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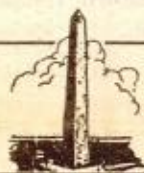
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## Graduate With Honors From BHCC



CHARLESTOWN STUDENTS who graduated with honors from Bunker Hill Community College are (l. to r.) Pamela J. Coppinger and Amanda M. Venezia, both with honors, and Ruth Ann Fitzpatrick, with high honors.



## around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ **Tobin Bridge To Be Closed On July 14** . . . Massport has announced that the upper level of the Tobin Bridge (south-bound) will be temporarily closed on Sunday, July 14 from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. for cross girder repairs. There will be no access to the upper deck traveling into Boston for that eight-hour period.

All vehicles will be diverted to the primary detour, Route 1A South, to the Sumner Tunnel, into the city. The secondary detour is Route 60 in Revere to Route 99, bringing traffic into Charlestown. Signs will be posted diverting all traffic to the proper routes.

In addition to the upper deck closure, the lower deck will be restricted to two lanes of traffic to accommodate the work crews. Following the completion of the repairs, the entire bridge will be open for travelers.

For recorded information on traffic conditions or other lane closures, call the bridge hotline at 242-2010, 24-hours a day.

★ **Community Office Hours** . . . Judy

Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be on vacation from July 13 to July 20. Residents with issues or concerns during that time are asked to call the Mayor's 24-hour hotline at 635-4500.

Evers said that there will be no community office hours on Monday, July 15. She will resume office hours on Monday, July 22 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

★ **Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry** . . . Rudy Doenges, director of the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry, has announced that the hours of service have been extended. In addition to the present opening each Monday and Friday from 9 to 11 a.m., the pantry will be open on Wednesday nights from 5 to 7 p.m.

The Food Pantry is located in Memorial Hall, 14 Green St., directly across the street from the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club.

Doenges said, "No one should go hun-

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## Residents Await R-87 Title Search Findings

by Lynn Peters

Community design discussions around the coming redevelopment of the vacant lot bordered by Prospect and Tremont streets and Lowney Way continued at a June 27 public meeting between the

Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee, abutters and representatives of Boston's Public Facilities Department.

A Thursday, July 25 followup meeting has been scheduled. At this point,

the parcel's exact property lines are being documented through a title search, in order to draft the Request for Proposals to develop a mix of affordable and market-rate single- to two-family homes for first-time homebuyers on the 63,000-square-foot lot.

Known as Parcel R-87, the land has been the topic of heated development discussions in the neighborhood for almost 10 years.

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## Clougherty Pool Closed For Glass Removal

Boston Community Centers has closed the Clougherty Pool at the Doherty Playground on Bunker Hill Street this week, at least until July 13, to drain the pool and remove glass shards discovered to be embedded in the paint along the bottom, according to BCC Deputy Director Charles Clabaugh.

A Charlestown girl suf-

fered a severe cut on July 6 while swimming. Further investigation found a dozen areas around the pool where glass was dangerously hidden beneath the paint's surface.

"We don't know how this happened," Clabaugh said. "The broken glass is being chipped out and vacuumed, and the surface will be hosed down, swabbed and inspected before

the pool can be reopened. We hope it will be this Saturday."

In the meantime, the Charlestown Community Center's Medford Street pool has extended its hours through tomorrow, July 12, to accommodate residents. Hours of operation at 255 Medford St. are: 1 to 4 p.m. - Open Swim; 4:30 to 6 p.m. - Adult Lap; and 6 to 8 p.m. - Open Swim.

## 'Catch The Summer Spark' At The Charlestown Branch Library

Catch the Summer Spark at the Charlestown Branch Library where a variety of fun activities are being offered throughout the summer vacation.

Children ages 8 to 12 are invited to join in a battle of the brains every Monday, starting July 15, at 3 p.m. in the Catch the Summer Spark Trivia

Quiz. This event will consist of teams competing to answer the most trivia questions correctly. Weekly prizes will be awarded to the winners. Guaranteed fun for all!

The Catch the Summer Spark Reading Club kicks off on Wednesday, July 17 at 4 p.m., with registration, face painting, button-

making and an introductory meeting. The club will meet every Wednesday at 4 p.m. through Aug. 28, and will feature stories, games and craft activities based on a weekly theme for youngsters 6 through 12.

For more information, contact Margaret McAteer at the library, 242-1248.

## 1996 Youth Roller Hockey Champs In The 9- To 11-Year-Old Division



TEAM CHARLESTOWN rolled away with the 1996 Youth Roller Hockey Championship in the 9- to 11-year-old division held recently in parks throughout Boston in a tournament sponsored by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with Boston Professional Roller Hockey. Roller hockey is one of the fastest growing sports in the country, surpassing ice hockey in the number of participants, and is played on in-line roller skates. Shown front row is Chad Titcomb. Second row (l. to r.) John Murphy, Noah Lucia and Marc Doe. Third row (l. to r.) Jimmy Dyer, Andrew Brennan, Ray Ortiz, Mike Doe, Chuck Kavanaugh and Jon Jones. Back row (l. to r.) Joe Curran, program coordinator, Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and Coach Duane Lucia.

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#### SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS

##### Thursdays

• **9 to 10:30 a.m.** - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group-Options Program, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866

• **10:30 a.m. to noon** - Women's Recovery Group session, Kennedy Center, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

##### Fridays

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

• **2 to 5 p.m.** - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. **Note: Office hours will not be held on Monday, July 15. They will resume on Monday, July 22.**

• **7 p.m.** - Narcotics Anonymous beginners meeting, 55 Bunker Hill St.

##### Mondays

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

##### Mondays And Fridays

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

##### Tuesdays

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

##### Wednesdays

• **3 to 4:30 p.m.** - Al-Anon meeting for friends and families of alcoholics, Kennedy Center Head Start, 23 Moulton St. (babysitting is available)

• **5 to 7 p.m.** - Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.

• **5:45 to 6:45 p.m.** - Free Smoking Cessation course, second floor conference room, Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St. To register, call 485-6400.

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

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# CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## this week at a glance

### Thursday, July 11

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

### Saturday, July 13

• **noon to 5 p.m.** - Boston Antique & Classic Boat Festival - Shipyard Quarters Marina, Pier 8, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **3 p.m.** - Charlestown Townies Football Team vs. Marlboro Shamrocks, Hormel Stadium, Medford

### Sunday, July 14

• **11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Boston Antique & Classic Boat Festival - Shipyard Quarters Marina, Pier 8,

### Charlestown Navy Yard

### Monday, July 15

• **3 p.m.** - Catch The Summer Spark: Trivia Quiz for youngsters 6-12 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

### Tuesday, July 16

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

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

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Environmental Committee meeting with the MWRA on the Combined Sewer Overflows -

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

### Wednesday, July 17

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

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

• **4 p.m.** - Catch The Summer Spark: Reading Club for youngsters 6-12 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **6:30 p.m.** - Boston Children's Theatre presents "Salute To The Sea" - McCarthy Playground, Main and Eden streets

## upcoming events

### Thursday, July 18

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

• **5:30 p.m.** - Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) meeting - Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.

• **8 p.m.** - Planet Girl presents "Greetings From Planet Girl" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

### Friday, July 19

• **8 p.m.** - Planet Girl presents

"Greetings From Planet Girl" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

### Saturday, July 20

• **3 p.m.** - Charlestown Townies Football Team vs. Boston Cowboys - Hormel Stadium, Medford

• **7 and 10 p.m.** - Planet Girl presents "Greetings From Planet Girl" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

### Monday, July 22

• **3 p.m.** - Catch The Summer Spark: Trivia Quiz for youngsters 6-

12 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

### Tuesday, July 23

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

### Wednesday, July 24

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

• **4 p.m.** - Catch The Summer Spark: Reading Club for youngsters 6-12 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

## plan ahead

### Thursday, Sept. 12

• **7 to 10 p.m.** - Sixth Annual Rep. Richie Voke Charlestown Charity Event, K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

### Sunday, Sept. 29

• **Following 5 p.m. Mass** - Giant Bola, sponsored by the Guild of St.

