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Residents Welcome Tall Ships For Salute . . . Concerned About Traffic And Parking

Two weeks from now, on Thursday, July 23, tall ships and grey hulls from around the world will enter Boston Harbor in an International Salute to USS Constitution as she marks the 200th anniversary of her first sail.

The sailing ships will be docked in the Charlestown Navy Yard while the naval vessels from around the world will be at Black Falcon Terminal in South Boston. Pier 1 in Charlestown will also be the site for

three days of music, games and entertainment, said to be geared for the whole family.

The USS Constitution Bicentennial Committee of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, chaired by Jim Conway, brought Conventures Inc. representative, Dick Dray, and Marc Vagos, chief ranger, Boston National Historical Park to a meeting at the Legion Hall on July 7 for an update on plans for the celebration as the date

nears. Conventures is the organizer of this celebrat-

It was explained that although the ship was completed in 1797, it took almost a year for her to be outfitted and thus her first sail was in July 1798. Thus the event is planned for the weekend nearest her sail.

Vagos explained that Pier 1 has been named Bicentennial Village for the salute and it will be open for visiting the ships and

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Charlestown Community Family Fun Day

District 15 of the Boston Police Department invites all residents to its annual Charlestown Family Fun Day. It will be held from noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 16 at the Doherty Playground on Bunker Hill Street.

Planned events include a cookout with hot dogs, sausages and hamburgers; chips and popcom; and ice cream.

The Boston Police K-9 Unit will pre-

sent a show, and there will be pony rides by the Boston Police. Also, the District 1 Bicycle Patrol Unit will be on hand.

This program is being sponsored by Capt. Ronald X. Conway, commanding officer, Area A-1; Community Partnership Program "On The Beat;" and Gang-Resistance-Education & Training (G.R.E.A.T.).

For more information, call the Community Service Office at 343-4627.

Two Charlestown Men Presented Certificate Of Recognition



TWO CHARLESTOWN MEN, Brian Mahan and Fred Collins, were recently honored for their efforts in saving the life of 7-year-old Emanuel Saint Simon of Carney Court who fell into the waters of the Little Mystic on May 18. The two men told police that they saw three children walk past them in the park. They then saw the boy unconscious, floating in the water and saw no movement. They pulled him out on the rocks, he spit up and began to cry. He was then transported to MGH for treatment. The Certificates of Recognition from the city of Boston, signed by Mayor Thomas M. Menino, read: "For responding quickly when you heard a child call for help, and once again proving family tradition and values are very strong in this community." Shown (l. to r.) Peter Looney, chairman, Charlestown Neighborhood Council; Ed Mahan, accepting the certificate on behalf of his son, Brian; Boston Police Department Area A Youth Service Officer Ted Boyle; Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services; Area A Community Service Officer Bill Smith; and certificate recipient Fred Collins. (photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

Take A Break From The Heat . . . Come To The Family Bingo

Take a break from the heat and come on down to the Kennedy Center's Community Resource Room at 55 Bunker Hill St. at noon

on Wednesday, July 15 and attend the Family Bingo.

This event is for people of all ages, parents and children 6 years old and up.

Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

So, if you are interested in having a good time with family and friends, winning prizes and enjoying ice cream and snacks, call Martha or Bobbi at 241-8866 to sign up.

Another Family Bingo is being planned for noon on Wednesday, Aug. 19 at 55 Bunker Hill St.

'Townies' Win Bauer Roller Hockey Cup . . . On To East Coast Cup Championship

Over the July 4th weekend, seven 10-year-old Townies competed in a roller hockey tournament with teams from New York City, Upstate New York, Anaheim, California, Greater Boston and Rhode Island. Many of these teams participate in strictly roller hockey events and are exceptional skaters for their age.

In a three-game round robin, the Townies came in first and drew a bye to the championship game where their opponent was Anaheim.

