed. That can be done, and done well, with models in certain tank testing. But no amount of model testing will determine, accurately, the structural integrity of *USS Constitution*. You must test the ship itself in a working sea under strictly controlled conditions to make this-determination.

"It should also noted that Howard A Chatterton Jr., naval architect and former director, Hydrodynamics Division, Naval Sea Systems Command, has commented on potential problems with sailing *Constitution*. In an article published in the Marine Technology Reporter, he noted that there are records of becalmed sailing ships exposed to a swell, rolling severely enough to snap their masts. Experiments conducted with a model of *Constitution* showed that combinations of sails did provide some damping effect, but not enough to alleviate the rolling.

"He went onto say that further testing will be done to investigate what motions could be encountered in exposed waters and the effects of those motions on the hull and spars. Those investigations are prerequisites to any decision regarding further sailing and/or towing activities. To my knowledge, none of these tests were completed prior to the announced deployment of *Constitution* outside of the protected waters of Massachusetts Bay.

"Even if there were no structural deficiencies, it would be extremely difficult to find experienced crewmen who, in an open ocean environment, could safely sail a

square-rigged ship that does not have any auxiliary power. This in no way is meant to detract from the superb job the crewmen did during the July 1997 sail. Rather it is a statement of fact.

"Capt. Dave Wood, USCG (ret.), former commander of USCG Barque Eagle, was hired as a sail consultant for *USS Constitution*. He addresses this issue in his final report. One of his comments indicated that, even if the requisite skill and experience could be developed, the degree of risk to both ship and personnel would increase exponentially with each incremental increase in the scope of the evolution. Clearly then, an increased tempo of operations to satisfy all the requests to visit other ports will be fraught with risk to *Constitution*.

"But why increase any risk? Some have said, 'O.K., to minimize the risk, we won't try to sail her, we will tow her to the harbor and then set sails and let her sail on her own.' This is most disconcerting because as mentioned earlier, open ocean towing of this vessel will put much more stress on her, particularly in the bow area, than sailing would. It is imperative to remember that any causality to this ship's hull would have immediate and catastrophic results.

"Without any watertight integrity, the likelihood of rapid, uncontrolled flooding is great, no matter how many pumps might be installed. This is not a thin-hulled metal ship where you can seal off a compartment or plug the leak from within. Because of the manner in which this ship is built, it is most unlikely that even the best damage control team would have any chance to react in time to save this historic vessel should catastrophic flooding occur.

"I must emphasize that these material deficiencies are not unknown. In fact, these and others are contained in the Section XI Part 1 of the *USS Constitution* Board of Inspection for 1997. That being the case, why in the world would anyone want to risk this national treasure? We simply do not know. Yet, plans are being made to take this 200-year-old vessel into the hazardous open ocean environment.

"For all the reasons outlined above, we must not let this happen until an objective evaluation of the ship's true condition can be made and a complete report sent to all concerned. After any major overhaul of navy ships, they are required to undergo a detailed and vigorous testing. This ensures ships are in sound condition and are in all respects materially ready and properly manned before being certified as 'Ready For Sea' (RFS). It is essential that this same procedure be followed in certifying *USS*

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With new pictures from his collection, Anderson will again take us back to a Charlestown that many are

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

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Constitution as being ready for open ocean operations.

"Let me add that this issue is not a parochial view about keeping Old Ironsides in Boston. It is about ensuring that the U.S. Navy continues to protect and preserve this gallant lady. The thoughts expressed are not just based on one person's opinion. A questionnaire was sent to all 17 living former commanding officers of *USS Constitution*. Fifteen have responded. Fourteen are opposed, most very adamantly opposed, to any open ocean operations, towing or sailing, until the known deficiencies are corrected and *Constitution* is certified as Ready for Sea. Only one former commanding officer thought it was safe to sail her up and down the coast as he did not consider that the open ocean.

"Let's remember this is not an average navy ship. Old Ironsides still belongs to all citizens and it is up to each of us to make sure she is protected for posterity.

"Actually, the ship is protected by Public Law 83-523. Because of this law, the U.S. Navy can not and should not treat *Constitution* as just another ship

Question Safety In Sailing 'Old Ironsides'



DIAGRAMS were utilized by former commanding officers of Old Ironsides to illustrate the conditions that they feel through their research could lead to a catastrophe for the historic vessel if she is sailed or towed on the open seas. Shown (l. to r.) are Victor Stevens, Herman Sudholz, Hugh Moore and Robert Gillen.

that they have ultimate authority to employ or deploy as they see fit. With so many new members of Congress, it may well be that not many of them appreciate fully, just how much authority over *USS Constitution* that the 83rd Congress ensured was retained by that body.

"It is our collective view that taking *USS Constitution* to sea is the wrong thing to do. Taking her to sea without first eliminating serious structural defi-

ciencies, all of which have been well documented, is tantamount to hazarding a vessel and must not be allowed to happen.

"I am sure I speak for all former commanding officers when I say our views are offered to ensure whatever decision is reached will be an informed decision. None of us want to see any harm come to what we all know is our nation's most cherished ship, nor do we want anybody to come to us

after a catastrophic event and ask 'Why didn't you warn us about this!'

"These are serious issues. To sit quietly by and not offer an informed opinion, based on our collective professional experience, would be tantamount to dereliction of duty.

"Our strong love for and attachment to this wonderful ship demands that we do all in our power to protect and defend the *USS Constitution*," concluded Gillen.

Get Your Raffle Tickets . . .

The Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library is sponsoring a raffle to coincide with their book sale on Saturday, May 16. The prizes include items and gift certificates from the following Charlestown area businesses: Olives restaurant (with reservations), The Red Wagon, Artisan Cafe, The 99 Restaurant, Edelweiss Patisserie, R. Wesley's, Duckworth Lane, Chow Thai Cafe, Warren Tavern, Constitution Museum Gift Shop, Charlene's Hair Salon, Tuttle Cleaners, Shear Delight, Ironside Cleaners, A Wild Flower and the Family Shoe Store.

Tickets may be purchased at the library on Saturday mornings until the day of the sale, or from any of the following friends:

Carl Zellner, Nancy Hughes, Nea Hoyt, Jane Richardson, Elizabeth Clifford, Katie Bigelow, Kathryn Downing, Alice Erikson, Bruce Garr, Georgette Maloof, Pat Simpson, Cheryl Stafford, Wendy Withington and Kristina Gallant. The tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Please call Nancy at 241-5217 or Kristina at 241-2920 for further information.

The book sale is always a major fundraising event and fun for all. Please set aside your donations during spring cleaning and bring them to the library, then come to the book sale in May and fill a shopping bag or two with new treasures for your reading, computing or listening pleasure.

Flynn Makes Walking Visit To Charlestown

Raymond L. Flynn, former Mayor of Boston and U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican, spent several hours last Wednesday walking and touring Charlestown with his wife, Kathy.

Flynn was videotaped

by the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), at the Bunker Hill Mall on the current situation in Northern Ireland. Flynn called for "peace and justice in a United Ireland and equal rights for Catholics in Northern Ireland."

The BBC Network called Boston the Irish capital of North America. Flynn talked to the BBC about the strong Irish-American community in Charlestown. "Charlestown has contributed significantly to the city of Boston and the United States in sports, education, business, religion and family life, to name just a few.

"The people of Charlestown are hardworking, family oriented and dedicated to their church and country," said Flynn to a

gathering of Charlestown residents on Main Street.

"I was honored to represent Charlestown as Mayor of Boston and as a member of the Boston City Council. As Mayor of Boston, I worked hard to ensure working families and the elderly were treated with the dignity and respect they earned and deserved. Nobody is speaking out or fighting for working families in Massachusetts. I hope to continue fighting for working families and the elderly," said Flynn.

Flynn fondly recalled many friends he has made throughout the years in Charlestown and the strong baseball, basketball and football teams he played against in high school and various athletic leagues.

(political statement)

Val Kilmer and Elisabeth Shue in *The Saint* on HBO

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Delta Dental Plan Of Mass. Seeks Local High School Candidates For College Scholarship Program

Delta Dental Plan of Mass. is looking for high school seniors from Charlestown who are interested in applying for the company's \$1,000 "Secretarial Scholarship" program.

The scholarship program was created seven years ago by the secretaries at Delta Dental. Instead of receiving flowers, candy and other token gifts for National Secretary's Day, they asked that the money be used to create a \$1,000 scholarship that would be given each year to a deserving high school student interested in pursuing a college degree.

Delta Dental recently located its corporate headquarters to Charlestown, and the scholarship will now be awarded each year to a local student as part of the company's commitment to

the community in which it operates.

The scholarship is open to any Charlestown resident high school senior, public or private school, who is planning to attend a four-year accredited college full-time and is ranked in the top 25 percent of their class.

Some of the criteria used to determine this year's award recipient includes: commitment to in-school and out-of-school activities, community service involvement, recommendation letters from school officials and grades.

"All of us here at Delta Dental feel that giving these student scholarships is more meaningful to us than any gift could possibly be," said Jasmine Hatzopoulos, who for many years served as the administrative assistant to Delta

Dental's president and now oversees some of the company's community outreach efforts. "We are especially excited to be offering this scholarship here in Charlestown for the first time. It's wonderful to be able to make a difference in a young person's life, especially in a community that you live and work in."

Interested students can receive an application by calling Jasmine at Delta Dental at 886-1011. The applications are also available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square.

All applications and supporting documentation must be received by May 6 in order to be eligible.

The scholarship recipient will be selected by the Social Consciousness Committee at Delta Dental.

