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Ward 2 Democratic Caucus To Be Held On Sunday, Feb. 8

Registered Democrats in Ward 2, Charlestown will be holding a caucus on Sunday, Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. to elect delegates and alternates to the 1998 Massachusetts Democratic Convention.

Ward 2, Charlestown will be electing 11 delegate(s) and 4 alternate(s), equally divided between men and women, to send to the 1998 Convention. The apportioned number of delegates has been allotted based upon a formula giving equal weight to Democratic Party registrants and the average vote for Democratic candidates in the last general elections for governor and president

as published in the Massachusetts Elections Statistics Public Documents for 1994 and 1996.

Donna O'Brien and Sheila Brown will call the caucus at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St., Charlestown.

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats, those ineligible to register and media representatives. Only those Democrats registered to vote in the ward as of Feb. 6 are eligible to participate and vote in this caucus. There is no proxy or absentee voting.

Registration will remain open until all persons presenting themselves by 2:15 p.m. have registered, in-

cluding any in line.

Candidates for delegate or alternate must be present and voting, give his or her written consent to be nominated and that nomination must be seconded by two persons present at the caucus. All candidates may make a two-minute statement and may distribute materials on their behalf.

All ballots will be written and secret. Those candidates receiving the greatest number of votes on the first ballot will be elected. Slate-making is allowed, but no special preference will be given to slates. There is no quorum requirement and no admission fee is charged at the caucus.

Discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, religion, ethnic identity, or economic status in the conduct of the caucus is strictly prohibited.

Challenges to the delegate selection process can be filed at the Mass. Democratic Party, 129 Portland Street, Boston, MA 02114 no later than five days after the caucus date.

O'Halloran Honored For Service To The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club



KEVIN O'HALLORAN (center), a Boys Club member, volunteer and member of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors, was honored with a lifetime membership to the club at the Boys Club annual reunion, held on Jan. 17. O'Halloran is congratulated by his brother Jackie (left) and his father John (right).

by Charlie McGonagle
On Saturday evening, Jan. 17, a goodly number of present and former members of the Old Charlestown Boys Club gathered at the club's Teen Center for a night of remembering. They were there to reflect

upon those things that the club provided for them during their earlier days and to remember some of the people who were so important to form those memories.

Jimmy Connors, Denny Borden, Pat Sweeney, Mike McHugh, Jerry Steimel,

Paul Collins, and all of the other contributing members of the clubhouse staff and board of directors are to be commended for doing such a fine job in such a short time and under such trying circumstances.

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In Loving Memory RICHARD "DICK" DiVOLA 1938-1998



Richard "Dick" DiVola is shown (right) in this 1963 photograph when he won the New England Lightweight Championship Title. On the left is Charlie Pappas and in the front is Dick's uncle, "Honey" Melody.

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around the town

★ Neighborhood Council Meetings ...
Precinct 5 And 6

Resident Parking Meeting

The Neighborhood Council will facilitate a follow-up community meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 10, on resident parking for Precincts 5 and 6. It will be held at

Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Petitions circulated to ask for resident parking on specific streets in the two precincts should be returned at this time.

For further information, contact Jim

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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.

• **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, Feb. 5

• **noon to 1 p.m.** - District 1 City Councillor Paul Scapicchio Office Hours - Golden Age Center, 382 Main St.

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

• **8 p.m.** - The Jacques Thibaud String Trio of Berlin, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - MGH*Charlestown HealthCare Center, 73 High St.

Friday, Feb. 6

• **10 a.m.** - Adult Discussion Group on the new Education IRA with financial consultant Jennifer Maxwell - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **6 p.m.** - Family Fun Night - Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

• **7 p.m. to midnight** - Dance to benefit the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **8 p.m. to midnight** - Charlestown Gym Hockey Mayor's Race Dance, with Jimbo Tucker, candidate for mayor - Memorial Hall, 14 Green

St.

Saturday, Feb. 7

• **9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Charlestown Little League Registration - MDC Hockey Rink, Union Street

• **9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** - Charlestown Gym Hockey Registration for 1998-1999 - St. Mary's Parish Hall, Winthrop Street

Sunday, Feb. 8

• **noon to 2 p.m.** - Open House with registration information - Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, Tufts Street

• **12:30 p.m.** - Mass of Anointing, followed by a Valentine's Party for senior citizens - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• **2 p.m.** - Ward 2 Democratic Caucus - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Monday, Feb. 9

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

Tuesday, Feb. 10

• **10 a.m.** - Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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

• **noon** - Shakespeare Celebration - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **noon** - Discover the life of "Black Jacks" in the Age of Sail with author W. Jeffrey Bolster - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **7 p.m.** - Follow-up meeting on Resident Parking in Precincts 5 and 6 - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• **7:30 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee meeting - Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St.

Wednesday, Feb. 11

• **noon to 1 p.m.** - Sen. Thomas Birmingham Office Hours, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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

• **5:30 p.m.** - Friends of City Square Park Directors meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

upcoming events

Thursday, Feb. 12

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

Friday, Feb. 13

• **10 a.m.** - Adult Discussion Program on "What's New at Bell Atlantic Telephone" with Richard Colon - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m. to midnight** - Country Western/Valentine Dance, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **8 p.m.** - Sharon Kennedy's "Heartfelt Stories" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, Feb. 14

• **9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Charlestown

Little League Registration - MDC Hockey Rink, Union Street

• **9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** - Charlestown Gym Hockey Registration for 1998-1999 - St. Mary's Parish Hall, Winthrop Street

• **4 p.m.** - Charlestown Alumni All Stars vs. Matt O'Neil Lightning Hockey Game, to benefit Matt O'Neil Hockey - MDC Rink, Union Street

• **8 p.m.** - Dance to benefit CYHA and Matt O'Neil Hockey - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **8 p.m.** - Sharon Kennedy's "Heartfelt Stories" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, Feb. 15

• **2 p.m.** - Sharon Kennedy's "Heartfelt Stories" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Monday, Feb. 16

Happy Presidents' Day Holiday!

• **10 a.m. to noon** - "Build A Ship Model" - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

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

Tuesday, Feb. 17

• **10 a.m. to noon** - "Build A Ship Model" - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

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

• **7:30 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion monthly meeting - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. (note change of date)

plan ahead

Saturday, Feb. 21

• **3 p.m.** - Mayor's Race Dart Tournament with candidate Debbie Mancuso Lang for the Charlestown Youth Hockey Association - Old Sully's, Union Street

Saturday, Feb. 28

• **7 p.m.** - \$5,000 Dinner Dance to benefit Charlestown Catholic Elementary School - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, March 6

• **8 p.m.** - 32nd annual Irish Night

Dinner Dance honoring Mary Wrenn - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, March 14

• **noon** - Annual St. Patrick's Day Party for senior citizens, sponsored by The Flatley Company - The Schrafft Center, Sullivan Square

Friday, March 20

• **8 p.m.** - Election Night for Mayor of Charlestown, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee - K. of C. Hall, 75 West

School St.

Saturday, April 18

• **7 p.m.** - Spring Dinner Dance to benefit St. Catherine's Parish - site to be announced

Friday, April 24

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

Sunday, June 14

• **12:30 p.m.** - Annual Bunker Hill Day Parade - through the streets of Charlestown

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MHFA Program Brings Affordable Housing To Historic Charlestown Navy Yard

The historic Charlestown Navy Yard is the latest site in Boston to gain affordable housing through the Single Family Construction Loan Program operated by the Mass. Housing Finance Agency (MHFA).

The agency provided \$11.6 million in financing to the Franklin Realty Company of North Reading for the purchase and rehabilitation of The Basilica, a 92-unit condominium development with 86 underground parking spaces. The deal designates 18 units at the development as affordable housing.

The MHFA-designated affordable units will be added to the nine units already required to be affordable because of Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) deed restrictions, making 30 percent of the development available to low- and moderate-income families. The affordable

units will be priced within the MHFA maximum purchase price of \$165,000 for homes bought in the city of Boston. Additionally, MHFA will make its low-interest first-time homebuyer mortgages available to the purchasers of the units.

"Bringing these 18 additional affordable homes to a very attractive location in the Navy Yard is a very creative accomplishment for the agency," said MHFA Executive Director Steven Pierce, "and a solid step forward toward the city of Boston's efforts to make home ownership opportunities available for low- and moderate-income families." Comparable market-rate units at the development sell for more than \$200,000.

Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio said, "I applaud MHFA for its commitment to our inner city."

Acknowledging Scapicchio's praise, Pierce added, "It's important that MHFA continues to work in concert with the efforts of the city of Boston and private developers to make affordable housing available in this era of high prices and low vacancy rates."

Edward Dolan, president of the Franklin Realty Company said, "MHFA's efficiency and cooperation has been instrumental in allowing The Basilica condominium project to move forward. Their rapid-fire ability to close an \$11.6 million loan within nine days of loan commitment was most impressive."

Dolan also praised the hard work and cooperation of the BRA and the Menino administration in facilitating this transaction. "This is an excellent example of how various agencies from the city of Boston and the Commonwealth of Mass.

work together to benefit our citizens," said Dolan.

The Basilica's interior features columns that extend from floor to ceiling. They remain from the original structure where links were made for anchor chains. About 20 percent of the units are two-bedroom units on the first floor.

The townhouse-style units, which occupy the third and fourth floors, are loft style with skylights illuminating the rooms.

A brick and granite structure originally built in 1903, the building was redeveloped as luxury condominiums several years ago. It was purchased by sealed bid from the mortgage holder in 1997 by the Franklin Realty Co.

The building's name was derived from Renaissance architecture. The original Italian Basilica was a large town hall built during that period.

THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

CHECKING THE MARGINS FOR 'ARMS'

When you're shopping for Adjustable Rate Mortgages (ARMs), the "margin" is almost as important as the initial rate. The margin is the percentage point above the average yields for Treasury notes on which future rate adjustments will be calculated.