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

### Sunday, Oct. 20

• **2 p.m.** - Fall Homecoming Reunion for graduates of the three Catholic schools in Charlestown - Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church,

313 Bunker Hill St., followed by a reception at The Schrafft Center, Sullivan Square

### Saturday, Nov. 9

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown High School Classes of 1955 and 1956 Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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## It's A Girl . . .

Jim and Peggy Evers are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Margaret, at 8 a.m. on June 1 at the New England Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds 9 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs.

James Brennan of Randolph, formerly of Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Evers of South Weymouth, formerly of Charlestown.

Mrs. Evers is the former Peggy Brennan.

## Charlestown Residents Graduate From Matignon

Seven Charlestown residents graduated from Matignon High School in Cambridge on May 23.

The graduates and their future plans are: Colleen Callahan, daughter of Edward and Patricia Callahan, will attend St. Anselm College; Kevin Hurley, son of Kevin Hurley, will enter the military service; and Jill Kelly, daughter of

Francis and Barbara Kelly, will attend Salem State College.

Also, Erin McDonough, daughter of Kathleen McDonough, will attend Salve Regina College; Melinda Pierce, daughter of Joseph and MaryAnn Pierce, will enter the work force; and Helena Reilly, daughter of Jean and Albert Reilly, will attend U/Mass Boston.

## Chung Awarded Scholarship To Boston University

Chen Chung of Charlestown, has been awarded a full-tuition, four-year scholarship to Boston University as part of the University's Boston High School Scholarship Program.

Chung, a graduate of Charlestown High School, was a member of the Asian Club and received awards for his achievements in geometry and computer programming. He is the son of Fei Chung and Cui Wang of O'Reilly Way.

The Boston Scholars Program was established by Boston University Chancellor John Silber for



CHEN CHUNG

students who have shown excellent academic potential. Since the program began, the university has awarded more than \$45 million to nearly 1,100 graduating seniors from Boston high schools.



## Healthy Charlestown Coalition

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### COALITION MEETING

The next meeting of the Healthy Charlestown Coalition will be on Tuesday, July 16 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the BHA Administration Building, 55 Bunker Hill St. At this meeting, we will welcome our new officers and discuss the coalition's plans for the upcoming year. All are welcome.

### HEALTHY BOSTON EVENT

On June 28, the citywide group of Healthy Boston Coalitions hosted a celebration to commemorate the success of the first phase of the Healthy Boston Initiative. The five-year, citywide initiative was instrumental in developing neighborhood coalitions throughout the city of Boston. The Healthy Charlestown Coalition is now actively involved in the next phase which will focus on strengthening the partnerships created through citywide coalition-building. The Healthy Boston celebration was a vital step in this next phase as it brought together many of the people who have helped make the initiative a success.

### THANK YOU!

At this time, the coalition would like to thank everyone who has helped make this past program year a success. We would especially like to thank outgoing Chairperson Joanne Massaro for guiding the coalition through a vital period, and for providing ample leadership when needed, at both citywide and local levels of coalition development.

We would also like to thank Father Ron Coyne of St. Catherine's for his spiritual leadership as well as his friendship to Healthy Charlestown over the years.

Again, thanks to all our members and friends who have served in various roles of the coalition. If you have any input for the upcoming year, please attend our July coalition meeting.

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If any local organization or an individual who lives or works in the Charlestown community would like more information or would like to become involved with the coalition, please contact Danny Ryan at 241-3756.

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Martin O'Brien Sr. has announced that he will be placing a final order for Bunker Hill Day Commemorative T-Shirts, honoring the Boston Fire Department and all firefighters - active, retired and deceased.

The T-shirts are only \$10 each and are available in medium, large, X-large and XX-large.

Complete the coupon below, indicate the size and attach a check for \$10 for each T-shirt, made payable to the Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee. Mail the coupon to O'Brien at 18 Oak St., Charlestown, or drop it off at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square.

The deadline for placing the order is July 15.

### T-SHIRT ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

## Birmingham To Hold Office Hours On July 17

A member of Sen. Thomas Birmingham's staff will be available for community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, July 17 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Charlestown

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

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

## Creative Writing Workshop For Young Adults At The BPL

Author Rachael Vail will present a four-day "Creative Writing Workshop for Young Adults" in the Mezzanine Conference Room of the Boston Public Library in Copley Square from 10 a.m. to noon on July 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Vail's novels for young adults include "Do-Over," and "Ever After." During the workshop, she will discuss writing techniques and will critique writing

samples by the participants. Attendance is limited and preregistration is required. Preference will be given to those students who have not attended a BPL writing workshop during the past two years.

The Central Library is wheelchair accessible and assistive listening devices are available for hard-of-hearing patrons. To register, please call the Young Adults Department at 536-5400, ext. 334.

## Alitz Named Partner At Burns & Levinson

The Boston law firm of Burns & Levinson LLP elected Jeffrey Alitz to the partnership, announced Managing Partner Martin B. Shulkin.

Alitz joined Burns & Levinson in 1992. His practice is concentrated in the defense of professionals, including architects, engineers, surveyors, attorneys and real estate brokers. He represents clients in federal and state courts, in both jury and non-jury cases, before arbitration panels and in mediations in Mass. and N.H.

Alitz earned a B.A. from the University of Ver-



JEFFREY ALITZ

mont in 1983, and a J.D. degree in 1987 from the Boston University School of Law.

Alitz resides in Charlestown with his wife, Katherine.

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



• **The Sound Of Music** ... echoes throughout the city as free concerts and events fill the air ...

**Free Friday Flicks** at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade will feature the movie "Apollo 13," sponsored by WBZ-TV, on Friday, July 12th, beginning at dusk ...

**The Waterfront Jazz Series** at Christopher Columbus Park on Atlantic Avenue features "The Love Dogs" on Friday, July 12th at 7 p.m. ...

**North End Feast** of Madonna Delle Grazie will be held Friday through Sunday, July 12 to 14, on Endicott Street, between Thacher and Commercial streets ...

**The Oldies Concert Series** at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade features The Four Tops and The Marsels in concert on Saturday, July 13th at 7 p.m. ... and on Sunday, July 14th, the WFNX Jazz Series will take place at 5 p.m. ... and the Wednesday Classical Series will present The American Band on Wednesday, July 17th at 7 p.m.

**The Dorothy Curran Nostalgia Nights Concert Series** on City Hall Plaza, continues on Wednesday, July 17th at 7 p.m., and will feature Irish singer John McDermott.

• **The Patriotic Exercises** ... held on June 17th at the Bunker Hill Monument are scheduled to be cablecast on channels A3 and A23, beginning at 2:30 p.m., this Sunday, July 14th.

• **Birthday Time This Week** ... will have Chris Rizzo celebrating on July 13th ... Judie Dunphy's big day is on July 14th ... Jennifer Johnson will party on July 15th ... and Gloria Conway will celebrate on July 17th. ... The best birthday wishes to all of you!

• **Happy Anniversary Wishes** ... go out today, July 11th, to Michael and JoAnn (Sindoris) Doherty as they celebrate their 4th wedding anniversary, (without the ships), and to Fran and Dotty Carroll who will celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary on July 16th. Congratulations to you all!