The Townie team, consisted of John Scooter Collins, 7 goals; Tony Rocket Resendes, 5 goals; Tom Destroyer DeRosa, 6 goals; Tim Terminator Buhay, 6 goals; Matt Magicman O'Connell, 4 goals; Neil Nails Gillis, "Mr. Defense;" and, in goal, Mike Mr. O Morancy. The team was too much for this national field.

In the opening game, the Townies beat the East Fishkill, N.Y. club 6-0. Then came a tough Queens, N.Y.



MEMBERS of the Charlestown championship roller hockey team display their medals and awards garnered in their Bauer Cup win. In the front is goalie Michael Morancy. Second row (l. to r.) are players Neil Gillis, Tommy DeRosa, Matt O'Connell, Tony Resendes, Coach Walter Buhay and Linzy Gillis, assistant coach. Third row (l. to r.) players John Collins and Tim Buhay, and Coach Tim O'Connell. Back row (l. to r.) assistant coaches Mark Hanscom, Ryan Murray, Brian Morancy, Dan Buhay and Coach Neil Gillis.

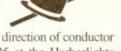
Nightmare team that lost to Charlestown 8-5. This was followed by the trouncing of the Greater Boston team 8-0. Finally came the

championship game where 300 fans were treated to a 6-2 pounding of the Anaheim Hattricks.

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WIN TWO TICKETS TO THE BOSTON POPS



A concert by the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra, under the direction of conductor Keith Lockhart, will be held at 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 25 at the Harborlights Pavilion on Northern Avenue in South Boston. This concert is part of the Bicentennial Salute to the USS Constitution,

A block of tickets have been made available to the Charlestown community by Conventures Inc. and two tickets will be awarded to each person whose name is drawn in a lottery.

Submit the coupon (no reproductions, please) below to The Patriot office, One Thompson Square, by 4 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14. Winners will be announced in the July 16 edition of The Charlestown Patriot.

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

Monday And Friday

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

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

Thursday

- 9 a.m. J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866
 Friday
- 4 to 5:30 p.m. Fresh fruit, vegetables and bread are available for \$1 a bag at the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry, 14 Green St. Bring your own bags.
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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, July 9

 8 p.m. - "Greetings From Hollywood," - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Friday, July 10

- 8 p.m. Brendan Boyer and The Royal Irish Showband - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
- 8 p.m. "Greetings From Hollywood," - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, July 11

- 4 p.m. Department of Environmental Management celebrates its 100th birthday - City Square Park
 - 6 to 8 p.m. Concert In The

Park with the Bridgewater Antiphonal Brass Society, sponsored by the Friends of City Square Park - City Square Park

 8 and 10 p.m. - "Greetings From Hollywood," - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, July 12

• 7 p.m. - "Greetings From Hollywood," - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Monday, July 13

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

Tuesday, July 14

• 9 to 10 a.m. - ReadBoston Story-

mobile - Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

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

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

Wednesday, July 15

- noon Family Bingo, sponsored by the Kennedy Center - Community Resource Room, 55 Bunker Hill St.
- 2 to 7 p.m. Farmer's Market on Main Street across from the Charlestown Branch Library

upcoming events

Monday, July 20

- 6:30 p.m. ESL Conversation Group Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7:30 p.m. Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee Meeting Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Tuesday, July 21

- 9 to 10 a.m. ReadBoston Storymobile Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.
 - · 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Children's Films Char-

lestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

3 p.m. - City Councillor Paul Scapicchio Office Hours
 - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Wednesday, July 22

- noon to 1 p.m. Sen. Thomas Birmingham Office Hours, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 2 to 3 p.m. Congressman Joseph Kennedy Office Hours, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 2 to 7 p.m. Farmer's Market on Main Street across from the Charlestown Branch Library

plan ahead

Thursday, July 23

- 6 to 10 p.m. "Summer Fling," honoring At-Large City Councillor Mickey Roache - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.
 Friday, July 31
- 8 a.m. Annual Bunker Hill Council No. 62, K. of C. Golf Tournament Green Meadow Club sold out
- 7 p.m. "Joey & Maria's Wedding," to benefit the Charlestown Community Center - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, Sept. 27