Let's compare two hypothetical one-year ARMs. The first may have an initial interest rate of 8% with a 2.5 margin, while the second begins at 7 7/8% with a 2.75 margin. Both loans have rate caps of 2%. Let's say that at the end of the first year of the loan, the average of the one-year Treasury note yield has been 6 1/2%. For each loan, the lenders will add the margin to that 6 1/2% average yield. Thus, the interest rate for the first loan would increase from 8% to 9%, and the second would go from 7 7/8% to 9 1/4%. While the first had a slightly higher initial rate, it will have lower rates in subsequent years unless the Treasury note rate increases enough to activate the annual caps on the amount of the increase. There is a wide variance among margins in ARMs offered by competing lenders, and this should be a factor when you decide which loan to select.

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Local Models Donate Coats To The Salvation Army



LOCAL MODELS with Ford Model Management delivered coats they collected for the Salvation Army in a horse-drawn sleigh down Newbury Street and through Back Bay. Shown taking part in the holiday drive are (l. to r.) Ford models Jamie Lyn Smith, Joe Curtin, and Charlestown resident Bonnie Anderson; Major Jean Booth of the Salvation Army; and Candy Ford, director of Ford Model Management.

Attention: St. Mary's First Communion Parents

Parents of children in parochial schools who will be making First Communion at St. Mary's Church on April 26, are asked to call the rectory at 242-4664.

First Penance will take place after the 9:30 a.m.

Mass on Sunday, March 15. All youngsters must attend classes in preparation for these two events.

Your child will need a Baptismal certificate if they were not baptized at St. Mary's.

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For tickets or more information, contact Allison Foley at 242-1775



Charlestown Teenage Shakespeare Company Recruiting Players

"To be or not to be," that IS the question. Actually, what the new Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Teen Shakespeare Project is asking is if there are any teens who want to be part of the new company of players.

"This is a great opportunity for teenagers to explore the genius of Shakespeare," said Patricia Simpson, one of the organizers of the company. Four-hundred years after he lived, his stories of love, fantasy and humor still have meaning."

Simpson, who piloted a Shakespeare project with young students at the Warren-Prescott School, says that the goal of this new venture is to stimulate teens' thinking and provide a medium for self-expression.

"This is about putting together a whole company of teenagers who want to participate in everything from the parts to the production, from the construction of costumes to the set design. The entire production, from the concept to the theatrical event, will be the result of a collaboration by all the members of the theater company.

The first production scheduled is *Romeo and Juliet*. There are plenty of interesting characters and there is certainly the relevance to teens: the two "star-crossed lovers" are both teenagers. Many of the themes in the play are hundreds of years old - parental conflict, jealousy, revenge and love, are not unknown to teenagers today.

The date for the first production is

set for Friday, April 17 at the Charlestown clubhouse, and April 18 at the John Harvard Mall.

Simpson said that the company was recruiting 10 to 20 interested teens, ages 10-17, as well as two or three adults for short cameo appearances. The company would meet for 8-10 weeks, two sessions per week on Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Teen Center.

"This is an ambitious undertaking," said Simpson, "but I believe we can do something very meaningful for teenagers and for the community."

Teenagers interested in the play should contact Jenny Atkinson at 242-1775.

Brownie Troop Entertains For The Holidays



CHARLESTOWN BROWNIES, Girl Scout Troop #9315, sang Christmas carols through the streets of Charlestown just before the holidays. Also, the girls helped Townie Santa assemble and deliver gift packages to elderly, needy shut-ins, and they handed out refreshments and assisted at the Thompson Square tree-lighting ceremony.

Dear "Ma" Dolan . . .

February 6th

On this "very special" birthday, thank you for 52 years of wonderful memories.

Love "Ya" . . .

The Keniston "Kids"

Free Public Observatory Night

The Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics invites the public to attend a free program on astronomy. On Thursday, Feb. 19, Rudy Schild of the CfA, will present the lecture "Rogue Planets and the Missing Mass."

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 programs 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.

For information about accessibility, call 495-7461.

Happy 7th Birthday To Our Brother

RYAN

on February 9th!

Love . . . Aimee & Ashlee



It's A Girl . . .

Arthur and Janet Krolman of Elm Street, Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Therese Margaret Ann, on Jan. 27 at Beth Israel Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces.

Happy Birthday **DOROTHY**

on February 11th!

Love Ya . . .

Mom, Dad and Tim

Happy 100th Birthday **MARY DOLAN**

on February 6th!

Love . . . Gerard, Eileen & Lynn

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



♣ **Help Support The Boys & Girls Club . . .** by attending or buying a ticket for their fund raiser, tomorrow night, Friday, Feb. 6th, at the K. of C. starting at 7 p.m. All proceeds go toward programs for our kids.

♣ **A Valentine Reminder . . .** to all who have a special person or persons in their lives . . . next week's issue will carry Valentines, so don't let yours be left out . . . give Sue a call by Monday at noon at 241-9511 and we will help you set up your ad . . . and besides, you will have a chance to win a beautiful floral arrangement from Bunker Hill Florist . . . Remember, you gotta have heart!

♣ **Happy Birthday Wishes . . .** go out to Mary Dolan who will mark her 100th birthday on Feb. 6th . . . Michelle Isbart will celebrate her big day on Feb. 7th . . . Tom Hennessey will celebrate on Feb. 8th, a date also shared by Brian Davis . . . Casey Ann Dolaher will become a teenager on Feb. 9th . . . Feb. 10th will mark the 83rd birthday of Jimmy Venezia, and "the twins," Natalie and Noreen Rizzo, will party heartily as they celebrate their 24th birthday on the same day . . . Feb. 11th is a date shared by Dorothy Conway and Barrister Tim Dineen . . . Have a great day everyone!

♣ **Happy Anniversary . . .** to Florence and Mario Tognarelli as they celebrate their wedding anniversary on Feb. 7th . . . Congratulations!

♣ **Five Hats Have Been Tossed Into The Race . . .** for Mayor of Charlestown . . . Each candidate and their campaign workers will be selling chances around town until the big night - Friday, March 20th - when everyone will gather at the Knights of Columbus Hall on West School Street and wait with baited breath for the name of the next Mayor of Charlestown to be announced . . . Remember, 60% of the money raised by each candidate reverts back to the organization that they are representing . . . Debbie Mancuso Lang for Charlestown Youth Hockey; Eddie Greatorex for Charlestown Little League; Jimbo Tucker for Charlestown Gym Hockey; Elaine McCarthy for the Bunker Hill Museum; and Rob McIntosh for Charlestown Pop Warner

♣ **The Question . . .** from last week's Police Line is What is PAWS? And the answer is . . . People Arrested on WarrantS!

♣ **The Old House Fair . . .** kicks off at the Boston Center for the Arts Cyclorama, 539 Tremont St., Boston, on Feb. 7th at 9 a.m. . . . The two-day fair puts people who live in older homes in touch with appropriate contractors, suppliers and other specialists . . . Among the exhibitors will be Bob Spencer of Charlestown, owner of Minerva Design . . . For hours and ticket information, call 367-2458, ext. 12

♣ **A Fund-Raiser For The Charlestown Mayor's Race . . .** is this weekend as Jimbo Tucker, campaigning on behalf of Charlestown Gym Hockey, kicks off his race on Friday night, Feb. 6th, at 8 p.m. at Memorial Hall, 14 Green St. . . . Get your tickets at the door.

♣ **Tonight . . .** Thursday, Feb. 5 is the Charlestown Preservation Society's Chamber Music Concert with The Jacques Thibaud String Trio of Berlin, at 8 p.m. at the MGH*Charlestown HealthCare Center, 73 High St. Tickets are \$15. For more info, call 241-7500.

♣ **BILY . . . "Because I Love You,"** is a Parent Support Group that helps parents assess problems, develop healthy behaviors, improve communication, and develop a support network with other parents concerning such problems as attitude, substance abuse, irregular school attendance, physical and/or verbal abuse, run-aways and other forms of defiance . . . The Metro Boston BILY meetings are held on Monday nights from 8 to 9:30 p.m. at the Winchester Unitarian Church in Winchester. For more info., call 781-322-4868.

♣ **Peace Corps Opportunities . . .** Come and find out about international opportunities with the Peace Corps on Wednesday, Feb. 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the Tip O'Neil Federal Building, next to the FleetCenter . . . To RSVP, call 1-800-424-8580, and ask for ext. 529.

♣ **The 19th Annual North American Home Show . . .** will open it's doors at the Bayside Expo Center on Saturday, Feb. 7th and will run through Sunday, Feb. 15th. Now is the time to start thinking about those spring projects - make a list and bring it to the show. Show hours are Monday through Friday, 1 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

♣ **Thought For The Week . . .** Lost time is never found again. - Benjamin Franklin



around the town

★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .

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Precinct 5 And 6

Resident Parking Meeting

Mansfield of the Boston Transportation Department at 635-2447.

Public Safety Committee Meeting

Co-chairmen John Dillon and Bill McCabe announce that the Public Safety Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at the Mishawum Park Community Room, 95 Dunstable St. Officer Bill Smith of the Boston Police Department is scheduled to be present.

Zoning Meeting

Zoning Committee Chairman Tom Cunha has announced that the committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 12, at the K. of C. Lower Hall, 75 West School St.

A master map of the proposed new zoning of Charlestown along with language documentation will be presented for review by the committee and the general public. The map will include zoning in the seven precincts and commercial property. Following the meeting, the map will be updated and be made available for a period of public comment at a date and location to be announced.

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ **Judy's Heading Home . . .** Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be returning this week from her vacation. Residents who have issues relative to city services may call her at 635-3485.

Community Office Hours will resume on Monday, Feb. 9 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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

★ **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, Feb. 10. Constituents who are unable to attend the office hours may call 722-2370 to make an appointment.

★ **School Committee Budget Hearings . . .** The Boston School Committee is holding public hearings to update residents and hear feedback on the proposed FY99 bud-

get for the Boston Public Schools.

