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Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Seeks Community Support

The Charlestown Veterans/Bunker Hill Day Commemorative Committee is making plans for the annual Bunker Hill Day Parade to honor our patriot forefathers who fought for freedom 219 years ago on the hills of Charlestown during the Battle of Bunker Hill.

The committee is seeking the support of the residents, merchants and organizations for the 1994 Bunker Hill Day celebration in order that the events will serve as a significant and meaningful tribute to those who fought and died at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

The highlight of the celebration will be the Bunker Hill Day Parade, which will be held on Sunday, June 12, commencing at 12:30 p.m. from the Hayes Square area of the town. This should be one of the largest and most outstanding parades in the Greater Boston area.

As you are most likely aware, due to both the fiscal constraints imposed on the city of Boston, the funds available from the city to help underwrite parades are



1994 CHIEF MARSHAL Marty O'Brien Sr. and his wife Catherine welcomed family, friends and supporters to an evening of dancing and entertainment with Andy Healy and his Country Roads Band on Feb. 19 at the Knights of Columbus hall. It was a fun-filled evening, with all proceeds going toward this year's Bunker Hill Day Parade on Sunday, June 12. (photo by Kathy O'Hearn)

extremely limited, and the small reserve that the committee had built up in the parade fund in prior years is now non-existent. Thus,

increased financial assistance must once again be sought from the community — from you the resi- (continued on page 7)

Come See The Bruins Greats — Help Charlestown Youth Hockey

Sunday, Feb. 27 will be a special day for hockey fans as the New England Ice Sharks, a hockey team made up of former Bruins greats and their friends, meet the Dunny's All-Stars in a benefit hockey game at the Emmons-Horrigan-O'Neil MDC skating rink in Charlestown to benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey.

Included on the roster for the Sharks are: Gord Kluzak, Rick Middleton, Gerry Cheevers, Jay Miller, Tom Songin, Kenny Linesman, Barry Pederson, Nevin Markwart, Cleon Daskalakis, Don Awrey and John

Tudor.

Skating against the Sharks will be the team of Dunny's All Stars including Pat, Dan, Ed and Steve Considine, Jackie Woods, Joe Wilkins, Tim O'Connell, John Pope, Lynn Anthony, Jack Martin, Richie Griffin, Paul Cedorchuk, Bill and Greg Nolan, Steve Chiappa, Dan and Sean Noonan, Paul Wrenn, Phil Coleman, Bill Doherty and Steve Brennan with Rob McIntosh in goal. John Grzelcyk and Anne Considine will be on the bench coaching the All Stars to victory.

The game will be played on Sunday, Feb. 27 at 5 p.m. Tickets will be available at the rink snack bar before the game and at the door on the night of the game. Adult tickets are \$10 and children are \$3. Between periods, the Sharks will be available for pictures and autographs.

This game will be played in memory of Jimmy Donovan, and all proceeds will benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey.

Come on down for some good fun for a good cause.

American Legion Zone High School Oratorical Contest On Sunday

The Department of Massachusetts, The American Legion, Zone Three High School Oratorical Contest will be held on Sunday, Feb. 27 at 2 p.m. in the Hull Room, Building 5, in the National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

According to Contest Chairman James W. Conway, two students representing Suffolk County, two

representing Norfolk County and two representing Essex County will compete for a spot in the State Finals to be held in March.

The students will deliver an eight- to 10-minute oration on some aspect of the United States Constitution. These presentations will be followed by a three- to five-minute extemporaneous discourse on one of six

amendments or articles of the Constitution which will be chosen at random at the conclusion of the students' prepared orations.

Residents are welcome to attend this event to hear these outstanding young orators. Persons attending are asked to be in the hall before 2 p.m. as no one will be admitted during the orations.

CURBSIDE NEWSPAPER RECYCLING WEEK

Monday, Feb. 28 — Friday, March 4 Put your newspapers out on your regular trash pick-up day, rain or shine, in paper bags or bundled in string and a separate truck will pick up the newspapers. For information, call 635-4959.



GREEN CAB

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The Charlestown Preservation Society and the Boston National Historical Park invite entries for the 8th ANNUAL ART EXHIBIT to be held May 1 to May 14 at the CHARLESTOWN NAVY YARD

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- Woodworking • Other art media

Entrants must be 17 years of age or older and must live or work in Charlestown.

Please contact:

Virginia Goscinak, 330-8969
Wendy Withington, 242-4046

BY MARCH 14

'The Outlaws' Capture Championship At St. Catherine's Family Feud

St. Catherine's Hall was filled with 12 teams and their cheering sections on Feb. 18 for the annual Family Feud — a popular event that brings families and friends together in groups of five to test their knowledge and instinctive re-

sponses as they vie for fame and prizes.

"The Outlaws" captured first place in this year's event. Captained by Gerard Woods, the team members were Dan Woods, Grace Woods, Jeanmarie Bergin

and Paula Bergin.

Last year's champions, "2 Bills, A John 'n 2 Babes," placed second in this year's Feud. Billy Leahy was the team's captain, and members were Sheila Walsh, Kathy Murray, Bil-

ly Gallagher and John Hastie.

Placing third in the Feud was "The Project 5." The captain was Sonjia Arroyo, and the members were Linda Reid, Abraham Reid, Tina Doe and Pat Doe.



"THE OUTLAWS" captured the championship in the annual Family Feud held on Feb. 18 at St. Catherine's Hall with 12 teams competing in the event. Shown (l. to r.)

displaying their championship T-shirts are Paula Bergin, Grace Woods, Jeanmarie Bergin, Captain Gerard Woods and Dan Woods. (photo by Kathy O'Hearn)



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Local news and photos are always welcome. This newspaper is not responsible for the return of photos sent for publication. Copy that is not signed will not be published.

Deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at 5 p.m.

Brown Bag Bookies To Meet

Brown Bag Bookies, the adult book discussion group of the Charlestown Branch Library, will meet on Tuesday, March 8 at noon at the library, 179 Main St.

The book under discussion will be **The Object of My Affection** by Stephen McCauley. Stephen Koch says: "Stephen McCauley has written a gentle, hilarious and healing story. They

both may be young and scared, but his George and Nina dance with very special grace on society's precarious outer rim. **The Object of My Affection** is about love in unexpected places."

Participants are invited to bring their lunches, and new members are always welcome.

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This Week At A Glance

Thursday, Feb. 24

- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 4 p.m. — Bamidele Dancers and Drummers and RIF book giveaway, cosponsored by the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library, a grant from the Mass. Biomedical Center and the Reading is Fundamental Project, St. Catherine's Hall, Tufts Street
- 6 p.m. — Domestic Education Program followed by the Women's Group meeting at 7 p.m., Charlestown District Court, City Square

Friday, Feb. 25

- 8 p.m. — Charlestown Community Center Fund Raiser with the DJ Connection, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Feb. 26

- 1 p.m. — Meat Raffle to benefit Bunker Hill Council No. 62, K. of C., K. of C. lower hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, Feb. 27

- 2 p.m. — Zone Three American Legion High School Oratorical Contest, Hull Room, Building 5, Boston National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard
- 5 p.m. — New England Ice Sharks vs. Dunny's All-Stars Hockey Game to benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey, Emmons-Horrigan-O'Neil MDC Rink, Union Street
- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, Feb. 28

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- 10:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. — Toddler Storytime with stories, songs, games, fingerplays and fun for children 2 and 3 and their parents, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6 p.m. — Mishawum Tenants Meeting, Mishawum Rental Office, Dunstable Street
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. — Mothers Support Group, sponsored by CHAD, Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.

Tuesday, March 1

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 12:40 p.m. — Former Eastside High School Principal Joe Clark Guest Speaker, A-300 Auditorium, Bunker Hill Community College, New Rutherford Avenue
- 7 p.m. — Charlestown Neighborhood Council Meeting, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.

Wednesday, March 2

- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 3

- 9:30 to 11 a.m. — Woman's Recovery Group Meeting, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.
- 12:15 p.m. — Charlestown Kiwanis Club Meeting, Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant
- 3:30 p.m. — Creative Dramatics for children 6 to 12, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, March 4

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

Saturday, March 5

- 3 p.m. — Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting, American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.
- 7 p.m. — Gladys's Corned Beef Dinner, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, March 6

- 6:30 p.m. — CH.A.M.P.: Charlestown After Murder Program Meeting, St. Catherine Rectory, 49 Vine St.

Monday, March 7

- 10:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. — Toddler Storytime with stories, songs, games, fingerplays and fun for children 2 and 3 and their parents, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 6 to 7:30 p.m. — Mothers Support Group, sponsored by CHAD, Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Meeting, K. of C. VIP Room, 75 West School St.

