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## around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ **Community Office Hours** . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be not be holding office hours on Monday, Sept. 1 due to the Labor Day holiday.

Office hours will resume on Monday, Sept. 8 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. on Thursday, Sept. 4 at the

Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.

All interested persons are welcome to attend.

★ **Neighborhood Council Meeting** . . .

**Monthly Meeting**

The monthly meeting of the council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St.

**Zoning Committee**

The Zoning Committee, chaired by Tom Cunha, will hold a series of meetings on the zoning of Char-

lestown at 7 p.m. at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

The first meeting on Thursday, Sept. 11 will focus on zoning in Precincts 6 and 7.

On Thursday, Sept. 25, the zoning in Precincts 4 and 5 will be discussed.

Zoning in Precincts 1, 2 and 3 will be the topic on Thursday, Oct. 2.

At each of these meetings there will be copies of the present zoning available along with the city's proposed zoning changes and the the number and types of

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## Events At The City Square Park

The Mass. Department of Environmental Management invites members of the community to participate in free events at the City Square Park.

• **Saturday, Aug. 30 from 10 to 11 a.m.**

- Park Ranger Jayne Triber will lead a Children's Nature Walk through City Square Park. Learn about the wide variety of nature in the city and how birds, bees and butterflies are attracted to the park. Children

under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

• **Sunday, Aug. 31 from 3 to 4 p.m.** -

Park Ranger Jayne Triber will read some of her favorite poems and lead the audience in a participatory Poetry Reading. Whether your favorite poet is Dylan Thomas, Emily Dickinson or yourself, you are invited to read or recite a poem.

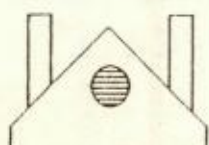
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## Voke Honored By The O'Neil Scholarship Committee



RICHARD A. VOKE, former Majority Leader for the Mass. House of Representatives, was honored recently by members of the Matt O'Neil Scholarship Committee for his assistance with the fund which provides financial help annually to a college-bound Charlestown senior. Voke was presented with a framed concept on canvas of an illustration by the Halvorson Co. of the Justice Gate at City Square Park, created by designer Annette Tecce. Shown (l. to r.) are Dick Canty and John Whelan, committee members; Voke; and Cissy O'Neil and Attorney Pat Sweeney, committee members.

## Permission Granted To Demolish St. Catherine's Convent

For the past several weeks, the focus of much discussion has centered around a Charlestown building, its worth and the necessity for its demolition. This building was not at the Monument, nor was it at Town Hill, it hasn't been on a house or garden tour, nor has it been a sought-after site for redevelopment.

The building under discussion is located in an obscure courtyard off Corey Street and, except for a proposal in late 1994 that a "sober house" be sited there, the former St. Cath-

erine of Siena Convent has remained vacant with no one coming forward with a plan for its re-use in over three years, despite a call for a plan for its use from the former pastor, Father Ron Coyne.

Conditions in the building have deteriorated, bringing the parish and its pastor, Father James DiPerri, to the determination this summer that demolition of the structure was an absolute necessity. The building has been the object of numerous vandals and posed a serious threat to the safety of neighbor-

hood and nearby school children as well as to the church, itself.

The parish had applied for a permit to demolish the building in late July and held a public meeting in the parish hall on Aug. 4. Approximately 30 people attended this meeting and there was no opposition expressed to its demolition following an overview of the deteriorating condition of the building outlined by Father DiPerri.

In mid-August, the Charlestown Preservation Society, in a letter to Ma-

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### Deadline Notice . . .

The Patriot office will be closed from Thursday, Aug. 28 through Monday, Sept. 1. Copy and advertisements may be left on the desk at the Patriot office during that time. Be sure to include a telephone number. The deadline for the Sept. 4 issue will be Tuesday, Sept. 2 at noon. Thanks!

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**The deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at NOON.**

**SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS**

**Monday**

• **2 to 5 p.m.** - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. **Note: There will be no office hours on Monday, Sept. 1, the Labor Day holiday. Office hours will resume on Monday, Sept. 8.**

• **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.

**Wednesday**

• **7 p.m.** - Co-Dependents Anonymous (CODA) meeting, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High 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

**CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**this week at a glance**

**Saturday, Aug. 30**

• **10 a.m.** - Children's Nature Walk - City Square Park

**Sunday, Aug. 31**

• **3 p.m.** - Poetry Reading - City Square Park

**Monday, Sept. 1**

*Happy Labor Day Holiday!*

**Tuesday, Sept. 2**

• **10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.** - Children's Films -

Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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

**Wednesday, Sept. 3**

• **2 to 7 p.m.** - Farmer's Market - Main Street, across from Charlestown Branch Library

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

**upcoming events**

**Thursday, Sept. 4**

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

**Tuesday, Sept. 9**

• **9 to 10:30 a.m.** - Home Health Aide Training Information Session - Kennedy Center Resource Room, 55 Bunker Hill St.

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

• **6:30 p.m.** - Charlestown Little League Banquet - Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

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

**Wednesday, Sept. 10**

• **2 to 7 p.m.** - Farmer's Market - Main Street, across from Charlestown Branch Library

• **6:30 to 8 p.m.** - U.S. Air Force Band of Liberty Concert - City Square Park

**plan ahead**

**Saturday, Sept. 13**

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Flea Market - First Church, Green Street (To reserve a table for \$10, call Millie at 242-1112)

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Car Wash and Bottle Drive to benefit St. Catherine's Color Guards - behind the Charlestown High School Athletic Facility, off Terminal Street

**Sunday, Sept. 14**

• **Following 9 a.m. Mass** - Holy Name Society meeting - St. Francis de Sales Convent, 325 Bunker Hill St.

• **noon to 8 p.m.** - Mass and Cookout sponsored by Charlestown Young Adults Group - Ryan Field, Sullivan Square

• **2 p.m.** - Tea with Priscilla (formerly Priscilla of Boston) - Bunker Hill Museum, 43 Monument Square

**Friday, Sept. 26**

• **7 p.m.** - Installation of Officers of Bunker Hill Council #62, Knights

of Columbus and the Daughters of Isabella #1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Saturday, Sept. 27**

• **11 a.m.** - Rededication of the World War II Memorial, beginning with an Ecumenical Service onboard *USS Cassin Young* at Pier One in the Charlestown Navy Yard, followed by the Memorial Rededication at noon at City Square Park

**Sunday, Sept. 28**

• **Following 11 a.m. Mass** - Giant Bola - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

**Friday, Oct. 3**

• **7:30 p.m.** - Installation of Officers of Bunker Hill Post #26, The American Legion - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• **8 p.m.** - Dance featuring Ray Cavicchio's Wonderland Dance Band & Vocalist, to benefit Charlestown Lions Club charities - K. of C.