There will be a hearing from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at the Jackson/Mann Community Center, 40 Armington St., Allston. The final community hearing will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3 at the Curtis Guild Elementary School, 196 Leyden St., East Boston.

School Superintendent Thomas W. Payzant has submitted his budget proposal to the School Committee. After these remaining budget hearings, the School Committee will submit its final proposed budget to the mayor at the end of March.

For further information, call 635-9265.

★ Suggestions Welcome On Post Office Relocation . . .

The U.S. Postal Service is asking residents and business persons to comment on a site for the possible relocation of the Charlestown Post Office from its present facility at One Thompson Square. The reason given for this change is the growth of the facility.

Customers of the local post office are being asked for comments and suggestions regarding this proposed relocation within the next few days. Inclusion of your name and address is optional. Comments should be sent to:

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U.S. Postal Service
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Charlestown, MA 02129-9998

★ Smoking Cessation Groups . . .

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

A morning group starts on Tuesday, Feb. 10 and runs from 10 to 11 a.m.

A Wednesday night session from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. begins on Feb. 11.

Please call 485-6210 to register.

★ **Board Of Appeal Decision . . .** On Feb. 3, the city of Boston Board of Appeal acted on a proposal that would allow the construction of a parking lot off Clinton Place.

At a hearing last fall, the board referred the matter to the city's law department for review. Assistant Corporation Counsel Robert Cohen responded to the board's request this week. He noted that "it would seem that two different sets of plans have been circulating in this matter: the first set was filed with the application for the building permits, and a second plan appeared after various parties expressed concerns regarding fire access and handicap access."

Cohen went on to say that the original plans did not contain information regarding grading or paving material. He pointed out to the board that "the proposed project demonstrated no access to a public way" and he advised the board to consider the impact upon the neighborhood

caused by this lack of access.

Cohen noted in his letter that "Clinton Place is a private way" and went on to say that "without evidence that the permit applicant has an easement on Clinton Place to a public way, granting these permits could be construed as an illegal taking, subjecting the board and the city to liability." Also, he added, "The original parking configuration did not allow sufficient fire access to the proposed project."

The letter from Cohen went on to say that "while the permit applicant seeks to remedy this situation by applying to install a stairway to an adjacent sidewalk, they have not secured approval of the Public Improvement Commission (PIC), which is required prior to such activity. In fact, there is no guaranty that the PIC would allow this stairway to be built."

Cohen recommended to the board that permit #0513 and #1372 be "revoked without prejudice and that the applicant be allowed to reapply after meeting the above described conditions and specifying the actual plans upon which the proposed project would be based." The board concurred, much to the delight of area residents.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings . . .** Petitions are scheduled to be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal in Room 801 at Boston City Hall at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24:

• Annette Tecce is asking to sub-divide the lot and building at 25 Prescott St. from a lot with a building at 61-63 Rutherford Ave. and change the legal occupancy of this

building from manufacturing to one artist's live/work studio. (BZC-19267)

• Annette Tecce seeks permission to erect a one-family dwelling at 65 Rutherford Ave. (BZC-19268)

• Annette Tecce seeks permission to erect a one-family dwelling at 69 Rutherford Ave. (BZC-19269)

• Annette Tecce seeks permission to erect a one-family dwelling at 67 Rutherford Ave. (BZC-19270)

• Annette Tecce seeks to subdivide the lot and building at 61-63 Rutherford Ave. with the building at 25 Prescott St.; also erect a third-story addition to this existing two-story building and change the legal occupancy from design studio office space to three artists' live/work studio. (BZC-19289)

★ **Preservation Awards Nomination Forms Available . . .** Secretary of the Commonwealth William F. Galvin, chairman of the Mass. Historical Commission, has announced the availability of nomination forms for the 1998 Mass. Historical Commission Preservation Awards.

If you know of an outstanding large or small historic preservation effort in your community call 727-8470 for a nomination form or view it at www.state.ma.us/sec/mhc.

Eligible award categories include: adaptive reuse/rehabilitation, archaeology, craftsman, education, landscape preservation, local preservation, media, restoration, tourism and lifetime achievement.

The deadline for the submission of nominations is Friday, March 6.

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ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

★ **Feast of St. Blase** - the blessing of the throats will take place after Masses on Feb. 7 and 8.

★ **First Penance Parents' Meeting** - A meeting for parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation at St. Catherine's this spring will be held this Sunday, Feb. 8 at 10 a.m. in the lower church. The Sacrament will be administered on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 1 p.m.

★ **Altar Server Dinner** - All altar servers are invited to a pizza dinner with Father DiPerri on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 5 p.m. in the rectory.

★ **CYO 7th & 8th Grade Boys Olympics** - The Charlestown CYO is looking for any 7th and 8th grade boys who would like

to compete in the annual CYO 7th and 8th Grade Boys' Olympics, which will be held at the Richard J. Murphy School in Neponset on Thursday, Feb. 19, during school vacation. The boys will compete in basketball, volleyball, gym hockey, water basketball and the superstars contest - chin-ups, tug-of-war, etc.

★ **CYO Yard Sale** - Charlestown CYO will hold its semi-annual yard sale on Saturday, April 25. Start your spring cleaning early and get rid of any old items you have wanted to clear from your house by donating them for use at the yard sale, but please, no clothing! Your donation may be dropped off at St. Catherine's Rectory and it will be greatly appreciated.

Discover The Life Of 'Black Jacks' In The Age Of Sail At The Constitution Museum

Former slave and abolition crusader, Frederick Douglass, gained his freedom by masquerading as a "Black Jack" when he escaped by train from Baltimore to New York. Douglass' ruse worked in 1838 because free black seamen were so common a sight, few gave them a second look. Learn this and much more in the noontime discussion of the recently released work, *Black Jacks - African American Seamen in the Age of Sail* on Tuesday, Feb. 10 (snow date - Thursday, Feb. 12 at noon), at the USS Constitution Museum in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Author W. Jeffrey Bol-

ster combines 10 years experience as a seaman with a Ph.D. in American History to shatter the myth that black seafaring in the age of sail was limited to Africans being held captive in the holds of slave ships crossing the Atlantic.

In his book *Black Jacks - African Seamen in the Age of Sail*, Bolster details African American maritime history from 1740 through 1865, a period in which going to sea provided one of the most significant occupations for both enslaved and free black men.

The USS Constitution Museum celebrates Black History Month with Bol-

ster's presentation of *Black Jacks - African-American Seamen in the Age of Sail*. The discussion is open to the public free of charge and will be held in museum's Figgie Theatre. Listeners are invited to bring a brown bag lunch and beverages will be provided.

Bolster is the Hortense Cavis Shepherd Assistant Professor of History at the University of New Hampshire. A licensed master mariner, Bolster spent 10 years aboard ship as a professional seaman.

Black Jacks is part of the year-long Samuel Eliot Morison Lecture series sponsored by the Lowell Institute.

THANK YOU, GOD

Pray 9 Hail Marys during 9 days. Ask 3 wishes, 1 concerning business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your wishes will be answered even though you may not believe it. K.W.

THANK YOU HOLY SPIRIT FOR FAVORS GRANTED J.M.

Flatley To Host 12th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner For Seniors

On Saturday, March 14, Thomas J. Flatley, president and founder of The Flatley Co., will host the 12th annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner at the Schrafft Center in Charlestown.

Over 225 senior citizens will be present for this annual event, which will take place between noon and 3 p.m. Local and state digni-

ties will be "wearin' the green" in the tradition of the event as they celebrate the holiday with the senior citizens.

Invited guests include Gov. Paul Cellucci, Mayor Thomas Menino, Boston Police Department Commissioner Paul Evans, Boston Fire Department Commissioner Martin E.

Pierce Jr., Senate President Thomas Birmingham, Sen. Robert Travaglini, Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty and Consulate General of Ireland Orla O'Hanrahan.

While guests are dining on corned beef and cabbage, Joe Joyce will play Irish favorites for dancing and merriment. The audience will also be entertain-

ed by the fancy footwork of Irish step dancers.

The Flatley Company along with the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club and the Teamsters Union Local 25, will provide transportation for the seniors.

Information on obtaining tickets and transportation schedules will be announced shortly.

Birmingham To Hold Office Hours On Wednesday

A member of Sen. Thomas Birmingham's staff will be available for community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, Feb. 11 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Charlestown

Branch Library, 179 Main St. The public is invited to attend the office hours.

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

Be Someone's Special Valentine... Send Them A Gift Basket

Boston Basketcases, a unique gift service company located in Charlestown, has just unveiled its 1998 Valentine's Day gift line. Their new brochure introduces eight styles of Valentine-themed baskets and one gift box. The products range in style from an all-chocolate basket, to a southwest spicy salsa and chip basket, to a luxurious basket of bath and body delights.

Boston Basketcases' new brochure is the easy answer for your Valentine's Day gift needs. In fact, all of your loved ones can be taken care of with just one phone call to Boston Basketcases. The baskets are so versatile, they serve as

the perfect gift for a grandparent, spouse or even a co-worker! You can't go wrong with giving one of the beautifully presented gift baskets stuffed with treats and goodies for all tastes. Boston Basketcases' products are true head-turners and are guaranteed to make the receiver feel special.

Beth J. Neelon, founder and CEO of Boston Basketcases Inc, has been designing and producing gift baskets for over three years. Neelon and her team will be more than happy to help you with your questions or gift basket ideas. Telephone orders and requests for additional information are welcomed at 242-7678.

Leaming Presented Pinnacle Award

The Women's Network of the Greater Boston Chamber presented its fourth annual Pinnacle Awards to seven women who have achieved excellence in business management, and the professions. More than 600 business leaders attended this year's awards luncheon on Feb. 4 at the Sheraton Boston Hotel & Towers. Virginia Cha, news anchor for WBZ-TV was the keynote speaker and master of ceremonies.