Tuesday, March 8

- 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. — Children's Films, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- noon — Brown Bag Bookies adult book discussion meeting featuring **The Object Of My Affection** by Stephen McCauley, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. — Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety/Police Community Relations Meeting, Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.
- 7:30 p.m. — Overeaters Anonymous, Gen. Warren Elderly Complex, rear of 110 Rutherford Ave.

Wednesday, March 9

- 1 to 2:30 p.m. — Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy Office Hours, Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.
- 6 to 7 p.m. — Rep. Richard A. Voke Office Hours, Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square (use Monument Avenue entrance)

Plan Ahead

Thursday, March 10

- 8 p.m. — "An American Storyteller in Ireland" with Sharon Kennedy, Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

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Saturday, March 12

- noon to 3 p.m. — St. Patrick's Day Celebration for Charlestown Senior Citizens, sponsored by The Flatley Company, The Schrafft Center, 529 Main St.
- 8 p.m. — "An American Storyteller in Ireland" with Sharon Kennedy, Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Thursday, March 17

- 8 p.m. — Corned Beef Dinner, sponsored by the Bunker Hill Irish Heritage Society, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, March 18

- 8 p.m. — Charlestown Mayor Election Night, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, March 19

- 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Flea Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Lions Club, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, March 20

- Following 9 a.m. Mass — Annual Holy Name Society Communion Breakfast, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, March 26

- 6:30 p.m. — Annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner Dance, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, April 8

- 7:30 p.m. — An Evening with Ann Warren, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, April 23

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

Friday, May 13

- 6 p.m. — Gala Auction to benefit Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, June 12

- 12:30 p.m. — Annual Bunker Hill Day Parade

Clark To Speak At BHCC

Joe Clark, the man who maintained order at Paterson, N.J.'s Eastside High with a bullhorn in one hand and a baseball bat in the other, will be the speaker in the A-300 auditorium at Bunker Hill Community College in Charlestown on Tuesday, March 1 at 12:40 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Clark's appearance is being sponsored by the Student Activities and Athletics office at BHCC.

Clark took over as principal of the school in September of 1982, one year after a stabbing had marred the first day of classes. Things were different when Clark took over. After only two years of his leadership, the formerly raucous Eastside High was declared a model school by N.J.'s governor. Clark was named one of the nation's 10 "Principals of Leadership" in 1986. He brought Eastside High from disgrace to amazing grace. He resigned in 1989.

Clark also won national acclaim for his achievements in a *Time* Magazine

cover story, a *60 Minutes* profile and appearances on *Nightline* and *Donahue*. President Reagan named him model educator and he was the subject of the film "Lean on Me," starring Oscar nominee Morgan Freeman as Joe Clark.

In his first week at Eastside, Clark expelled 300 students for fighting, vandalism, drug possession, profanity or abusing teachers. He explains, "If there is no discipline, no learning can take place. Without discipline there is anarchy. Good citizenship demands attention to responsibilities as well as rights."

A former Army drill instructor, Joe Clark sees education as a mission.

Today, through his book "Laying Down the Law," his speeches and his consulting, Clark shares his beliefs, strategies and success with teachers, school boards, parents, businessmen and students around the country.

For more information, call Paul Richards at 241-8600, ext. 260.

On Cover Of 'Parents' Magazine



JACKSON MCGONAGLE, 10 months old, is the baby featured on the cover of the March issue of "Parents" Magazine. Jackson, who is a Ford Baby Model, lives in Manhattan with his parents Jack and Bryn McGonagle. He is the only grandson of Ginny McGonagle and Jack McGonagle, both of Charlestown.

Paintings By David Moore At The BHCC Art Gallery

David Moore will display his recent paintings at the Bunker Hill Community College Art Gallery during the month of March.

The exhibit opens on Tuesday, March 1 and there will be a reception for the

artist from 12:45 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 3.

The Art Gallery is located in the second floor lobby of Bunker Hill Community College. Call 241-8600, ext. 416 for gallery hours.

THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY




By Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

KNOWING WHAT YOUR HOME IS WORTH

Even if you don't plan to sell your home, it's important to know how much it is worth. This information will, among other things, help you to maintain proper insurance coverage and assist in developing an overall financial plan for your family. It can help you make an informed decision about renovations or other home improvement projects you may be considering if you're concerned about over-improving your property.

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MONUMENT PROPERTIES 

Mayor Sullivan Presented City Council Citation



CHARLESTOWN MAYOR Erin Sullivan (left) was recently presented with a Boston City Council citation by District One Boston City Councillor Diane J. Modica (right) in recognition of Sullivan's tenure as Mayor of Charlestown. The Charlestown Mayor is "elected" annually in a race sponsored by The Charlestown-to-Charlestown Committee and "buys" the election by selling the most chances (votes). During the past year, Sullivan represented the community at various events and in Charlestown, County Mayo Ireland. (photo by Kathy Giordano)

Put Your Old Eyeglasses To Good Use

The Charlestown Lions Club recycled over 1,500 pairs of used eyeglasses in 1993, making it possible for many who could not afford to buy eyeglasses to obtain them.

If you have any discarded or unneeded eyeglasses or sunglasses and would like to put them to good use, please give them to a local Lions Club member, drop them off at the *Patriot* office at One Thompson Square, or call Bud Coleman at 242-2063.

City-Wide Friends To Hold Benefit Book Sale At The BPL

The City-Wide Friends of the Boston Public Library will hold its Quarterly Book Sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Mezzanine Conference Room of the Central Library in Copley Square on Saturday, March 5.

More than 15,000 used hard and softcover books and periodicals, all in good to excellent condition, will be available for purchase throughout the day at bargain prices of 50 cents and \$1.

Proceeds will benefit the City-Wide Friends of the BPL, a non-profit organization of library supporters who raise funds to supplement programs and projects throughout the Boston Pub-

lic Library's neighborhood branch system.

The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information, please call 536-5400, ext. 336.

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Beginning at 1 p.m. in the Lower Hall

Proceeds will be used to refurbish function halls.
Refreshments will be served.



Fraternally yours,

Edward Woods, Grand Knight

**COMING THIS SUNDAY
TO THE CHARLESTOWN MDC RINK . . .**

**DUNNY'S ALL STARS
(Charlestown)**

VS.

**BOSTON BRUINS
OLD TIMERS**

(New England Ice Sharks)

Rick Middleton • Gary Doak • Gerry Cheevers • Jay Miller
Tom Songin • Gord Kluzak • Kenny Linesman • Barry Pederson
Nevin Markwart • Cleon Daskalakis • Don Awrey • John Tudor

**THIS SUNDAY, FEB. 27
5 p.m.**

TICKETS: Adult \$10 Child \$3

*Come down and get autographs of
your favorite Bruins Old-Timers!*

★ This game will be played in memory of Jimmy Donovan.
★ All proceeds benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey

It's A Boy . . .

Patricia and Kevin Millerick of Dorchester proudly announce the birth of their son, Patrick Kevin, on Nov. 17. The baby weighed 8 pounds and was 20 inches long at birth.

The maternal grandparents are Annette V. and Edward J. Kavanagh of 40 Elm

St., Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Barbara and Dave Millerick of 16 Chestnut St., Charlestown.

The great-grandmother is Mary Kavanagh of Mead Street, Charlestown, and the great-grandfather is

Earle Davis of Malden.

Mrs. Millerick is the former Patricia Kavanagh of Charlestown.

Patrick Kevin was wel-

comed home by his 3-year-old brother Ryan who had a few comments to make on his new baby brother — see below.

Ryan's Thoughts On Patrick's Homecoming . . . as told to a friend

*In the land of Ryan Thomas
the walls are crashing down.
Yesterday, I ruled as King,
Today, I share the crown.
Mom tells me I'll get use to it,
Dad tells me I'll be fine*

*But someone's sleeping in my bed,
and my room's no longer mine.*

*My brother, Patrick Kevin,
has invaded all my space.
He's a little ball of trouble,
with a shining angel face.*

*The role of the "big brother"
is one I didn't choose*

*But the battle for my Kingdom
is one that I can't lose.*

*I must determine here and now
my plans for victory.*

*Here it is, this is no joke
It's either him or me!!*

*I watch him lying in "his" crib,
While plotting my attack,*

*But lo, as I stand over him,
I find him staring back.*

*He reaches out, he grasps my hand,
and smiles a toothless smile.*

*I'm not sure, but just perhaps,
I'll let him stay a while.*

*I see the possibilities,
The joys that we will share*

*I realize now the strength
we'll have if working as a pair.*

*The Millerick boys together
will be an awesome sight.*

*We'll send the tough guys running
We'll never lose a fight.*

*We will rule together —
Our motto — just one thought*

*How to get into this mischief
and never once get caught!*

*So tenderly, I rub his cheek
and pull his blankie close*

*And know this child's no threat to me,
He's the one I'll love the most.*



Participants Sought For The Boston Rose Of Tralee Pageant

Preparations are underway for the 16th annual Boston Rose of Tralee Pageant, and eight Irish clubs in the greater Boston area will be holding preliminary contests to select a Boston Rose. The winners of the preliminary contests will compete in a final contest at

Lantana's in Randolph in June for the title of Boston Rose.