- Following 11 a.m. Mass Giant Bola Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
 Friday, Oct. 2
- 7:30 p.m. Installation of Officers of Bunker Hill Post
 26, The American Legion Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.
 Thursday, Oct. 15
- 7 p.m. Annual Auction to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Oct. 17

- 7 p.m. 50th Reunion for Charlestown High Classes of 1947, 1948 and 1949 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Sunday, Oct. 18
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Craft Fair, Bishop Lawton Hall,
 St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
 Friday, Oct. 23
- 7 p.m. Life Focus Center of Charlestown 20th Anniversary Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Saturday, Nov. 27, 1999
- 7 p.m. Charlestown High School Classes of 1958 and 1959 Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. (contact:

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★ SPECIAL HAPPENINGS ★

* Thursday, July 9

- 7 p.m. Concert by the Metropolitan Wind Symphony Boston Common
- 8 p.m. Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra Concert, under the direction of 90-year-old Conductor Laureate Harry Ellis Dickson, presents the annual "Arthur Fiedler Memorial Concert" - Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

★ Friday, July 10

- noon Boston Children's Theatre Boston Common
- 7 to 9 p.m. Waterfront Jazz Series featuring The Matt Gordy Quintet - Christopher Columbus Park on the Waterfront
- sunset Free Friday Flicks Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

North End Feasts - Madonna Delle Grazie is scheduled to take place on Endicott Street, July 10-12 and St. Rocco Procession is listed on this weekend for North Margin Street (For more info., call 635-3911)

* Saturday, July 11

- 7 p.m. Oldies 103 Concert with Chubby Checker and Johnny Maestro & Brooklyn Bridge Hatch Shell on the Esplanade
- 7 p.m. Saturday Night Concert On City Hall Plaza

★ Sunday, July 12

• 5 p.m. - WFNX Jazz Concert - Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

* Wednesday, July 15

- noon Smith-Houlihan Academy of Irish Dance -Boston Common
- 7 to 9 p.m. Dorothy Curran Concert with a Rock & Roll Night featuring Herb Reed & The Platters - On City Hall Plaza
- 7:30 p.m. WCRB Classical Concert, featuring
 The French Symphony of Boston Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

* Thursday, July 16

• 6 p.m. - WFNX New Music Concert - Hatch Shell on the Esplanade

For MDC events, call 617-727-1300 ext. 555 For city events, call 617-635-3911

Peabody Elected To **UNICEF** Board

Robert L. Peabody was elected to the board of directors of UNICEF New England at its recent annual meeting. Peabody, a resident of Charlestown, is Assistant United States Attorney, assigned to the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force.

The local affiliate of the U.S. Committee for UNI-CEF, formed in 1967 to raise funds for the world's neediest children, leads the country in the money it raises from its Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF program and is a leader in major gifts and greeting card income.

Hanlon Graduates From Emmanuel College

Denise Hanlon of Everett has been awarded a master of arts degree in education with a concentration in Urban Multicultural studies from Emmanuel College in Boston.

Hanlon is the daughter of Geraldine and Edward Lowney of Charlestown.

Located in the heart of Boston's cultural, medical and educational communities on The Fenway, Emmanuel is a four-year Catholic, liberal arts college for women in the arts and sciences and for women and men in graduate and professional studies.