The seven award recipients were Nancy L. Leaming of Charlestown for achievement in management, private sector; Jane C. Edmonds, achievement in business; Mary Lou K. Crane, achievement in management, government; Joanne K. Hilferty, achievement in management, non-profit sector; Mary K. Ryan, achievement in the

professions; Lisa K. Matthews, emerging executive; and Sherry H. Penney, lifetime achievement.

"The women we honor with these awards have each made a significant contribution to both their organization and our community," said Paul Guzzi, president and chief executive officer of the Chamber. "They are women who are committed to making a difference. Their achievements motivate and inspire us all."

"The Pinnacle Awards recognize not only personal achievement, but the impact that women have on the economic, social and educational aspects of our community," said Diane M. Capstaff, chair of the Women's Network Advisory Board and executive vice president of John Hancock Financial Services. "As one of the Cham-

ber's most respected events, this awards luncheon highlights the accomplishments of the winners and the key role they each play in the Greater Boston business community."

Recipient of the achievement in management, private sector award, Leaming serves as president and CEO of Tufts Associated Health Plan Inc. Under Leaming's leadership, Tufts Health Plan has earned a reputation for excellence in service as evidenced by high satisfaction rates from customers and the most rapid rate of growth of any health plan in New England. Tufts Health Plan is a \$1.5 billion company with 900,000 members. In addition to overseeing its operations, Leaming actively communicates the mission, vision and values of the company to employees and customers.

What's Up At The Kennedy Center

It's hard to believe that it's already February. Spring should be here soon. Not to speak too quickly, but it's been a really nice winter - so far!

Computer Classes

The next cycle of evening computer classes will start soon. There are classes for beginners and for those who have some computer experience. If you are not on the waiting list, call Martha now.

Also, don't forget the open access time for computers takes place every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Someone is at 55 Bunker Hill St. to help you.

Senior Valentine Party

The Senior Valentine Party is on Wednesday, Feb. 11. Make your own sundae, enjoy the entertainment and take a chance on a raffle. All this is thanks to John Hancock Signature Services. The fun begins at 1 p.m. Call Bobbi if you would like to come.

Happy 100th Birthday

Happy 100th birthday to Mary Dolan. She has been an RSVP volunteer at the Kennedy Center for 25 years. Thanks, Mary, for all those years of help.

Volunteers Needed

Speaking of volunteers, extra help is always needed. Volunteers are needed to cover the computer open access time, someone to help in the business office, extra hands in the Head Start and After School pro-

grams, and someone to help with some maintenance at the school. If you can help us with these or anything else, call Martha.

Home Health Aides

A Home Health Aide class has just gotten off to a great start. Eight future aides are preparing to help people in their homes. Good luck to them.

PreVoc Class

A PreVoc class is starting, so it's not too late to sign up. If you want to go back to school or training but feel you need a boost to get going, this is the program for you. Call Patty.

Martha, Bobbi and Patty can be reached at 241-8866.

Scapicchio Named Chairman Of City Council Committee

District One Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio has been named chairman of the Committee on Economic Development and Transportation.

The committee concerns itself with a wide spectrum of responsibilities including city development, transportation policies, mass transit, Logan International Airport, Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel issues, and the affects of large-scale neighborhood development on the people of Boston.

In addition, it deals with the various inspectional, regulatory and licensing activities of the city through oversight of the Boston Re-

development Authority, Public Facilities, the Inspectional Services and Transportation Department, the Licensing Board and the Zoning Commission, among others.

This particular chairmanship will enable the councillor to focus attention on such issues as the Rutherford Avenue project and the Medford Street waterfront area. The councillor has stated that he is anxious to implement his ideas and would appreciate receiving input from the community.

If you should have any questions or comments, contact the councillor's office at 635-3200.

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UPCOMING TRIPS

• **Thursday, Feb. 19 - Day Trip to Danvers** - Shopping at Anne & Hope, lunch at the Hometown Buffet and see a movie at the Danvers Cinema. The cost is \$20.

• **Monday, March 2 - Trip to Foxwoods Casino** - The cost is \$19 and the package includes \$10 for food and \$5 for pull tabs. The bus leaves at 7:30 a.m.

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O'Halloran Honored By Boys Club Alumni . . . Receives Lifetime Membership Award



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The hair, if it was there at all, was gray or graying and the waistlines were, in many cases, a bit wider, but the memories of what used to be were still the same, perhaps even a bit more vivid than before.

Conversation and reflections were interrupted briefly as executive board member Pat Sweeney, took a few minutes to update those in attendance as to the current state of the club's proposed plans for physical improvement. Because the men at the Teen Center were deeply aware of the positive impact that a Boys & Girls Club has on their community, they listened attentively as Pat spoke of the tireless effort of the executive board and the club's administration to make expanded improvements to the facility.

They listened, also, as Pat spoke of lawsuits and other obstacles that they had unexpectedly encountered on their road to-

ward making the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club a better place for the youngsters of their community, obstacles which had forced the club to make a move toward improvement through renovation rather than through the desired expansion.

He told them how the money that they had had so generously contributed toward expansion was now going to be used in a renovation project. They listened and they were angry. They were not angry at Pat, for he was but the messenger, but at the obstacles that had been created to prevent expansion.

There were several reasons as to why the club reached a decision to renovate rather than to expand. The organization attempted to settle the lawsuit that was filed by several neighbors last summer. Their efforts, which included the redesign of the planned addition to the High Street building, were rejected. Legal costs thus

far have been significant and the prospects for a legal resolution within the next year were slim. In addition, the agency's campaign to raise the remaining funds to renovate the clubhouse has been effectively stalled since the suit was filed. The board of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston was concerned that a further project delay would threaten the feasibility of the project altogether and that money used to continue to fight the suit would not be available for the project.

Club officials are now renewing the fund-raising efforts as the club has still not reached its goal. Renovation plans will be developed later this year, and Pat assured the alumni that they will be kept informed as to any further proceedings. He also assured them that the bricks and pavers which many had bought in support of the project would still be an important part of the new design.

Many rumors as to the proposed improvements to the club have been circulating throughout the community for the past several months, and it was the intent of the administration and the board of directors, through Pat, to paint an accurate picture of the state of these improvements. In the short time that he had, Pat was able to do this quite nicely.

The highlight of the evening, once again, was the recognition of a person whose contributions to the club over the years have made it a better place for youngsters to be. The reward for these contributions is a lifetime membership in the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club.

Every so often we are fortunate enough to have a person come into our lives who seems to be liked and respected by everybody, a person nobody seems to have a bad thing to say about. The recipient of this

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O'Halloran Honored For Service

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year's Lifetime Membership Award, Kevin O'Halloran, fits quite nicely into this category.

Kevin first came to the club as a 6-year-old, and immediately began to take advantage of all of the things the club had to offer. As he got older and was able to realize just how important the club had been to him, he began to give back.

Each year, the Nate Hurwitz Amateur Basketball Tournament, arguably the oldest tournament of its kind in the United States, is held at the club. It would be difficult to find a basketball-oriented youngster in the Greater Boston area who has not heard of, or played in, the Hurwitz Tournament.

It is generally conceded that Kevin O'Halloran has contributed more volunteer hours to the Hurwitz over the years than any other individual. Each year he gives hours and hours of his time to officiate dozens of games. It is because of Kevin and unselfish people like him, that Hurwitz has

been able to reach its ripe old age. In addition, he is a many-year member of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club Executive Board of Directors, which is also a volunteer and time-consuming position.

As a member of the board, Kevin has dealt intimately with much of what has happened over the past year or so in the area of proposed improvements at the club. There is no doubt that he is extremely disappointed in the fact that the club has been forced to improve through rehabilitation, rather than through expansion, but something he said when accepting his Lifetime Membership Award had a tremendous impact on those at the reunion.

"It might seem as though we have lost the battle here," he said, "but the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club has never been about a building, it has always been about the kids."

It is quite probably true that Kevin is a better person because of the club, but is absolutely true that the club is a better place because of Kevin.

Mayor Thomas Menino will join The Friends of the Library and the community in a Shakespeare Celebration at noon on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Tina Fabiano-Champagne's third grade class presented a delightful performance of the Shakespeare play, "The Tempest," last November at the Warren-PreScott School. The Friends of the Charlestown Library were impressed and delighted with the students' hard work. The library has purchased the "Complete Works of Wil-

liam Shakespeare" to award each of the Shakespearean actors.

Menino and Steve Maler, director of the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company, will present these beautiful books to each third grade student. Each book will be inscribed with the child's name, as well as the name of the character they played in "The Tempest." The children will then present a small skit of the lines that they are learning for their next Shakespeare play to be performed in June, "As You Like It." They are hoping to offer a performance here in Charlestown as

well as to the public in the Copley Square Fountain downtown.

After the children present their skit, there will be a question and answer period. The audience can ask the students questions about their experience of reading, interpreting and performing William Shakespeare. All of the Charlestown community is invited to share in this special event for our children.

Please join Menino, the Charlestown library and the community in recognizing these students for their fine work.

It's A Boy . . .

Dominic and Cheryl Monziona of Lynnfield, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Zachary Joseph, on Jan. 9. He weighed 9 pounds 2 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Leo and Eileen Breen of Melrose.

The paternal grandparents are Dominic and Mary Monziona of Chelsea.

Sharing great-grandmother honors are Alice Breen of Arlington and Kitty Sullivan of Charlestown.

Zachary was welcomed home by his big brother, Dominic Leo.

'What's New At Bell Atlantic Telephone'

Richard Colon, Bell Atlantic regional director of public affairs, will be the guest speaker during the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 13.

His presentation will offer an overview of new

developments throughout the telecommunications industry, as well as locally here in New England.

The program is free and open to the public.

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

There is no program on Feb. 20, during vacation week.

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♣ **College Board** . . . The last time I was at Emmanuel College, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Myette, two teachers at Columbus High, were getting married in the school chapel. Sunday I was there to see the Emmanuel Saints, a perennial North East Atlantic Conference basketball powerhouse, play a non-league game versus Binghamton University of New York.