• **City Hall Plaza** ... will be transformed into a mini Wimbledon this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, July 13th and 14th, as top-ranked tennis stars Zina Garrison Jackson and Tracy Austin will play mixed doubles with Boston celebrities and will lead clinics for Boston's young tennis players from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

• **Celebrate Summer At Youville Lifecare** ... The public is invited to join, free of charge, the staff and patients at Youville Lifecare, 1575 Cambridge St., Cambridge, this Saturday, July 13th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a summer celebration featuring live music, Polaroid pictures, a community mural, a film festival on sports for the physically challenged, health and wellness information and refreshments. For further info, call 349-5900.

• **Summer Splash-Down Events** ... The New England Aquarium will break ground this fall on a new west wing that will more than double the size of the existing facility. Beginning Thursday, July 18th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the FREE Splash-Down Kick-Off Celebration will include live music, aquatic games, face painters and watery fun for all ages. Also included will be an informal tour of the aquarium's new outdoor exhibit, a look beneath the surface with a SCUBA-scope, a rousing game of "pin the tentacle on the octopus," and you'll be able to learn about harbor seals at a "please-touch" cart. For more information, call 973-5213.

• **Antique & Classic Boat Festival** ... This weekend brings the 14th annual Boston Antique & Classic Boat Festival to the Shipyard Quarters Marina, Pier 8 in the Charlestown Navy Yard. A display of 50 antique and classic sailboats, powerboats and hand-powered crafts ranging from elegant 1920-30 era mahogany runabouts and cabin cruisers to cutters, sloops and schooners. Also, there will be entertainment by the Gloucester Hornpipe & Clog Society and a gang of Marauding Pirates of the Blue Ragg. A Parade of Ships and the Blessing of the Fleet takes place at 3 p.m. on Sunday ... Hours are Saturday, July 13 from noon to 5 p.m. and Sunday, July 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For admission info, call 422-1010.

• **Thought For The Week** ... I can complain because rose bushes have thorns or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses. It's all how you look at it.

- J. Kenfield Morley



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# around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

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gry in Charlestown - that's why we're here to help.

★ **Trash Attack Hotline . . .** Charlestown residents are reminded that the Trash Attack Hotline is now in service. Residents who wish to voice concerns about vacant lots and other sites that need cleaning, can call the Hotline at 635-4500 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

★ **Charlestown Farmer's Market . . .** The Charlestown Farmer's Market has opened for the season. It will be open each Wednesday between 2 and 7 on Main Street across from the Charlestown Branch Library.

★ **Boston Children's Theatre . . .** The Boston Children's Theatre Teen Stagemobile Tour Company will bring its "Salute To The Sea," a medley of songs and scenes with sea themes, to the McCarthy Playground at Main and Eden streets at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17.

★ **Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .**

## Development Committee - Parcel R-87

Chairman Tom Cunha has called for a follow-up meeting of the Development Committee at 7 p.m., Thursday, July 25, at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. The meeting will continue to focus on the design and density for the development of Parcel R-87, bordered by Tremont and Prospect streets and Lowney Way.

## Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. There will be no meetings in July and August.

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

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings . . .** Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 16 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

- Tashmoo Realty Trust seeks permission to erect a three-story addition at 10 Thompson Square and change the legal occupancy from a retail store to a retail store and five apartments. (BZC-18282)

- Tashmoo Realty Trust seeks permission to erect a building for proposed occupancy as 11 apartments and a 32-car underground garage at 131-141 Main St. (BZC-18283)

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

★ **It's Not Too Late . . .** It's not too late to send a donation to help sponsor Sandy Bock, P.A.-C on the Pony Express Tour, a cross-country motorcycle tour to raise money to fight breast cancer. Checks should be made out to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and sent to Bock at the Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St., Charlestown, or to Judy Evers, 24 St. Martin St., Charlestown.

★ **Public Hearing . . .** The Department of Environmental

Protection, Division of Wetlands and Waterways, will conduct a public hearing on the application by the Joinery Shop Associates to renovate Building 114 to provide interior parking, office space, and a visitor center on Sixteenth Street in the Charlestown Navy Yard. The hearing will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 18, 1996 in the Armed Services YMCA, 2nd Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard, multi-purpose room on the lobby level.

★ **Central Artery/Tunnel Update . . .**

## Nighttime Closures Of Milk Street

Through Friday, July 12, Milk Street between Atlantic Avenue and the Surface Artery will be closed for brief periods of time from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.

★ **MWRA To Conduct Public Meeting . . .** The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) is conducting public meetings in communities with Combined Sewage Overflows (CSOs) to update residents on the Control Plan. The presentation will include information requested at earlier meetings, an update on any changes in projects, sites or pipeline routes and preliminary engineering information.

The meetings will focus on the specific projects proposed for that geographic area. The Draft Environmental Impact Report will be released to the public in mid-October 1996; additional public meetings will be held during the public comment period in the fall.

Please attend to review the work in progress, your participation is needed.

The meeting in Charlestown will take place in the Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, on Tuesday, July 16 at 7 p.m. For more information, call Vincent Ragucci at MWRA Public Affairs at 241-6057.

★ **Boston Redevelopment Authority Board Action . . .**

On June 27, The Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) Board of Directors recommended approval for the devel-

opment of 16 condominium and townhouse units at 10 Thompson Square and at 131-141 Main St. in Charlestown by Tashmoo Realty Trust. The development will be reviewed at the July 16 Board of Appeal meeting.

The developer has proposed to construct five triplex residential units above Charlestown Liquors at 10 Thompson Square, and 10 additional three- to four-story structures with an attached underground parking garage on the vacant lot at 131-141 Main St. The Main Street units will include nine single-family townhouses and one two-family townhouse. The development cost is estimated at \$3.5 million. The architects for the development is Charlestown-based J.W. French Associates. The units will be designed in traditional red brick with gable roofs. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1996, with completion expected by the summer of 1997.

Also on June 27, the BRA Board of Directors voted to approve the tentative designation of Ergo Science Inc. as the redeveloper of Parcel 39A in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Ergo Science, already located within the Navy Yard, plans to develop the currently unpaved parking lot into a 70,000-square-foot medical research facility with concurrent commercial/office space. The development will allow Ergo Science to double the size of its research facilities and office space, and is expected to bring in nearly 160 new jobs. Ergo Science is presently developing novel treatments for metabolic and immune system disorders. Immediate plans are underway to begin site preparation work, with construction to begin no later than December 1997.

★ **Mystic River Dredging . . .** The Boston Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing in Room 801 of Boston City Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 17. Massport is seeking permission to dredge in the Mystic River at the former Revere Sugar refinery, 333 Medford St., at Moran Terminal, 100 Terminal St. and at the Mystic Piers, off Terminal Street, as part of the Boston Harbor Navigation Improvement and Berth Dredging Project.

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# The School On The Hill

by Charlie McGonagle

She stands tall atop Bunker Hill, her proud and hallowed walls skirted by metal structure, a structure whose intentions are noble indeed, but carrying with them reasons far different from those which we came to know her. The web of gray-silver bars are there to lift her face, to make her more beautiful for those who will soon come to call her home, but to me and to many others, there can be no amount of alteration great enough to change what St. Francis de Sales School has come to mean to me.

From September of 1945 until June of 1954, most all of my hours were spent at my home on Elm Street, at the Boys Club, and at St. Francis de Sales School. On Elm Street and from my parents, I learned to treat people as I would have them treat me, and I learned right from wrong. At the Boys Club, I learned valuable recreational and social skills and at St. Francis de Sales, I learned whatever traveled from the pages of textbooks through the lips of the good nuns of St. Dominic.

In my English classes I was introduced to nouns, to verbs, to adjectives, to adverbs, to prepositions, to articles, to conjunctions, and to the oh so many other parts of speech. I learned what they were and why they were. I learned to diagram sentences, to conjugate verbs, when and where to punctuate and to capitalize, and how to spell (though some may question the accuracy of that statement).

I found a lifelong friend in poetry at St. Francis de Sales School, and many of the lines of the great writers still ring with instant familiarity from within the walls of my memories.