Applications are being accepted from young women of Irish ancestry, 18 through 25 and single who are permanent residents of the New England area.

The Boston Rose will be awarded a trip to Ireland to compete in the International Rose of Tralee contest in August along with \$500.

For an application and information on contest dates and locations, call Eileen O'Sullivan at 643-6694.

**THANK YOU
SAINT
JUDE**

K.

**Happy Birthday
GINNY**

*on March 1st
Love . . . Ma and Family*

**Happy Birthday
KEVIN &
JACK**

*Your Best Friend,
Cathy Boyden*

Named To Dean's List

Five Charlestown students have been named to the dean's list for the Fall semester at Bunker Hill Community College. They are Misa Aoki, Cheryl Collins, Barbara Norton, Saori Saito and Kathleen Taylor.

The announcement was made by Janet M. Sortor, assistant dean of Academic and Student Affairs.

To attain the dean's list, a student must be attending college full time, complete a minimum of 12 credits and maintain a grade point average of 3.0 or better, with no grade lower than C.

BHCC provides programs to meet the needs of students who wish to transfer to four-year colleges or universities. It also provides for those who seek to prepare for immediate employment or who wish to study at the college level for career advancement or personal enrichment.

**Thank You
SAINT JUDE
for favors granted!**

D.

Not For Nothin' . . . But Have You Heard . . .



• **The Kids At The Bunker Hill Teen Center . . .** say "thank you" to the uncaring, thoughtless, despicable person(s) who stole the television set and the VCR from the Bunker Hill Teen Center on Monday night . . . How about returning it to the teens?

• **Who Would Have Thought . . .** that winter would still be hitting us hard, especially after last weekend's taste of spring . . . hopefully by this weekend things will be back on schedule . . . In the meantime, the Bamidele Dances scheduled for this afternoon, Thursday, Feb. 24, at St. Catherine's Hall has been postponed — watch for a new date.

• **They Are There For Our Kids . . .** so how about being there for the Charlestown Community Centers? A fund raiser, featuring the DJ Connection, is planned for Friday, Feb. 25th, starting at 8 p.m. at the K. of C. Hall . . . Tickets are just \$10 per person, and may be purchased at the door . . . The proceeds will go toward the centers' many and varied programs!

• **The K. Of C. Members . . .** would like to refurbish their function rooms and are asking for the community's help . . . They will be hold a Meat Raffle on Saturday, Feb. 26th starting at 1 p.m. in the lower hall . . . The council is supportive of many community organizations and charities, and your attendance would be a great "thank you!"

• **Charlestown Youth Hockey . . .** will benefit from the proceeds of a spectacular hockey game on Sunday, Feb. 27th when the Bruins Oldtimers take on the Dunny's All-Stars, starting at 5 p.m. . . . Stop down to the MDC Rink on Union Street and take advantage of this rare treat . . . Tickets are just \$10 for adults and \$3 for children . . . And, as a bonus, the players will be available for photos and autographs between periods . . . So, come on down!

• **There Is Many A Birthday . . .** this week, and the celebrants include the Boston National Historical Park's Chief of Interpretation Bill Foley and the noted thespian of the Charlestown Post Office, Jim Barker, who share a birthday today, Feb. 24th . . . Russell Mond's big day is Feb. 25th . . . Feb. 26th will be celebration time for Phoebe Blake, Kevin O'Halloran and Adam Millerick, who turns 3 . . . Patsy Keigney will party on Feb. 27th . . . Mae Deering turns 90 years young on Feb. 28th . . . Cozart Eggleston marks his 15th birthday on March 1st . . . and March 2nd will be a day of note for Pat Johnson, Carol (Picardi) Upton and Susan Catherine McClellan . . . Happy Birthday to one and all!

• **Just A Reminder . . .** There will be no Adult Discussion Group or Preschool Story Hour at the Charlestown Branch Library on Friday, Feb. 25th due to the school vacation.

• **Two Charlestown Residents . . .** take to the stage this weekend when the music and comedy revue "A Night on the Town" opens at Lombardo's in East Boston to benefit the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children . . . Cast members include Mary Ann Taranto and Sal Taranto of Charlestown . . . The three-hour dinner theater includes musical selections from a variety of Broadway hits, as well as original comedy and music performances. Tickets for the benefit are \$35 per person and include a specially prepared five-course dinner . . . The show opens on Friday, Feb. 25th at 8 p.m. and continues until Sunday, March 6th . . . For ticket info, call Tony Bova at 245-2787.

• **Give The Gift Of Life . . .** this Saturday, Feb. 26th, as the Red Cross Bloodmobile comes to Teamsters Local 25 in Sullivan Square between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. For more info, call Joe Laffey at 241-8825.

• **A Suggestion . . .** from "Townie" Fran Reddington is that with the reported abductions throughout the city, each child should be outfitted with a whistle around his or her neck with instructions to blow it if approached by a suspicious person . . . She added that teachers might want to hang them up with the children's coats during class, making sure they had them at dismissal time.

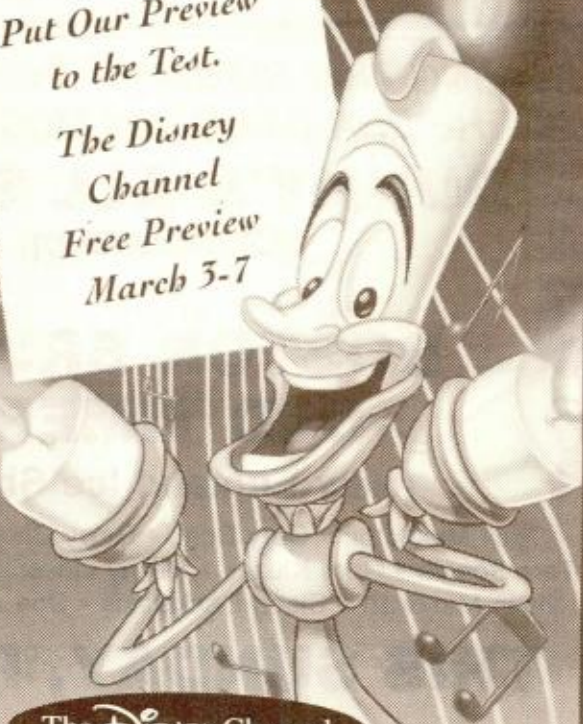
• **Volunteer Achievement Awards . . .** Help the Massachusetts Volunteer Network celebrate the spirit and impact of voluntary action by nominating individuals or programs for an award to be presented during National Volunteer Week, April 17-20 . . . Awards will be for individuals and programs . . . The deadline for nominations is March 1, so give a call today to the Volunteer Network at 542-8761 for nomination materials.

• **Did You Know . . .** that a long-time tradition will come to a close as Savio Prep in East Boston admits girls to its 9th and 10th grades come this fall?

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around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meeting . . .

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

According to Chairman Peter Looney, the agenda includes a presentation on the new City Square Park by a representative from the Halvorson Company, the landscape design consultant.

Also, Dr. Randall Stafford of MGH-Bunker Hill Health Center will make a presentation of smoking cessation and other related health issues.

Public Safety Committee

The monthly meeting of the Public Safety Committee with a community service officer from Area A of the Boston Police Department will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8 at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

The council meetings are open to the public, and all are welcome to attend.

★ **Mishawum Tenants Meeting . . .** An important meeting for the tenants of the Mishawum housing development will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 28 at the Mishawum Rental Office on Dunstable Street.

A representative from HUD will be present to discuss the proposed rent increase with the tenants.

★ **Stand Up And Be Counted . . .** This week kicks off the 1994 city of Boston Census, and Mayor Thomas M. Menino has called on every resident of the city to "Stand Up And Be Counted."

Each year, the city of Boston conducts its own census to establish an accurate and complete listing of the residents of the city. Mandated by state and federal regulations, a successful city census is crucial for Boston to compete for increasingly limited state and federal dollars, to ensure equitable

distribution of municipal services and to protect the residents' right to vote.

Last year, 38 percent of the resident households returned their completed census form. Menino urges a stronger public response in order for the neighborhoods of Boston to receive their fair share.

By the beginning of March, 214,338 households will receive city of Boston census forms by mail seeking confirmation of basic information about household residents. Residents are advised to watch the mail for the census form, or pick one up at the post office, courthouse, fire station, library, community center or health center. Complete instructions will accompany the census forms.

For more information, contact the Boston Election Department at 635-4634.

★ **Women Invited To Join The Senate District Team . . .** The Women's Statewide Legislative Alliance (WSLA) invites Charlestown women to join its Senate District Team. The next meeting will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 28 at the Chelsea Public Library, 569 Broadway, Chelsea.