The Junior League Of Boston Celebrates 90 Years Of Service



THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BOSTON, an organization dedicated to strengthening the community through the leadership of trained volunteers, commemorated its 90th year of service to the Greater Boston community with a special birthday celebration recently at Boston's Park Plaza Hotel. The event kicked off its Crescendo to 100 by announcing a series of celebratory events, beginning in October 1998. Crescendo events being planned include a lecture series, a community serve-a-thon, and a celebration with community leaders and collaborators. Pictured on the left is Lucile Hicks of Wayland, past president and former state senator, and on the right is Charlestown resident Petie Hilsinger, past president.

Charlestown Community Centers

255 Medford Street 635-5169

◆ **April Vacation Schedule** - Monday: Closed for the holiday; Tuesday: Roger Williams Park Zoo, Rhode Island; Wednesday: Hampton Beach; Thursday: Pirates Fun Park, Salisbury; Friday: Ryan Amusements and Putnam Pantry.
◆ **Summer Day Camp** - Applications are available at the Community Center Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Slots are filling up fast, so if you haven't already picked up your application, do so quickly! There are only

60 slots per session!

◆ **Rollerblade Hockey** - has begun down at the Kent for 6 to 12-year-olds. Come on down and sign up with Michelle. Games are played from 3 to 5 p.m. every Monday.

◆ **Mayor's Cup Rollerblade Hockey** - will be held on Saturday, May 16 down at The Neck. Applications can be picked up from Mimi. Deadline for applications is Tuesday, May 5.

Kennedy Center Accepting Applications For Teacher Aides

For the eighth year Massport will be assisting non-profit agencies in Charlestown with funding for summer positions for residents who are enrolled full-time in high school or college. Candidates who are selected will be inter-

viewed, selected and placed by Massport. After the selection, the candidates become the employee of the community-based agency and will receive their salary and supervision from that agency.

The Kennedy Center

has relied on this Massport funding to supplement the summer programs in its child care program and have again applied for several positions and will be accepting applications for part-time teacher aides today, Thursday, April 16, and tomorrow, Friday, April 17, from 1 to 4 p.m. The positions are from July 6 to Aug. 21, Monday through Friday. Morning positions are from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., afternoon positions are from 1 to 6 p.m.

If you are a full-time high school or college stu-

dent interested in early childhood development, please come to the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St., during scheduled hours for an interview and application. These positions are subject to budget approval by Massport. Additional summer jobs for Charlestown youth will be available through the ABCD Summerworks program and the city of Boston Red Shirts. Information on these jobs will be posted in the Patriot at a later date. Please, no phone calls.

Phan Named To Honor Roll

Tung Phan, a resident of Charlestown, was named to the honor roll for the third term at John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science.

Phan is a cadet in the school's Navy Junior ROTC, one of the largest units in the country. It is a consistent Naval Honor Unit winner.

Phan received honorable mention.



CADET TUNG PHAN

Scholarship Applications Available

MICHAEL P. QUINN SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being accepted for the 1998 Michael Patrick Quinn Scholarship, which will be for \$3,000 for the recipient's first year of college only. To be eligible, you must be a Charlestown resident for the past four years and graduate with your high school class of 1998. The application deadline is **May 1**.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, or by calling 242-5493 or 242-5445.

OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLGIRLS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association Scholarship applications are available to a girl from Charlestown who will be entering her sophomore, junior or senior year at a four-year college or university. The scholarship, which is in the amount of \$500, is given annually as a gift from James Duffy in memory of his wife, Winifred. The name of the young woman is drawn at random on the night of the reunion.

The applications may be picked up at the Charlestown Patriot office at One Thompson Square. The deadline for returning the completed application is **May 4**.

DELTA DENTAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are available for a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to a Charlestown resident high school senior planning to attend a four-year accredited college on a full-time basis. The student must be in the top 25 percent of his or her class.

Applications are at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square or may be obtained by contacting Jasmine at Delta Dental, telephone 886-1011.

Completed applications must be returned by **May 6** to Delta Dental Plan of Mass., 465 Medford St., Charlestown.

HOPELINE Opens April 21

Mayor Thomas M. Menino has announced the opening of the 1998 HOPELINE (635-HOPE), the summer job line for Boston youngsters ages 14 through 17.

"This year we hope to have more kids working than ever," Menino said. "We want to make the summer of 1998 a summer of opportunity for Boston's teenagers."

The HOPELINE is the **only** way for teens to apply for jobs through the Boston Youth Clean-up Corps, or "Red Shirts." In addition, all Community Based Organizations, or CBO sites must call the HOPELINE to register.

The schedule for the 1998 HOPELINE is:

Tuesday through Friday, April 21-24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Monday through Friday, April 27-May 1, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, May 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Applicants for the summer jobs must call the HOPELINE personally with the following information ready: name, complete address, mailing address (if different), telephone number and Social Security number.

Please note that applicants must have a Social Security number to be considered, and that the program is open to **city of Boston residents only**. Also, keep in mind that the HOPELINE works on a first-come, first-served basis, so call right away! If chosen, applicants will be notified by mail and told when and where to report for processing and placement.

Eighth Annual Community Appreciation Awards Banquet

Friday, April 24, 7 p.m.

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Lt. Michael P. Quinn Remembered At Annual Scholarship Dinner-Dance



Sullivan Honored At Quinn Scholarship Banquet

For the past 29 years, family members and friends of Lt. Michael P. Quinn, USMC, have put aside a special evening to remember Mike, who was killed in action in Vietnam in August of 1969, and to honor a Quinn Scholar who is annually awarded a scholarship in Mike's name to pursue his or her education.

This year's honoree was Brendan J. Sullivan, a graduate of Boston Latin (as was Mike) and is now attending Stonehill College. This unique scholarship fund, continued over the years by loyal friends of Mike, has awarded in excess of \$46,500 to Charlestown youth over the past 29 years.

Highlights of this year's dinner-dance are at the left:

Top Row: On the left, Quinn family members and scholarship fund treasurer Ronan FitzPatrick welcome guest speaker Brigadier General Bruce B. Byrum, assistant deputy chief of staff for aviation, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, Washington, D.C. Shown (l. to r.) Robert Quinn, Byrum, Ginger Quinn Doherty and FitzPatrick . . . In the center, Rev. William McConnell offers the invocation . . . At the right, FitzPatrick (standing) greets the Sullivan family, Patrick and Anne Sullivan, parents of the scholarship recipient, and the 29th Quinn Scholar, Brendan Sullivan.

Second Row: At the left, Byrum speaks of Mike Quinn and Vietnam and then shares with the gathering the demands and expectations of the U.S. Marine Corps of 1998 . . . In the center, FitzPatrick (right) presents a framed scene of the Public Gardens with its Swan Boats to William Koelsch who is retiring from his position at Clark University in Worcester at the end of this semester and will thus be ending his 29-years of service with the Quinn Scholarship Board of Trustees. Although he never knew Quinn, he responded to an article on Quinn in a Boston newspaper in 1969, and wrote, "Although I never knew Mike Quinn, your response to the death of your friend is perhaps the most constructive thing anybody can do about it - to honor a man's memory by giving a boy a chance to grow fully." The gift relates to Mike as he earned money for college by driving the Swan Boats during the summers . . . At the right are (l. to r.) Quinn, Byrum, Koelsch and Doherty.

Third Row: On the left, Senate President Thomas Birmingham congratulates scholarship recipient Brendan Sullivan and presented him with a citation from the Mass. Senate . . . Second from the left, FitzPatrick presents a USS Constitution pitcher to Byrum . . . Second from right, Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty (left) presents a citation from the Mass. House of Representatives to Sullivan . . . At the right, Tom Cunha (left), president of the Bunker Hill Council 62 Building Association, welcomes Byrum to the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Fourth Row: At the left, David Quinn, bagpiper from the Kevin Barry Bagpipe Band in Malden, piped in the color guard . . . In the center, the annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Award for the outstanding defenseman on the College of the Holy Cross Hockey Team was presented for the 20th year. Shown (l. to r.) Edward Johnson, trustee; Jon Callanan, award recipient; John Tibbetts, trustee; and Paul Pearl, hockey coach at Holy Cross. This was the position Mike played as an undergraduate at Holy Cross, graduating in May of 1968 . . . On the right, the U.S. Marine Corps Color Guard from Lawrence posted the colors.

Bottom Row: On the left, Boston City Councillors Peggy Davis-Mullen and Paul Scapicchio (standing) offer their congratulations to scholarship recipient Brendan Sullivan. Shown seated (l. to r.) are his parents, Patrick and Anne Sullivan and Brendan Sullivan . . . In the center is piper David Quinn . . . At the right, members of the Quinn Scholarship Committee with the banquet's guest speaker. Seated (l. to r.) are trustees William Koelsch and Chris O'Brien. Standing (l. to r.) are Michael Powers, Edward Doherty and Ed Johnson, all trustees; Brig. Gen. Bruce B. Byrum, USMC, guest speaker; Ronan FitzPatrick, treasurer; and Thomas Morrissey, Thomas White and John Tibbetts, all trustees.

Poole Presents 'Stitches In Time' At Mobius

"Stitches in Time" by Charlestown artist Barbara Poole, opens on Wednesday, April 22 at Mobius. The exhibit is an installation which evokes the textures, sights and sounds of a living family album.

The work began five years ago as a tablecloth of all Poole's family photos stitched together. It was a way for her to make visible and explore her extended family, the tenuousness and the persistence of memories.