During arithmetic time I learned to add, to subtract, to multiply, and to divide. I

learned how to apply these basic arithmetical processes to decimals, to fractions, and to percents. I learned of square roots and of ratio and proportion.

When the maps were pulled down in window-shade fashion from above the chalk boards, I knew it was time to travel across this great country of ours and to learn where each state was located and what its capital city was. I sailed all of the immense oceans so that I might reach the far off continents to meet the people and to learn of their customs.

When the history books were opened, I sailed with Columbus, I witnessed the signing of the Declaration of Independence, I met Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and George Washington. I watched as Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr dueled. I heard Patrick Henry as he spoke his famous "Give me liberty or give me death," and John Paul Jones tell the enemy "I have not yet begun to fight." I watched the patriots at the Battle of Bunker Hill follow Colonel William Prescott's command as they waited "until they could see the whites of their eyes."

I struggled with the Palmer Method of penmanship, making rather imperfect circles and not very straight lines with a dip pen, and I anxiously awaited Friday afternoons when we were given time to draw. I wondered, for many years, how a pitch pipe was supposed to improve my singing while in music class. At St. Francis de Sales, I learned enough to one day become not the one who WAS taught, but the one who taught.

I think now, how enjoyable the time was we spent rehearsing for the annual St. Patrick's Day Play, and how the hordes of proud parents filled the school hall each year to watch their sons and daughters present the finished product.



ST. FRANCIS de SALES SCHOOL opened in September 1891 with the first graduation held in June 1895. This photograph, taken around the turn of the century, was found in the school building after it closed.

And I remember the lunch hours of spring when the boys of Sister Ulicia's eighth grade class would do battle with their counterparts from Sister Evelyn Catherine's class in a spirited game of baseball at the "Park" across the street from the school. Although the nuns did not participate directly in the game, they were as much a part of it as any third baseman might have been. Looking back, I know now they felt a definite sense of pride in victory, for it was a time for them to display qualities they somehow kept hidden while inside the walls of St. Francis de Sales School.

Appreciation for the nuns was not something that was part of my days at St. Francis de Sales School, for they were there when I arrived and they were there when I departed. There were no lay teachers, only two nuns for each grade. I, as most of my classmates, took them for granted. It was only after graduating from the school in June of 1954 and witnessing the

learning experience through a different set of eyes that I began to appreciate what they were able to do and, I might add, do quite well.

These mysterious women, hidden beneath habits of black and white, who gave so much, were compensated only with the knowledge that they were helping others. Because they were responsible for shaping the minds of youngsters in all areas of academia, they were masters of religion, of the language, of mathematics, of science, of geography, and of history. To add to their talents, they introduced us to music and art appreciation.

Yes, the nuns ruled the classrooms of St. Francis de Sales School and we, the students, were their subjects. Whatever the future may hold for the red-brick building sitting atop Bunker Hill, those of us who were once part of its illustrious history will pass and look at it not for what it has become, but remember it always as what it was, **our school**.

## On Dean's List

Kevin Lacroix of Charlestown, has been named to both the dean's list and the president's list for the spring semester at Framingham State College.


To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must earn a quality point average of 3.25 or higher.

To be eligible for the president's list, a student must make the dean's list for three consecutive semesters.

LaCroix, a member of the class of 1996, was a sociology major.

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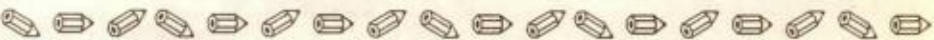
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The Homecoming will begin at 2 p.m. with a Mass of Celebration at St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St. Immediately following, a reception and collation will be held at the Schrafft Center in Sullivan Square from 3 to 7 p.m. Proceeds from the event will benefit Charlestown Catholic Elementary School in Hayes Square where the rich tradition of a parochial school education continues for today's youth.

Mark your calendar. Make plans to bring your family and friends. Bridge the past to the future by helping the present through your support.

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## An Open Letter To The People Of St. Catherine's And The Charlestown Community

To the People Of St. Catherine's and the Charlestown Community:

On April 11, I announced that I would be leaving St. Catherine's after six years of ministry to go on a sabbatical, a three-month opportunity for renewal, updating, prayer, rest, etc., in Menlo Park, California. Even though my departure was not going to be until Aug. 1, the announcement had to be made in April so that the Archdiocese could go through the process of selecting a new pastor. The months have passed quickly and now I write to thank you for all you have meant to me during my years at St. Catherine's.

I have made it a priority in my life to know the people with whom I am privileged to serve. One of the greatest gifts I can share with a community is the ability to appreciate, encourage, nurture, affirm and thank its people.

Many wonderful experiences have taken place in my life, in St. Catherine's Parish and the Charlestown community during the past six years and it has been my privilege to be a part of that process. A priest is called to be a leader in a community and to build community. I believe that takes place best in a positive, life-giving and healthy environment. If anyone of us can make people feel better about themselves through our presence in their lives, then we are ministers to one another.

You have welcomed me into your streets, in your schools, at your stores, in your homes and into your hearts. My ministry in Charlestown has helped me to

be a better person.

The children and teenagers of our community hold a special place in my heart. I have watched many grow over these years and hope that I have been a positive role model for them. The Charlestown community is blessed with many selfless young adults and adults working very hard to encourage our young people to make healthy decisions in their lives. Some of our youth struggle greatly and many are at risk, but they are loved by this town and I believe they know that.

On the weekend of July 27 and 28, I will be celebrating the Masses at St. Catherine's and after each Mass, I invite everyone to drop by the rectory to have light refreshments and to say goodbye.

I will be driving out to California and look forward to experiencing all that the United States has to offer.

My departure opens the door for another person to come to St. Catherine's and minister in Charlestown as a priest. His appointment to St. Catherine's should be happening any day now and he will arrive on Aug. 1.

I will be at home with my parents from Aug. 1 to 15 and depart in my 1987 Monte Carlo SS for the west coast on Aug. 15. I am taking an entire month to get to my destination and will have the privilege of being in many of our historic cities across the country.

This is an opportunity of a lifetime for me and while I am young enough, healthy and energetic, why not take advantage of it? I will see parts of this country that I

have only dreamed about. I will begin classes at Menlo Park, (30 miles south of San Francisco) on Sept. 18, and continue until Dec. 16. I will then get back in my car and head home to be back in Boston by Christmas. Shortly after I arrive home, I hope to receive another assignment in the Archdiocese of Boston. From Sept. 18 to Dec. 16, my address will be: Vatican II Institute, c/o St. Patrick's Seminary, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park, Calif. 94025.

There will be 38 priests from around the country on this sabbatical with me. I look forward to sharing my Charlestown experience with them. I truly believe the church is a beacon of hope for many. The church has been my avenue into people's lives and I am truly grateful for the opportunity that I have had to work with and among the people of St. Catherine's and Charlestown.

I take this opportunity to thank you for all you have been and done during my ministry with you. I thank the Charlestown Patriot for their support and encouragement. The church has done much in our community over the years and the Patriot has made this known to the community-at-large.

I hope that God will continue to make each and every one of us aware of the great potential we have to influence each other's lives in positive ways.

Sincerely,  
Father Ron Coyne, pastor  
St. Catherine's Church

## Residents Await R-87 Title Search Findings

(continued from page 1)

One of only a scant number of city-owned sites open for development, R-87's future hinges on a balance of an attractive site for proposers and abutters' participation in and agreement on design guidelines.

The parcel has suffered a history of false starts and unaccepted proposal requests for housing and development. Originally slated for sale and development by the Boston Redevelopment Authority, Parcel R-87 will now go back out to bid through PFD.

"We have to find a level of confidence in each other," PFD Associate Director for Housing Tom O'Malley told residents gathered at the American Legion Hall. "We don't want to so narrowly define this parcel so that no developer wants to come through the door."