Tri-Parish Class Confirmed At St. Mary's Church



THE 1998 TRI-PARISH CLASS was confirmed recently at St. Mary's Church by the Most Reverend William F. Murphy. Taking part in the ceremony were Father James Canniff, Father James DiPerri and Father Daniel Mahoney. The 9th grade coordinators were Joan Rae and Alice Ringer, and the 10th grade coordinator was Karen Armbrust. Members of the class (in alphabetical order) are Christina Biggins, Kathleen Boutwell, Meaghan Brady, Jessica Brassil, Christopher Breen, Lauren Elizabeth Brennan, Jessica Lynne Castranova, Brendan Michael Coleman, Ryan J. Connolly, Colleen Cormier, Timothy Dacey Jr., Paul W. Daniels, Kerrin Donahue, Jeffrey Fidler, James

Garvey, John Garvey, Ryan Godfrey, Aileen Gorman, Candace Griffin, Andrew Grzelcyk, Corie Hollien, Patrick Martin-Horrigan, Koji Ikeda, Christopher P. Johnson, Christine Keane, Kelleigh M. Mahan, Ryan Mainey, Joseph A. Marchesi, Michelle Marino, Thomas Miller, Jan Marie Missett, Jennifer Anne Missett, Bonnie O'Leary, Phillip E. O'Neill, Charles D. Packard, Kelly Poliskey, Michael Powers, Stephen Regan, Joseph Roche, Kristen Scales, John Twomey, Jean Marie Wall, John J. Walsh, Kellie Walsh, Joseph Wilkins, Michael Wilkins and John Wrenn.

(photo by Ed Loan)

Join the

Department of Environmental Management in celebrating its 100th birthday!

SATURDAY, JULY 11

Starting at 4 p.m., there will be a traveling exhibit by the DEM, children's games and face painting.

At 6 p.m., featured will be a

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Just a reminder . . . No alcoholic beverages are allowed . . . No pets are permitted in the park . . . Seating on the park wall and benches is limited . . . Blankets and beach chairs are alright.

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Graduates From Carroll School



COLLEEN CARROLL of Charlestown graduated on June 5 from The Carroll School in Lincoln. Carroll, the daughter of James and Mary Carroll, will be attending the Burdett School in the Medical Assistant Program this fall. The Carroll School is an independent day school serving approximately 225 children ages 6-19 from over 100 cities and towns in the greater Boston area and New England.

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Bryson Honored At Newton Country Day

Charlestown resident Emily Bryson was honored for her outstanding academic record at Prize Day at Newton County Day School.

Bryson, a sixth grade student, was awarded a red ribbon certificate for achieving an average of B+ or above with no grade below B-. Bryson was also awarded the Mathematics Prize.



EMILY BRYSON

July Events At City Square State Park

Join Park Ranger Neal Gaffey on Friday, July 10 at 3 p.m. in the production of "park made" ice cream. Learn about the process of dairy production from the cow to the finished product. So mooove on down to City Square Park for some sweet fun.

On Saturday, July 11 from 4 to 8 p.m., The Mass. Department of Environmental Management (DEM) will be marking its 100th anniversary with a celebration at City Square Park.

Events include a concert by the Bridgewater Antiphonal Brass Society, a traveling exhibit by the DEM, children's games and face painting.

Every Tuesday, Friday

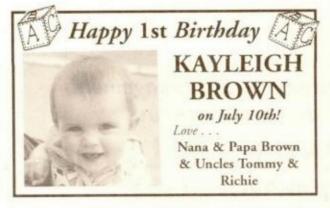
and Saturday, join Gaffey for an interpretive tour of City Square State Park. Explore its history, its birth, its "Golden Era," its destruction and its rebirth. Meet at the site of the "Great House" at 3 p.m.

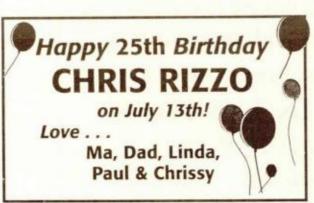
All programs are free.

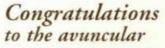
City Square State Park is located in Charlestown at the intersection of Rutherford Avenue and Chelsea Street, across from the Charlestown District Court.

The public is cordially invited to visit the park for interpretive programs, special events, to learn about Charlestown's history and to enjoy a bit of nature in the middle of the city.

For further information, call (617) 242-1065.