The WSLA is a grassroots lobby that advocates at the State House on women's issues. The Senate District Team meets on a regular basis to organize around and build support for the group's legislative priorities.

For more information, call Angela Bova at 284-6564.

★ **City Recycling Program . . .** The city of Boston's Recycling Program will be collecting newspapers in Charlestown next week, Monday, Feb. 28 through Friday, March 4. Residents are asked to put newspapers out on trash day by 7 a.m., placing them in brown paper bags next to their trash.

Over 16,000 tons of newspaper have already been picked up in Boston, a saving

of more than 272,000 trees.

If you would like a recycling brochure with a pick-up calendar sent to your home, call the Recycling Hotline at 635-4959.

★ One Million Home Health Care Visits

. . . Nurses, therapists and home health aides from the Visiting Nurse Association of Boston made a record 1,008,578 home health care visits in 1993, an increase of over 21 percent in just one year and solidifying its position as the largest home health care agency in the Northeast. Agency home health aides provided over 1.4 million hours of home health aide service, another VNA of Boston record.

In Charlestown, agency staff made 18,783 home health care visits in 1993 — nearly 2,400 more and a 15 percent increase in

the total number of home visits over 1992.

★ **Victims Should Register . . .** If you are a victim of domestic violence, rape, assault or any violent crime, a witness in a case, or the relative of a murder victim, and the criminal was convicted and sentenced to a Mass. State Prison and is still incarcerated, you have the right to be registered with the Criminal History Systems Board to be notified of the prisoner's escape, release, parole or commutation.

To register, call The Joe Fournier Services at 1-800-533-JOEY. All calls are confidential.

★ **Street Reconstruction Update . . .** Any questions, concerns or complaints are being handled by Community Liaison Peter Looney at 722-4300, ext. 5674.

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Murphy Joins Dickinson As Senior Account Manager

Jacqueline Murphy of Charlestown has joined Dickinson as senior account manager, according to Tom Champine, vice president/sales and marketing of the direct marketing firm. Murphy will work on a variety of the firm's accounts.

Prior to joining Dickinson, Murphy was production coordinator at Creative Professional Services, Woburn; production supervisor at Holland Mark Mar-



JACQUELINE MURPHY

tin, Burlington; and account coordinator at Craver, Mathews Smith, Falls Church, Va.

Murphy has a degree in business management from Emmanuel College.

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Chief Marshal Marty O'Brien Sr. Hosts Bunker Hill Day Parade Fund Raiser

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Bunker Hill Community College Evening At The Hampshire House

Bunker Hill Community College's (BHCC) fifth annual Evening at The Hampshire House in Boston will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9. It will be sponsored by Thomas Kershaw, owner of The Hampshire House, and the Board of Directors of the BHCC Foundation.

The fund-raising event will help support scholarships, Teaching Chairs of Excellence, Linkage programs with area schools

and community-based training programs, the Art Gallery, Speakers Series, concerts and the Ethnic Heritage program.

The evening will be in celebration of the college's 20th anniversary. The BHCC Jazz Ensemble, including member Lynn Badrick of Charlestown, will perform during the evening.

The dinner will be prepared by students of the Culinary Arts program at

BHCC under the direction of Arthur P. Buccheri, professor and chairperson of the Hotel/Restaurant Management and Culinary Arts program.

Members of the BHCC Board of Trustees include Anne Hyde of Charlestown, who is the secretary, and Thomas S. Cunha.

The BHCC Foundation Board of Directors includes Kevin Roche and Sylvia Salas, both of Charlestown.



MEMBERS of the Bunker Hill Community College Jazz Ensemble will perform at the annual Evening at The Hampshire House college benefit on March 9. Shown (l. to r.) Lynn Badrick of Charlestown, Tammy Ramsey of Cambridge and Tim McLaughlin of Chelsea, the director.

Contestants Now Being Accepted For Scholarship Pageant

What do a Boston trial attorney, a nuclear medicine technical manager, a marketing director of a major computer company and six-time published novelist have in common? They all were named Miss Massachusetts and competed in the Miss America Pageant, and each one of them at some time in the past was a contestant in the Miss Tricounties/Miss North Shore Scholarship Pageant, an official Miss America Preliminary Pageant.

This year's Miss Tricounties/Miss North Shore Scholarship Pageant will be held on Sunday, April 10, at the Beachmont School in Revere. In order to qualify, a young woman must be between the ages of 17 and 24, unmarried, and either live, work or attend school in Suffolk, Essex or Middlesex County. No entry fee is required.

The pageant consists of four phases of competition: interview, talent, swimsuit and evening gown. Winners and runners-up will receive scholarship money and prizes. In addition, title winners receive the opportunity to compete for the title of Miss Massachusetts 1994, who will represent the Commonwealth at the Miss America Pageant in September.

A contestant orientation is scheduled for Sunday,

March 13 at 10 a.m. For information, contact Kathleen

Callahan Bousquet at 508-337-6544.

Bradley Elected Shareholder At Sherburne, Powers & Needham, P.C.

Charlestown resident Lawrence D. Bradley has been elected a shareholder at the law firm of Sherburne, Powers & Needham, P.C. Bradley has been an attorney at the Boston firm since 1988 concentrating his practice in the areas of corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, international transactions and intellectual property.

Bradley received his B.A. degree, *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, in 1980 from Colby College and received his J.D. degree from Cornell University in 1985.

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Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Seeks Community Support

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dents, local business people and community organizations — to make this, the 219th commemoration of the Battle of Bunker Hill — a success.

The fund raising for the parade and commemorative celebration again this year is being carried out by a small but dedicated group of residents. These people are giving many hours of their time to make this a truly memorable celebration for the community and they need the support of every resident, whether a lifelong "Townie" or a newer resident of the town.

Monies must be raised in order to pay the fee or expenses for each band, drum corps, color guard or other unit that takes part in the parade. Musical units charge from \$800 to \$2,000 for their participation in the parade if they are from Massachusetts and the cost is much more for those units that are being brought in from distant states — none of them come for free.

There are several ways that you, the resident, local business person or representative of a community organization can help:

- Send in a donation to the parade using the coupon on this page. Once again this year, the Monument will be featured in the Patriot so the community can see the results of the fund-raising efforts. Contributions of \$25 or more will be acknowledged under the Monument, but all donations are welcome.
- Obtain a booster sticker for \$1 or more donation. The boosters will be available shortly from members of the Parade Committee.
- Buy a raffle ticket at \$1 per chance (\$10 per book) on a number of prizes to be drawn on June 17th.

Information on when and where the boosters and raffle tickets will be sold will be announced in upcoming editions of the Patriot.

Organizations, businesses, clubs, elected officials and candidates for public office who are interested in sponsoring a band, drum corps or other unit for the parade, should contact the Parade General Chairman, James W. Conway, at 242-3423 (work) or 242-6187

(residence).

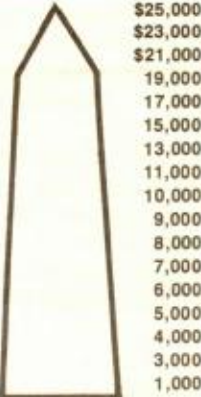
The Chief Marshal of this year's Bunker Hill Day Parade is Martin J. O'Brien Sr., a veteran of the U.S. Navy and active in numerous community organizations and endeavors. He is a member of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council and the Friends of the Charlestown District Court.

He and his wife Catherine reside on Oak Street.

The next Parade Committee meeting will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 5 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

All persons willing to help on planning and fund raising for the parade are welcome to attend.

WATCH THE MONUMENT GROW — HELP SUPPORT THE BUNKER HILL DAY PARADE



\$25,000 is needed to put the Bunker Hill Day Parade on the streets of Charlestown on Sunday, June 12. With the fiscal constraints on the city of Boston, only a limited amount of money is being allocated to the celebration by the city and each unit is asking for an increase in its fee. Thus the success of the celebration depends on you — the residents, merchants and organizations. Donations of \$25 and over will be publicly acknowledged.

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Edwards On Honor Roll

Christine Edwards of Charlestown has achieved an honors level for the second quarter of the academic year at Mount St. Joseph Academy in Brighton.

It's A Boy . . .

Anne McGonagle and Brian O'Neil announce the birth of their son, Macaulin Patrick O'Neil, on Feb. 10 at the Cambridge City Hospital. The new arrival weighed 7 pounds 15½ ounces.

The maternal grandfather is David McGonagle. The paternal grandmother is Marylou O'Neil.

The baby was welcomed home by his brother Bobby, age 8.



SHEILA WALSH was a member of the team "2 Bills, A John 'n 2 Babes" that captured second place in the annual Family Feud at St. Catherine's Hall on Feb. 18.