As she sewed, she told the stories: the birthday party that was a disaster, the death of a good friend from AIDS, the mother whose fear of trucks compelled her to risk her life and limb by performing U-turns, anywhere. It is the millions of Kodak moments, photo albums and videos.

This realization compelled Poole to create Stitches in Time, an installation which uses painting, photography, video and sound to explore the family



CHARLESTOWN ARTIST Barbara Poole presents the exhibit "Stitches in Time," opening April 22 at Mobius.

structure and its memories and the hold these memories have over our present.

Stitches in Time includes an area in the installation where viewers can record their own family stories. Poole will then incorporate these stories into the sound in the installation.

Barbara Poole is a Char-

lestown artist. She has a BFA from the Museum School of Fine Arts and Tufts University, fifth year certificate from the Museum School and Masters in Art Education from Mass. College of Art. Her work has been included in seven exhibitions; the Mass. College of Art, the Harbor

Gallery at UMass-Boston, the Cyclorama, the Bunting Institute at Radcliffe, the Fort Smith Art Center, Fort Smith, AR, the Soho Cafe, Cambridge, and the Charlestown Preservation Society in Charlestown. In 1997, she also presented the performance piece "Bed Time Stories" at the Mobius works in progress venue.

The installation will be on view at Mobius from April 22 to May 16. Gallery hours are from noon to 5 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. The gallery is closed on Sundays. There will be an artist's reception and gallery talk on Saturday, April 25 from 3 to 5 p.m.

Mobius is located at 354 Congress St. in Boston, near the South Station stop on the Red Line of the MBTA, two blocks past the Children's Museum. The gallery is wheelchair accessible, with assistance.

For information, please call Mobius at 542-7416.

Fire Trucks At Medical Calls . . . It's Not Just Fighting Fires Anymore!

If you ask the average person "What equipment will you find on a fire truck?," they'll answer "hose, ladders and axes."

Ask that same question to the 16-year-old who recently fell ill on Blue Hill Avenue in Roxbury and he will respond ". . . a defib."

The defib is a Semi Automatic External Defibrillator or SAED. It senses certain life-threatening cardiac rhythms and automatically shocks the heart. This shock can restore a normal rhythm to the heart.

This equipment was carried by Boston's Engine 24, whose members used it to give that 16-year-old on Blue Hill Avenue a second chance at life.

Four years ago, Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Fire Commissioner Martin E. Pierce Jr., a Charlestown native, began working to-

ward the goal of equipping every fire truck in the city with these new life saving devices.

Today, all 60 of the city's fire trucks, engines, ladders and rescue companies are equipped with defibrillators. Also, the chances are that the fire truck sent to help has a firefighter trained beyond the state mandated first-responder level. The Boston Fire Department now has close to 500 Emergency Medical Technicians working in the city's neighborhoods. The location of firehouses allows for defibrillator coverage throughout the city.

In just the last 18 months, 12 people have been given a second chance at life, primarily because the Boston Fire Department can respond in a timely manner with qualified personnel.

Boston District Fire Chief Lawrence DiSanto, who oversees the Emergency Medical Section of the department, reports that 45 percent of the 71,000 calls that the BFD responded to in 1997 were EMS related and the numbers are running higher so far in 1998.

"Call First, Call Fast, Call 9-1-1." The chain of survival for victims of heart attack includes the "links" of:

• Early Emergency Medical

access through 911;

• Early CPR;
• Early defibrillation on-scene;
• Early advanced cardiac care by Paramedics.

Fire Commissioner Pierce states, "The mission of the fire service has expanded in recent years to include more medical calls. With the availability of our fire trucks and trained personnel responding from 34 locations across the city, the people of Boston will benefit by our quick response."

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C-H-A-M-P Vigil To Be Held April 26

The Charlestown After Murder Program (C-H-A-M-P) will hold its annual Candlelight Vigil in memory of all Charlestown homicide victims at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 26 at St. Catherine's Church in Hayes Square.

All are cordially invited to join the families and friends of those who have lost their lives to violence at this service of music and prayer.

Victim Rights Week will be celebrated from April 26 to May 2. The annual Victim Rights Conference will be held on Wednesday, April 29 at the Mass. State House. This full-day event is sponsored by the Mass. Office for Victim Assistance/Victim Witness Assistance Board and Attorney General Scott Harshbarger.

For further information on the conference, contact Alyssa Kazin at 727-5200.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

Hungry Sunday Weekend

Hungry Sunday Weekend will be held this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, April 18 and 19 at St. Francis de Sales Church. You are requested to bring a can of non-perishable food to Mass for the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry. Give a helping hand to those in need.

Firefighters' Communion Breakfast

This Sunday, April 19, the annual Firefighters' Mass and Communion Breakfast takes place at St. Francis de Sales. The Mass is at 9 a.m., with the Communion Breakfast following at 10 a.m. in Bishop Lawton Hall. The Most Reverend Francis X. Irwin, Auxiliary Bishop of Boston and Bishop of the North Region of the Archdiocese, will be the principal celebrant and homilist for the Mass.

This is a fine opportunity to thank the firefighters for all they do for us in time of

need. Let us join with them in expressing our appreciation, for firefighters are truly "the bravest of the brave."

No tickets will be sold at the door!

Spring Extravaganza

The parish is sponsoring a Spring Extravaganza on Sunday, April 26 after the 11 a.m. Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall. The Extravaganza Raffle will consist of 25 beautiful, expensive prizes including a two-day/one-night trip for two to the Irish Village, a two-day/one-night trip for two to the Foxwoods Resort Hotel, \$200 in cash, a Bertucci's gift certificate, etc.

Tickets are \$1 for a chance on 25 magnificent prizes and are available from the Guild members, the ushers at Mass and at the rectory. This is the one major fund-raiser for the parish, taking the place of the Christmas Bazaar. Your support is truly needed.

BHCC Allied Health Programs Hold Information Sessions

The Allied Health Certificate Programs at Bunker Hill Community College have scheduled information sessions for the following programs to begin in September 1998: Patient Care Assistant, Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy Technician, Medical Lab Assistant and Healthy Careers Preparation.

Information sessions for all programs will be held at the college's Charlestown campus, 250 New Rutherford Ave., Room B337, on the following dates at 10 a.m.: Fridays, April 17, May 1 and 8; and Thurs-

day, June 11.

Candidates for the Allied Health Certificates Programs should plan to spend two hours at the session. No appointment is necessary.

These entry-level health care programs prepare both fluent and limited English speakers for a variety of positions in health care while also allowing them to achieve college credits toward health degree programs. All students are cross-trained as multi-skilled workers to meet the changing needs of hospitals and clinics.

All successful completers achieve a BHCC Certificate. State Nurse Aide and Home Health Aide Training are included in the Patient Care Assistant Program and optional for Medical Assistants.

Programs begin in September and continue through May 1999. Classes are scheduled during the day, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Requirements are a high school diploma or GED, and attendance at one of the information sessions listed above.

Patrick O'Brian Sea Saga Novels Inspire Cookbook

The USS Constitution Museum at the Charlestown Navy Yard will host the authors of "Lobscouse and Spotted Dog," for a book signing of their indispensable gastronomic companion to the seafaring series the *New York Times Book Review* called "the best historical novels ever written." It will be held at the USS Constitution Museum Store on Tuesday, April 21 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Readers of Patrick O'Brian's Jack Aubrey/Stephen Maturin nautical adventure series will recognize meals that Capt. Aubrey sat down to, including "Lobscouse," "Strasburg Pie," "Syllabub" and "spot-

ted dog."

Authors Anne Chotznoff Grossman and Lisa Grossman-Thomas offer authentic early 19th century recipes for these and other mouth-watering feasts, all accompanied by extensive historical notes on the origins and names of the dishes. All aspects of preparation are explained, including where to find some of the more unusual ingredients.

In addition, all of the recipes and menus come from specific scenes in O'Brian's 18 sea sagas and are accompanied with entertaining and relevant quotes from the books, making "Lobscouse and Spotted Dog" an essential

addition to the complete Patrick O'Brian library.

Grossman and Grossman-Thomas, mother and daughter, are both avid O'Brian aficionados. Grossman is a writer and musician, the translator of many operas, and former assistant producer of the NBC Television Opera.

Grossman-Thomas has had several careers in the arts, as director, stage manager, lighting designer, actress and vocal coach. She now owns and operates a computer consulting company in New York City. Both authors live, cook and sail on Long Island, New York.

For more information, call 426-1812.

The Kennedy Center Services At Community Sites

100 Ferrin St. For Seniors Only

Monday, April 20
Closed - Patriot's Day

Tuesday, April 21
9 a.m. - Coffee
9:30 - Swim at the YMCA
10 a.m. - Crochet
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo

Wednesday, April 22
9:15 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop

Thursday, April 23
9 a.m. - Coffee
9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA
10 a.m. - Plastic Embroidery
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch

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Floral Arrangements with Kerrigan's -
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55 Bunker Hill St. Drop-in Resource Center

Friday, April 17
8:30 a.m. - Coffee/Drop In
10 a.m. - Seniorobics
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo

Monday, April 20
Closed - Patriot's Day

Tuesday, April 21
8:30 a.m. - Coffee/Drop In
9 a.m. - ESL/Chinese
10:30 a.m. - Hispanic Coffee Hour
1:30 p.m. - Public Access to Computers

Wednesday, April 22
8:30 a.m. - Coffee/Drop In
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Birthday Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo

Thursday, April 23
9 a.m. - Options Group
9:30 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop
1:30 p.m. - Public Access to Computers

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LIQUID EMBROIDERING - Thursday at 10 a.m.
CERAMICS - Monday & Thursday at noon
FILMSERIES - Monday at 2:15 p.m. (Cost is \$1).