Hall, 75 West School St.

**Saturday, Oct. 4**

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

**Sunday, Oct. 5**

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Annual Craft Fair - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

**Thursday, Oct. 9**

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

**Thursday, Oct. 23**

• **7 to 10 p.m.** - "An Evening At The Constitution Museum," sponsored by the Friends of Charlestown Catholic - Charlestown Navy Yard

**Saturday, Nov. 8**

• **TBA** - St. Catherine's Bazaar - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

**Sunday, Nov. 30**

• **4 p.m.** - Brendan Boyer and the Royal Irish Showband - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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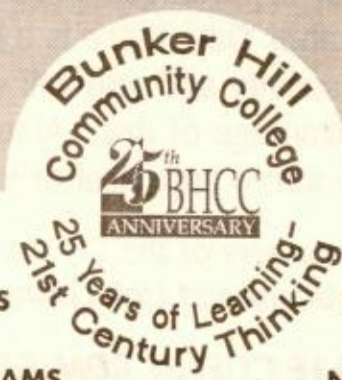
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## 'Priscilla Of Boston' Coming To Tea

Widely renowned designer of wedding gowns, Priscilla Kidder, known the world over as "Priscilla of Boston," has graciously consented to relate fascinating tales from her unusual life at a tea in Charlestown to raise much-needed funds for the Bunker Hill Museum. The tea, sponsored by the Charlestown Historical Society, will take place at the museum, 43 Monument Square (at the corner of Monument Avenue), from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 14.

Now retired, Mrs. Kidder, who is best known for designing the beautiful wedding gown of Princess Grace of Monaco, was born in Quincy, took up dressmaking at an early age to help support her mother and three younger siblings, and had, by 1945, established a bridal shop on Newbury Street. From there, she went on to do wedding gowns for Julie and Tricia Nixon as well as for President Johnson's daughters, not to speak of gowns for countless weddings in the Greater Boston area and throughout the world.

During most of her career, the Priscilla manufacturing facility was located near Charlestown's Sullivan Square, and during the Bicentennial celebration,



**ROYAL WEDDING:** Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco. The bridal gown of Princess Grace was made by Priscilla of Boston. Priscilla Kidder, widely known as Priscilla of Boston, will speak at a tea at the Bunker Hill Museum on Sunday, Sept. 14.

Priscilla Kidder further strengthened her ties with our town by generously donating four specially designed gowns to the Bunker Hill Museum for the years 1776, 1860, 1875 and 1925.

The Bunker Hill Museum houses a many-faceted history of our old town, with special emphasis on the Bunker Hill Monument. Exhibits present the

heroic women's success in raising money to complete construction of the Monument, led by Sarah Josepha Hale, editor and publisher of *The Ladies Magazine*, the nation's first literary magazine for women. Another presents 10 beautifully restored architectural proposals for the design of the Monument.

Tickets for "Tea with Priscilla of Boston" are

\$15 each and can be obtained by calling Rosemary Kverek at 242-3073 or Marion Wood at 242-4919.

Seating is limited, so get your tickets early. You won't want to miss Priscilla Kidder's White House stories or this long-to-be-remembered benefit for our own historical museum.

- Oren McCleary

## Charlestown Little League News

### Little League Banquet

The Little League Banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 at Bunker Hill Community College. All minor and major league players and their families are encouraged to attend. There will be a \$5 donation per family.

### Senior League

All senior league players with uniforms are asked to turn them in to Tom Jackson.

If you have any questions, call 241-4952.

Young people 13 to 16 who are interested in playing in the senior league, are asked to come to the banquet and sign up. Registration fees and birth certificates are not required at this time.

The board has to have an idea on how many players there might be and what is needed for equipment.

Charlestown Little League Board

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## Gallarelli Presented Legion Past Commander's Plaque



BUNKER HILL POST 26, The American Legion recently presented a Past Commander's Plaque to Al Gallarelli who served as commander of Post 26 during the 1995-1996 Legion year. Shown (l. to r.) are Finance Officer Arthur L. Hurley, P.C.; Senior Vice Commander Ron Taylor; Gallarelli; and 1996-1997 Commander Ed Kelly.

## Registration Of New Students At Charlestown Catholic

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School is a school where youngsters receive a quality education in a caring community. They learn to grow spiritually, intellectually, socially, morally and physically.

Call the school at 242-0169 for enrollment information and general information about the school.

There are just a few more days in which to register a child for the coming school year.

## Sea Circle Gardens Win Home Garden Contest

Mayor Thomas M. Menino hosted an awards ceremony on Aug. 26 in the Public Garden honoring the winners of the 1997 *Making Boston Grow!* Home Gardening Contest.

Winners from 14 Boston neighborhoods were presented with the coveted Golden Trowel in recognition of their urban gardening efforts. Eligible gardens in this annual contest ranged from simple window boxes to elaborately landscaped roofs and courtyards.

The Charlestown first-place winners are Erin Amar, Dodie Boyle, Karen McCabe and Florence Muller for their spectacu-

lar "Sea Circle Gardens," located in front of Flagship Wharf in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

"What these gardeners all have in common is their contributions to the city's landscape," Menino said in announcing the awards. "By brightening their homes, rooftops and yards, they add color and beauty to our neighborhoods that everyone can enjoy."

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department received 113 entries for this year's contest. A team of 23 judges, recruited from local horticulture and landscaping circles, fanned out across the city to view the entries.

## Irish Exhibit Committee To Meet

There will be a meeting of the Irish Exhibit Committee of the Bunker Hill Museum at 4 p.m. on

Saturday, Sept. 6. The meeting will be held at the museum, located at 43 Monument Square.

Anyone interested in developing an exhibit depicting the Irish and Irish-American experiences in Charlestown is encouraged to attend.

For further information, call Arthur Hurley at 242-2724.

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



♣ **We Wait ... And Then ...** We wait and plan for vacations and warm weather for nearly nine months and it's over before we know it ... The Clougherty Pool in Doherty Park on Bunker Hill Street will close its gates on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st ... and then it's back to school!