WALTER TROY

on your graduation from Bunker Hill Community College in "Computers for The Terminally Terrified"



"The mind has to be used all the time or it goes stale, and you may lose some grey cells."

- Walter Troy, upon his graduation, June 30, 1998

♣ It Was A Grand And Glorious Fourth... with activities for all ages, tours, music, entertainment . . . The MIX 98.5 SkyConcert with fireworks blazing over the harbor on July 2 was spectacular . . . Patriotism flourishes as USS Constitution leaves her Charlestown berth on July 4th and her Salute To The Nation at noon while in the waters off Castle Island . . . and the 25th annual Boston Pops Concert and outstanding fireworks display was memorable! There is no better place to celebrate the Fourth of July than in Boston!

♣ A Night Out For The Adults . . . will be happening tomorrow night, Friday, July 10, as Brendan Boyer and his Royal Irish Show Band pull out all stops at the K. of C. Hall, starting at 7:30 p.m. . . . Tickets, priced at \$15, have been going fast . . . So give a call to

242-0062 to make sure you're there.

 Fun For The Whole Family . . . is happening this week . . . On Saturday, July 11, the Department of Environmental Management, owners of City Square Park, will be hosting an afternoon of fun, beginning at 4 p.m. with a concert by the Bridgewater Antiphonal Society Brass Band starting at 6 p.m. Everything is free of charge and is located, of course, in City Square Park . . . it's Family Beano day at the Kennedy Center's Community Resource Room, 55 Bunker Hill St., starting at noon on Wednesday, July 15 . . . and a Family Fun Day will be hosted by the Boston Police Department with free food, rides and demonstrations starting at noon on Thursday, July 16. It will be at the Doherty Park on Bunker Hill Street . . . And the best thing about these three events is that all are welcome and they are free!

♣ Summer Pool Program Opens . . . The kick-off happened and the Clougherty Pool in Doherty Park has

been a busy place. The hours are:

Open swim is scheduled each day as follows:

11 a.m. - 4 p.m., open swim

4 - 5 p.m., adult lap swim 5 - 7 p.m., open swim

For more information, call Steve Flaherty at 635-5173.

And Speaking Of Opening... The Bunker Hill Museum at 43 Monument Square re-opened last weekend for its 23rd season... According to Charlestown Historical Society President Arthur Hurley, the museum will be open every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sunday from noon to 6 p.m... Come on up and view a bit of history in this grand old building!

♣ Locals Elected And Re-Elected . . . Two residents have been elected to executive positions in local unions . . . Sean Ridings was elected trustee of the Floor-Coverers Local 2168 . . . and Neil Gillis was reelected to his third term as trustee of Carpenters' Local 40 . . . Each will serve a three-year term . . . Congratulations to you both!

♣ The Best Of Birthday Wishes . . . go out to Patriot artist-in-residence and photographer Kathy Whitehouse, who shares her July 10th birthday with former Rose Kolleen Hayes . . . the 13th of July will be party time for Chris Rizzo, who is turning a quarter of a century, and for Mary Rose (Sullivan) Carroll . . . Judie Dunphy marks her big day on July 14th . . . and Jennifer Johnson is sure to celebrate on July 15th . . . The best of birthday wishes to you all!

♣ When You Think Of The Tall Ships ... you might well think of a special wedding day six years ago with streets blocked and tourists flooding the neighborhood ... well, Michael and JoAnn (Sindoris) Doherty sure had a day to remember ... and we wish you much happiness on your July 11th wedding anniversary.

♣ Free In-Line Skating . . . There will be free public in-line skating at the Emmons-Horrigan-O'Neil MDC Rink on Union Street on Thursdays between 6 and 8 p.m. . . . helmets, elbow pads and knee pads are required . . . For more info, call Rich Hart at 617-727-4708.