SPECIAL EVENT

• **Friday, April 17** - A program on "Tele-Fraud: How To Protect Yourself," Presented by the Attorney General's office will be held at 2 p.m.

UPCOMING TRIPS

• **Sunday, April 19** - Trip to the Irish Village. The cost of the trip is \$28, which includes your lunch, with a choice of chicken, scrod or corned beef, the bus and entertainment by Norman Payne.

• **Thursday, April 23** - Day Trip to Danvers. Shop at Ann & Hope, have lunch at Hometown Buffet and see a movie at the Revere Cinema. The cost is \$21.

• **May 14, 15, 16 & 17** - Penn. Dutch, Hershey and Gettysburg Trip. The package includes three breakfasts, three dinners, accommodations at Your Place Country Inn, tours of Amish Country, Gettysburg, Hershey Park, and more.

• **Thursday, July 9** - Day trip to Provincetown. The cost is \$27 and includes the bus and boat ride to Provincetown.

• **July 19, 20, 21 & 22** - Gavin's Golden Hill Resort Trip. Package includes eight meals, cruise on Lake George, transportation and accommodations at Gavin's. Entertainment will be provided by the Andy Cooney Band and The Paddy Noonan Band.

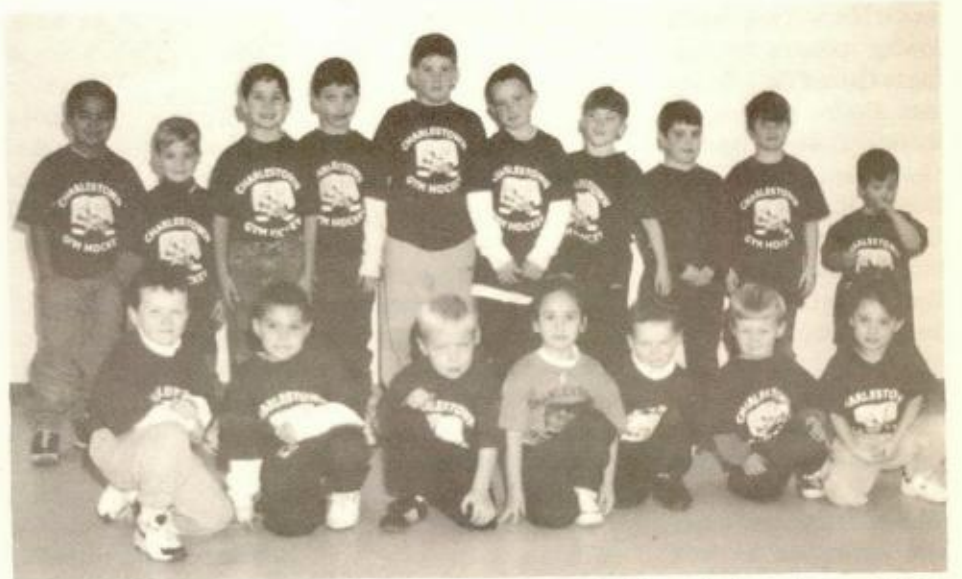
To register for a trip, please call Mary Gavin at (617) 635-5175.

Charlestown Gym Hockey Completes Successful Season

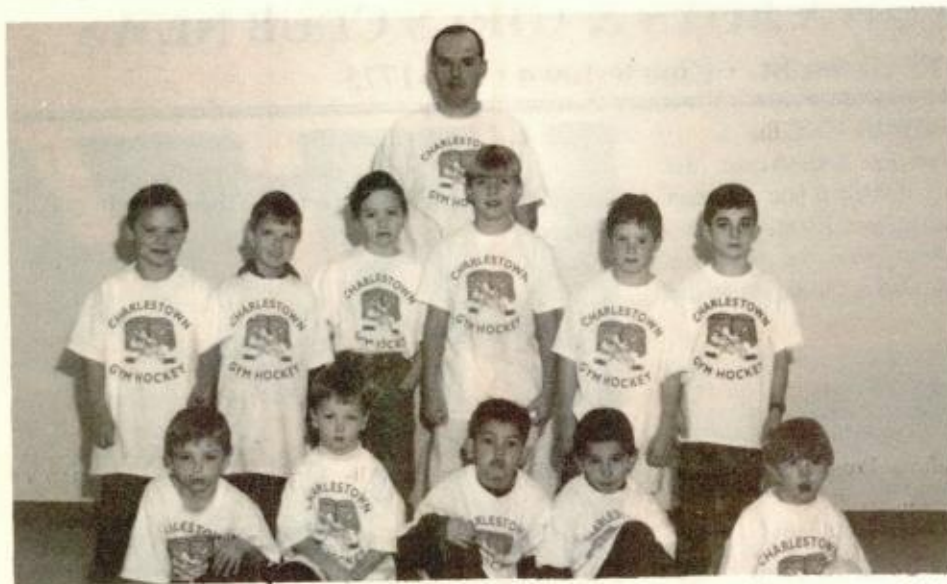
Youngsters have just completed an exciting season of gym hockey. Over the next few weeks, the team photographs will be featured. Stay tuned!



BUNKER HILL INSURANCE TEAM . . . Front row (l. to r.) Mark Assad, Kyle Moore Anderson, Connor Carrigan, Sarah Sherman, Michael Kenyon, Timmy Lawton, Ryan McGoff and Patrick McGoff. Standing (l. to r.) Tommy John Hickey, Sal Lainez, Greg Meena, R.T. Kelly, Nicole Callahan, Danny Meena, Charlie Miller, and Brian Callahan. Standing at the rear are Coaches Brian Schievink and Dan Meena.



BRYAN'S PALS TEAM . . . Front row (l. to r.) Jay Godding, Andrew Perreault, Ian Dillon, Nicole Collier, Brendan Collier, Paul O'Connell and Justyne Collier. Back row (l. to r.) Danny Douglas, John Humphrey, Ryan Woods, Nathan McGann, Shane Yandle, Robert Collier, Sean Breen, Garrett Dolaher, Sean Miller and Johnnie Stover. Coaches are Kerri and Debbie Lent.



BUNKER HILL FLORIST TEAM . . . Front row (l. to r.) Cameron Harrington, John Feeney, Marco Torres, Jonathan Bears and Stephen Poliskey. Standing (l. to r.) John Harrington, Michael McLaughlin, Andrew Scott, David Goscinak, Matthew Whalen and Matthew Buckley. Standing at the rear is Coach Tim Dacey. Missing from photo is Jeremy Adams, Shauna Smith, Shane Smith and Nicholas Kupchanis.



POOLIE'S PALS TEAM . . . Kneeling (l. to r.) Sean Kelley, Derek O'Brien, Daniel Auch and Keaton Quinn. Standing (l. to r.) Jamie Roche, Philip Coleman, Deven Kelley, Dodie Boyle, Andrew Connors, Michael Yandle, Jamie Jones, Cory Johnson and Michelle Jones. Standing at the rear is Coach Jillian LaVallee. Missing from the photo is Justina Langone and Devin Shanafelt.



DUNNY'S PALS TEAM . . . Front row (l. to r.) Jimmy Vesey, Kaileigh Gorman, Ellie Buckley, Quinlan Locke, Jamie Baker and Jeffrey Perkins. Standing (l. to r.) Leisa Loan, Aileen Kane, Roslyn Arroyo, Alexa Hingston, Jennifer Buckley, Timmy Donahue, Kerry Loan, and Paul Locke. Standing at the rear is Coach Paul Buckley. Missing from the photo is Chris Brennan, Marvin Jones, Tevin Jones and Joseph Mocera.

Free Public Observatory Night On April 16

The Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics invites the public to attend a free program on astronomy on Thursday, April 16, when Ron Walsworth of the CfA, will present the lecture "An Unexpected Cosmic Connection: Astrophysics and Medicine." The program begins at 8

p.m., with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free and no tickets or reservations are necessary. Seating is limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. All age groups are welcome, however, the lecture is geared toward adult and high-school-aged audiences. Observatory Night pro-

grams are held in the Phillips Auditorium of the Center for Astrophysics, 60 Garden St., Cambridge. The center is located one mile from Harvard Square and can be easily reached by public transportation. Parking is available.

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T-Ball/Wack-A-Ball News

The Charlestown T-Ball/Wack-a-Ball program would like to thank the following sponsors for helping to kick off the 1998 season: Boston Housing Authority, Boston Sand & Gravel, Bunker Hill Florist, Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L., Gov. Paul Cellucci, Century 21 Elite, Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Charlestown Patriot, Grant Photo, Jimmy's On Top, Cong. Joseph P. Kennedy, The Mortgage Depot, North American Mortgage, P & J Pest Control, the Warren Tavern, and a special thank you to John Russo of Awards Unlimited for his continued support of the program.

Debbie Lang will host a Sock Hop for children ages 3 to 12 on Friday, April 24, at St. John's Episcopal Church from 6 to 9 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the T-Ball/Wack-a-Ball program. Thank you, Debbie.

On Wednesday, April 22, there will be a meeting for all coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers at St. Mary's Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. If anyone is interested in helping out, please call Joanne at 242-9780 or Debbie at 242-3878.

The first game will take place on Saturday, April 25. Coaches will call the players with game times.

Rinaldi Running For Ron Burton's Training Camp

Ron Burton, a former New England Patriot, established a Training Camp Village for inner city kids ages 11 to 17. The six-week program includes sports training, educational studies, and group activities designed to build self-esteem and respect for others. Campers are awarded scholarships to attend the training camp which is funded by donations.