Of course, our main concern was Townie Freshman Nicole Matson, who has adjusted quite nicely to college life. She has really matured into quite a basketball player, and our number 21 put on quite a show. Nicole had 14 points and quite a number of assists. Two of her three 3's came in the closing minutes, the final being a half court, off-balanced buzzer beater! Definitely a Sports Highlighter. It was also great to see a good contingent of family and friends in the stands from the town. Yes Nicole, we're proud of you!

♣ **Cherry Tree Tournament** . . . Teams are lining up for the eighth annual Cherry Tree Andy Puopolo Basketball Tournament. Entry date is tomorrow, Feb. 6, for the 19 & under event, that will be taking place at the Boys & Girls

Club on Monday, Feb. 16. Be sure to see me ASAP, if you have a team. Word is that David Evers has quite a team!

♣ **Winter BNBL** . . . In the Snowball Basketball League, the B-Ballers remain atop the 19 & under division at 2-0, topping Medford Street in a key league contest. Main Street picked up their first win of the season by defeating the UnderDogs. The schedule for Saturday Feb. 7 is: Main Street vs. Medford Street at 5:20 p.m.; and UnderDogs vs. B-Ballers at 6:05 p.m. All games are played at the Charlestown Community Center.

♣ **Pro Line** . . . Phoenix star Keith Tkachuk continues to chalk up the points. Goal totals now read 34 and he also has 22 points for an impressive 56. On Saturday, the Coyotes defeated Toronto 5-2, upping their season totals to 24-20-10.

Down in Florida, Tommy Fitzgerald has mustered up another goal, but a 5-2 loss to Buffalo has dropped the Panthers to 18-26-11.

♣ **High School Prep Notebook** . . . Malden Catholic Hockey Team upended BC High in a 4-2 upset win in a game

played right here in Charlestown. This was the Lancers second straight league win, and their seventh overall. They defeated Xaverian earlier in the week.

In the Catholic Central Hockey League, Williams, Arlington Catholic and Matignon are in a tight league race. Matignon is 3-2-1 in the CCL and 9-2-3 overall.

Savio Prep is 12-2-0, and Mike Burri has improved his division leading totals to 36 goals and 24 assists for 60 points.

Charlestown High's Basketball Team begins the week ranked number one in the state and has extended the win streak to 13-0! The Townies play South Boston today, Feb. 5, at the gym.

The CHS Hockey Team has improved to 7-5-0, winning their last three in a row. Yes, the Townies are thinking seriously about the States!

♣ **Tidbits** . . . It's alive! - Antonio's hat . . . Sissy reminds all her good, hardworking friends at the Kent to buy the Mayor's Race tickets from her . . . Mike Leonard would like to see snow boarding become an Olympic sport.

Smile!

Charlestown Community Centers

255 Medford Street 635-5169

♦ **Family Fun Night** - will be held tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 6, beginning at 6 p.m. Bring the kids down for some fun in the gym, arts and crafts, a movie and a snack.

♦ **Winter BNBL** - Charlestown Community Center has started a winter league which has gotten off to a great start. The games are played on Friday nights and Saturday afternoons. Come on down and support your favorite team.

♦ **Snowboarding** - The Charlestown Teen Connection has been traveling every Tuesday to Wachusett Mountain to learn how to snowboard. Thanks to the Burton Foundation, Lauren Brennan, Kelleigh Mahan, Corie Hollien and Ian Burke are getting bruises, aches and pains for free!

Hopefully, by the end of the eight weeks, they will be able to come down the mountain without falling!

♦ **"Do Your Heart Good" Swim Challenge** - Beginning Feb. 21 and continuing for the next three Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Charlestown Community Centers will be conducting swimming tests for school-age children. After the test, if needed, the children will be given free swimming lessons. So come down to the pool any of these Saturdays and have your child take a swimming test.

♦ **Volleyball** - The volleyball league has started and is being played every Wednesday night. To find out when your team is scheduled to play, just call Paul at 635-5169.

Charlestown Gym Hockey News

Standings - Jan. 31

	W	L	T
Bunker Hill Florist	15	0	0
Jimmy's On Top	9	4	2
Grant Photo	8	5	2
Main St. Furniture/Medford	7	4	4
Poolie's Pals	7	7	1
Li'l Al's	7	8	0
Bryan's Pals	6	8	1
Dunny's Pals	4	9	2
Bunker Hill Insurance	3	11	1
Kerrigan's	3	11	1

Grant Photo

Jimmy's On Top	Michael Newhall
Kerrigan's	Kelsey Johnson
Li'l Al's	Kathleen Sullivan
Main St. Furniture, Medford	Corrine Woods
Poolie's Pals	Alyssa Gallarelli
	Zachary Burke
	Ryan Ward
	Taylor Mahoney
	Evan Yandle
	Zachary Allen
	Justina Langone
	Andrew Connors

Players of the Week - Jan. 31

Bryan's Pals	Robert Collier
	Sean Breen
Bunker Hill Florist	Jeremy Adams
	David Goscinak
Bunker Hill Insurance	Mark Assad
	Connor Carrigan
Dunny's Pals	Quinlan Locke
	Jamie Baker

Charlestown Gym Hockey will be holding a Mayor's Race Dance as Jimbo Tucker kicks off his race for Mayor of Charlestown on behalf of Gym Hockey. The dance will be held tomorrow night, Friday, Feb. 6, from 8 p.m. to midnight at Memorial Hall, 14 Green St. The D.J. is Dennis Moore.

Gym Hockey Board

Charlestown Little League News

Little League Registration

Registration for Charlestown Little League will be held at the Charlestown MDC Rink on Saturdays, Feb. 7, 14 and 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Minor and major league youths, ages 7 to 12, must present a birth certificate along with a registration fee of \$30 per child.

Senior league youths, ages 13 to 15, must present a birth certificate along with a registration fee of \$40 per child. We had a successful team last year and the Board of Directors feel that now is the time to have a program here in Charlestown, but your help is needed. You must register by Feb. 14.

Coaches and anyone else who would like to help out are needed. If you are interested in sponsoring a senior league team, call Wayne at 241-4952 or Eddie at 242-3956.

Eddie Greatorex is representing Charlestown Little League in the Mayor of Charlestown race. If you would like to purchase tickets, call either of the above numbers or watch for Little League fund-raising details in the Patriot.

Charlestown Little League Board
Board of Directors



CHAD Junior Bowling League News



by John Dillon

Diane Modica's team remains hot and in first place in the CHARlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League. They completely out-dueled the Kennedy Center for an 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for Modica's team was Chris Boutwell with 226. Runner-up was Casey Durham with 216. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was John Harrington with 310. John also had single strings of 105, 105 and 100. John continues to bowl great! Runner-up was Casey Schievink with 175. Casey also had a great week.

The Red Store and Jenny's bowled to a 4-4 split. Sheilann Williams was top bowler for The Red Store

with 229 and Ladonna Phipps was runner-up with 146. Mike Shackford was top bowler for Jenny's with 254 and Tim Hickey was runner-up with 208.

Bunker Hill Real Estate punched out the Charlestown Patriot in an 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for BHRE was Sean Cronk with 247. Chris Chiampa was runner-up with 222. Top bowler for the Patriot was Quinn Evers with 189. David Grace was runner-up with 181.

The Shamrocks squeaked by Cricket's team in a 5-3 match. Jeff Lynch was top bowler for the Shamrocks with 245 and Leesia Lawton was runner-up with 190. Matt Paley was top bowler for Cricket's team with 247 and Jared Silva

was runner-up with 199.

In the final match of the day, McCarthy Brothers managed to hold on to second place by splitting with the American Legion in a 4-4 decision. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Chris Schievink with 241. Runner-up was Tim Venezia with 215. Tim has been bowling great. Top bowler for the American Legion was Mark Dillon with 213. Runner-up was Shawn Burke with 211.

Bowlers of the week are John Harrington 310, Mike Shackford 254, Matt Paley 247, Sean Cronk 247, Jeff Lynch 245, Chris Schievink 241, Sheilann Williams 229, Chris Boutwell 226, Chris Chiampa 222 and Casey Durham 216.

Bowlers trying the hardest were Kevin Celata 159, Nicole Chiampa 166, Kevin Lavallee 172, Michelle Williams 181, Brendan Brassil 181, Kevin Scadding 185, Bob Kalin 186, Matt Hickey 192, Eric Lynch 201, Courtney Schievink 206 and Jessica Grace 211.

See you all on Saturday. We bowl at 11:30 a.m.

Standings

	W	L
Diane Modica	32	0
McCarthy Bros.	26	6
American Legion	22	10
Cricket's	21	11
Shamrocks	20	12
Kennedy Center	14	18
B.H. Real Estate	9	23
Red Store	8	24
Chas'n. Patriot	4	28
Jenny's Pizza	4	28

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ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

Bake Sale

The 7th and 8th graders at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School are truly grateful for your response to their bake sale fund-raiser of last weekend at St. Francis de Sales that amounted to \$953. These funds will help the students in meeting the cost of their two-day trip to New York City next April. We are very grateful to the parishioners who assisted this fund-raiser by donating baked goods.

Eucharistic Vigil

An all-night Eucharistic Vigil will be held at St. Francis de Sales Church this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 6 and 7. These vigils are for reparation and atonement to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The vigil will begin with Mass of the Sacred Heart at 9 p.m. on Friday and will end with Mass of the Immaculate Heart at 5 a.m. on Saturday. Refreshments will be served.

Mass For The Anointing

This Sunday, Feb 8 at 12:30 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall, there will be a Mass for the Anointing for all members of the parish who may wish to receive this special sacrament of God's love for strength of body and soul. A Valentine's collation and party will follow this special Mass from 2 to 4 p.m.

9th Grade Confirmation Class

The 9th grade Confirmation Class will meet on Monday Feb. 9 at 6 p.m. sharp in the Bishop Lawton Hall. Every ninth grade student in both Catholic and public

high schools from the three parishes in Charlestown **must** attend the Confirmation One Class as part of their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 1999.