♣ Plan Ahead . . . If you have events to be publicized and/or advertisements to be placed in the Patriot during August, please plan ahead . . . The Patriot office will close on Friday, Aug. 7 and re-open on Monday, Aug. 24 . . . There will not be a newspaper published on Aug. 13 and Aug. 20 . . . Please plan ahead . . . Any questions? Call Sioux at 241-9511.

♣ Thought Of The Week . . . Tact is the art of making a point without making an enemy.

- Anonymous

around the town

* Farmers' Market . . . The Kennedy
Center is pleased to announce the return of the
Farmers' Market. It will open for the season on Wednesday,
July 15 from 2 to 7 p.m. on Main Street near the corner of
Austin Street and across from the Charlestown Branch
Library. It will be open each Wednesday into the fall.

On grand re-opening day next Wednesday, there will be a clown to entertain the children between 2 and 4 p.m. and there will be balloons and fun for all.

Motorists are asked to cooperate by not parking in this area of Main Street on Wednesdays. There are signs posted requesting no parking in that area and, the Kennedy Center warns the illegally parked cars will be towed at the owners' expense.

- ★ Attention: Residents Of Russell Street . . . Boston Gas has announced that it will be upgrading its distribution system beginning this week and continuing for approximately four weeks.
- The crew will work Monday through Friday from approximately 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- The work will be performed by Boston Gas crews and/or a qualified contractor.
- The road will be open to the public, however, parking may be limited. A construction foreman will be on site to address residential parking needs throughout the duration of the construction.
 - · Boston Gas will provide a police detail, if necessary.
- There may be a lag between temporary and permanent restoration of the street and sidewalk, depending on the weather and ground conditions.
- This work may require some excavation in the area of the foundation of the homes and/or businesses on the street.
 The construction foreman on site will notify customers of interruption of gas service and make necessary arrangements.

If you have any questions, contact Field Engineer Hugh K. Small at (617) 723-5512 ext. 6210, or Lynne Holton at ext. 4526.

★ Temporary Tobin Bridge Ramp Closure . . . Massport officials are preparing for the impending closure of the Everett Street on-ramp to the Tobin Memorial Bridge. As of Monday, July 13, the ramp will be closed to allow construction crews to make structural repairs to the road. The closed will be in place for approximately one year.

Massport representatives have been meeting with public works departments, traffic departments police and fire officials to maintain public safety.

"Maintaining public safety on our roadways is the top

priority," said Mary Jane O'Meara, Tobin Bridge director. "Re-decking of the Everett Street on-ramp is necessary to preserve its foundation. We will continue to work with local authorities to ensure a smooth transition in diverting motorists from using the ramp."

Motorists are urged to use alternative exits along the bridge. It is suggested that extra time be allowed when traveling the bridge.

Construction is set to take place between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

★ Money Still Available For Flood Victims... According to Mayor Thomas M. Menino, Boston homeowners, renters and business owners can apply for federal disaster aid after the record rain on June 13 flooded homes, apartments and businesses.

Those in Suffolk County whose property suffered damage during the floods should apply for funds by calling 1-800-462-9029 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., seven days a week.

After registering, an inspector will call to follow up and, if appropriate, visit the damaged property. The deadline for filing applications is Aug. 22.

★ Community Office Hours . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will be holding office hours on Monday, July 13 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. She will not be having office hours on Monday, July 20.

Evers may also be reached at 635-3485.

- ★ Rep. O'Flaherty Office Hours . . . Rep. Gene O'Flaherty will hold office hours at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14. Constituents who are unable to attend the office hours may call 722-2370 to make an appointment.
- ★ CPS Design Review Committee Meeting . . . The Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, July 20 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Homeowners, abutters and interested residents with design issues may contact Ron Swenson at 242-9213 to be added to the agenda.

★ Sen. Birmingham Office Hours . . . A member of Sen. Thomas Birmingham's staff will be available for community office hours in Charlestown on Wednesday, July 22 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. The public is invited to attend the office hours.

In the event that a constituent is unable to attend, he or she

should contact the senator's office at 722-1650.