Beth Rinaldi, a lifelong Charlestown resident, is seeking pledges to run the Boston Marathon on April 20 to assist in camp fundraising.

The Ron Burton Training Camp has a great program that is available to Charlestown kids who might not otherwise go to

camp, and who could benefit from the combined athletic and educational experience. There are separate summer sessions for boys and girls at the Training Village in Hubbardston, Mass, which begin in late June.

This is a great program and opportunity for kids in the community. If you can help, please send any size donation, with checks made out to Ron Burton Training Village, P.O. Box 136 Back Bay Annex, Boston, MA 02117. For more information, call Rinaldi at 524-1261.

Families interested in signing their children up for the program may contact the camp at the above address for applications.

Charlestown Little League News

Attention: Dog Owners

Please keep your dogs off of the Little League diamond and the rest of the field! You don't like stepping in it. Neither do the kids like playing in it!

Tryouts - Seniors - Tryouts

Tryouts for the senior league will be held on Saturday, April 18 at 10 a.m. at the Ryan Field (The Neck). If you intend to play, you must attend this tryout. Please bring a birth certificate and the \$40 fee. Please note that you must give us your shirt and pant size. We have to have this information by Saturday.

The senior league will not interfere with high school baseball or lacrosse. A new format has been put in place so that the boys and girls will be able to play all senior league games except for Wednesdays. Those games will start at 7:30 p.m. at The Neck.

Coaches Needed

Coaches are needed for the senior and minor leagues. If you are interested, call Wayne at 241-4952. If you are on a major league team, you should have been called by now. Just a reminder that the ages for the senior league are 13 through 16.

Season Begins

The major league season gets underway on April 20, and the minor league season begins April 27.

This week's major league schedule is:

Monday, April 20 at 5:30 p.m. - Boys & Girls Club vs.

Century 21

Tuesday, April 21 at 5:30 p.m. - Cronin Club vs. Jenny's Pizza

Wednesday, April 22 at 5:30 p.m. - McKeon Club vs. Nick Pino

Thursday, April 23 at 5:30 p.m. - The 99 vs. Teamsters

Little League Parade

The parade this year will be on Sunday, April 26 beginning at Hayes Square at 12:30 p.m. All major and minor league players are expected to march in the parade with their teams. All sponsors are welcome to attend and march with their teams.

The Board of Directors would like to thank George Georges for his generous donation of lumber for the clubhouse, and to Bob Hanssen and Joe Vraibel for their help in building the bins, doors and reconstructing the walls.

The Board of Directors would also like to dispel the rumor that players from the District 9 Champions of Charlestown Little League and the PeeWee A Champions of the CYHA will all be playing on the same team. The draft will be held according to high school MIAA rules. If you have any questions or concerns, call Wayne at 241-4952.

Charlestown Little League Board of Directors

CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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★ CULTURAL ENRICHMENT/EDUCATION

Babysitting Class - It's not too late to join the Babysitting Certification Class. Call Jenny if you are interested or come to the class on Friday, April 17, at 4:30 p.m.

Nutrition Workshops - Don't miss the Nutrition Workshops for kids every Tuesday from 5 to 6 p.m. in the library during April.



BOYS' GROUP MEMBERS (l. to r.) Brian Callahan, Thomas Johnson and Corey Ferreira put some serious thought and effort into making their specialty "Boys' Group Stew." Anyone hungry?

Piano Recital - The yearly club recital will be held in the music room today, Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m.

Making Music - Any fifth or sixth grader who is interested in making a musical instrument should call Jenny for more information.

Grand Prix Racing Update - As of this week, Jonathan Guerrero is in the lead. Among those taking part in the racing, in addition to Guerrero, are Carlos Rivera, José Reyes,



GIRLS' GROUP MEMBERS whoop it up at Discovery Zone! Shown front row is Joselyn Masonette. second row is Jennifer Santos, third row is Boston University student intern Skye Killaen and Monica Ramos, fourth row is Nicole Callahan, and top row are Jillyan Flaherty and Edine Collette.

Rudy Gutierrez, Kevin Walsh, Jack Flaherty, Derek Matarazzo, Hashann Jones, Joseph Pinto, Jeffrey Joseph and Mark Steenbergh. Be in the games room on Thursday and Friday nights if you would like to race.

Young Adult Happenings

From The Desk Of Father McCarthy/St. Mary's

Spring Clothing Drive - On Saturday, April 18, the young adults will sponsor a spring clothing drive for those at the Long Island Shelter. Drop off time will be from 9 to 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Rectory, One Monument Square. Clothes will not be accepted at any other time. As soon as the clothes are dropped off, they will be taken to the shelter.

Installation of Young Adult Eucharistic Ministers -

On Sunday, April 19, five new Eucharistic Ministers will be installed at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. So far this year we have installed 12 new young adult ministers. I encourage the young adults to take an active interest in their parish to help out with various ministries.

Young Adult Mass - On Sunday, April 26, the Young Adult Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church at 6 p.m. Please bring a toiletry article for the shelter to be presented as the offertory collection. I would ask that all young adults in the community consider taking part in this Mass.

Thank you, Father Paul McCarthy, 241-9014

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♣ **More Hockey Champs** . . . The beat goes on for Charlestown Hockey! The Central Mass. Outlaws Midget AAA Team traveled to Chicago to represent the Mass. District in the 1998 USA National Midget Tournament and, of course, they took home the title. The title-winning goal was scored by Mount Herman junior Paul Kelly, who definitely has some Charlestown roots, as does teammate Jack Celata. The goal came in the 3-2 triple overtime win versus host team Illinois. On the way to the championship, the Outlaws defeated teams from Rhode Island, Detroit, Minnkota, Philadelphia and Buffalo. Congratulations to the new National Champs!

♣ **Lacrosse Madness** - Charlestown lacrosse has certainly taken center stage. The team opener versus a veteran Pingree School team was something to watch. The stands down at the high school field was packed with spectators who came to see a Charlestown historic first. Anna Leonard's Dream Team fell 9-7, but the team sent a strong message. Hard work does pay off! The pride of these young Townies was bubbling off as they took the field, and even more so when they left the field. It was quite an impressive day. Let it be recorded that Corie Hollien scored the first Charlestown goal and that Mike "Fuzzy" O'Brien and Adam Fornash stood tall as "Players to Watch." The schedule is: April 20 at Phillips Exeter; April 23 at Governor Dummer; April 24 at home versus Brimmer and May; April 26 at Nantucket; and April 29 at home versus St. Sebastian's.

♣ **High School Prep Notebook** - Anthony Walker of Char-



DEBBIE BRENNAN'S CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

lestown High School was named to the Boston Globe's All Scholastic Basketball Team. Anthony and his scholastic teammates were introduced in a pre-game ceremony prior to a recent Boston Celtics game at the FleetCenter.

The Charlestown High School Baseball Team improved to 2-1 by defeating Boston English 7-0 in a game played down at The Neck. Would be nice to see a few more local Townies on the team.

♣ **Pro Line** - Keith Tkachuk has returned to the Phoenix

Coyote lineup, and the other good news is that Phoenix has clinched a play-off spot. The Coyotes defeated Chicago 2-1 on Sunday to clinch the spot. Phoenix is now 33-34-12 for 78 points.

The Colorado Avalanche, who have also secured themselves a play-off spot, go into the week with a 37-26-16 = 90-point record. Three games remain in the regular season.

♣ **Opportunity** - Are you interested in becoming an MDC Lifeguard? Are you 16 years of age or older? If the answers are yes, the Roxbury YMCA will train and prepare you. For information, contact Antone Matthews at the Y at 427-5300.

♣ **Power Crew, Supervisors, Crew Chiefs** - If you are interested in any of the above positions with the Boston Youth Clean-up Corps this summer, and are 18 years of age or older, and a Boston resident, send a cover letter and a resume c/o Tim McCarthy, 440 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215. Information for these positions can be had by calling 635-4204. Act now!

♣ **Garden Walls Tumbling Down** - Hurry, hurry, hurry. The Boston Garden is quickly becoming a memory. Lost Boston will soon have a new addition. Most of us have reluctantly adjusted to the fact that the FleetCenter is now in, and that the "Old Garden" is closed, but seeing the wrecking ball hit the sports shrine is really hard to take. It's painful. Drop by the Causeway site and bring your camera!

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Is Joe Lawler looking for post-graduate points at Matignon? . . . Have a great spring break! . . . PJ's crew says "hello."

Smile!

ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

★ **Softball Registration** - Registration for CYO Softball is well underway. Any girl who is 9 years of age as of June 1 or under 18 years of age as of Sept. 1, is encouraged to play. Registration will take place on Saturday, April 18 at St. Catherine's Rectory from 1 to 6 p.m., as well as after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses on Sunday, April 19. The fee is \$30 per girl, and \$50 for a family of two or more. All softball applications as well as a copy of each girl's birth certificate must be turned in no later than April 19.

The Archdiocese is also offering a beginner's division for any girl under the age of 9, which will stress teaching the sport of softball. Younger girls who are interested are encouraged to sign up as well.

★ **Softball Coaches Needed** - For the past eight years, hundreds of Charlestown youths have played girls softball through St. Catherine's CYO program. To continue this program for Charlestown youth, people are needed to help coach teams, put together rosters, etc. Anyone interested in helping should call Sheila Brown at 242-2683 or Father DiPerri at 242-1750.