♦ **Hungry Sunday Weekend** . . . will be held again next weekend, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 14 and 15, at St. Francis de Sales Church. You are requested to bring to Mass a can of non-perishable food for the Charlestown Food Pantry.

♦ **Irish Night Dinner Dance** . . . The 32nd annual Irish Night Dinner Dance will be held on Friday, March 6 at 8 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall. This year's dinner is in honor of Mary Wrenn. A corned beef dinner by Mr. Joseph's will be served and DJ Fred Rossi will provide great music for dancing and entertainment. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased from Essie Martin, the chairperson, from Alice Ringer, Florence Tognarelli, the Guild members, the ushers at Mass and at the rectory.

Parish Cookbook

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales recently published a Parish Cookbook. The books are available from the ushers at Mass and at the rectory for only \$6 each.

Beano Gift Certificates

Beano gift certificates are available year-round at the rectory or at the Saturday Night Beano. They are available in any denomination.

Young Adult Happenings

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

Board Meeting - The young adult board meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Rectory.

Young Adult Mass - This month's young adult Mass will be on Sunday, Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. I am asking that you bring two things to Mass. First, a toiletry article for the Long Island Shelter - this will be our offertory. Also, please write down on a piece of paper something you wish to give or give up for Lent. No names please. The papers will then be burned and used for ashes at the young adult Ash Wednesday service.

Young Adult Night At The Movies - Movie night this month is Friday, Feb. 20. The time and movie will be announced later.

Ash Wednesday Service - Lent begins on Wednesday, Feb. 25. There will be a special service of ashes at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Church for young adults. All are welcome!

February Sign-Up - February has been designated as young adult sign-up month. Young adults are those between the ages of 20 and 40, single, married, married with children, divorced or separated. If you or someone you know would like to be on the mailing list, let Father McCarthy know. Young adult sign-up weekend will be at the Masses on Feb. 21 and 22.

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Father McCarthy received the following letter from Marie Sullivan from the Long Island Shelter:

Dear Father McCarthy,

I really don't know how to begin to show my appreciation for all that you and the

young adults of Charlestown have done. All of you have come together to help the guests of the Long Island Shelter in such wonderful ways. The clothing drive that was taken up in November brought over 100 bags of clothing to the guests. I don't believe that I have ever seen so much come in at once. The timing was perfect as well. We always need more clothing for the guests in winter.

In December, at a special Mass, a toiletry drive was held. You had a chance to come out to the shelter with several large boxes of new hygiene products. Not long after, another drive was held for Christmas gifts. The holidays are an especially difficult time for our guests. Your kindness and generosity helped us make it a special time for them.

Last night, the many young adults came to the Long Island Shelter to sponsor a meal which fed over 450 people. I know you heard then from the guests about how much they appreciated your presence and the wonderful meal. I wanted to let all of you know that I have had many people come up to me in the short time since then to ask when you were coming back.

It really does mean a lot to us when the younger people take time out of their busy schedules to volunteer with us. The greatest gift is love and there is no better way to share it than by helping the least of my brothers. Thank you again.

Peace,

Marie Sullivan

Volunteer Services, Long Island Shelter

Father Paul McCarthy,
241-9014

Exhibit Opens At The Navy Yard

Boston National Historical Park will celebrate Black History Month with an exhibit on the history of the crew of the *USS Mason* at the Charlestown Navy Yard Visitor Center throughout the month of February.

Built and commissioned at the Charlestown Navy Yard in 1944, *USS Mason* was the first American warship to have a predominantly African-American crew. She and her crew distinguished themselves numerous times during World War II while escorting convoys across the Atlantic. Only recently has the *USS Mason* and her crew's fascinating story been told.

In 1995, the Boston National Historical Park cre-

ated the first major exhibit on the *USS Mason* and her crew. The story is chronicled in award-winning Mary Pat Kelly's book and documentary, "Proudly We Served: The Men of the *USS Mason*." Kelly, who was nominated for several Emmys, joined many of the surviving crew when they met for an emotional reunion to open the exhibit.

The exhibit is located in the lobby of the Charlestown Navy Yard Visitor Center, and is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Also available for viewing is the documentary, "Proudly We Served: The Men of the *USS Mason*." Both the exhibit and film are free of charge to the public.

The Charlestown Navy Yard Visitor Center is located adjacent to the *USS Constitution* on Constitution Road in the building popularly known as the Bunker Hill Pavilion.

For further information on this or other programs at Boston National Historical Park, call 242-5601.

Football Players Wanted

The Boston Cowboys of the Eastern Football League are inviting experienced football players to tryout for this summer's season. The semiprofessional franchise tallied a 9-4-1 overall record last year and advanced to the Eastern Regional Semifinals.

Interested candidates should call Cowboys' head coach Fred Rihbany at 327-0475.

Charlestown Teens At Winter Dance



BOSTON COMMUNITY CENTER'S Youth Connection Program and the Mayor's Youth Council were co-sponsors of the dance for teens held recently at City Hall. This first-ever partnership attracted nearly 150 young people from every Boston neighborhood and a variety of youth agencies. Attending from Charlestown were (l. to r.) Lauren Brennan, Charlestown Community Center youth worker Mimi Wrenn, Kelleigh Mahan, Boston Community Center new Youth Connection Program Manager Francine O'Neil and youth worker Joe Mahoney.



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Holy Spirit, You who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and in all instances of my life. You are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as You confirm once again that I never want to be separated from You even in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with You in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. (Say for three consecutive days - favor will be granted.) Prayer must be published.

M.M.



CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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★ BEST YEAR IN SCHOOL EVER

MIT Visit - If you want to know anything about magnetic fields, oceanography, machinery or how holograms work, just ask any of the club's new scientists. Members Jill Boyden, Vanessa Vilfranc, Franz Harris, Kevin Armstrong and Pedro Santana are now certified "Einsteins," thanks to the students at MIT. During a recent visit to several of MIT's laboratories and the MIT Museum, these club members experienced many hands-on science activities and experiments. Fun and excitement was had by all!

★ EDUCATION AND CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

Save The Date - Friday, March 6 at 6 p.m., is the annual Club Talent Show. To sign up, talk to Jenny Atkinson or Tashiana Wolfe.

Miss Saigon - Jill Gillis, Shannon Smith, Lauren O'Hearn, Aileen Gorman, Tammy Santoro and Jenny Atkinson all enjoyed *Miss Saigon* this past Saturday at the Wang Center. Thanks to the Young At Arts Program for the tickets.

Thanks - A big thank you to Dave Willis, a Colby College student, who volunteered at the club during the month of January. He helped in the library, played a lot of checkers and worked with the club members on their science projects.

Volunteers - Volunteers from John Hancock Signature Services will be conducting workshops on resumé writing, interview skills, etc., for teens. The workshops begin tonight, Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Teen Center from 6 to 8 p.m. and will continue every Thursday throughout February. Interested teens can come up tonight or talk to Jenny.

Club Benefit - There will be a dance tomorrow night,

Friday, Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall to benefit the Boys & Girls Club. Tickets are \$10 and you can call the club to see if tickets are still available. The club will close at 6 p.m., so that the staff can work at the dance.

★ FEBRUARY EVENTS

- Friday, Feb. 6** - Club benefit at the K. of C Hall at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 7** - Battle of the Brains in the library at 1 p.m. Girls Swim Sectionals at UMass-Boston.
- Sunday, Feb. 9** - Boys Swim Sectionals at UMass-Boston.
- Friday, Feb. 13** - Valentine's Day Party for 6 to 12-year-olds at 6 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 14** - Valentine's Day - Make Valentines with Colleen at 1 p.m.
- Friday, Feb. 20** - Trip to Drumlin Farms at 11 a.m. Sign up with Jenny.
- Saturday, Feb. 21** - Club closed - President's Day Observed.
- Saturday, Feb. 28** - Trip to Gardner Museum at 1 p.m. Sign up with Colleen.

★ DAILY ACTIVITIES

- Computer Room - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m.
- Art Room - Tuesday through Friday from 3 to 6 p.m.
- Science - Tuesday from 3 to 6 p.m.

★ WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Chess Club every Wednesday at 6 p.m.
- Model Car Racing every Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m.
- Games Room Tournament and guitar lessons. See Mark.

★ BOYS & GIRLS CLUB YOUTH PROGRAM AT NEWTOWNE

From the Berkshires to the Museum of Science - The Boys & Girls Club Youth Program at Newtowne coordinated two significant events last month. Twenty-three Newtowne youngsters experienced the beauty of the Berkshires on Jan. 18, while participating in the second ski trip of the season.

Thirty-two children participated in an exciting collaboration between WGBH-TV and the Museum of Science. "A Science Odyssey" allowed these kids to have full access to museum exhibits, including the Omni Theater, and to spend an overnight camping-in and sleeping among the exhibits. Each participant was provided a camp-in patch that allows the child free admission to the museum for one year. The Boys & Girls Club plans to continue this exciting program by using specialized curriculum and training materials to operate an exploratory science mini-program for Newtowne youngsters.

This program is growing and we are looking to involve all Newtowne neighborhood children in recreational, educational and cultural programming for both young children and teens. The program coordinator, Brian Keating, will be available at the Newtowne Management Office weekly to conduct outreach and meet with kids and parents.

★ WE APOLOGIZE

We wish to apologize for the pool being closed so much. We have a very old facility that needs improvement and we're striving to get it done.



JANUARY TRIPS, one a ski trip to the Berkshires and the second an overnight camp-in at the Museum of Science, highlighted the club's Youth Program at

Newtowne. At the left, Patrick Arroyo and Ryan Allen experience the excitement of radio carbon dating during their Science Odyssey overnight . . . In the center,

Anthony Vitale shows good form on his snowboard . . . On the right, Jason Brown peers through an exhibit at the museum.