♣ **The Deadline Is Nearing ...** to join members of the community's Young Adults Group for a Red Sox vs. Chicago White Sox game on Friday evening, Sept. 19 ... Tickets, which are only \$10, must be reserved by Sept. 2 ... For more info, give a call to Father Paul McCarthy at 241-9014, Frank Harmon at 242-3003 or Joe Fitz at 242-2720 ... It's a great way to get acquainted!

♣ **Birthdays ... Birthdays ... Birthdays ...** will be celebrated this week with Aug. 30th being shared by Larry "Buttons" Cullity and Rev. Isaiah Sears, who will be 82 years young ... the big 3-0 will be marked by Patrick McClellan on Aug. 31st ... and Essie Martin will celebrate her 94th birthday on Sept. 3rd ... Happy birthday, one and all!

♣ **Happy Anniversary Wishes ...** to Brenda and Ed Loan who will celebrate 10 years of wedded bliss on Aug. 29th ... and to Mary and Mike Walsh, who will celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary on Sept. 3rd ... May you have many more!

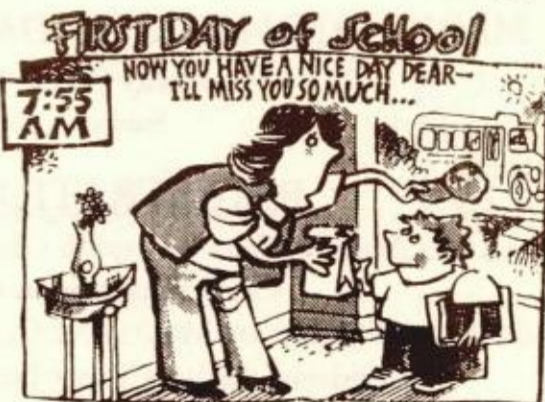
♣ **Belated Birthday Greetings ...** to Walter Benson who celebrated his 85th birthday on Aug. 27th.

♣ **Celebrate One Year In Town ...** August of 1996 brought two new clergy to Charlestown ... Rev. Laurie Rofinot took over as rector of St. John's Episcopal Church and Father James DiPerri became the pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Parish ... both have contributed much to this community over the past year and it is hoped that they are with us for years to come.

♣ **Get Out Your Dancing Shoes ...** with the arrival of fall will come some spectacular social events ... the Charlestown Lions Club will present its Charity Dance on Friday, Oct. 3, starting at 8 p.m. at the K. of C. Hall. The event will feature Ray Cavichio's Wonderland Dance Band & Vocalist. For tickets, give a call to Bud Coleman at 242-2063 ... Brendan Boyer and The Royal Irish Showband will appear at the K. of C. Hall on Sunday, Nov. 30th at 4 p.m. Tickets will go on sale at the Knights on Oct. 1st. It was a sold-out show last year!

♣ **A Walk In Boston's Back Bay ...** The Boston Parks and Recreation Department's Park Rangers are holding their last program of August at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 31 ... From Salt Marsh to Glass Tower, learn about the history of Commonwealth Avenue and Copley Square on this walk through the fashionable Back Bay ... Meet at the corner of Arlington Street and Commonwealth Avenue.

♣ **Be Sure To Register To Vote ...** Sept. 3 is the deadline to register to vote in the Sept. 23 preliminary election ... act now, don't leave it to the other guy!



♣ **It's Over ... Summer, That Is! ...** Monday, Sept. 1st is Labor Day ... Make it a safe and happy holiday, Charlestown!  
**HAPPY HOLIDAY WEEKEND!**

**Happy 5th Birthday**  
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## around the town

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★ **Neighborhood Council Meeting . . .** zoning variances that have been requested in the particular precincts during the past 18 months. \*\*\*\*\*

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

★ **Attention: Parkers At Edwards School Lots . . .** Staff and delivery trucks begin arriving at the C.R. Edwards School at 6:30 a.m. and busses arrive at 7:15 a.m. The first day of school for students is Wednesday, Sept. 3, starting at 7:35 a.m.

The cooperation of people who park in both the Main and Eden street lots in moving cars out of these lots before 6:30 a.m. is vital. The school administration wants to be a good neighbor and maintain a positive relationship. Cooperating with each other will ensure that relationship is maintained.

★ **World War II Memorial . . .** The Charlestown Veterans Committee and Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion, in cooperation with the Mass. Department of Environmental Management Division of Forests and Parks, the Boston National Historical Park, the Friends of City Square Park and the Bunker Hill Council 62, Knights of Columbus, will be rededicating the Charlestown World War II Memorial on Saturday, Sept. 27.

The event will begin with an Ecumenical Service at 11 a.m. at the *USS Cassin Young*, Pier One in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Participants will then march or ride

to City Square Park for the rededication ceremony at noon.

All are welcome, and more details will follow.

★ **BU's Evergreen Program . . .** Any person age 60 and over who is interested in learning anything from Russian literature to information technology can audit Boston University classes on a space-available basis for only \$20 per course through the University's Evergreen Program. The fall semester begins Sept. 2 and those wishing to audit a course may register through Sept. 4.

For further information, call 353-9852.

★ **Board Of Appeal Decision . . .** Joseph Kelly brought a petition before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on Aug. 26 seeking permission to erect a 22'x19' addition at the rear of 35 Green St., construct a 22'x19' deck above the addition, construct a 12'x15' roof deck, and change the legal occupancy from a one-family to a two-family dwelling. Kelly made the presentation.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, went on record as strongly supporting Kelly's proposal. She said that Kelly has lived in this home for over 40 years. With a change in family structure, many of the room are no longer needed. She added that Kelly's nephew will occupy the new unit and the increase in occupancy will allow Kelly to remain in the home.

City Councillors Diane Modica, Stephen Murphy and Albert O'Neil and the Boston

Redevelopment Authority recommended approval. Kelly presented the board with a petition in support of the application.

The decision of the board was approval.

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearing . . .** A petition will be brought before the city's Board of Appeal at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 9 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall.

• Frederic Ramsey, M.D. is seeking permission to install a headhouse on the roof of a two-family dwelling at 51 Chestnut St. (BZC-18915)

Persons with questions or concerns may call the board at 635-4775.

★ **Summer In The City . . .**

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A River Radio Station, WXRV 92.5 FM, Concert, the last of the season, is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 30. Call 635-3911 for time and details.

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The Feast of St. Anthony will be celebrated from Friday, Aug. 29 through Sunday, Aug. 31 at Endicott, North Margin and Thacher streets. The hours are 5 to 11 p.m. on Friday, and noon to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The Feast of St. Lucy will be celebrated from 5 to 11 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 1 at Endicott, North Margin and

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For additional information, call 635-4505, ext.6601.