'The Outlaws' Capture Championship At St. Catherine's Family Feud

photos by Kathy O'Hearn



"THE PROJECT 5" were the third-place winners in last Friday night's Family Feud at St. Catherine's Hall. Shown (l. to r.) Abraham Reid, Linda Reid, Captain Sonjia Arroyo, Tina Doe and Pat Doe.

MONEY MATTERS by Nicholas C. Pino

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The ability to divide a single \$2,250 contribution between spouses offers great flexibility, as well as unique planning opportunities. Thus, peek into the future and split your contributions wisely. When a longer tax deferral is sought, a greater contribution can be made to the younger spouse's account. If the money will be needed sooner, a larger portion can be deposited into the IRA of the older spouse.

To contribute to a spousal IRA, you must meet the following requirements: (1) You must be married at the end of the year, (2) You and your spouse must file a joint return, (3) You must have taxable compensation for the year, (4) Your spouse must receive no compensation during the year, or must choose, by claiming a spousal IRA deduction, to be treated as receiving no compensation, and (5) Your spouse must be under age 70½ at the end of the year.

Although you cannot make contributions to your own IRA once you reach age 70½, you can continue to make contributions of up to \$2,000 to a spousal IRA until the year your spouse reaches age 70½. Contributions to a spousal IRA for 1993 can be made up to the due date of your 1993 return, not including extensions. For most people, this will be April 15, 1994.

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It's A Boy . . .

Mr. and Mrs. James Sheridan of Winthrop are proud to announce the birth of their son, Gregory James, on Jan. 20 at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. The new arrival weighed 8 pounds 1 ounce.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Philip Carr of Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sheridan of West Roxbury.

Mrs. Sheridan is the former Kathy Carr of Charlestown.

McGonagle On Dean's List

Dr. Raymond J. Rodrigues, vice president for academic affairs at North Adams State College, is pleased to announce that Brian McGonagle has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester.

McGonagle, a member of the class of 1996, is the son of Susan Smith of Saugus and Leo McGonagle of Elm Street, Charlestown. He is an English/communications major.

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Harvard-Kent School Math Olympiad Update

by Ken Preskenis

Our best wishes go to our soul-mates in Norway. We know well those impulses of the Olympic athlete to be alert and to use everything which is given at the moment in order to prove yourself. We have experienced

the sense of being on your own and left to your unique ingenuity to produce something difficult in a competition.

The February competition in the math olympiad contained two tricky geo-

metry problems which required the ability to make pictures in your mind. It also featured this problem whose answer is not the obvious one, namely, one dollar: if sunglasses plus the case cost 10 dollars and if the sunglasses cost nine

more dollars than the case, then find the cost of the case.

The best performance of all was put on by Christopher Chiampi who got three out of five correct — showing that fourth graders

can accomplish great things. Getting two correct was outstanding, considering the difficulty of the problems. Reaching this level were Teresa Chow, Brian Dacey, Phan Quoc Hoang, Melissa Noe, Janice Henderson and Yu Lin (Janice)

Tan.

Getting one correct is above average in this international competition, and accomplishing this were Andrew Brennan, Jenifer Fonseca, Joshua Gans, Christine Lewey, Quaneke Louis and Sophia Ng.

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TOWNIE SPORTS LINE

BOB D'S BEAT

by

Bob DeCristoforo

■ **Charlestown Cherry Tree Champs** . . . I knew Charlestown had a great shot at winning the '94 Cherry Tree Championship, but when the final buzzer sounded, taking home the Cherry Tree Trophy was great. Finally, we won the tournament, snapping South Boston's three-year reign!

The '94 Andy Puopolo Cherry Tree Basketball Tournament took place on Monday at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. Eighty young people, participating on eight teams, took part in this fourth annual tournament. Charlestown was

represented by two teams.

In the quarterfinals, Charlestown I rolled past the South Boston Devils 79-60. Jamie Smith (21 points) and Chris Walsh (16 points) led the Charlestown attack, and a scrappy Charlestown II stunned Savin Hill 59-47. Vinny Tamburello led all scorers with 23 points.

The semi-finals produced a Townie battle with Charlestown I prevailing over Charlestown II 99-85. Nick Smith (27 points), Tom McDonough (16 points) and Vinny Tam-

burello (15 points) led the youthful Charlestown II squad, but veterans Jamie Smith, Chris Walsh and Pat Woods combined for a remarkable 74 points to lead Charlestown I to a great victory.

The championship finals was an offensive showcase pitting Charlestown I against MEMYO of South Boston. Charlestown jumped off to a fast start, and never looked back, but MEMYO kept the Townies on their toes. Charlestown did everything well and played basketball the way it should be played — in their control. Jonathan Owens led the Charlestown offense with 34 points in the 106-96 win. Pat Woods and Pat Owens both had a fine tournament.

Members of the All Tournament Team from Charlestown were: Jonathan Owens (Charlestown I) and Vinny Tamburello (Charlestown II). The tournament MVP was Jamie Smith.

Special thanks to Sen. Tom Birmingham, Reps. Sal DiMasi, Richard Voke and Paul Gannon, the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Boston Police Athletic League (PAL) and the Andy Puopolo Club for their help and sponsorship, and to all the Charlestown players who took part; Charlestown I — Jamie Smith, Pat Owens, Pat Woods, Anthony Matson, Chris Walsh, Chris Brennan, Brenden Brennan and Jonathan Owens. Charlestown II — Jim Tallent, Shane Fisher, Nick Smith, Tommy McDonough, Vinny Tamburello, Jimmy Yandle, Andrew Ray and Greg Staples.

■ **High School Notebook** . . . The Charlestown High Hockey team will be participating in the city championships which will begin today, Thursday, Feb. 24, at Matthews Arena at Northeastern. The finals will be held tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 25 at 10 a.m.

Congratulations to the hockey Townies, who had another great season and now prepare for the state tourney.

Don Bosco qualified for the state hockey tournament, defeating Springfield Cathedral 6-5.

Jamie Smith joined the elite 1000-Point Club during the week and we should hear a lot from him and Boston Latin in the up-coming tournament.

Corey Gallagher had another "tough day" scoring 41 points and pulling down 24 rebounds in a recent Matignon contest.

Shane Fisher finished off his freshman Bosco basketball season tossing in 13 points and assisting on 10 others in the season finale against St. John's Prep.

■ **Ski Charlestown** . . . Thanks to the Hub Sports Grant and the BHA-Boston Parks Department partnership, 18 Townies had a chance to spend Saturday on the slopes of Mt. Cranmore in N.H. Participants were: Jimmy Tallent, Janice Casey, Shannon Casey, Melissa McGrath, Greg Staples, Jimmy Yandle, Danny McMaster, Andrew Ray, Jimmy White, Brian Houlihan, Joe Scadding, Cindy Campbell, Angelique Kane, Tom Whelan, Mark Kempton, Dom Tamburello, Greg Poole and Mike Sweeney. The teens were accompanied by BHA Youth Workers Sandra M. and Bob D.

■ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk's numbers are 31 goals, 30 assists (61 points), leading the Winnipeg Jets, but the Jets begin this week at 17-37-7 (41 points).

Tommy Fitzgerald has 12 goals and seven assists (19 points) and has his Florida Panthers riding high at 25-23-10 (60 points).

■ **Youth Council Workshop** . . . Members of the Charlestown Youth Council will meet this evening for a workshop and meeting at the Boys & Girls Club. All teens are invited to attend what should be a very interesting evening, beginning at 6 p.m.

■ **Tidbits** . . .

— Shannon Casey and Melissa McGrath set a new record for staying at the top of Mt. Cranmore before deciding to walk down!

— Shannon Anzalone had a great time falling off the ski lift, and Cindy Campbell found a way to ski down a hill.

— Where is Alexis?

— Scott Isbart needs a haircut.

— Eddie Pyne and Kyle Egleston have been missing from the Bunker Hill Teen Center.

— Timmy Monaco won't miss a day of school this week - VACATION!

— Cancun countdown : 52 days!

Smile!

CHAD Junior Bowling League Update

by John Dillon

As the second half of the Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League season continues, we had a duel between the two first place teams.

The Nucci team came out on top with a 6-2 pasting of the Cricket's team. Top bowler for the Nucci team was Chris Headle with a 228. Charise Hanley was runner-up with a 218. Matt Paley was top bowler for the Cricket's team with a 245. Kevin McCusker was second with a 222.

The Charlestown Patriot kept moving up in the standings by blasting the Kennedy Center team 8-0. Christina Biggins had an outstanding day, bowling a fantastic 278 and in bowling that 278, she bowled a single string of 107 — quite an

accomplishment. Coming in second for the Patriot team was John Harrington with a 181. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Jim Kissane with a 209, and the runner-up was his sister, Marianne Kissane with a 185.