The Kennedy Center Services At Community Sites

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- Monday, Feb. 9**
9 a.m. - Coffee
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo
- Tuesday, Feb. 10**
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, Feb. 11**
9:15 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop
- Thursday, Feb. 12**
9 a.m. - Coffee
9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA
10 a.m. - Plastic Embroidery
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch

Happy February Birthday . . . to Rosina Butchart, Agnes Campbell, Mary Dewey, Mary Dolan, Dolly Ferreira, Margaret Forrest, Elizabeth Goldie, Bernie Kelly, Georgette Maloof, Ellie Marino, Peggy Meny, Tina Nardo, Irene O'Brien, Jeanne Orpen, Francis Scalli and Ann Nerge.

**55 Bunker Hill St.
Drop-in Resource Center**

- Friday, Feb. 6**
8:30 a.m. - Coffee/Drop In
10 a.m. - Seniorobics
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo
3:30 p.m. - Crafts
- Monday, Feb. 9**
8:30 a.m. - Coffee
10 a.m. - Seniorobics
1:30 p.m. - Public Access to Computers
- Tuesday, Feb. 10**
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, Feb. 11**
8:30 a.m. - Coffee/Drop In
11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch
12:30 p.m. - Bingo
1 p.m. - Valentine Party
- Thursday, Feb. 12**
9 a.m. - Options Group
9:30 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop
1:30 p.m. - Public Access to Computers

Callahan To Speak At TIARA On Feb. 13

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a business meeting followed by a program on Friday, Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall at Boston College.

The program will feature Edward P. Callahan, director of human resources for the Boston Police Department. Callahan, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, is

the keeper of all personnel records in the department dating back to 1820. He has an avid interest in all areas of genealogical study with particular emphasis on Irish genealogy.

Callahan's topic will be the Boston Police Department: The Irish Experience. His presentation will cover the historic significance of the Irish and the Irish Americans to the evo-

lution of the Boston Police Department since 1851. He will also outline the type of information contained in the records held in his department.

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

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• Invitation To Murder Production Meeting

The next production meeting for *Invitation To Murder* will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. We need volunteers to help us organize concessions, ticket sales, build sets, etc. If you can contribute, please call the theater or attend this meeting.

• Scrooge Post-Production Meeting

The post-production meeting for *Scrooge* will be held tonight, Thursday, Feb. 5, at 7 p.m. at the theater. Any parent or volunteer involved with *Scrooge* is welcomed to attend.

• Heartfelt Stories

Sharon Kennedy's *Heartfelt Stories* opens at the CWT on Friday, Feb. 13. Performances are Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13 and 14, at 8 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 15 at 2 p.m., Friday, Feb. 20 at 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 21 and 22, at 2 p.m. General admission is \$12, and \$10 for Charlestown residents, seniors and students. Come and celebrate love and friendship with these *Heartfelt Stories!*

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

On Dean's List At Bentley

Corey Gallagher of Charlestown has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Bentley College in Waltham.

To be named to the dean's list, a full-time student must have a grade

point average of 3.3 or higher with no course grade below 2.0 during the term.

A junior at Bentley, Gallagher, the daughter of Jim and Lois Gallagher of 13th Street, is a marketing major.

Conrad Presented With HomeWorks Grant



MAYOR THOMAS MENINO presents Richard Conrad of Charlestown with a HomeWorks grant to help fix up his home on Monument Court. He was joined by a group of fellow grant recipients at the recent ceremony. This latest group put the number of people taking advantage of the HomeWorks grant program to over 1,000. The type of repairs the grants provide for are house painting, roof repairs, new heating systems and kitchen remodeling.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



Thank You And Congratulations

I wanted to take a moment to express my appreciation to Carol Scalli, Judy Evers and Eileen Ward for their recent donation of tickets to the students of the Charlestown Working Theater's Youth Program.

Because of their generosity, we were able to take students to a recent performance of *Guys and Dolls* performed by GBARC at Everett High School.



MEMBERS of the youth group at the Charlestown Working Theater recently attended a performance of "Guys and Dolls" at the Everett High School. Cast members included Charlestown residents Carol Scalli, Eileen Ward and Carol Lewis. Shown front row (l. to r.) Halle Melcher, Scalli and Lewis. Second row (l. to r.) Ariana Massaro and Erin Brassil. Third row (l. to r.) Shannon Devlin, Caitlin Rodriguez-Sullivan and Meg Gallagher. Back row (l. to r.) Shana Melcher and Samantha Morrissey.

I also want to congratulate Carol, Eileen and Carol Lewis on a wonderful performance. The girls had a wonderful time, as did I.

Thanks again,
 Patrice Melanson

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NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF Andrew Mirdik

To all persons interested in the estate of Andrew Mirdik late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death March 20, 1997.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Tobi C. Mirdik of Boston in the County of Suffolk, and Andrew J. Mirdik of Aurora in the State of Colorado, both be appointed administrators, with sureties on their bonds.

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 February 26, 1998.

Wills only: In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.

Date January 29, 1998

Richard Iannella
 Register of Probate

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed General Bids for MPA Project No. 1.707T RESIDENTIAL SOUND INSULATION PROGRAM, PHASE 71, EAST BOSTON, WINTHROP AND REVERE, MASSACHUSETTS, will be received by the Massachusetts Port Authority at the CAPITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT, 2ND FLOOR, SUITE 209S, LOGAN OFFICE CENTER, ONE HARBORSIDE DRIVE, LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, EAST BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02128-2909, until 11:00 A.M. local time on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1998 immediately after which, in a designated room, the proposal will be opened and read publicly.

Sealed filed sub-bids for the same project will be received at the above address until 11:00 A.M. local time on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1998, immediately after which, in a designated room, the filed sub-bids will be opened and read publicly.

NOTE: Pre-bid Conference will be held at the Capital Programs Department, above address, at 1:00 P.M. local time on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1998.

The work includes ALL LABOR, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ACOUSTICAL PERFORMANCE OF FORTY (40) RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES. SOUND-PROOFING MEASURES INCLUDE NEW VINYL COMPOSITE, ACOUSTICAL REPLACEMENT WINDOWS, ADDITION OF ALUMINUM STORM WINDOWS, ACOUSTICAL TILE CEILINGS, EXTERIOR PRIME AND STORM DOOR REPLACEMENT, CAULKING, PAINTING AND WEATHERSTRIPPING.

Bid documents will be made available beginning MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1998.

In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this project General Bidders must submit with their bid a current Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Division of Capital Planning and Operations and an Update Statement. The General Bidder must be certified in the category of GENERAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION or DOORS AND WINDOWS. The estimated project cost is \$996,000.00.

Bid Documents may be obtained at the Authority's Capital Programs Department Office, together with any addenda or amendments which the Authority may issue. A charge of \$25, PAYABLE BY COMPANY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY, will be made for these Documents, which charge will be refunded upon their return in good condition, within forty-five (45) days after receipt of the General Bids.

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

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

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and a labor and materials payment bond, each in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract price. The surety shall be a surety company or securities satisfactory to the Authority. Attention is called to the minimum rate of wages to be paid on the work as determined under the provisions of Chapter 149, Massachusetts General Laws, Section 26 to 27G, inclusive, as amended. The Contractor will be required to pay minimum wages in accordance with the schedules listed in Division II, Special Provisions of the Specifications, which wage rates have been predetermined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor and/or the Commissioner of Labor and Industries of Massachusetts, whichever is greater.

The successful Bidder will be required to purchase and maintain Bodily Injury Liability Insurance and Property Damage Liability Insurance for a combined single limit of \$1,000,000.00. Said policy shall be on an occurrence basis and the Authority shall be included as an Additional Insured. See the insurance sections of Division I, General Requirements and Division II, Special Provisions for complete details.

Return of bid deposits will be in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 149, Section 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Filed sub-bids will be required and taken on the following classes of work:
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The Authority reserves the right to reject any sub-bid of any sub-trade where permitted by Section 44E of the above-referenced General Laws. The right is also reserved to waive any informality in or to reject any or all proposals and General Bids.

This contract is subject to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation provision requiring that not less than 13% of the Contract be performed by disadvantaged business enterprise contractors. With respect to this provision, bidders are urged to familiarize themselves thoroughly with the Bidding Documents. Strict compliance with the pertinent procedures will be required for a bidder to be deemed responsive and eligible.

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

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

A contractor having 50 or more employees and his subcontractors having 50 or more employees who may be awarded a subcontract of \$50,000 or more will within 120 days from the contract commencement, be required to develop a written affirmative action compliance program for each of its establishments.

Compliance Reports. Within 30 days of the award of this Contract the Contractor shall file a compliance report (Standard Form (SF)100) if:

- (a) The contractor has not submitted a complete compliance report within 12 months preceding the date of award, and
- (b) The Contractor is within the definition of "employer" in paragraph 2e (3) of the instructions included in SF 100.

The Contractor shall require the subcontractor on any first tier subcontracts irrespective of the dollar amount, to file SF 100 within 30 days after the award of the subcontracts if the above two conditions apply. SF 100 will be furnished upon request. SF 100 is normally furnished Contractors annually, based on a mailing list currently maintained by the Joint Reporting Committee. In the event a Contractor has not received the form, he may obtain it by writing to the following address:

Joint Reporting Committee
 1900 G Street
 Washington, D.C. 20506

Complete information and authorization to view the site may be obtained from the Capital Programs Department Office at the Massachusetts Port Authority. The right is reserved to waive any informality in or reject any or all proposals.

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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,
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Friday, Jan. 23

A Lynnfield man stated that between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., while his auto was parked on Maffa Way, unknown person(s) entered his auto and damaged the steering column.

Sunday, Jan. 25

A Charlestown woman reported that her auto was hit and damaged while it was parked on Pearl Street between 1 and 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 28

A Charlestown woman stated that between 10 p.m. on Jan. 27 and 8 a.m. on this date, her auto had been hit and damaged while it was parked on Devens Street.