★ Congressman Kennedy Office Hours... A member of Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy's staff will hold community office hours in Charlestown from 2 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. Constituents are invited to come in to discuss federal policies, issues and programs with 8th Congressional District staff during the office hours.

For more information, pleas contact Charlestown representative Shawn Connolly at (617) 242-0200.

★ Board Of Appeal Hearing... A petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

Tuesday, July 28 at 9:30 a.m.

 LNB Trust is seeking to change the legal occupancy of 7-9 Sherman St. from a woodworking shop to 13 artists' studio/housing units. (BZC-19678)

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

★ Breast Cancer Resource Guide . . . A comprehensive resource guide, designed to help people diagnosed with breast cancer. is now available. It is a 120-page book, entitled, Breast Cancer Resource Guide of Mass.

There are sections devoted to diagnosis, treatment, genetics, complimentary therapies, support groups, financial help, legal resources, hospitals, and post-mastectomy and post-chemotherapy supplies. There is also a list of print and media resources, and Internet sites to visit for more information. The guide includes sections for patients to record information to share with their physicians, and for health care providers to record information for patients.

The guide is available free by calling 1-888-200-6894.



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It's A Great Grandbaby . . .

Wendy and Michael Godbout of San Jose, California are proud to announce the birth of their son, Steven Michael Godbout, on May 7. The baby weighed 5 pounds 15 1/2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

This is the first grandchild for the baby's maternal grandparents, Michael and Teresa (Strano) Boston of San Jose. Teresa is originally from Charlestown.

The maternal great-grandparents are Rose and Emmanuel Strano of Green Street, Charlestown.

Free Observatory Night

The Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics at 60 Garden St., Cambridge, will present a free program on astronomy at 8 p.m. on July 16. Alan MacRobert of Sky and Telescope magazine will present "Finding your way in the Sky."

For information, call (617) 495-7461.



TERESA (STRANO) BOSTON shows off her grandson, Steven Michael Godbout, all the way from San Jose, California.

Career Opportunity For The Construction Industry

The Boston Building and Construction Trades Council and The Boston Building Trades Training Directors Association offers a 10-week preparatory program that will explain the construction industry to those mature adults who are committed and focused in seeking a career in one of the 17 union building trades and their apprenticeship training programs.

The program will prepare individuals for the aptitude test that is given by most apprenticeship programs, provide remedial math classes, electrical and tool safety, scaffolding, and basic blue print reading.

There are five field trips to training facilities for hands-on experience. Training directors visit the program to provide participants with their application information, requirements, fees, aptitude testing and oral interviews with their joint apprenticeship training committee.

The Apprenticeship Preparedness Program (APP) will prepare participants for this interview. Women In The Building Trades also offers additional classroom support for women students taking part in APP.

Requirements for the program are:

- · you must be at least 18,
- · provide a high school diploma or G.E.D. transcript,
- · be physically able to work in the construction industry, and
- · be of low to moderate income.

The classes takes place at The Mass Highway Department Building on Kneeland Street at South Station on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. and for five Saturday mornings, starting in September. Participants must take part in all classes for the 10 weeks.

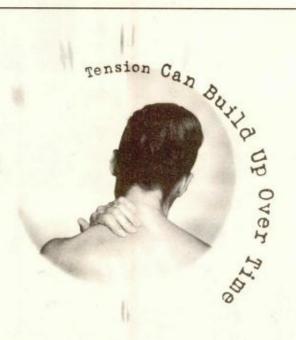
To apply, make an appointment with an intake counselor. Please call Patty Gould at The Kennedy Center at 241-8866 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Evening appointments are available.

APP is free of charge to those applicants who are accepted. Boston residents are given a priority for acceptance, and women, minorities and B.H.A residents are encouraged to apply.

Upon graduation from the 10-week program, monthly meetings are provided for guidance and counseling to ensure that graduates succeed in applying to the union trade apprenticeship program for which they are suited.