No definite guidelines have been established for

the parcel, although residents have cited several concerns they want addressed in the final RFP.

Among the issues consistently noted to be addressed in the RFP are: maintaining open space at the site of the former school on Prospect Street; two-carper-unit off-street parking; reopening Edgeworth Street for parking and access; and developing a reasonable number of homes, which discussions have mentioned anywhere between eight and 14 units.

The meeting with O'Malley and PFD project managers and architects would only go so far that night, however. True legal ownership and property lines have to be agreed on. Possible typographical and map color-coding errors over the years have created questions of whether pieces of the lot belong to various agencies, such as the BRA, the Boston Housing Authority and Massport.

O'Malley, in the meantime has requested a title search for the parcel, which, if not complete, by the July meeting will move an RFP's public release still further behind.

"I am extremely frustrated that we can't answer questions asked of us weeks ago," O'Malley said.

Most residents, such as Betty Golden of Tremont Street and Sally Woods of Prospect Street, seem to have gotten used to the history of waiting. They, and others, said they were feeling pushed by PFD and requested holding off on releasing an RFP until after the summer.

Committee member Jim Conway noted that any recommendations on an RFP would not be heard by

the full council until its Sept. 10 meeting.

"We want to take advantage of this market period and give the developer an opportunity to sell by next season," O'Malley said. "I fail to see how this (process) is being railroaded. Nothing is being proposed that you haven't seen before."

Residents and committee members also wish to keep a level of consistent input in the development of the parcel.

Parcel R-87 design and density discussions are expected to continue on Thursday, July 25 at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

These meetings are public, and resident participation in these working sessions is encouraged.

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In the ESTATE OF Eleanor Josephine Gregory.

To all persons interested in the estate of Eleanor Josephine Gregory late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death June 21, 1995.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Dorothy L. Sullivan of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, be appointed administratrix, without sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Pemberton Square BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON July 25, 1996.

Witness Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court.

Date July 2, 1996

James Michael Connolly  
Register of Probate

# Charlestown Youngsters Receive Rave Reviews In The Charlestown Working Theater's 'Wizard Of Oz'

photos by Ed Loan

The Charlestown Working Theater recently presented Charlestown's favorite local munchkins in "The Wizard of Oz," directed by Patrice Melanson and choreographed by Laurie Marchese. The performances, which took place in the Charlestown High School auditorium, delighted the audiences.

Members of the cast included: Aunt Em, Caitlin Rodriguez; Joe, a farmhand, Emily Bryson; Uncle Henry, Antonio Donahue; Dorothy Gale, Danielle Lacey; Munchkin Farmer, Ariana Massaro and

Kathleen Lynch; Mayor of The Munchkins, Andrew Shea; and Lullaby League, Shana Melcher, Samantha Remy, Brittany Lacey and Rachel Rooney.

Lollypop League, Evan Yandle, Liam Fitzgerald Lynch, Owen Burke and Danny Shea; Munchkin Barrister, Rebecca Rooney; Munchkin Coroner, Justine Yandle; Munchkin Officials, Kassi Borden and Kelly Gouthro; and Little Munchkins, Stacey Connolly, Keagan Gallagher, Amanda Nadeau, Kaitlin Nadeau, Stratos Sarpoulos, Bridget Shannon, Brittany Wehler and

Hannah Rooney.

Glinda, Good Witch of The North, Erin-Tiffany Lacey; Wicked Witch of The West, Lia Vallesio; Scarecrow, Halle Melcher; The Tinman, Collin Smith and Courtney Celata; The Cowardly Lion, Padraic Lacey; Private, Kathleen Lynch; First Generals, Ali Cunha and Christina Sarpoulos; Generals, Deneice Simard, Emily Bryson, Ariana Massaro and Kelsey Barrett.

Oz Lady, Catherine Burke; Lord Growlie, Owen Burke; Gloria, Erin Brassil; Gloria's Friends, Catherine Burke, Ariana

Massaro, Franny Polvere and Christina Sarpoulos; Wizard of Oz, Kaylee O'Brien; Friends of the Wicked Witch, Meaghan McGoff and Lauren Nadeau; Little Witch, Hannah Rooney; Tibia, Antonio Donahue; and Servant, Meg Gallagher.

Other members of the ensemble included: Ashley Carr, Nicole Chiampa, Elizabeth Rooney, Jill Connolly, Erin Shannon, Alexandra Lane, Courtney Donahue, Kasy Cedorchuk, Elizabeth Celata, Hillery Tamburello, Meaghan Borden, Meghan Bremer and Sara Bremer.



## SUMMER GED TESTING DATES

The summer GED testing dates have been set for Aug. 5, 6 and 7. Pre-registration is required for initial testing and retesting. Registration dates are July 8-17. For more information, please contact Peggy O'Brien at 635-5169.

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## CYO & ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS BY FATHER RON COYNE

▲ **CYO Baseball And Softball Schedule** - The schedule for this week is as follows: **Baseball:** Friday, July 12 - St. Catherine's White vs. Gate of Heaven at Columbus at 6 p.m.; Sunday, July 14 - St. Catherine's White vs. Sacred Heart at Healey at 3 p.m.; Sunday, July 14 - St. Catherine's Blue vs. St. Theresa at BHCC at 5 p.m.; Friday, July 19 - All Star Game at Puopolo at 7 p.m.

**Softball:** Saturday, July 13 - Bantam Girls vs. St. Margaret at the Oilies at 11 a.m.; Sunday, July 14 - Bantam Girls vs. St. Brendan at the Oilies at 4 p.m.; and Wednesday, July 17 - Bantam Girls vs. St. William at McConnell at 6 p.m.

▲ **Color Guard** - St. Catherine's Townies, Little Townies and Teeny Townies are now in the midst of their summer schedule. They marched in the Bunker Hill Day Parade and performed at the Eden Street Park during Pride Week. They are now beginning to prepare for their fall practice season and winter competitions. The color guard is a year-round

program for girls 7 to 21 years of ages. They are continually being challenged to develop their skills and learning how to choreograph their show. Many of our older girls are now helping to instruct our younger guards. For more information, call Robin or Jerry at 246-1681.

▲ **CYO Harbor Cruise** - All Charlestown teenagers, 13 to 19, are invited to join us on the annual CYO Harbor Cruise on Monday, July 22 from 8 to 11 p.m. on board the Provincetown II. The cost is \$12 per person and spots are limited, so sign up now at the rectory. We will leave St. Catherine's Church at 7 p.m. There will be 1,000 teenagers from in and around Boston on board.

▲ **Red Sox vs. Kansas City Tickets** - We have 40 tickets for the Boston Red Sox/Kansas City Royals game at Fenway Park on Wednesday, July 24 at 7:05 p.m. The cost is \$4 per person and tickets are now on sale at St. Catherine's Rectory.

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

The City-Wide Friends of the Boston Public Library invite all readers to their mid-summer book sale for the benefit of the Boston Public Library. The sale will be held in the Mezzanine Conference Room of the Central Library in Copley Square on Saturday, July 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Travel books, gardening books, cookbooks, young adults' books, fiction and non-fiction, there's some-

thing for everyone, and the prices are right. Hard covers are \$1, paperbacks are 50¢, fiction is half-price.

More than 20 volunteer members of the City-Wide Friends conduct the book sales in the Copley Square Library. Proceeds of the sales go to off-budget needs of the Central Library and its branches.

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If you made a mistake on a prior-year tax return, an amended return is the way to set things right. Arithmetic errors, missing information, and oversights are all fairly common, and generally there's no reason to fear filing an amended return - whether you owe money to the IRS or vice versa.