★ **Calling Ford Assembly Plant Workers . . .** Assembly Square Mall, in conjunction with the Somerville Museum and the New England Edsel Owner's Club, has put out a call to all former Ford Plant Workers at the Somerville Ford Assembly Plant.

"Living Histories" will be recorded by those who at one time worked in the plant. Anyone who may be in possession of photographs of the plant or the Edsel as it rolled off the assembly line are asked to come forward and call Evelyn at 666-9810 or Mary Fraser at 628-3800.

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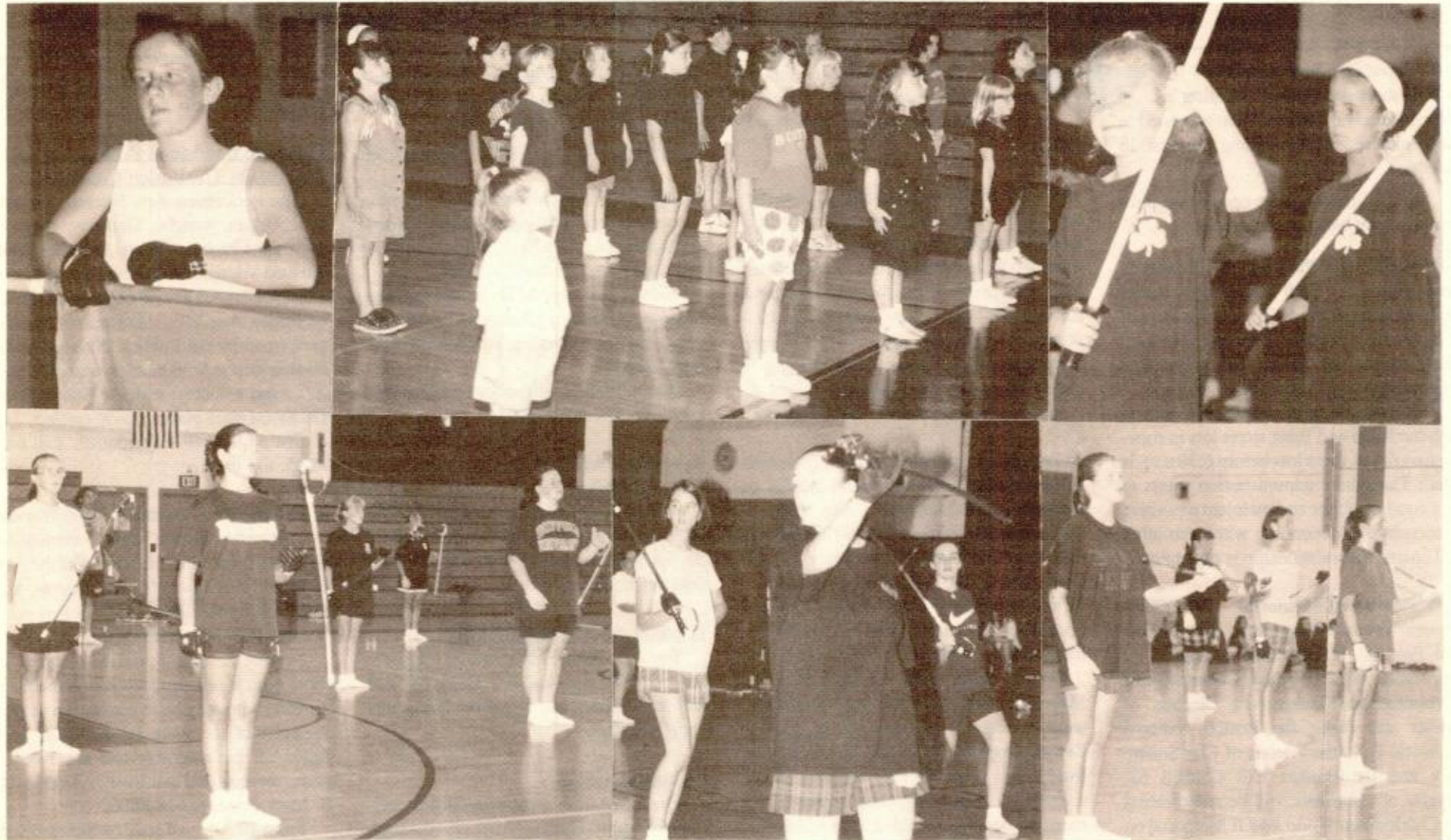


The deadline for Voter Registration is:

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## St. Catherine's Color Guards Practice For Upcoming Fall Season



**GETTING READY:** It seems as though the young people were just leaving school to enjoy their summer and now it is time to go back! St. Catherine's Color Guard committed themselves to a once a week practice, preparing for

the upcoming season while the adults have been trying very hard to raise money for the young people to compete. Please keep Saturday, Sept. 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. open for a car wash and a bottle drive. The fund-raising team

will be located behind the Charlestown High School Athletic facility at the Charlestown Community Center on Medford Street and you can enter off Terminal Street.

- Dan Awbrey

### Menino Announces

### New Street Lights For Charlestown

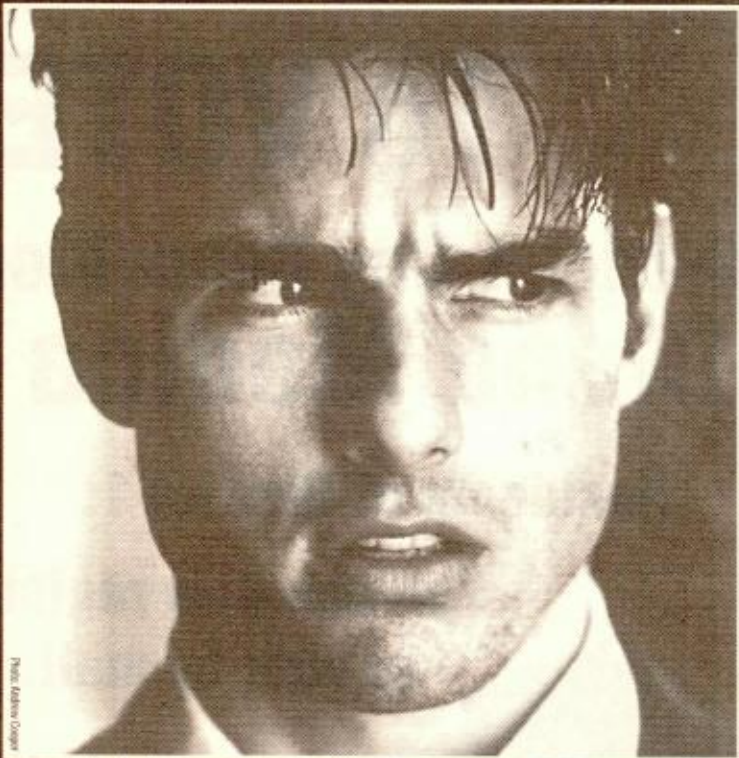
Mayor Thomas M. Menino has ordered the installation of 161 new street lights in Charlestown. The new street lights will improve public safety and the appearance of the neighborhood and will also complement roadway improvements now underway in Charlestown. The lights will be installed along Bunker Hill Street and on Second Avenue.