Bunker Hill Real Estate sent out a little message to the rest of the league. Every member of the team bowled over 200, something that doesn't happen that often. In doing so, they beat the American Legion team 6-2. For BHRE, the scores were: Colleen Boutwell, 228; Mike Crowley, 220; Andriene Crowley, 215; and Katy Boutwell, 210. Top bowler for the American Legion was Steve Wall with a 246 and runner-up was Mark Dillon with a 188.

In other action, the Cappucci team finally got on

the board by beating the B&B Oil team 6-2. Top bowler for the Cappucci team was Jennifer Williams with a 195, and runner-up was Shawn Burke with a 149. Top bowler for B&B Oil was Jill Connolly with a 194. Runner-up was Kathleen Lynch with a 164.

In the final match of the day, in the battle of the sub shops, Jenny's overpowered Mama Maria's in a 6-2 victory. Top bowler for Jenny's was Philip O'Neil with a 263. Runner-up was Michelle Marino with a 235. Sean Reilly was top bowler for Mama Maria's with a 210. Runner-up was Jean Wall with a 198.

We would like to again thank Tony Ventura of the Everett Sporting Goods Store in Everett, who did a wonderful job on our bowl-

ing jackets. Everybody loved them.

A thank you also to Mel Stillman who drove 16 of our kids in the Teamster's van over to the bowling alley.

Bowlers of the week are: Christina Biggins, 278; Philip O'Neil, 263; Steven Wall, 246; Matt Paley, 245; and Michelle Marino, 235.

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

Standings

	W	L
Nucci	24	8
Jenny's	23	9
Cricket's	20	12
Chas'n. Patriot	20	12
B.H. Real Estate	17	15
Mama Maria's	16	16
Kennedy Center	12	20
American Legion	12	20
B&B Oil	10	22
Cappucci	6	26

Youngsters And Parents Cautioned Against 'Bumping'

With the recent snowstorms has come the return of "bumping" to the streets of Charlestown. This is the practice by young people who attach themselves to the rear of vehicles and slide along as it moves forward. In addition, a new twist has been added where a group of youngsters will jump in front of the vehicle, causing the driver to stop and then the group will grasp onto the rear as the vehicle moves forward.

So far this season, there have been at least two accidents involving teens who were bumping, one of which resulted in serious injury to a local teen. In addition, the practice is frightening drivers on the local streets who are finding it difficult enough just to move along between the snow banks and the pedestrians.

Joe McNulty, community service officer for Area A of the Boston Police Department, has issued a warning to youngsters on the danger of bumping and to parents, as well, to take responsibility for their youngsters in discouraging this activity.

McNulty advises residents to call the police at 911 if they see bumping going on, and the police will respond.

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Girls Center Update



THE NO NAMES team of the Girls Center Hockey League includes: front row (l. to r.) Lauren Brennan, Meaghan Brady and Jillian Gillis, and back row (l. to r.) Candace Griffin, Colleen Carroll, Kairsten Burke and Kelly Moses. Missing from the photograph is Courtney Burke.

• **About Our Hockey League** . . . The Girls Center is now in the final week of its hockey season. The two remaining teams — the Lancers Jr. and the Shamrocks — will battle for the championship trophy this week. Good luck!

• **Congratulations** . . . to the six newly elected Girls Center Peer Leaders . . . Lauren Brennan, Kair-

sten Burke, Colleen Carroll, Candace Griffin, Erin McIsaac and Katie O'Leary. Nice work, girls!

• **A Special Thanks** . . . to Margaret at the Bunker Hill Health Center for your kind donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by everyone at the center.

• **Get Well Soon** . . . Kerri Wadman . . . You are in our prayers!



THE FIGHTIN' IRISH team of the Girls Center Hockey League includes: front row (l. to r.) Kylie Moses, Jill Donovan and Fallon Leonard, and back row (l. to r.) Kerry Singleton, Katie O'Leary, Caitlin Callahan, Janell Jones and Kim Leonard. Missing from the photograph is Kelleigh Mahan.



THE LANCERS JR. will face off with the Shamrocks this week for the Girls Center Hockey League championship. Shown front row (l. to r.) Kelleigh Harrington, Bonnie O'Leary and Barbie Gillis. Back row (l. to

r.) Katie Moses, Bonnie Cameron, Meaghan Murray and Nicole Mainey. Missing from the photograph are Jolie Burke and Kerry Locke.



THE SHAMROCKS will meet the Lancers Jr. this week for the championship in the Girls Center Hockey League. Shown front row (l. to r.) Gina Cameron, Kelly Burke

and Kathleen Lacey. Back row (l. to r.) Jill Matarazzo, Catie O'Brien, Erin Brennan, Kerrin Donahue and Aileen Gorman. Missing from the photograph is Lisa Curley.

C.Y.O. & St. Catherine NEWS

by Father Ron Coyne

• **CYO One-Day Ski Trip** — Our last ski trip for the winter will be held on Sunday, March 13. All teen-agers 13-19 are welcome to join us. We will travel with Youth Enrichment Services (YES) and the cost will be \$38 per person, which includes transportation, all-day lift ticket, ski rental and a lesson. Anyone interested must sign up at the rectory, 49 Vine St., leave \$38 at the rectory and pick up a permission slip which must be returned prior to the fitting. The fitting will be on Wednesday, March 9 at 5 p.m. Buses will leave the church at 4:15 p.m. and return around 7:30 p.m.

On March 13, the bus will leave the church at 5:30 a.m. and return around 7:30 p.m. No one is allowed to go skiing if they don't attend the fitting (YES rules).

• **St. Catherine's Three-Night Mission** — All Charlestown residents are invited to a three-night Mission with the theme "Life — Keep It Simple" on Monday, Feb. 28, Tuesday, March 1 and Wednesday, March 2. The Mission will be led by Jack Roche, a Columban priest, and will include Mass each evening beginning at 7:30 p.m.

A Mission is like a three-day retreat and is open to all who would like to deepen their understanding of how good God is and how wonderfully God has made us.

Jack Roche is a dynamic speaker and a great storyteller. The time you spend in his presence will be long-lasting. He will preach at all the Masses on the weekend of Feb. 26-27 introducing himself and the Mission to the people of Charlestown.

• **Disney World Trip Open To All** — St. Catherine's is sponsoring a trip to Walt Disney World Aug. 20-27 and all Charlestown residents and their friends are welcome as are children traveling alone.

We are close to our goal of 99 people to assure us of a chartered flight. There is still time to put down your \$50 deposit. For a brochure or if you have any questions, contact Sheila Brown at 242-2683.

• **All Nighter** — Our next All Nighter, open to all teen-agers from both public and parochial schools, will begin on Friday, March 11 at 6 p.m. and conclude on Saturday morning, March 12 at 6 a.m. We will travel by bus throughout the night to various activities. The cost will be \$20 per person, which includes admission to all events and transportation. Teen-agers 13-19 may sign up at St. Catherine's rectory, 49 Vine St., and leave \$20 to guarantee a seat.

• **CYO Cheerleading Contest** — On Sunday, March 6, Charlestown will be represented once again in the annual CYO Cheerleading Contest at BC High School beginning at noon. Our girls have been practicing diligently to perform before hundreds of their fans and spectators. We encourage families and friends to support this wonderful activity by your presence.

• **St. Catherine's Colorguards** — As you read this, our "Townies" and "Little Townies" (47 strong) are on their way to Montreal to compete in the regionals on Saturday, Feb. 26 and Sunday, Feb. 27. They are accompanied by over 100 of their families and friends. A caravan of three buses is en route. We are proud of our girls and the impression they make whenever they perform. We wish them the best of luck in Canada.

Volunteer For The Easter Seal Volleyball Games

Many volunteer opportunities exist for people who would like to get involved with the Easter Seal Volleyball Games. The games will be held March 19 and 20 at Buckingham Browne & Nichols School and March 25, 26 and 27 at

Cambridge Rindge & Latin School in Cambridge. Proceeds will support local Easter Seal Services for children and adults with disabilities.

For more information, please call Marie Nunn at 482-3375.

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News From The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club

15 Green St., Charlestown 242-1775



• TEEN CENTER NEWS

Leah Oliver!!! Adolescent specialist Leah Oliver will be giving a presentation this evening, Thursday, Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. She will give her expert advice on teen issues and answer questions teens have on topics such as sexuality and positive relationships. All teens are welcome and refreshments will be served.

Parents Night - March 9 — The Boys & Girls Club will be hosting a Parents Night on Wednesday, March 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. We would like to invite all parents and guardians to come up and enjoy the night with their children. There will be planned games and events throughout the club and it will give parents a chance to meet all the staff at the club.

Just A Reminder — Aerobics is every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 7 p.m. . . . Arts & Crafts meets from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday . . . and the Teen Education room is open from 4 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday through Thursday for tutoring, SAT prep, College Club, etc.

• PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Basketball — The 15-and-under team had an impressive win against Woburn last week in the Reebok Tournament. Everything seemed to go well for all of our players, which

resulted in a 12-point win. Ian Urquhart, Steve Linnane, Pat Duncan, DJ O'Brien, PJ Hansen, Mike Upton, Romeo Collado and Joe Lawler have all shown great progress since the season opened. They advanced to the next round only to lose to Daniel Marr Boys Club.

The 12-and-under team's game against South Boston was filmed by Cablevision last week. The date and air time of the game has yet to be announced. Once we find out, we will let you know through the **Patriot**. For the record, Charlestown lost.

Swim Lessons — There are 15 slots open for swim lessons beginning Tuesday, March 1. Lessons will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. Parents interested in signing up their child can do so with Lori Burke in the pool or through Joe Fitzpatrick at 242-1775.

Friday Night League — The in-house basketball league for 10- to 14-year-olds takes place every Friday at 6 p.m. Whether you're already signed up or not, show up at 6 p.m. ready to play!

• EDUCATION / CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

— Congratulations to Bridgette Chaisson who was our National Winner in the "Bo Knows" Challenge Sweepstakes! She will be honored at a ceremony on Friday, March 4 from 6 to 7 p.m.

Also on March 4, from 6 to 7 p.m., Charlestown Mayor Erin Sullivan and Charlestown Rose Julie Treanor will be speaking at our forum on Ireland.

— Our annual Invention Convention was held on Feb. 18. Nineteen inventions were made and judged fairly by our seven judges. The winners were as follows: first place -

Brian Morrison, Bike Watcher; second place - Ryanne Burton and Jennifer DeMille, Telephone Sneakers; and third place - Roselyn Boyle and Colleen Hoell, The Painter.

The 19 inventions made are as follows: 1. Brian Morrison - Bike Watcher; 2. Stephanie Saccardo - The Water Fountain Trick; 3. Ryanne Burton and Jennifer DeMille - Telephone Sneakers; 4. Nicole McNeil - Baby Watcher; 5. Roselyn Boyle and Colleen Hoell - The Painter; 6. Dougie McNeil - The Flashlight; 7. Jillian Boyden - Automatic Dresser; 8. Franz Harris - Snow Stopper; 9. Elvis Santos and Raphael Andujar - Future Bus; 10. Jason Tamburello and Chris Michael - Flying Water Balloon; 11. Danielle Gillis - Snack Man; 12. Jean Chaisson - Peaceful House; 13. Stephanie Boyd - The Instrument; 14. Jack Flaherty - Magic Carpet; 15. Josh Gans - Hot Air Balloon; 16. MacKenzie Joseph - Scissor Hand/One Man; 17. Daniel Ortega - Super Stretch Stapler; 18. Shawn Poliskey and Steven Awbrey - The Mousetrap; 19. Nicole Lunt - Jordan Shoes.

Thank you to our judges: Eileen O'Brien, Gerry Woods, Merry Sullivan, Dodie Johnson, Mark Steenbergh, Susan Garfield and Derek D'Ambrosio.

— The MWRA Poster/Writing Contest begins on March 1. See Christine in the library for details.

— The tutor/tutee party will be held on Wednesday, March 2 at 6:15 p.m. If your child is enrolled in the tutoring program, they are invited to attend.

— The theme for the month of March is Charlestown. Watch for activities related to Charlestown during the month of March.

City Championships Begin Today

by Sean Smyth

Charlestown High resumed its quest for a city hockey title this morning, Thursday, Feb. 24, when they took on South Boston in the first round of the city championships at Northeastern's Matthews Arena.

Charlestown's Dan Murphy skated for the Latin Academy squad in the other semi-finals game at noon versus East Boston.

The winners will match up tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 25 in the city title game at Matthews Arena at 10 a.m.

The boys basketball semi-finals will take place today at Roxbury's Shelbourne Center at noon and 1:30 p.m. The finals will be played at UMass-Boston tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m., while the girls, who played their semi-finals yesterday, will play at 6 p.m.

Little League Registration

Registration for both the Major and Minor Leagues of Charlestown Little League gets underway in March. Players must bring their original birth certificate to the registration, and the fee is \$25 per family.

Registration will be held at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St. on the following dates:

Friday, March 11 — 6 to 8 p.m.
Saturday, March 12 — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday, March 19 — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tryouts will be Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Ryan Playground in Sullivan Square.

In the event of rain, tryouts will be Saturday, April 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Umpires are needed. If anyone is interested in helping the league, they are asked to call Ed Greatorex at 242-3956 or Kevin Connolly at 241-7561.

Children's Films

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Tuesday, March 1 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Animal Friends," in which a kitten searches for playmates on her farm; "Curl Up Small" is a film which explains the nature of the world to preschoolers; and

two bears and a rabbit play on a magic carousel in "Winter Carousel."

"Dinosaurs: The Terrible Lizards," a film about the history of dinosaurs, will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Carousel** by Brian Wildsmith and **Just Like Jasper!** by Nick Butterworth.

First Annual Soccer Jamboree!

The Boston Youth Soccer Partnership, in cooperation with Boston Parks and Community Schools, announces its first Annual Youth Soccer Indoor Jamboree on Saturday, Feb. 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Madison Park High School, located at 55 New Dudley St., in Roxbury. This event is for boys and girls 14 years and under.

Events at the jamboree will include: indoor futsal competition, skill clinics, demonstrations and a

chance to play a friendly game with kids from all neighborhoods of the city. This event is free and open to Boston residents only.

The Boston Youth Soccer Partnership is a non-profit, all volunteer coalition of Boston soccer organizations and individuals dedicated to the continuous growth of youth soccer in the city of Boston.

For more information about the jamboree and/or the Boston Youth Soccer Partnership, call 327-9010.

HAPPENINGS AT The Charlestown Working Theater

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Our season begins in March with a wonderful presentation of "An American Storyteller in Ireland" by storyteller Sharon Kennedy. Sharon traveled to Ireland and collected stories from 24 traditional storytellers, ranging from the west coast of Clare to County Armagh in Northern Ireland. What a great way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Performances will be held Thursday through Saturday, March 10-12 and March 17-19 at 8 p.m. We will also have a matinee performance and a storytelling workshop, with the date and time to be announced.

This performance will be free for any senior citizen here in Charlestown and transportation will be provided. General admission to the show will be \$12; \$10 for town residents, seniors and students with an ID. Look to the **Patriot** for more information about "An American Storyteller," or give us a call at the theater.

Acting class for ages 11-14 still has room for a few more students. The lessons are free and the teacher is great! John Quinn has been teaching classes at CWT since the fall, and he is very popular with both students and parents.

Auditions for a film will be tonight, Thursday, Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the theater. We are looking for a man and a woman to play a couple in their 40s and a boy and a girl to play two teens between 15 and 19.

Lucy Vale, a film student at the Museum of Fine Arts School, will be producing this film, which is based on a true story.

If you cannot attend the auditions and are interested in trying out for the film, give Kristen or Jennifer a call at 242-3285.

For more information about any of our programs, please call us at 242-3285. See you at the theater!



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Parents need to be calm and reassuring when talking to their children. It is recommended that the following steps be taken:

— Role play and practice with your children as children learn by doing. Practice what to do if a stranger approaches, choose real life situations that your children face such as walking to school and help your children think of several responses to any given situation.

— Routinely practice with your children and have your children practice what they would say and do if they feel threatened. For instance, children should learn to yell in a loud voice, "This person is trying to take me. I need help." Skills need to be reinforced to be effective.

— Teach children to use the buddy system for children should learn that it is safer with a "buddy" than alone.

— Teach children to check with you first before changing his or her plans.

It should be emphasized that you be told if the children are going anywhere, even with adults the children know.

— Help your children identify trusted adults to whom they would go for help. An example might be the person using a cash register in a mall or store, or a neighbor.

— Instruct your children to stay an arm's reach away. This is the length of a grown-up's arm plus another step.

— Tell your children that if they feel something is wrong, they should back up four steps, then turn around, run and do anything to attract attention.

Parents should remember that children can feel less fearful if they are given skills and information.

The Boston Police Department asks residents whose child has reported an attempted abduction to call its Hotline at 343-5500 or call 343-4712.

The Children's Trust Fund provides a curriculum that teaches children abuse prevention and safety skills. Called "Kids & Company: Together for Safety," it is offered at no cost to public and private elementary schools. Any parent or educator can call the Children's Trust Fund at 727-8957 for further information.

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School News

There will be a meeting on at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 3 at St. Catherine's Hall for all parents who will have children attending Charlestown Catholic for the 1994-95 academic year.

Charlestown Catholic is conducting a can/bottle drive. If you have any cans/bottles and would like to donate them to the school, they may be left at the school during school hours, between 8:15 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

Registration for new students is on-going.

Reregistration will take place in May.