Certain special situations can also trigger amended returns. For example, if you suffer a casualty loss in a presidentially-declared disaster, you may deduct the loss on your tax return for the year of the disaster, or you may amend the prior-year return and deduct the loss in that year. The best strategy depends on your tax bracket for both years, plus other factors such as the amount of your loss and whether it occurred early or late in the year.

An amended return can help ease the sting of certain businesses and worthless security losses. You also may benefit from an amended return if there's a retroactive change in the tax law as a result of new legislation or a favorable court ruling. Note that an amended return is generally required if you previously deferred gain on the sale of your home, but failed to purchase a replacement home within two years.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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



## Sincere Thanks To The Kennedy Center

Dear Gloria,

The James F. Donovan Scholarship Committee would like to thank the Kennedy Center for the donation they forwarded to "The Dunny Cup" from The Family Feud. In particular, special thanks goes out to Jan Kiely, Terry Kern, Linda Ross, Patty Gould and Colleen Justice. These women, all of whom are employed at the Kennedy Center, should be commended for their kind gesture.

As a non-profit group, we are trying to offer a helping hand, financially, to Charlestown's youth programs. The past three years have been rewarding by the fact that the committee has distributed over \$37,000 in funds.

The reason for our success is largely due to organizations, such as the Kennedy Center, who acknowledge our efforts through generous donations. We only hope our cause can live up to the same reputation that others hold so proudly.

Also, thanks to the Bunker Hill Associates for sponsoring this event and for their continued hard work in helping the youth of Charlestown.

Sincerely,

The James F. Donovan Scholarship Committee

## Thank You, Everyone

Dear Gloria:

I would like to thank everyone who helped make our Horseshoe Tournament such a huge success. Special thanks go out to Sissy and Ed Greator, Ellie Nelson, Paula Rose, the Suprey Family, Allyson Clark, Boston Sand & Gravel, the Boys & Girls Club, Leo Boucher, Jim "Stretch" Walsh, Amy Chardavoyne, Carolyn Shannon, Bill McCabe, Cablevision, Charlestown Little League, The Charlestown Patriot, the Knights of Columbus, Gretchen Morrison, Terri Lyn O'Brien, Michelle Macomber, Jim "Macca" MacDougall, D.J. O'Brien, Danny Evers, Rep. Richard Voke, Maureen McCabe, Slip Mahoney and Keith Leahy.

I would like to give a special thanks to my fellow band members for all the time they gave in putting the tourney together. Thank you Kenny Giordano, Jimmy "The Phone" Fitzpatrick, Warren "The Ringer" Fitzpatrick, Jonathan O'Lorino, Buzzy Fleming, Sid O'Brien, Jamsie Greator and Michelle Jackson.

Congratulations to Tom Allen and John Allen, the 1996 tournament champions. If I've forgotten anyone, please accept my thanks.

Patrick McClellan, president  
Pipes and Drums of Bunker Hill

## Tiny Tots Program Much Appreciated!

Bob McGann, director  
Charlestown Community Centers  
255 Medford St.  
Charlestown, Mass. 02129

Dear Bob:

My husband Jim and I wanted to take one minute to tell you and especially the city of Boston Department of Community Centers just how much we have appreciated the local center's "Tiny Tots" program. Our two children, Caitlin Marie, now age 7, and Shaun Michael, now age 4, have attended the program over a span of three school years and we have found the program has had a tremendous beneficial impact on their overall personal development.

We believe the program serves as an excellent introduction to primary school. You and the department's central staff should know your two local teachers, Alice Smith and Debbie Lent, provide an organized, but fun environment that exposes children to basic communications-related lessons and skills and particularly to important behavioral concepts that will stay with them through the formative school years, namely respect for others, the use of verbal

rather than physical reactions to confrontations and the sharing of classroom equipment and resources. You should also be aware of the tremendous personal investment of time and attention that Alice and Debbie extend to each of their young students. Their dedication to the well-being of all their students is most obvious to any visitor. They are, in our opinion, two of Charlestown's most unsung heroes and are most worthy of special commendation.

As parents of two Tiny Tots graduates, we want to express our gratitude to the local Community Center and the city of Boston for making this important community resource available in Charlestown. We also want to publicly thank Alice and Debbie for their attention to the needs of not only our kids, but every child that comes into the program. It is a shame that such an outstanding program is only available in the morning for only 20 children per school year. Here is a program that works! It is a model worthy of expansion here in Charlestown and replication throughout the city.

Sincerely,

Kathleen and Jim Walsh

## 'Townies' And Marlboro Kick Off In Football Opener On Saturday

This Saturday, July 13, Hormel Stadium in Medford will be the site of the Charlestown Townies home opener. Kick off for the Town Team's first regular season match-up of 1996 is scheduled for 3 p.m. Although the Townies will have a tough test out of the starting gate, they feel they will be up to the task of defending their new home turf against the five-time defending champion, Marlboro Shamrocks.

This year's Townie line up features a mixture of wily veterans along with the talented, but untested newcomers. The defensive line will once again be anchored by defensive tackles Steve Barber and Rob Green, with former Medway Tiger standout Reggie Murphy applying pressure from the right end.

The linebacking crew will consist of returning Townies Jeff Gwazda, Chris Cappezzetto and Rich

Silkes. Jimbo Murphy has recently come out of retirement to lend his vast expertise to the linebacking core. Veteran Tony Fillipone will lead a revamped and speedy defensive backfield which features long-time Townie quarterback Ed Sullivan at one corner. Townie newcomers Rocky Cabral of South Boston, Ajene Rocks and Mike O'Neil will also provide protection in the defensive backfield.

The Townie offensive attack will be led by former South Boston High School standout Mike Whitney at the helm. Whitney will have an experienced array of targets for his aerial assault. Orlando Soto, an EFL all-star last season, will be the wide out on one side while Derek Tammaro and big-play threat Jeff McCarthy will provide the punch at the flanker position. Former Randolph Oiler Charles Logan will

provide lots of depth at tight end along with Dan Ryan and Jackie Ordway, who are both returning from last year.

The Townies will use a host of young running backs to set up the passing game. Mike Cocomazza, Mike Panagopoulos and Dickie Centola will be just a few of the ball-handlers running behind one of the Townies' most promising offensive fronts in years. Long-time veterans of the trenches, Gary Luongo and Fran McCarthy, will be in the center of an inexperienced, but tough, offensive line. Marty Kane and Tommy McGrath, both from Charlestown, have made the switch from defense and will fill out the front five along with first-year player Kevin Hammond. The kicking game has also added a little fire power with the acquisition of Ed O'Connor, who handled the kicking chores for Trinity College.

The Townie brain trust is in very capable hands and features some very

familiar names. Tony Green, who was an assistant coach last season under the tutelage of his father, Jack Green, has stepped up to take the role of head coach. Tony will undoubtedly continue the successful coaching legacy of the Green family in the Eastern Football League. He will be assisted by long-time Townie offensive lineman Jack Coneeney, and Mike Stillman will add a tremendous amount of Townie know-how to the defensive coaching staff.

As our local gridiron heroes anxiously await their first test on Saturday, they are hoping to muster up fan support for the 1996 season.

Next Saturday, July 20, the Townies will host their cross-town rivals, the Boston Cowboys, at 3 p.m. at Hormel Stadium. This will be their second consecutive home game, before embarking on a long road trip.

For more information, please call the Townie Hotline at 886-0166.

## Charlestown Softball League

The Charlestown Softball League's standings for the week are:

STANDINGS	W	L
Quinn Club	8	1
Townie Pizza	7	2
McCarthy Brothers	7	2
Dream Team	4	5
JYA	3	6
Los Guapos	3	6
Maguire Construction	2	7
Constitution Quarters	2	7

## Register Your Team For A Volleyball Tournament

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the Mayor's Cup "Spike It Up" Volleyball Tournament at Columbus Park in South Boston from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 3 and Sunday, Aug. 4.