Menino said, "These new lights are a service that can provide better public safety while adding to the flavor of a great neighborhood like Charlestown. I have

made improving the quality of life in this city the cornerstone of my administration and installing these lights is another step in that direction."

The new lights will cost a total of \$650,000. The work has already started and will continue until next spring. The lights include a variety of styles, including decorative acorn lights. The lighting project will include 149 new lights on Bunker Hill Street from Lowney Way to Medford Street, and 12 lights on Second Avenue from 13th to 16th Street.

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## Permission Granted To Demolish St. Catherine's Convent

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 yor Thomas Menino, signed by the society's president, Jan Mastrocola, referring to city ordinance (Article 85) and the preview by the Boston Landmarks Commission of any building over 50 years before permission to demolish is granted.

It also suggested use of this site as a "social service center" or "reconstruction as commercial real estate" and stated that the society was "willing to offer the services of its Design Review Committee." Copies of this letter were also forwarded by the society to several city agency heads, local and archdiocesan religious leaders and Charlestown Neighborhood Council Chairman Peter Looney.

A special meeting of the Boston Landmarks Commission was set for Aug. 20 in City Hall to review the application by St. Catherine's for demolition of the convent. City Hall's 9th floor meeting room was standing room only with additional people filling the corridor - a crowd estimated at nearly 150.

Alan G. Schwartz, chairman of the commission, outlined the objectives of the commission and the procedure that would be followed in what would be a two-hour hearing. He asked that those offering comments focus on three points: the historical, architectural and urban design of the building; whether the building is the last of its kind; and/or the condition of the building.

Ellen Lipsey, executive director of the commission, gave an overview of the St. Catherine's complex, which she called "nicely detailed Italian Renaissance Revival architecture, built between 1887 and 1910. A staff architect reported on a tour of the exterior of the convent on the previous day and, although he had not seen the interior, stated he "found the complex in remarkably good condition." This brought loud comments and laughter from the gathering and a stern warning from the chairman on conduct and mutual respect.

Father DiPerri made the presentation to the commission in a quiet tone of voice, with the passion he has for the parish in evidence. He appealed to the members for

reason and common sense. He pointed out that the "goal of the parish is preservation - preservation of our faith, of our church, of the only Catholic school in Charlestown, an inter-parish school."

He spoke of the attempts at both parish and public meetings to secure an occupant for the former convent. The building had been looked at for a Ronald McDonald House, home for a foundation, MGH office space, a private school, a correctional facility for youth, a rooming house and a medical facility, to name just a few. All attempts at finding a tenant for the building had failed.

Father DiPerri pointed out that the interior of the building is a shambles. He said that there is no heat and the utility systems have failed and the property is being vandalized and looted. He stated that the convent is attached to the school annex and the church, and "if the convent goes on fire, there goes the annex and the church, and that would be the end of St. Catherine's."

He noted, "We are not a museum, we are a living institution." Father related that the parish is proud of its past and the church houses an organ from Germany that is only one of 13 in the world and they do not have the funds needed to restore it. They are in the process of repairing the church's rose window, thanks to a benefactor. There is much to preserve in this parish maintained by, according to Father, "the working class and poor of Charlestown, a parish whose offertory last year totaled \$47,000."

He said that the parish would like to have the convent demolished before the start of school on Sept. 3. Father said that a loan of \$70,000 has been secured

from the archdiocese to demolish the convent, and pave and landscape the parking area. This was contrasted to a cost of over \$170,000 for minimum repairs. He noted that they have been talking with MGH to reach an agreement to utilize the space for parking for clinic staff.

Michael Walsh, architect for the archdiocese, told the panel that Cardinal Bernard Law had agreed to the tearing down of the convent to create 29 parking spaces with one handicap spot as there was no longer any use for the building.

Schwartz called for public officials to testify. At-large City Councillors Albert O'Neil, Stephen Murphy, Peggy Davis-Mullen and Mickey Roache all spoke in support of waiving the demolition delay. District One City Councillor Diane Modica had proposed a resolution to demolish the convent at a full council hearing earlier that day and secured a 13-0 vote in support of the parish.

She told the commission, "St. Catherine's is an old and proud parish and its spiritual significance to its congregation and all of Charlestown are vital to the preservation of its future." Also testifying was Andrew O'Brien, who heads the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, representing Mayor Menino. He asked the members to consider this case an exception to the demolition delay ordinance as there were safety concerns.

Several spoke in favor of a delay in allowing demolition, including Stanley Smith, executive director of Historic Boston, who expressed sympathy with the parish but said a delay might allow study of its reuse that could be more profitable for the parish. Also commenting was Jennifer Goodman of the

Boston Preservation Alliance, and Ed Gordon, president of the Victorian Society.

Mastrocola told the panel that she and the Preservation Society were "concerned about due process" and that she had "heard a lot of information (at the hearing) about which (she) was not aware." She added that the society was "looking to help" and concluded by stating that she "would be happy to change her opinion."

The focus turned to those persons seeking to revoke the demolition delay. Looney was the first to speak and he read a letter on behalf of the Executive Board of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council asking that permission be granted to demolish the building. He told of public meetings relative to the site and noted that "safety is the number one concern."

Jim Conway, president of the Bunker Hill Monument Association, told the commissioners that he is co-owner of the local newspaper and vouched that this has been an open process. He asked all to listen to one word - safety - and "approve our request."

C. Joseph Doyle, executive director of the Catholic Action League, stated that the petition by Father DiPerri was not "frivolous."

Gerard Doherty told the commissioners that he is a

business man and a lawyer and "has made a good living as a preservation lawyer." He stated emphatically that he has looked hard at the convent and its preservation can't be done. "It just doesn't work." He added, "It's time to do something - give permission now" to demolish the building.