★ **High School Harbor Cruise** - The Archdiocese of Boston will sponsor its annual High School CYO Harbor Cruise from 8 to 11 p.m. on Monday, July 27. The cost is \$12 per person. Any high school youth interested in the cruise should sign up at St. Catherine's Rectory with his or her payment by Saturday, May 2.

★ **Junior High School Harbor Cruise** - The Archdiocese of Boston will sponsor its annual Junior High School CYO Harbor Cruise from 8 to 10 p.m. on Monday, June 22. The cost is \$10 per person. Any youth in grades 6, 7 and 8 interested in the cruise should sign up at St. Catherine's Rectory with his or her \$10 payment by Saturday, May 2.

★ **Summer Planning Meeting** - A meeting to plan the summer activities for the Charlestown CYO will be held on Saturday, May 2, at 6 p.m. at St. Catherine's. (Enter at the rear side door on Corey Street.) All interested youth and adults are invited to attend. Following the meeting, a pizza dinner will be served in the rectory.

★ **Girls' Olympics** - All 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls can still sign up for the CYO Girls' Olympic games, which will take place on Tuesday, April 21. Events include volleyball, basketball, water polo, hockey and many other sports. Every participant gets a free lunch and is guaranteed to have fun. For more information, call Neal Boyle at 242-1276 or Sheila Brown at 242-2683 by tomorrow, Friday, April 17.

★ **Yard Sale Volunteer Meeting** - All youth and adults who would like to volunteer at the CYO Yard Sale are encouraged to attend a meeting on Saturday, April 18 at noon in St. Catherine's meeting room. The Yard Sale will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 25, and we need as many volunteers as possible.

★ **First Communion Parents' Meeting** - Both CCD and Catholic School parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Communion at St. Catherine's Church on May 3, are asked to attend an important meeting at 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 26 in the lower church.

★ **New Altar Server Sign-Ups** - St. Catherine's altar servers will begin training new altar servers on Monday, May 4, at 4:30 p.m. in St. Catherine's lower church. All second graders making their First Communion this year, and any youth in grades 3 through 10 are encouraged to become altar servers. Leave your name with Father DiPerri or Neal Boyle at 242-1276.

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This Notice of Activity and Use Limitation ("Notice") is made as of the 12th day of March, 1998, by the National Park Service, Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts, together with their successors and assigns, (collectively "Owner").

WHEREAS, one of more response actions have been selected for the Disposal Site in accordance with M.G.L.c.21E ("Chapter 21E") and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000 ("MCP"). Said response actions are based upon (a) the restriction of human access to and contact with oil and/or hazardous material in soil and/or (b) the restriction of certain activities occurring in, on, through, over or under the Portion of the Property. The basis for such restrictions is set forth in an Activity and Use Limitation Opinion dated March 13, 1998.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that the activity and us limitations set forth in said AUL Opinion are as follows:

The AUL Opinion provides that a condition of No Significant Risk to health, public welfare or the environment (such condition being defined in 310 CMR 40,0000) exists for any foreseeable period of time so long as any of the following activities and uses occur on the Portion of the Property:

- 1) Activities that involve a "Low Intensity" of use (relative to soils) by adults and children as described in the MCP (310 CMR 40.0933);
- 2) Passive activities including walking and sitting that do not involve disturbing onsite soils;
- 3) Activities related to tilling, planting, and maintaining a lawn or ornamental shrubs including installation and operation of an irrigation system, as long as penetration to depths greater than 24 inches is not performed; and
- 4) Such other activities or uses which, in the Opinion of an LSP, shall present no greater risk of harm to health, safety, public welfare or the environment than the activities and uses set forth in this paragraph.

Activities and uses which are inconsistent with the AUL Opinion, and which, if implemented at the Property, may result in a significant risk of harm to health, public welfare or the environment, are as follows:

- 1) Performing borings, excavations, or any other activities that may result in exposure to contaminated soils on the Portion of the Property without implementing appropriate Health and Safety protective measures; and
- 2) Any activity that involves High Intensity use as described in the MCP (310 CMR 40.0933) and penetration to depths greater than 24 inches without implementing appropriate Health and Safety protective measures on the Portion of the Property. Such activities are those which have the potential to disturb contaminated soil and thus result in either direct contact with the soil itself or inhalation of soil-derived dust.

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- 2) A thickness of clean (uncontaminated) near-surface soils shall be maintained in good condition, such that it continues to provide an effective barrier from underlying contaminated soils as long as the AUL is in effect.

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The activities, uses, and/or exposures upon which this Notice is based shall not change at any time to cause a significant risk of harm to health, safety, public welfare, or the environment due to exposure to oil and/or hazardous material without prior evaluation by an LSP in accordance with 310 CMR 40.1080 et seq., and without additional response actions, if necessary, to achieve or maintain a condition or No Significant Risk. If the activities, uses, and/or exposures upon which this Notice is based change without the prior evaluation and additional response actions determined to be necessary by an LSP in accordance with 310 CMR 40.1080 et seq., the owner or operator of the Property subject to this Notice at the time that the activities, uses, and/or exposures change, shall comply with the requirements set forth in 310 CMR 40.0020.

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 Suffolk Division Docket No. 98P-0724
NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF **Richard J. Tauber**.
 To all persons interested in the estate of **Richard J. Tauber** late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death January 25, 1998.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Diane Baron of Seattle in the State of Washington be appointed administratrix with sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Old Courthouse, room 120 BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 30, 1998.

Witness Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.
 Date: April 7, 1998

Richard Iannella
 Register of Probate Court

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court Department
 Suffolk Division Docket No. 98P-0735
NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF **Anna Mary Keenan**.
 To all persons interested in the estate of **Anna Mary Keenan** late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death March 15, 1997.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that William F. Furlong of Braintree, in the County of Norfolk be appointed administrator without sureties on his bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Old Courthouse, room 120 BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 23, 1998.

Witness Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.
 Date March 30, 1998

Richard Iannella
 Register of Probate Court

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APPLICATION

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Location of land: 128 Cambridge St. Ward 2
 Owner of land: RPG Realty
 Address: 128 Cambridge St., Charlestown, MA 02129
 Dimensions of land: Ft. front: 75 Ft. deep: 200
 Area Sq. ft.: 26,000
 Number of buildings or structures on land, the use of which requires land to be licensed: One
 Manner of keeping: All flammables are kept in approved storage containers, cylinders, all to be approved by the Boston Fire Department.

Gerald A. Berberian
 128 Cambridge St., Charlestown, Mass.
 241-0787

City of Boston, In Public Safety Commission, April 29, 1998. In the foregoing petition, it is hereby ORDERED, that notice be given by the petitioner to all persons interested that this Committee will on Wednesday, the 29th day of April at 9:30 o'clock, A.M. consider the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition when any person objecting thereto may appear and be heard; said notice to be given by the publication of a copy of said petition with this order of notice thereon in the Charlestown Patriot and by mailing by prepaid registered mail, not less than 7 days prior to such hearing, a copy to every owner of record of each parcel of land abutting on the parcel of land on which the building proposed to be erected for, or maintained as, a garage is to be or is situated. Hearing to be held at 1010 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, MA 02118. Gary P. Moccia, chairman; Martin E. Pierce; Andrea d'Amato, acting commissioner, Committee On Licenses. A true copy. Attest: Brigid Kenny, secretary. 4/9-16-23

Sullivan Wins School Sports Award

Matthew J. Sullivan of Charlestown, a fifth grade student at the Fessenden School in West Newton, and son of Joseph and Sandra Sullivan, was recently honored with the Coaches' Award for JV B Hockey at the school's annual Winter Sports Awards ceremony.

Fifty awards were presented to students for their efforts in basketball, ice hockey, wrestling and squash.

The Fessenden School was established in 1903 to provide a challenging educational experience for boys from kindergarten through grade 9.

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 Probate Court

Suffolk ss. Case No. 98P-0793

To Berta Gately of Boston in said County of Suffolk, and to her husband, heirs apparent or presumptive.

A petition has been presented to said Court alleging that said Berta Gately is a mentally ill person and praying that George Rodriguez of Quincy in the County of Norfolk some suitable person be appointed her guardian.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 18th day of June, 1998, the return day of this citation.

Witness Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this 6th day of April 1998.

Richard Iannella, Register

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 The Trial Court
 Probate and Family Court Department
 Suffolk Division Docket No. 98D-0484
Summons By Publication
Margret Vazquez, Plaintiff
 v.
Jose Luis Williams, Defendant

To the above-named Defendant:
 A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff Margret Vazquez, seeking a divorce and custody of minor child.

You are required to serve upon Margret Vazquez, plaintiff, whose address is 57 Polk St., #58, Charlestown, Mass. 02129, your answer on or before June 4, 1998. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Boston.

Witness, Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Boston, this 19th day of March, 1998.

Richard Iannella
 Register of Probate Court

Publication: Charlestown Patriot
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CITY OF BOSTON

To the Public Safety Commission
 Committee on Licenses
 Building Department Boston

APPLICATION

For the lawful use of the herein-described building and other structure, application is hereby made for a permit and also for a license to use the land on which such building or structure is/are or is/are to be situated for the KEEPING-STORAGE-and SALE of: At #480 - 900 gals. of #2 heating oil, 8-33.5 pounds of propane cylinders forklifts. At 500 - 50-33.5 pounds of propane cylinders forklifts, 200 gals. of diesel, one liter reagent alcohol, 4-liters methanol (research & development). At .570 - 8-55 gallon drums of zerice, 68 refrigeration compressor oil, 2000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia.