This competition will

determine "Boston's Best" volleyball players in three co-ed divisions: 15 & under, 19 & under and an open division.

To register your team, call the Boston Parks Department at 635-4505, ext. 6209.

## PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me here you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days and then you must publish it and it will be granted to you.  
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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

◆ **Gallagher & Mahoney Go For The Gold!** ... The 15th annual Bay State Games began July 10 and will continue through July 14, and among those going for the gold will be Corey Gallagher on the Metro Women Open Basketball Team, and Jimmy Mahoney on the Metro Scholastic Ice Hockey Team.

Bay State Game sites are Boston College, UMass/Boston, Harvard, MIT, Boston University, and the Reggie Lewis Center. Opening ceremonies will be held tonight, Thursday, July 11 at Fenway Park beginning at 7:30 p.m. Two-time Olympic Champion and Gold Medal winner Bill Cleary will be the keynote speaker. General admission tickets for the opening ceremony cost \$5 each, and will be available at Fenway Park. All other sporting events are free and open to the public.

Congratulations to all the members of the Charlestown delegation, who either have advanced to the final rounds, or took part in the preliminary Bay State tryouts. They include: Corey Gallagher, Russell Grogett, Tim Harris, Benjamin Lui, Jimmy Mahoney, Larry Mulcahy, John Murphy, Frank Patten and Brian Ward.

The schedule for Jimmy's ice hockey games, which will all be played at BU, is: today, Thursday, July 11 at 2 p.m.; Friday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, July 13 at 4:30 p.m.; and on Sunday, July 14, the bronze medal game will be at

9:30 a.m., and the gold medal game will be held at noon.

The schedule for Corey's basketball games, which will all be played at BC, is: today, Thursday, July 11 at 6 p.m.; Friday, July 12 at 1 p.m.; Saturday, July 13 at 9 a.m. and at 5 p.m.; and the gold medal game on Sunday, July 14 at 4 p.m. Best of luck to you both!

◆ **Tennis Anyone?** ... City Hall Plaza will become Tennis Central this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Celebrity matches, exhibition tennis, clinics and tournaments will be the order of the days. Tennis stars Zina Garrison and Tracy Austin will headline the event.

◆ **CYO Baseball Standings** ... The CYO Baseball standings as of July 8 are: St. Brigid 5-1, Sacred Heart 4-2, Immaculate Conception 3-1, Gate of Heaven 3-1, St. Theresa A 2-1, St. Theresa B 2-2, St. Catherine White 2-3, St. Leonard 0-4 and St. Catherine Blue 0-6.

◆ **Hoop Happenings** ... The Celtic Rookie Camp is underway at Brandeis. First round draft choice Antoine Walker, and second round pick Steve Hamer head the list. Tickets are available at the door, and the Rookie Camp is open to the public.

The Bob Cousy 6' 2" and under International Basketball Tournament continues today through Saturday at various sites in Worcester with the championship games in three brackets taking place on Saturday at Holy Cross' Hart Cen-

ter, beginning at noon. The NBA Jam Van, an interactive 6,000 square foot computerized arena, is also in operation, today from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and tomorrow, from 4 to 9 p.m., at the corner of Main and Pearl streets in downtown Worcester.

◆ **Ready To Defend** ... The 1996 Roller Blade League is ready to begin, and Newtowne is ready to defend its title. Newtowne will be putting on a 13-game undefeated streak when they open the season. Members of the squad are: Joe Tallent, Jamie Hutchins, Paul Hennessey, Phil Jones, Jimmy Tallent, Ricky Evers, Mike Sweeney and Brian Dole. The team mascot is Marc Russell.

◆ **Red Sox Rookie Ball** ... Boston Red Sox Rookie Ball got underway on Monday at the Charlestown Community Center. Youngsters involved in Session I were: Riordan Cannatta, Pat Rose, Mike Lacey, Ryan Nelson, Alexa Hingston, Cameron Ortiz, Matt McLaughlin, Mike Simensen, Brian Rose, Steve Awbrey, Mike Nelson and Brittany Murphy. "Opposition" for the Charlestown Day Camp Team was provided by the Nazzaro Center Day Camp. Charlestown Rookie Ball is staffed by members of the Andy Puopolo Club Summer Program.

◆ **Tidbits** ... Hey Jeff, Geronimo! ... If you see Pat Urquhart, call her St. Francis.

Smile!

## Charlestown Boys & Girls Club News

15 Green St.

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MEMBERS OF THE ROCKET CLUB at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club are shown after their break-up party. Left to right are Elvis Santos, Pedro Santana, Chief Rocketeer and Clubhouse Director Jerry Steimel, Alex Familia, Joewy Gonzalez, Jonathan Gonzalez and Joe Gonzalez. Missing from the photo is Xaymara Saez, Sam Ruiz and McKenzie Joseph.

### ◆ ROCKET CLUB

The Rocket Club at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club had its end-of-the-year party this past week. It was a great year with many exciting and successful launches.

Awards were given to the following rocketeers:

\* Jonathan Gonzalez - Best All-Around Flight with his rocket "Yankee."

\* Joe Gonzalez and Sam Ruiz - Funniest Launch with their rocket "SRX."

\* Joewy Gonzalez and McKenzie Joseph - Highest Launch with their rocket "Mosquito."

\* Jonathan Gonzalez and Alex Familia - Phattest Launch with their rocket "Tomcat."

\* Alex Familia - Best Landing with his rocket "Alpha Thee."

\* Elvis Santos - Most Reliable Rocket with his rocket "Yellow Jacket."

\* Pedro Santana - Largest Payload with his rocket "Bailout."

\* Sam Ruiz - Most Creative with his rocket "Nova Hybrid."

\* Joey Gonzalez and McKenzie Joseph - Most Exciting Launch with their rocket "Omlod" (egg launcher).

\* Xaymara Saez - Best Built with her rocket "Photon III."

\* Jonathan Gonzalez and Alex Familia - Best Built with their rocket "Tomcat."

\* Joe Gonzalez - Best Painted with his rocket "Wizard."

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Boston Police Department

Wednesday, June 26

A Charlestown man reported that while he was shopping at the Bunker Hill Mall at about 7 p.m., person(s) unknown struck his car causing damage to the trunk and to the bicycle on a bike rack attached to the car.

Sunday, June 30

A van driver reported that person(s) unknown broke a rear glass panel in the Boys & Girls Club van at approximately 5 a.m. while it was parked at 345 Main St.

Monday, July 1

A Charlestown man told officers that between 8 p.m. on June 30 and 8 a.m. on July 1, person(s) unknown stole a license plate from his motorcycle parked at 142 Eighth St. The Mass. plate number is XD5636.

Officers received a call at about 5:30 p.m. on the report of a man being struck by a motor vehicle at Auburn and Main streets while he was riding his bike, coming within inches of hitting him and causing him to fall to the ground. He then followed the driver to his residence on Old Rutherford Avenue where the man said he didn't see the person on the bike as he was talking on a car phone. The man then put his motor vehicle in reverse and ran over the victim's bike, causing damage to the seat and tires. The man refused to answer the

door at his residence and the victim was advised to seek complaints at the Charlestown District Court.

A resident of Prospect Street reported that between 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., person(s) unknown entered her locked third floor apartment and took a large amount of women's jewelry from herself and her roommate.

At about 7:48 p.m., Officer Whiffen saw an automobile being operated on Medford Street with an expired license. As he turned to follow, the car took off at a high rate of speed through the Newtown area and the Bunker Hill Housing Development. The car was found abandoned on Old Landing Way. Whiffen found a wallet in the car with two photo IDs of the driver he had seen. The car, which had not been reported stolen, was owned by a Woburn resident. The car was towed and a citation was issued to a 32-year-old Charlestown man for violation of the auto laws and refusing to stop for a police officer.