Sister Mary Ellen O'Connell, principal of Charlestown Catholic, told of trying to use convent space for programs and having the ceiling fall down and a pipe break. She noted, "The building is not of the same value as the people we are working with... we can't preserve everything."

CNC member Bill McCabe spoke of his experience as the state Commissioner of Public Safety and noted that there are channels from the convent that would carry fire right out into the church.

Judy Evers, who identified herself as a Charlestown resident, told the members that "all appreciate an historic building, but this one is a financial hardship on the parish."

A representative of John Eade, commissioner of Inspectional Services, reported on three violations in the building, including finding it unsafe and dangerous.

Neal Boyle, a 16-year-old who heads the parish altar servers, offered an impassioned plea to save the church.

Other residents speaking in favor of allowing demolition included: Doug MacDonald, Mary Rizzo, Mel Stillman, Georgette Maloof, Joe Kelly, Harry McCarthy, Peggy Hoban and Steve Owens.

As the allotted time for comments neared the end, Conway asked the commission chairman in a quiet voice whether a show of hands could be made by the gathering, to which the chairman said "no" as it was not a popularity contest. Again, Conway requested a little louder and, as the chairman said "no" once again, raised hands filled the room in overwhelming support of the parish.

Members of the commission then questioned Father as to future use of the site, its cost and potential income and, landscaping.

Some two hours after the start of the hearing, the members voted first that a demolition delay be ordered, and second that the demolition delay order be revoked due to hardship and the fact that there is no feasible alternative to demolition.

The city's Inspectional Services Department was notified of the vote on Aug. 21 and demolition has begun.

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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



◆ **Main Street, Niko KO Newtowne** . . . The Roller Blade Summer Championship took place, and the crown and the bragging rights for 1997 belong to Main Street. The three-game series went the distance.

In game one, Main Street snapped Newtowne's season-long winning streak, defeating the three-time division first place finisher 8-3. Main Street's scoring hero was Niko Demetrikos, who had four goals.

Game two saw the Newtowne team play as we have come to know them over three years - high offense, good goaltending, and good defense. Joe Tallent and Paul Hennessey had hat tricks in the 9-5 Newtowne victory, but more importantly, they held Niko to a single goal.

The large crowd at Eden Street for the championship game was impressive. We had all hoped to see a classic. It didn't happen. Main Street erupted early and often. The final score was 15-4. Niko accounted for nine of the 15 goals, and Main Street had their long-awaited championship. Give the unsung hero award to veteran Newtowne net-minder, Brian McGonagle.

Congratulations to Main Street, the 1997 champions: Brian McGonagle, Joe Lawler, Chris Donovan, Mark Mansfield, Joe Brennan, Pat Healy, Niko Demetrikos, Dan Feeney, Mark Machado and Rob Murray.

◆ **Red Roars, Wins Championship** . . . Emmanuel College-bound Nicole Matson's Red Team defeated Erin McDonough's Green Team 8-5 to capture the Women's Street Hockey Championship. Michelle K. had four goals for Red, while Bentley Star Corey Gallagher chipped in three for Green. Loreen Jones shined in the nets for Red, off-setting a fine performance by Syracuse-bound Tegan Leonard in net for Green.

Members of the championship Red Team include: Nicole Matson, Barbie Gillis, Michelle K., Loreen Jones, C.J. Fornash, Kerry B. and Rachael Britton.

◆ **Thank You, Officer Boyle, BPD** . . . Speaking for myself and on behalf of a very large number of young people, I want to simply say "Thank You" to Boston Police Area A Youth Officer Ted Boyle. You have made the summer of 1997 the best ever in Charlestown. You have spent countless hours helping young people grow through positive opportunities and activities.

Fishing trips, Red Sox games, Junior Police Academy, Roller Blade League, PAL Basketball, Women's Street Hockey, Pawtucket trips and Life Skill Workshops are some of the things you are directly responsible for. Your support to the Charlestown Summer Collaborative is immeasurable. You are Community Policing at its very best. You are certainly a true representative of what the Boston



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Police Department is all about, and respected by all.

◆ **Radio Head, Ziggy Etc.** . . . Working at Harborlights as a paid staffer or volunteer over the past four years has introduced or re-introduced me to a wide variety of musical entertainment.

Over the past three days, I have worked Ray Charles, Ziggy Marley and Radio Head concerts and the "House" has been filled with many Charlestown celebs - Derek Gallagher, Dave Brady, Mike O'Connell, Pat Keane, Brian Hingston, Jimmy Hingston and Meghan Murray, to name a few. Indeed, they are just as surprised to see me as I am to see them. Now they know that I really do enjoy all types of music.

Even Radio Head, an alternative rock group, picked up a new fan. Radio Head also gave me the opportunity to introduce Ryan Godfrey, a member of the Andy Puopolo Summer of Success program, to Harborlights as a volunteer usher. By the way, this concert was a sell out.

◆ **Pro Line** . . . The Braves via Atlanta via Milwaukee via Boston come to Fenway Park this weekend, and I'm quite sure the memories of this "old Town team" will be rekindled by many. No, I don't remember the Boston Braves, but I've certainly heard about the "Knot Hole Gang" and something about "Spahn and Sain and hope for Rain."

For those who can't get in sold-out Fenway and anyone interested in a baseball lesson, I encourage a trip to Boston University's Nickerson Field, the site of what was Braves Field. There are many photos in the lobby at Case Center,

a beautiful commemorative plaque and, of course, some of the original stadium still intact. I always try to envision what the field was like whenever I am there. It's hard for me to believe that Boston couldn't support a National League Team.

◆ **Townies** . . . The Charlestown Football Townies will play at Middleboro on Friday evening, Aug. 29. Kickoff time is 8 p.m.

◆ **Tournament Time** . . . Ryan Park will be the site of the annual Bryan McGonagle Street Hockey Tournament on Sept. 5, 6 and 7 for youngsters 3-5 years, 6-9 years, and 10-12 years. Application registration deadline is tomorrow, Aug. 29. The contact person is Joe McGonagle at 241-5566.

Eden Street will be the site of the first annual Charlestown Street Hockey Invitational the weekend of Sept. 13 and 14. This is an open men's and women's tournament. Call Mark at 242-2197 or Jim at 242-2198 ASAP to register.

◆ **High School Prep Notebook** . . . Good friend Charlie McCarthy is the new admissions officer at Don Bosco Prep. He can be reached at 426-9457. His is a very fine and very reputable person and he will be able to give you more information about a school ready to rebound well into the future. Charlie's appointment has sparked a new confidence in me about Bosco.