Location of land: 480-570 Rutherford Avenue Ward 2
 Owner of land: Hood Business Park LLC
 Address: c/o Nordblom Company, 31 Third Ave., Burlington, MA 01803
 Dimensions of land: Ft. front: 1143.99 Ft. deep: 720
 Area Sq. ft.: 867,715 acres: 20
 Number of buildings or structures on land, the use of which requires land to be licensed: Three
 Manner of keeping: In cylinders, drums, containers and tanks all to be approved by the Boston Fire Department.

Kent Gonzales, Nordblom Company
 31 Third Ave. Burlington, MA 01803

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



Our Thanks

To friends and family:

Thank you for your great support at the time of the loss of our sister Kay Kendall. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Helen Mansfield and Ann McGonagle

Thanks For Your Support

The family of Catherine Kendall wishes to thank everyone for their great support during our loss.

Sincerely,
Lisa and Carl Hasselman, daughter & son-in-law
and Jordan and Kendall, grandchildren

Our Deep Appreciation

No words can convey our deep appreciation to our family, friends and neighbors for the many expressions of comfort shown to us in thought, words, deeds and prayers during our mother's illness and after her death.

A very special thank you to Father James DiPerri for his support and encouragement during her illness and for the beautifully touching Mass and eulogy.

Thank you also to Mary and Paul for all their help.

These kindnesses helped to make a difficult situation more bearable.

"The road is never lonely if we can say at the end, we walked the way together hand-in-hand with a friend."

The family of Mary Venezia

Congratulations!

The parents of the CYHA Squirt A team want everyone to know how proud they are of their very talented and successful great great bunch of kids. This year these 15 kids, under the coaching of Tim O'Connell, Tom DeRosa and Joe Doherty, have won just about every game they played starting with The Mayor's Cup; The Stowe, Vermont Tournament; The Greater Boston League; The District; The State; and finally, the Bryan McGonagle Tournament.

These kids persevered and worked very hard to achieve this. They came through to show each other how well they could work together. Thanks boys for a great season. It was fun to watch you!

Mark Hanscom, Nolan Burns, Joe Hurley, John Collins, Tony Resendes, Geno Lawrence, Ryan Vraibel, Tom DeRosa, Pat Fidler, Shawn Doherty, Pat Langan, Pat Rose, Kevin Walles, Matt O'Connell and John Woods.

Squirt A Parents

Join Forces In Lowering Speed Limit

Rep. Gene O'Flaherty
State House, Room 42
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Rep. O'Flaherty,

I am writing to respectfully request that your office join me in encouraging the Registry of Motor Vehicles to lower the speed limit on residential side streets in Boston. Many of our mutual constituents in Charlestown have requested this action in response to a child who was hit while walking on a Green Street sidewalk in Charlestown.

In Charlestown, there is a serious lack of open space, causing children to utilize side streets as make-shift playgrounds. The current speed limit for residential streets in Boston is 35 miles per hour. This speed limit is far too high for the narrow streets of Charlestown and the North End. When a motor vehicle travels at 35 miles per hour, the driver has neither time nor space to avoid hitting a child who wanders onto the street.

I believe that this is a worthwhile request that deserves our attention. With your help, we can hopefully remedy this perilous situation. My office will gladly take care of the city issues, such as signs and enforcement. I look forward to working with you on this matter.

Sincerely,
Paul Scapicchio

District One, Boston City Council

cc: Senate President Birmingham
Gloria Conway, c/o Charlestown Patriot

McGonagle Hockey Tournament 'A Great Success'!

Three weeks and 72 games later, the Bryan McGonagle Tournament is over. With great success, and lots of friends made, I have a few people that I need to thank. Please bear with me.

Thanks to . . . Alice McGoff for all her cooking; Susan Miller for all her help in everything; Nicole Miller, Marykate Collins, Melissa Ortez, Jaquelyn Hurley, Kaileen Burns, John Collins, Brendan Coleman, Kasey Cedorchuk, and all the other young kids that helped out; to our timekeepers - Ryan Vraibel, Brendan Vraibel, young Tim O'Connell and any others that helped.

To our referees, Eddie Lynch, Liam Lynch, Dave Hansen, Guerin Miller, John Hayes, John Hayes Jr., and all others that helped.

To our chance table workers Joe Guerin, Henry Mansfield, Debbie Brennan, Linda Buhay, Mary Tobin and any others that I missed.

Thanks to our snack bar help Joe and Pam Hurley, Deni and John Reilly, Karen Burns, Liz Hanscom Resendes, Candy Doherty, Lynne Woods, Paula Rose, Lauren Murphy, Tommy McGoff, Robin Chiampa, Ann O'Connell and our turkey cutter, Tom O'Neil.

To our board members Chuck Miller, Dan McGoff, John Tobin, Tim O'Connell, Richie Vraibel, John Pope - our unofficial member Phil Coleman, Mike O'Donovan for all his hard work and donations, the Garvey brothers, Frankie Stillman, Steve Wall, Mike Cass, Angelo from the MDC, Richie Hart, Barbara Kelly and all her children, especially Kicker Kelly and most of all to Bamey and Mike McGonagle for all they have done for our tournament by being there and being so strong - thanks again, everyone!

If I missed anyone, I'm truly sorry. Hope to see you all next year!

- Lisa McGoff Collins

Thank You

Scout Leaders And Volunteers

Dear Mrs. Conway,

Girl Scout Leader and Volunteer Day will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 22. The Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council would like to thank the Charlestown troop leaders and volunteers for all their hard work and dedication to Girl Scouting. We couldn't do it without them.

We thank Leaders Catherine Chapman and Kathleen Walsh of Brownie Troop # 9308; Joanne Sherman and Karen Scanlon of Brownie Troop #9311; LeeAnn Carey and Garnet Dowling of Brownie Troop #9315; Karen Loftus of Daisy Troop #9319; Registrar and Cookie Chair Janet Shea; and Family Partnership Chair Maryann Chaisson.

Sincerely,
Mary L. Crotty

Media Manager for the Charlestown Troops

Bottle Bill Needs Updating

Dear Editor:

I am hoping this letter will help to support and publicize the urgent need for updating the bottle bill. It is amazing to me that this is being refuted by these large corporations!

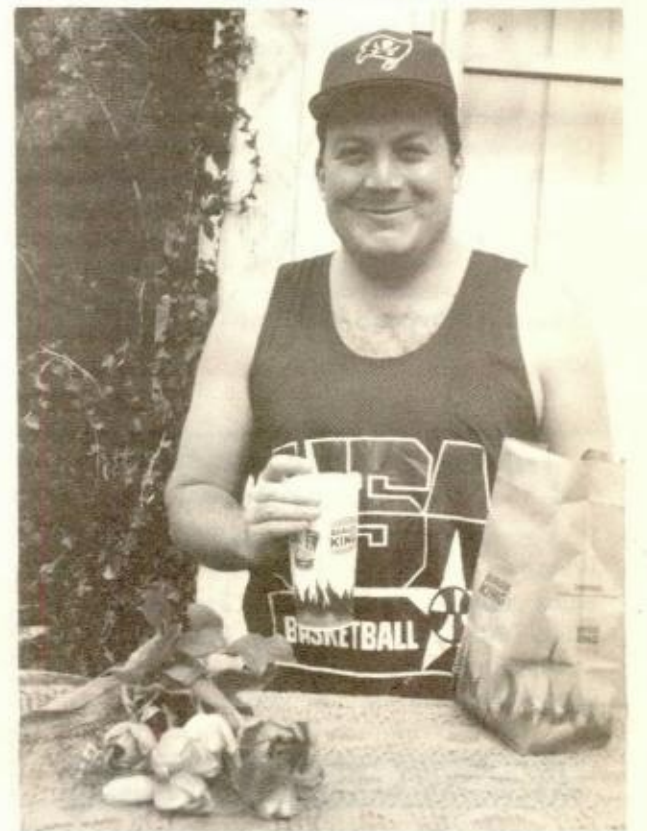
Sales of single-serve fruit beverages, which are currently not covered by a deposit message, have increased 1350 percent in volume in the past five years. Because approximately 40 percent of the beverages not currently covered by the bottle bill are consumed away from home, they are now burned or buried. If the bottle bill were updated, 80 percent of these bottles would be recycled.

This is such an obvious need. We have done much as a society toward bettering the environment, but the job is still not completed. The bottle bill creates a win-win situation for everyone, including the less fortunate homeless people, who receive money for returning these containers. If there is no money in it for them (helping them survive), then the container goes into the trash.

Simple concept, simple solution. Let's do whatever we can to get this bill updated.

Sincerely,
Susan S. Repplier

Is It Spring?



IS IT SPRING? You know spring has sprung when David Jackson brings his dining outdoors to his patio (better known as an electrical box) at the corner of Main and School streets.

Do you want to discover foreign cultures? If yes, you will want to be a host for EF Corporate Language School. EFC offers Business English programs to professionals from around the world. We are looking for individuals or families to host adult students for short-term stays and to share cultural experiences. Hosts provide a single room, breakfast and dinner on weekdays and meals on weekends, and receive a weekly stipend. For information, please call Laura Romain, (617) 619-1465.

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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,
Commander, District A-1,
Boston Police Department

Monday, April 6

A Charlestown man reported that between 6:30 p.m. on April 5 and 8:30 a.m. on this date, his auto was hit and damaged by an unknown person while it was parked on Monument Street.

A Charlestown woman stated that between 11:30 a.m. on April 5 and 3:30 p.m. on this date, an oil painting, valued at \$250, was taken from her Union Street home.