At 8:45 p.m., Officers Charbonnier and Nolan responded to 18 Carney Court on the report of an assault. The officers saw a 33-year-old man with a knife in his hand, yelling at a group of people. It was reported to the officers that the man had threatened two men and two women with a knife and made threatening gestures at them with the knife. He was placed under arrest for assault with a dangerous weapon.

At 11:30 p.m., a resident stated that while his car was parked on Elm Street, person(s) unknown broke the passenger side front window with a brick and removed a cellular phone.

Tuesday, July 2

A Charlestown man stated that between 2 a.m. and 10

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a.m. when his car was parked on Warren Street, person(s) unknown broke the passenger door lock and the steering column.

A Charlestown woman stated that between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., her Mt. Vernon Street apartment was broken into. The front door to the apartment building was not damaged but the lock on her second floor apartment was broken. Among the items taken were a lap-top computer, an engagement ring and miscellaneous gold jewelry, with a total value of \$2,200.

A Brockton man reported that person(s) unknown scratched his motor vehicle with a screw driver while it was parked on Rutherford Avenue.

Officer Edghill responded to Wesley's Bistro on Cambridge Street about 3 p.m. on the report that two men had attempted to purchase \$104 in food, as well as previously having purchased men's shirts valued at \$205. They were charged with larceny by credit card.

A Charlestown man told police that while walking on Main Street at about 5 p.m., he lost his black wallet containing \$300 in cash, his driver's license, credit cards and a blank check.

Wednesday, July 3

Officer O'Malley responded to the report of a break-in at 11 Monument Square. The woman stated that when she returned home from work at about 5:30 p.m., she found both front doors to her apartment open with no sign of a forced entry. Stolen was a number of pieces of women's jewelry.

A Charlestown teen was walking in the vicinity of 100 Bunker Hill St. at approximately 8 p.m. when he was attacked from behind by three unknown males, all over 6 feet with covered faces. They took a beaded necklace, his wallet with \$3 and a video card.

Thursday, July 4

Between noon and 2:30 p.m., a Charlestown man reports that person(s) unknown broke into his apartment on Winthrop Street. A Minolta camera and a number of pieces of men's jewelry were reported stolen.

A Charlestown woman stated that between 2 and 9 a.m., person(s) unknown broke into her car, which was parked at 27 Monument Square, and stole a backpack, a Sony radio and assorted tapes. Damage was done to the inside of the car.

Friday, July 5

Members of the Drug Control Unit were conducting a drug investigation at Sullivan Square at about 8:25 p.m. when they saw a 31-year-old South Boston man hand items from a prescription bottle to a 40-year-old Charlestown woman. The officers recovered tablets stamped Klonopin 1 Roche and seized six tablets from the man and three tablets from the woman. The man was charged with the distribution of Class C substances and possession of Class C substances with intent to distribute. The woman was charged with the possession of Class C substances.

Saturday, July 6

Officer Nolan answered a radio call for a breaking and entering of a car at 41 O'Reilly Way. A Charlestown woman stated that she had parked her car at 6 p.m. on July 5 and when she returned around 9:30 a.m. on July 6, she discovered that the driver's side window had been pried and the car entered. Taken were a Bingo bag containing \$50, her driver's license and registration, an ATM card, personal papers and a black wallet.

Officer Gonzalez responded to the Ninety-Nine Restaurant in the Bunker Hill Mall on a larceny report. A man stated that he locked his Canondale mountain bike on a pole at the rear of the restaurant at about 10 a.m. and discovered the bike missing at 1:30 p.m. The man was told by an unknown witness that a group of youths were seen removing the bicycle from the pole. The area was searched to no avail.

At 11:10 p.m., Officers Nolan and Charbonnier responded to a call to Green Street on a breaking and entering in progress. A Charlestown woman reported that a man known to her smashed a window in her house and fled up Green to Pearl Street where he jumped into a dark colored motor vehicle.

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Today, Thursday, July 11, a National Day of Prayer and Fasting will be observed all over America for the Right to Life of the Unborn.

St. Francis de Sales Parish will open this Day of Prayer and Fasting with a Mass for All Life at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel, and we will close the day at 7 p.m. with a Parish Prayer for Life Liturgy, including a Rosary and Litany for Life that concludes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. We ask as many as possible to kindly participate in one or both of these Liturgies for Life. After the 7 p.m. Prayer for Life Liturgy, refreshments will be served in Bishop Lawton Hall. Please join us in a Prayer for Life Day - all are invited to participate.

## Whalom Park Trip

Those who signed up to attend the Whalom Park Trip on Tuesday, July 16, should be at St. Francis de Sales Church at 9:45 a.m. to board the buses at 10 a.m.

## Giant Bola

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales Parish is sponsoring a Giant Bola on Sunday, Sept. 29 after the 5 p.m. Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall.

## Craft Fair

The Guild of St. Francis de Sales Parish is sponsoring a Craft Fair on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For further information, please contact Joan Rae at the rectory at 242-0147.

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## Need Job Skills? Want To Learn About The Building Trades?

The Kennedy Center is now taking applications from those interested in applying to the Boston Building Trades/Apprenticeship Preparedness Program (APP). This program is free of charge and is a 10-week orientation to the building trades which begins on Sept. 10 and continues through Nov. 14. Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. at 185 Kneeland St., Boston. Students will also visit different construction/union sites on five scheduled Saturdays.

The purpose of the APP program is to acquaint students with the many different Boston building trade unions. APP instructors work and tutor students on mathematics and on developing students' career in-

terests with the trades.

While in the program, students will have the opportunity to apply for paid apprenticeships with a building trade. If accepted into an apprenticeship, students will earn an apprentice salary while gaining valuable work experience that they may use later in a trade union or private sector job.

Women are encouraged to apply.

As part of the APP, an

organization called Women in the Building Trades offers classes for women to prepare them to enter a primarily male work force. The Women's program will focus on the issues of women in construction.

The deadline for applying to this fall program is July 24. If you are interested in applying or would like more information, please contact Patty Gould or Linda Hudson at 241-8866.

## Free Eats Beat Summer Heat! Summer Meals Program For Kids

The Boston Public Schools and the Boston Housing Authority kicked off the start of a free summer meals program last week to provide thousands of children from 1 to 18 years old with a fun, safe and nutritious way to enjoy the summer break.

The Summer Food Service Program in Boston is open to children who want to participate at various meal site locations. The no-cost program is aimed

at giving children an opportunity to eat healthy food while enjoying the summertime with friends. No applications or registrations are necessary.

The Boston School Department and Housing Authority are operating summer meals programs at 85 locations throughout the city's neighborhoods. Summer meals may include food items such as sandwiches, salads, pizza, milk or fruit juice and fresh fruit.

Children can go to any one of the meal sites in their neighborhood. Sites are now open and run until late August.

The sites in Charlestown are: the Clougherty Pool on Bunker Hill Street; Charlestown Community Center Camp, 255 Medford St.; and Charlestown YMCA, Second Avenue, Charlestown Navy Yard.

For more information about the program, call 1-888-660-3663 toll free.

### It's A Boy . . .

Heather Lacey of Melrose, formerly of Charlestown, announces the birth of her son, William Ryan Nicholas Lacey, on June 20 at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital. He weighed 9 pounds 7 ounces.

The grandparents are Michael and Linda Lacey of Melrose, formerly of Charlestown.

### DeCarlo Begins Basic Training

Army National Guard Pfc. Peter V. DeCarlo has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During eight weeks of training, he will study the Army mission and will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, Army history and traditions, and special training in human relations.

DeCarlo, son of Kenneth and Roberta DeCarlo of 7 Sackville St., Charlestown, is a 1991 graduate of Matignon High School.

### PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands 3 times. Say this prayer 3 consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted for you. Grateful thanks.

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