◆ **Red Shirts, CBOs, Massport** . . . As the summer quickly fades into fall, I would like to commend the Boston Youth Cleanup Corp and the Massport Summer Jobs program people for a job well done. Once again, you have provided young people with summer employment opportunities and helped them make Boston a better place.

From a personal observation, many of the programs I coordinate through the Andy Puopolo Summer of Success program would not happen without the support of the BYCC and Massport. The staff, under the leadership of Tim McCarthy (BYCC) and Dorothy Steele (Massport) have been outstanding. You certainly made the work of each site director very easy. My only wish is that the summer programs could be all year round.

Special thanks to Christina Ivaska (BYCC) and Karen Manning (Massport) who have been most helpful to my young people.

◆ **Tidbits** . . . Birthday Best to Keith Wallace, who heads for Elmira College this week . . . Debbie Brennan's Fan Club looks forward to a new school year . . . Good luck to all our college-bound Townies!

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Judy Evers deserves special recognition for all her efforts throughout the project. Our elected officials and civic leaders stood with the parish. The mayor and his office were of particular assistance. The Boston City Council voted 13-0 earlier in the day in a resolution that supported St. Catherine's.

Last Thursday, 10 youth from our CYO program gathered with us at the rectory for lunch to begin discussion of fall activities. They represent great hope for the church and together with them remind us of the need to protect their future.

St. Catherine of Siena Parish prepares for the 21st century. In order to be viable for the future, it must conform to the needs of today and plan for tomorrow now. The parish has served God for over two centuries. We cannot fail to take our responsibility and make difficult decisions in order to secure the parish for generations yet to come. A labor of love will continue to be required from each of us.

With God's blessings, may St. Catherine of Siena, St. Francis de Sales and St. Mary's parishes flourish in service to God within the wider universal church, together with our inter-parish school, Charlestown Catholic Elementary School. I join with you in prayer for the spiritual renewal of Charlestown and all throughout the world.

Sincerely in Christ, Father James DiPerri

## In Appreciation

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and with special warmth and gratitude to everyone for remembering our mother, Gladys Gauthier. Thank you for the cards, flowers, Masses and to all who have donated funds in her memory to the Mass. Commission for the Blind.

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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,  
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Boston Police Department

**Sunday, Aug. 17**

At 8:50 p.m., a taxi cab driver reported that his cab was struck with a rock thrown by an unknown person while he was driving on First Street. White paint was chipped from the vehicle's front bumper. There were no injuries.

A Virginia-registered motor vehicle was reported to have had its windshield and driver's side door window broken. It was found at First and 16th streets in the Charlestown Navy Yard, and it had not been reported stolen.

**Monday, Aug. 18**

A Somerville man reported that between 11 p.m. on Aug. 17 and 5 a.m. on this date, the rear roof section of his motor vehicle, which had been parked on Bunker Hill Street, had been unsnapped, the vehicle entered and the glovebox vandalized. The interior seat and carpet of the vehicle sustained rain/water damage.

At about 7:50 a.m., an officer responded to a radio call for a man struck by a vehicle on the Alford Street Bridge. The suspect's vehicle was found to be tipped over on the passenger side on the sidewalk against a chain fence at 173 Alford St. The man was transported to MGH for treatment with complaints of pain but no visible injuries. A witness states the suspect was operating outbound at a high rate of speed in the far left lane of a three-lane bridge. It was reported that his vehicle cut across three lanes and struck the victim who was riding his bicycle in the breakdown lane and he was pinned between the vehicle and a chain fence. The officer saw the EMS attempting to resuscitate the unconscious victim (a white male with black hair and brown eyes, wearing black pants and a white sneaker). He was transported to MGH where he was pronounced dead at 8:28 a.m. The incident is being further investigated and complaints will be sought at Charlestown District Court.

A Charlestown woman reported that between 9 p.m. on Aug. 17 and 10 a.m. on this date, her motor vehicle was hit and the front bumper was damaged. The car was parked on O'Meara Court.

Officers responded to Vine and Moulton streets at approximately 11:30 a.m. on the report of a motor vehicle accident with personal injuries. A Charlestown man stated he had parked his motor vehicle at this location when he observed a white panel truck with a Revere man riding on the outside of the truck and trying to grab the wheel from the operator. The

operator lost control of the truck and struck two parked vehicles. Further investigation revealed that the truck was being repossessed and the man trying to grab the wheel thought it was being stolen. Medical attention was refused and all vehicles were able to be driven.

At about 3 p.m., officers responded to High Street on the report of a breaking and entering in progress. A woman related that when she returned home, she found that the front door to her apartment had been forced open and both the door and the door frame were damaged. Officers searched the apartment with negative results. The initial report was that 150-200 CD's, valued at \$1,500-\$3,000 had been taken.

**Tuesday, Aug. 19**

At approximately 8 p.m., a Charlestown man was arrested on Walford Way on a warrant from the Somerville Court for shoplifting.

A Charlestown man was arrested on Bunker Hill Street at 9:20 p.m. on a warrant from the Charlestown District Court for the Boston Municipal Police.

**Wednesday, Aug. 20**

At 9 a.m., a Charlestown man was arrested at the Charlestown District Court on a warrant for breaking and entering.

A Charlestown man reported that while operating his auto westerly on School Street at the intersection of Main Street, he collided with a city of Boston Transportation Department station wagon. Both operators claimed to have had a green traffic light. A child who was a passenger in the auto was taken to MGH.

A man stated that between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., his Auburn Street apartment was entered by breaking in the front door and the apartment door. He stated that coins were removed from a jar as was unspecified jewelry. Another apartment in the same building was also entered. The woman occupant later reported that assorted jewelry had been taken, valued at \$8,000.

A Somerville man was arrested at the Charlestown District Court at 3 p.m. on a default warrant for larceny, issued by the Dedham District Court.

At about 6:24 p.m., officers responded to Medford and Polk streets on the report of a pedestrian struck. A 29-year-old Arlington man was seen lying on the ground, bleeding from the head. A New Hampshire woman said she had parked her auto on Medford Street and opened the door to exit the auto when the man, who was operating a bicycle, struck her driver's side door and was knocked to the ground. The man was treated for head and right leg injuries by the Health & Hospitals ambulance.

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Officers arrested a Charlestown man on Bunker Hill Street at 7:20 p.m. on outstanding warrants from the Boston Municipal Court.