At 3:37 p.m., a 21-year-old Charlestown man was arrested at Old Ironside Way and Medford Street on an outstanding warrant for possession of a class B substance.

At 10:20 p.m., as a Charlestown woman returned from work, she found three males in the hallway of her O'Meara Court building smoking pot and blocking her way to her apartment. She asked to get by and the three neither answered nor complied. The second time she asked them to move, she told them that her door was behind them and at this point, she said one called her names. She then went out and around the building, and entered from the back doorway.

Tuesday, April 7

Officers were called to Wood Street just after midnight on the report that rubbish had been thrown all over the street. As the officers arrived at the scene, they saw two 21-year-old Charlestown men run from the area. They were stopped and returned to the street to clean up the trash. The two were released after the clean up. A second call came in about 1:32 a.m. as both had returned to the area and placed trash bags against the front

door of a High Street residence. The two were found to be unsteady on their feet with a strong odor of alcohol on their breath. They were transported to Area A and detoxed.

At 7:45 a.m., it was reported that a recycling bin was set on fire on Green Street.

Wednesday, April 8

At 2:30 a.m., officers were traveling down Auburn Street toward Russell Street when they saw an auto in the intersection with its engine running. The officers saw two men who appeared to be sleeping and they approached the auto to determine the well-being of the men in the vehicle. The officers asked the driver, a 22-year-old Charlestown man, for his license and registration to which he said he did not have a license. He was asked to exit the auto and, as he did so, he was seen discarding a red plastic bag containing a brown leafy substance, believed to be PCP, angel dust, from his right hand onto the car seat and he was taken into custody. The officer went to the passenger side of the auto to check on the second man and he saw a large plastic sealable lunch bag in plain view at his feet with 22 individual red plastic bags with the brown leafy substance. He also was taken into custody, transported to Area A for possession of a class B substance with intent to sell. The auto was towed.

At 7:45 a.m., a Charlestown woman, while driving on Main Street, reported that an unknown man driving behind her came to a quick stop at a red light. He got out of his auto, spit on her window, yelled obscenities, got back in his auto and drove off.

At 6:04 p.m., officers were called to Green and High streets on the report of an assault and battery in progress. The officers found a 34-year-old Charlestown man bent over and

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bleeding from the head. He said that he was walking on Green Street when a car stopped and six males jumped out and started punching him and he fell to the ground. He said that they then began to kick him about the head with shod feet. He was able to get up and run to the end of Green Street while the men jumped into the auto and fled. He was transported to MGH for treatment of head and face injuries.

Friday, April 10

A Charlestown man flagged down officers on Medford Street reporting that he found the rear window of his auto shattered, apparently done with a beer bottle. The incident took place on Polk Street between midnight and 8:30 a.m.

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Do you love history? Books? Not-for-profit bookstore in Boston National Historical Park is seeking PT & FT Store Associates. Some weekend work required. Call Kim at (617) 241-3913 for application.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Pleasant manner, computer knowledge and ability to be flexible under pressure are a few skills needed to be part of the Hunneman Team at our Flagship Wharf, Charlestown office or Tremont Street, South End office.

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ESL Conversations At The Library

Adult and young adult patrons for whom English is a second language are invited to practice their English language skills during a "ESL Conversation Group" meeting. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday evening,

April 27 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

The group is assisted by a trained ESL tutor and is free and open to the public. New members are always welcome.

For information, call 242-1248.

DISPATCH/ADMIN.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Massachusetts Port Authority invites submission of proposals from qualified persons or firms interested in entering into a Concession Agreement for a Hotel Reservation Service, Massachusetts State Lottery and Special Events Ticket Sales concession at Terminals A, C and E at Boston-Logan International Airport. The concession will include nationwide hotel reservation services and the sale of tickets for the Massachusetts State Lottery games and reservations/ticket sales for special events, sporting events and tourist attractions. The agreement will be for a period of three (3) years commencing September 1, 1998. Sealed proposals will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at or prior to 11:00 a.m. local time on Wednesday, May 20, 1998 at the Executive Offices of the Authority, One Harborside Drive, Suite 200S, East Boston, MA 02128-2909. A pre-submission conference will be held on Thursday, May 7, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. at Logan International Airport, Media Room, 2nd Floor, Old Tower, East Boston, MA 02128 (Tel. 617-561-1663). The Authority is soliciting competitive proposals pursuant to a determination that such a process best serves the interest of the Authority and not because of any legal requirement to do so. The Authority reserves the right to accept any proposal, to modify or amend with the consent of the Proposer any proposal prior to acceptance, to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality and to effect any agreement otherwise, all as the Authority in its sole judgment may deem to be in its best interest. Michael Greico, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

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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, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Frances and Her Rabbit," a tale in which Frances and her pet rabbit are confined to the house during a rainstorm . . . A field mouse stores Summer's beauty to enjoy during the winter months in "Frede-

rick" . . . and the concepts of big and small are demonstrated using Russian stacking dolls in "Matrioska."

Actress Marlo Thomas and friends address stereotypes in the enjoyable film "Free to Be You and Me," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested books to read are **Frederick** by Leo Lionni and **Big and Little** by Steve Jenkins.

Seniors: Learn How To Prevent Telemarketing Fraud

Criminals make over \$40 billion annually from telemarketing and e-mail scams and most of their victims are active, well-educated senior citizens.

At 2 p.m. on Friday, April 17, a financial advisor from American Express Financial Advisors and an attorney from the office of the Attorney General will

present a free workshop on how seniors can prevent themselves from becoming victims of telemarketing and e-mail fraud. The workshop will be held at the Golden Age Center, 382 Main St.

To reserve a space at the workshop, call Beverly Gibbons or Mary Gavin at 635-5175.

A New Park For Charlestown Takes Shape

Reconstruction has been underway on Paul Revere Landing Park North (Phase I) for many months. The park is located on the south side of the Charlestown Bridge near the Gridley Locks, and will be owned by the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC). The \$5.6 million park will be 90 percent completed by the fall of 1998 with the remaining planting to be done in the spring of 1999.

It will be far different from the 20-plus year-old park that was previously on the site. The new park, when completed, will be more than three acres (City Square Park is slightly more than one acre).

The Paul Revere Landing Park will be part of a 40-acre park system and will have three miles of tree-shaded bikeways with almost four miles of pathways within the park and at the water's edge. It will connect Charlestown to Cambridge's North Point, the Museum of Science, the Boston Esplanade, the North End and the Fleet-



WORK IS PROGRESSING on the new Paul Revere Landing Park, adjacent to the North Washington Street Bridge. (photo by Ken Stone)

Center.

The new elegant Paul Revere Landing Park with its elaborate stone walls will have a wonderful children's play area, interpretive exhibits at the dam, a fishing pier, and reconstructed fish ladders. There will also be a large assortment of plantings throughout the park.

This park and the other new connecting parks to be built on both sides of the Charles River are being

built as mitigation for the Charles River Crossing, the new 14-lane bridge that will connect I-93 to the new Central Artery/Tunnel. Fortunately, this handsome, but enormous new bridge will also be almost 500 feet further away from Charlestown as it crosses the Charles River.

It is when this bridge is finished that the \$8.4 million Paul Revere Park West (Phase II) and the connections to the other parks

will be built. The timetable for Paul Revere Landing Park West is between November 2003 to June 2005.

Much credit goes to Tom King and the Citizens for a Livable Charlestown for pushing so diligently for many years to ensure that Phase I of Paul Revere Landing Park is built now and not 10 years from now. When completed, Charlestown, Cambridge and Boston will be linked as never before.

If you want to see what's going on, take a walk over to Charlestown's Water Street, pass under the Charlestown Bridge and walk along the construction designated pedestrian walkway to the Charlestown dam.

Just one last note, Paul Revere did land in Charlestown to begin his famous ride, but a very reliable source tells me that he landed down near the location of the *USS Constitution* and not near the new park which at that time was still under water!

- Ken Stone



A **STONE STAIRWAY** and observation deck is included in the new Paul Revere Landing Park. (photo by Ken Stone)



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For people who participate in retirement plans, age 70 1/2 has long been an important milestone. But recently, the rules in this area have changed. Here's a quick review of the current situation.

As a general rule, you still must take your first retirement plan payout when you reach age 70 1/2. Actually, the law gives you some leeway, and you have until April 1 of the year following the one in which you turn 70 1/2 to take your first distribution.

To illustrate, suppose you were born January 2, 1928. You will turn 70 1/2 on July 2, 1998, so you have until April 1, 1999, to take your first distribution.

Recently, two major exceptions have been added to this general rule:

- Owners of Roth IRAs are never required to take mandatory distributions.
- If you are still working at age 70 1/2, you may be able to wait until April 1 of the year after your retirement before taking distributions from your employer's qualified retirement plan. The administrator of your plan can tell you if this feature is available. This new exception does not apply to regular IRAs, SIMPLE IRAs, or Simplified Employee Pensions (SEPs).

If you have relatively large balances in your retirement plans, you'll be pleased to know that the penalty tax on "excess accumulations" has been eliminated. But that doesn't mean planning for retirement distributions has become easy. For example, if you are required to take your first payout after turning 70 1/2, you don't necessarily want to wait until April 1 of the following year. Postponing your first distribution means you'll then have to take two distributions in the same year, and that could push you into a higher tax bracket. Even if you aren't required to take distributions at age 70 1/2 because you are still working, it could make good tax sense to start your payouts sooner rather than later.

If you would like assistance working through the numbers and getting the best tax treatment on your plan payouts, contact our office.

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