As the school year moves through the third semester, students at Charlestown Catholic are busily engaged in extra curricular and academic projects. One of the most exciting activities is the publication of a school newspaper. Under the direction of Katherine McDonough, this literary project is attracting students with skills in drawing, writing and photography, and is providing an excellent hands-on cooperative learning experience in language arts.

In addition to activities,

such as subject-related projects, students are involved in a School Mascot Contest, sponsored by the Student Council. This contest requires students, faculty, staff and community members to submit suggestions for a Charlestown Catholic Mascot. From suggestions submitted, the Student Council will select five semi-finalists at their meeting on March 1, and all students will vote on the five suggestions in their classrooms on March 2. The winning suggestion will be announced on March 4.

In addition to selecting the Mascot, students interested in drawing a picture of the winning Mascot will submit their work on March 14. A winner of this portion of the Mascot Contest will be voted by students from pictures submitted. The winner will be announced March 18.

It is also worthy of mention that several youngsters, in addition to academic and extra curricular activities, are working after school. Two students are Jacqui Neff, who works as a Peer Leader for the city of Boston, and Marianne Getchell, who works at St. Francis de Sales Rectory.

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★ EVENTS OF THE WEEK ★

Friday, Feb. 25

10 a.m. - Seniorobics, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge (\$1.15)

Monday, Feb. 28

10 a.m. - Seniorobics, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge (\$1.15)

Tuesday, March 1

10 a.m. - Swim Program, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard (for a ride, meet at the Senior Lounge at 9:30 a.m.)
10 a.m. - Crochet, Beading and Crafts, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)

Wednesday, March 2

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Anchorage Apartments
10 a.m. - Beading, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)
12:45 p.m. - Bingo, Senior Lounge (\$1.15)

Thursday, March 3

9:30 a.m. - Stop & Shop Bus, Constitution Co-op, Senior Lounge & Golden Age Center
10 a.m. - Swim Program, YMCA, Charlestown Navy Yard (for a ride, meet at the Senior Lounge at 9:30 a.m.)
10 a.m. - Crochet, Crafts and Sunshine Club, Senior Lounge
11:45 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch, Senior Lounge (\$1 donation requested)

★ PLAN AHEAD ★

• **Monday, March 28** - Beans & Beano will be held at 4 p.m. Please sign up in advance.

• **Tuesday, April 5** - The podiatrist will be at the Senior Lounge from 9:30 to 10 a.m. Please call to make appointment.

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ACTIVITIES

- **Quilting** — Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Arts & Crafts** — Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Flower Arrangements** — Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Ceramics** — Monday and Thursday from noon to 3 p.m., contact Pat Venezia.
- **Beano** — Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:30 p.m., contact Sheila Walsh.
- **Lunch** — Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at noon, contact Sheila Walsh.
- **Knit & Crochet** — Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., contact Jean Reilly.
- **Liquid Embroidery** — Monday from 10 a.m. to noon, contact Reed White.

UPCOMING TRIP

See Sheila for details and reservations on . . .

• **St. Patrick's Irish Tour** — A trip to the Beacon Motel in N.H. is being planned for March 6. It will include two days, one night and three meals with a corned beef dinner, an Irish theme party and a lobster clambake by the pool, all for only \$119 per person. For details, call Sheila and be sure to sign up early.

TAX CLINIC

A Tax Clinic will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9.

BUS TO STOP & SHOP

A bus to Stop & Shop picks up at the Golden Age Center on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

HOUSING, EDUCATION & INFORMATION SERVICE

Housing, education and information service is available to seniors every Wednesday between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Golden Age Center. Applications and help completing them is available.

For more information, contact Beverly Gibbons at 635-5176 or 635-5175.

Information For Senior Citizens

The Gerontology Institute of the University of Massachusetts Boston, is presenting a series of helpful, informational TV programs geared to senior citizens. The series is being broadcast on the Boston Neighborhood Network, Channel 24, on Boston Cablevision from 3:30 to 4 p.m. each Thursday.

The series includes:

- Feb. 24 — Medicare Advocacy Project with Julie Silas, Greater Boston Legal Services;
- March 3 — Older Parents and Caretakers of the Mentally Ill with Melba James, AMI;
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Success in America is dependent on the ability to read and write well. A recent literacy study conducted by the U.S. government indicated that nearly half of all adult Americans do not have the basic reading and writing skills needed to obtain a decent paying job. According to Mary Jordan of the **Washington Post**, business leaders have raised concerns regarding this low level of literacy and its direct threat to the U.S. economy.

This year, the Speech and Language Department of the MGH Bunker Hill Health Center was awarded a grant through the Bio-Medical Research Corp. to fund a reading and writing program. Twenty Charlestown children who were having difficulties with their reading and writing skills, benefitted from this comprehensive written language program.

The speech-language pathologists used a variety of multi-sensory strategies to improve decoding, reading, comprehension, oral expression and written narrative skills. However, the most notable difference was seen in the area of self-esteem. One child in particular demonstrated so much progress in her reading skills and attitude toward school that she was awarded a \$500 grant by her school. This award was based partly on academic achievement and school participation.

It is this speech-language pathologist's hope that success stories like this one continue to fuel the interest in supporting literacy programs. It is only through achieving literacy that a person will be able to attain a worthwhile occupation that provides stimulation and secures financial success — "The American Dream."

Ann Kelly-Kirwin, MS, CCC
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Thanks For Your Support

Dear Gloria:

As everyone understands, it takes a great deal of time and financial backing to have a successful Bunker Hill Day Parade. With that in mind, we are off to a great start in raising the needed funds to have a successful 1994 Bunker Hill Day Parade.

The Chief Marshal's Fund Raiser held on Feb. 19 at the Knights of Columbus was a huge success. The hall was filled with dedicated "Townies" and lots of well-wishers. Thank you to all that attended this function and to all that supported this event in one way or another.

A special thank you goes out to the Andy Healy Band for providing the music for our dancing pleasure; to the Knights of Columbus for providing the place to dance; to Mae Dobie and Kay Whelan for the desserts; and to The Charlestown Patriot for all the publicity.

Birmingham Announces Senate Passage Of Welfare Reform

Sen. Thomas Birmingham announced that the state Senate last week passed a sweeping welfare reform bill that targets welfare dependency and provides the tools necessary to ensure that welfare recipients are able to move from the dole to the payroll.

"This bill will help us end chronic reliance on welfare instead of a job," said Birmingham. "We focus on those most vulnerable to chronic welfare dependency — teen parents. A recent study shows that 86 percent of teen mothers are unwed. By keeping these young mothers in school and living at home, we can nip welfare dependency in the bud."

"This bill doesn't just talk about welfare recipients getting jobs, it provides that the jobs will be there," he continued.

When fully funded the

legislation ultimately would require every adult recipient to either: 1) work part time; 2) enroll in a job training or education program; 3) work for a community service organization; or 4) work full time for an employer through the newly created Full Employment Program, as a condition of receiving benefits. The degree of implementation of the bill will depend upon future federal waivers and financial participation, as well as appropriations.

Birmingham's bill earned praise from various parties, including the Alliance for Young Families, which represents thousands of youth across the state. "We are delighted to see that you are willing to give priority status to teen parents and recognize they represent the possibility of giving the Commonwealth 'the greatest return on its invest-

ment,'" the organization wrote to Birmingham.

Birmingham criticized the governor's approach to welfare reform as "demagogic." He said, "The Republican bill relies on cost savings that have nothing to do with their welfare reform proposal. It makes promises that simply cannot be kept."

Birmingham referred specifically to the governor's contention that welfare recipients will be able to find 24,000 jobs in the next year. "Half of those on welfare do not have a high school diploma and a third have no job experience. We cannot expect market forces

to simply absorb them into the workforce, not at a time when more than 100,000 with recent job experience are collecting unemployment and actively seeking work. To say we can do so gives new meaning to the term 'welfare fraud.'"

The bill that Birmingham drafted for the Senate Ways and Means Committee and has passed the Senate offers a tax credit to businesses that hire welfare recipients and other incentives for employers to provide new jobs for them. It also enhances welfare fraud detection and limits many welfare recipients to a maximum of two years of benefits.

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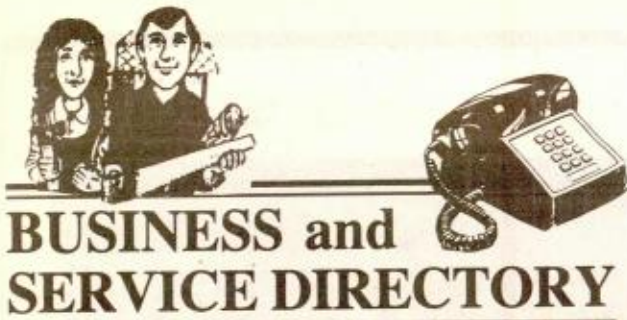
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