A Charlestown man reported that two tire rims were removed from his auto while it was parked at Adams and Chestnut streets between 8:30 p.m. on Jan. 27 and 8:05 a.m. on this date.

At 8:30 a.m., a Charlestown man reported that his handicapped placard, #2D989, had been removed from the dashboard of his auto while it was parked on Rutherford Avenue.

At 9:51 a.m., an employee of a business at 500 Main St. reported that 300 wooden pallets had been stolen from the property since Dec. 1.

Thursday, Jan. 29

An employee of a business at 500 Main St. reported that between 5 and 5:15 p.m., 20 wooden pallets, valued at \$200, had been stolen by unknown person(s) driving a white pick-up truck.

At 6:05 p.m., officers saw a Chelsea man on Main Street who was known to have a warrant from Suffolk Superior Court issued on this date. The officers approached and, after a foot pursuit, the suspect was apprehended on Tibbetts Town Way and was placed under arrest.

At 6:30 p.m., police saw two Charlestown men, one 18 and the other 20, speaking to one another on Old Ironsides Way. The officer saw the 18-year-old in the act of opening a blue waxed paper fold. The officer identified himself. At this time, both men turned and placed their hands on the fence. The first man dropped that waxed paper fold on the ground next to him. The officer recovered the fold and found it contained a white powder substance, which appeared to be heroin. The first man was taken into custody. The second man was checked out and then issued a trespassing notice.

Friday, Jan. 30

A Boston man stated that between 3 and 3:15 p.m., the driver's side window of his auto was broken while it was parked on Green Street. At 5:12 p.m., the man reported that an AM/FM cassette stereo had been removed from his auto.

Saturday, Jan. 31

A Charlestown man reported that between 7:45 p.m. on Jan. 30 and 4:20 a.m. on this date, his auto was damaged while it was parked at Bartlett and Walker streets.

Sunday, Feb. 1

A Charlestown man stated that between 3 p.m. on Jan. 31 and 11 a.m. on this date, his auto was broken into while it was parked on Green Street. Taken were personal bank checks, a leather brief case, an Eddie Bauer duffel bag, a uniform, exer-

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cise equipment, CDs and personal papers.
A Charlestown woman reported that her auto was broken into while it was parked on Sullivan Street. A Motorola flip phone and cellular phone batteries were taken.
At 1:15 p.m., police received a radio call to meet the fire investigators on Carney Court. A resident told the officer that the investigator from the fire department was looking at a possible arson to the mail boxes at this address. The postal authority will be notified. At 2 p.m., the Boston Fire Department's Engine 50 responded to a minor fire in the apartment mailboxes at the same address. The BFD arson investigative unit responded and confiscated pieces of charred mail in the names of residents at that address.
At 9:50 p.m., a Charlestown man reported that the passenger side window of his Jeep had been smashed while it was parked on 9th Street.

Folk Singer And Storyteller To Entertain At The Charlestown Library

"Building Bridges" is a high-spirited performance by folksinger and storyteller Tim Van Egmond, in which he weaves together tales, tunes and songs from a variety of cultures. He will appear at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 19.
Music flows in and around Van Egmond's stories through his singing and playing on a wide variety of traditional instruments including limberjack (a wooden puppet that dances out a rhythm on a paddle-board,) hammered and mountain dulcimers, guitar and conga drum.
A Reading Is Fundamental book giveaway will follow the performance and every child who attends will receive two free books. Seating is limited and early arrival is encouraged.
The program is sponsored by the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library, the Mass. Biomedical Corporation and the Reading Is Fundamental Project.
For information, call the library at 242-1248.

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'What You Need To Know About The 1997 Taxpayer Relief Act'

Jennifer Maxwell, financial consultant for Merrill Lynch Private Client Group, will be the guest speaker at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 6.

If you are saving for col-

lege education expenses, Maxwell's presentation will focus on the new legislation, which has created an education IRA that is available this year.

The program is free and open to the public.

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

Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

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

"Curl Up Small" is an explanation of the natural world which contrasts human beings with birds, fish and bears . . . Harry's family fails to recognize him when he changes from a white dog with black spots to a black dog with white spots in "Harry the Dirty Dog" . . . At birth, Princess

Bedelia receives the gifts of beauty, grace and common sense which aid her throughout life in "The Practical Princess."

Homer Price and his friend Eddy assist Super Duper when he has car trouble in "The Case of the Cosmic Comic," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Harry the Dirty Dog** by Gene Zion and **The Practical Princess** by Jay Williams.

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**NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR
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COMMUNITY AWARD RECIPIENTS**

The Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Committee, sponsored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, will hold its eighth annual Community Appreciation Awards Banquet on Friday, April 24 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. After a very successful event last year, the committee is hoping that the community will once again respond to a call for nominations in the seven award categories.

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

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

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

AWARD CATEGORIES

- **Youth** – A Charlestown resident who is 18 years of age or younger as of Jan. 1, 1998 whose deeds have gone unheralded.
- **Elderly** – A Charlestown resident who is 55 years of age or older as of Jan. 1, 1998 whose deeds have gone unheralded.
- **Organization** – An incorporated non-profit, Charlestown-based group that primarily serves Charlestown and whose goals are geared toward the betterment of the community.
- **Business** – A Charlestown-based business that supports and enhances the quality of life in the Charlestown community.
- **Public Servant** – A person who performs service within his/her job capacity, but goes beyond that job description in service to the betterment of the Charlestown community. (Example: an employee of the federal, state, county, city or an authority/government agency or community agency who may or may not be a resident of Charlestown.)
- **New Resident** – A person who has taken up residency in Charlestown within the last 10 years and whose deeds have contributed to the quality of Charlestown life.
- **Unsung Hero** – A Charlestown resident whose deed/deeds were performed within the community and have gone publicly unrecognized. These deeds cannot be performed as part of his/her job performance. There is no age restriction for this recipient. The deed/deeds would result in the enhancement of the quality of life in Charlestown.

All nominations should be sent to:
Community Appreciation Awards Committee
P. O. Box 397
Charlestown, Mass. 02129

Deadline for the submission of nominations is **Friday, March 20 at 5 p.m.** All nominations must be signed and include a telephone number for confirmation purposes.

**COMMUNITY APPRECIATION AWARDS
NOMINATION FORM**

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

Use separate piece of paper if necessary
 Name of Nominator: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone: _____

Sprouts Awarded \$500 Grant

Following several grant applications and months of waiting, the Ad Hoc Committee of Charlestown Sprouts, the budding community garden for young people, is happy to announce the receipt of a \$500 grant from D.I.R.T. (Direct Impact on Rivers and Trails). This is a grant program of Power Bar, which is what runners in the Boston Marathon frequently munch on. The much-needed award arrived just in time to serve as an auspicious kickoff for the Sprouts' 1998 fund-raiser.

Applying for the grant was the bright idea of Paul Ludgate, one of the volunteers who was of great help to Dan Field in laying out the garden last summer. Ludgate is an elementary school teacher at the Upper Township School District in Cape May, New Jersey, who spent his sabbatical in Charlestown, studying at Tufts while he taught social studies at schools in Woburn, Needham and Lexington. He loved his stay in Charlestown and the warm reception he received from

Father Daniel Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, and many others in the town. Unfortunately, Charlestown has to give him back to New Jersey, but Ludgate will never be forgotten by the Sprouts.

While the Sprouts' garden may be frozen solid at this moment, just beneath the surface plenty of life is stirring to make sure the garden is ready for planting by late April. The Ad Hoc Committee has been hard at work filing application papers for its incorporation and mailing letters of appeal to past supporters and likely donors.

Should you receive one of the letters, the committee asks you to be as generous as you can. Unlike the Boys & Girls Club garden, the loss of which the Sprouts have hoped to compensate, there is no parent organization to help with the finances. Basic tools (last season, they were all borrowed), topsoil and fertilizers, plants, tables, benches, materials for such things as the projected



WITH SPRING JUST AROUND THE CORNER, Rudy Doenges, Kevin Burke and Oren McCleary (l. to r.) recently visited the snow-covered garden of the Charlestown Sprouts to lay plans for its second season. photo by Christine Downing

tile paths and tool shed as well as the labor costs of this and other construction projects, are all dependent on the generosity of friends.

If you shouldn't receive an appeal from the Sprouts but would like to help the young people of the town, checks can be sent to the Kent Charlestown Community School Council,

Inc., the tax-exempt umbrella corporation, till such time as we are incorporated. Make a note on your check that your gift is to the Charlestown Sprouts. The address of the Community School Council is 255 Medford St.

Remember, though it may not look like it, spring is just around the corner.
- Oren McCleary

Gym Hockey Registration

Registration for the 1998-99 Charlestown Gym Hockey season will be held on Saturdays: Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 46 Winthrop St.

Boys ages 4 to 8 years of age are eligible to register. Any boy turning 9 before Dec. 31, 1998 is not eligible.

Girls ages 4 to 9 years of age are eligible to register. Any girl turning 10 before Dec. 31, 1998 is not eligible.

Registration will take place during regular gym hockey hours, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is a registration fee of \$10 per child and birth certificates must be presented for all new players.

**Charlestown Girl Scouts
To Participate In Cookie Booth Sale**

Looking for a Valentine's gift for your special someone? How about giving him or her Girl Scout Cookies?

Charlestown Brownie Girl Scout Troop #9315 will be selling Girl Scout Cookies in front of Johnnie's Foodmaster on Saturday, Feb. 14 from 9 a.m. to noon. That evening they will sell the cookies at St. Francis de Sales' Bingo,

303 Bunker Hill St., from 5 to 6 p.m.

This year cookies come in eight different varieties, including two reduced fat selections, Lemon Pastry Cremes and Iced Ginger Daisies. Also offered are the classic Thin Mints, Caramel deLites, Peanut Butter Patties, Shortbreads, Five World Cinnamons with Sugar and Peanut Butter Sandwiches. The cookies sell for \$3 a box.

KEYS FOUND

Large set of keys found on 1/24 in front of the Charlestown Working Theater.
241-9511

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