At 7:30 p.m., officers were called to Walford Way where a 3-year-old boy opened the apartment door. There was a cloud of smoke and a strong smell of marijuana. An occupant turned over seven white cigarettes and 10 plastic bags, believed to be marijuana, and two women were placed under arrest.

Officers responded to a call at 10:20 p.m. on a motor vehicle accident at Main and Sullivan streets. The passenger in one of the cars was transported to MGH complaining of lower back and head pains.

**Thursday, Aug. 21**

A Brewster woman reported that between 9 p.m. on Aug. 20 and 4 a.m. this date, someone smashed the passenger side window of her 1987 Volkswagen while it was parked on Henley Street, and stole a radio and an ashtray.

**Friday, Aug. 22**

At 6:30 p.m., a woman approached officers on Main Street and told them that her son was in the back seat of her car, high on drugs, and she was concerned about his well-being. The officer noted that the young man had a hypodermic needle sticking in his right thigh. At that time, he was taken into District A-15 station and a search of his person revealed 49 glassine bags containing a white powder substance, believed to be heroin, inside his underpants. He was then transported to District A-1 and was booked on Possession of a Class A Substance with intent to distribute. \$182 was seized as evidence.

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In the ESTATE OF Lena L. Dichristoforo, a/k/a Lena Lola DiChristoforo, a/k/a Lena DiChristoforo:

To all persons interested in the estate of Lena L. DiChristoforo late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death June 16, 1997.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the will be proved and allowed and that Joan B. McCourt, of Lynnfield, in the County of Essex, and Joyce A. DiChristoforo of Quincy, in the County of Norfolk, be appointed executrices without 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 September 11, 1997.

**Wills only:** In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and ground 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 Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.

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**ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS**

★ **CYO Half Ball Tournament** - The CYO Half Ball Tournament begins Saturday, Aug. 30, Labor Day weekend, for all interested youth. For further information, contact Bob O'Neil at 242-2788 or St. Catherine's Rectory at 242-1750.

★ **CYO Interparish Track Meet** - If you are a boy or girl between the ages of 7 and 15 and are interested in running track, please sign up at the rectory.

The annual CYO Interparish Track Meet will be held at St. John's Seminary on Columbus Day, Oct. 13. Events range from the 100-yard dash to sack races and softball throw contests. Teenagers and college students are also needed to chaperone and coach.

For more information, call Neal Boyle at 242-1276, Sheila Brown at 242-2683 or Father DiPerri at 242-1750.

★ **Best Wishes** - Best wishes go out to former pastors of St. Catherine's who are beginning new assignments. Father Ron Coyne is now a part of the team ministry at St. Brendan's Parish in Dorchester . . . Father Tom Reilly has been appointed pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Foxboro . . . and Father Tom Conway is pastor of St. Athanasius of Reading.

★ **School Set To Open** - Charlestown Catholic Elementary School opens with a half day, 8:10 to 11 a.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 3 for all children in grades 1-8. Regular school hours, 8:10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., resume on Thursday, Sept. 4. Children in kindergarten 1 or 2 will begin on Thursday, Sept. 4 with half days on Thursday and Friday. Regular school hours will begin on Monday, Sept. 8.

There will be a CCES parents' meeting in the parish hall at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 17.

★ **Christmas Trip** - St. Catherine's is sponsoring a trip to New York City, featuring reserved seating for Radio City Music Hall's Christmas Show, for the weekend of Nov. 22 and 23. The trip includes round-trip accommodations on a luxury motor coach, a one-night stay at the Belvedere Hotel in Manhattan, two meals, tours, taxes and tips. Reserve your seat now. For more information, call Anne at the rectory at 242-1750.

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## City Reduces Residential Handicap Parking Spaces

Mayor Thomas M. Menino has announced a dramatic decrease in the number of residential handicap parking spaces in the city's neighborhoods. This reduction was achieved as a result of a joint effort between the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) and the Mayor's Commission for Persons with Disabilities.

In January of this year, the city revised its policy and process for providing handicap parking spaces at residences throughout Boston. The new program required that Boston residents assigned handicap parking spaces at their homes submit a new application this year and meet stricter criteria to retain the space. The application process must be repeated every two years.

To date, the new program has resulted in the removal of 249 spaces with an additional 288 spaces

expected to be removed by Aug. 31. This will result in a 46 percent reduction in reserved residential handicap parking spaces throughout Boston's neighborhoods.

BTD Commissioner Jack Magee said, "The purpose of residential handicap parking is to provide necessary access for those who truly need it. I am pleased that we have been able to return this program to those

for whom it was intended."

Stephen Spinetto of Charlestown, commissioners for Persons with Disabilities, added, "Although we have substantially reduced the number of handicap parking spaces in the neighborhoods, most of the spaces removed were those abandoned by persons who had moved or passed away. We have made sure that residents who really need the spaces have them."

BTD and the Boston Police Department enforce the law mandating a penalty for parking in a handicap parking space without a valid handicap plate or placard or for blocking a handicap ramp. The fine is \$75 at a handicap parking space and \$50 at handicap ramps.

For further information on the city's residential handicap parking program, call 635-3682.

## 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, Sept. 2 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Sound Collector," in which Leonard creates fantasies from household sounds . . . "Madeline" is the tale of a little girl's

adventures in Paris, and a Mystery Movie will be shown.

"Sometimes I Wonder" is a tale of Greg and Morgan and their new brother. It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Madeline** books by Ludwig Bemelmans and **I See a Song** by Eric Carle.

## USS Constitution Museum Announces Fall Hours

Beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 2, the day after Labor Day, the USS Constitution Museum will be open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. These hours will remain in effect through Nov. 30.

The museum will be continuing its "Gift to America" program through October where free admis-

sion is provided to all visitors. The program is the museum's thank you to Americans for the enthusiasm and devotion they have shown *USS Constitution* on her 200th birthday and for their support of the museum over the past 25 years.

The museum, which is

located in the Charlestown Navy Yard, is a nonprofit, educational institution dedicated to preserving the heritage of *USS Constitution* and to teach about the American spirit and ideals the ship embodies. The museum is supported, in part, by the Mass. Cultural Council.

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Curtis and Meg (Watts) Cole of Arlington announce the birth of their son, Michael Sullivan Cole, on July 25. Michael weighed 8 pounds 11 1/2 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Jack and Peggy (Sullivan) Watts of Concord and Phil and Martha Cole of Naples, Florida. Mrs. Watts is formerly of Charlestown.

Michael was welcomed home by his brother Jake, age 2 1/2.

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