The deadline to apply for the the September program is July 21 at 11 a.m.

Call The Kennedy Center at 241-8866 and schedule an appointment with Patty Gould. The application process takes about two hours. Final decisions are made by The Boston Building Trades selection committee and all applicants will be notified by The Kennedy Center by the last week of August.



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ReadBoston Summer Storymobile Has Come To Town!

The ReadBoston's Storymobile program is traveling to Charlestown. Large vans are bringing storytelling, live theater presentations and free books to children this summer.

The Storymobile series is a component of the city's ReadBoston initiative to help all children become good readers by the end of the third grade.

A StoryMobile will be at the Charles-

town Community Center, 255 Medford St. between 9 and 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, and it will continue every Tuesday through

The Storymobile brings activities, interactive theater presentations and free books to encourage reading.

For additional information, please call Joseph Pieri at 635-7323.

Home Improvements At Mishawum Park

The Mishawum Park Tenants Association has been awarded \$500,000 to assist in the rehabilitation and preservation of 337 units of affordable housing at Mishawum Park. Senate President Tom Birmingham and Rep. Gene O'Flaherty note that tenants have an enviable rate of success: this is the fourth \$500,000 government grant they have secured to maintain their housing and their neighborhood.

"We've had a big funding gap for a while," said Al Copithorn, vice chairman of the Mishawum Park Tenants Association, "and we are really down to bare essentials in the buildings right now. This funding will allow us to do some absolutely critical maintenance work, like repairing

roof leaks, broken windows, kitchens and toilets. We're not looking for Beverly Hills style - Bunker Hill style suits us just fine."

Copithorn said the Tenants Association had met with the Senate President at the State House to discuss further funding needs: "Some of our board members went to speak to Sen. Birmingham, and he really took the time to listen to us. He picked up the crusade."

Birmingham remembers the meeting well: "The Mishawum Park Tenants Association is making a historic effort to preserve quality, affordable housing in Charlestown, and we want to do all we can to help them succeed."

"This grant is a step forward in the effort to secure all the funding we need to

complete the rehabilitation of Mishawum Park," said O'Flaherty. "I am pleased that this important development is beginning to get the support it deserves."

Copithorn added that, while grants will enable the Tenants Association to make urgent repairs to the buildings' exterior and to the plumbing system, they will be forced to seek further fundings to begin much-needed work on the interior. "We're very fortunate to have the Senate President and O'Flaherty fighting on our behalf," he said.

"The Mishawum Park Tenants Association can rely on Charlestown's state legislators to continue to support the effort to enhance the housing and the neighborhood," added Copithorn.



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Foley Honored As 1998 Parade Chief Marshal

CHIEF MARSHAL'S BANQUET: Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion, in cooperation with the Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee and Bunker Hill Council No. 62, Knights of Columbus, held its annual "Nite Before" Banquet on June 12 at the K. of C. Hall. Guest of honor was William J. "Bill" Foley, chief of interpretation, Boston National Historical Park, the chief marshal of the 1998 Bunker Hill Day Parade. Photos of the event appear at the left.

TOP ROW: On the left, Father Daniel Mahoney, pastor, St. Francis de Sales Church, delivers the invocation . . . In the center, Parade Adjutant James W. Conway (right) presents a plaque of the Bunker Hill Monument engraved in pewter to Foley, commemorating his service as chief marshal. The plaque was designed by local artist Tom Gorsuch . . . At the right, the Foley family joins in the celebration. Shown (l. to r.) Foley's wife, Ellie; his son, Ryan, Foley; and his daugh-

SECOND ROW: On the left are headtable guests. Seated (l. to r.) CDR. Christopher Melhuish, USN, commanding officer USS CONSTITUTION; Thomas Cunha, president, K. of C. Building Association; and Grand Knight Richard Walsh, Bunker Hill Council. Standing (l. to r.) are Conway, Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio, Father Mahoney and Arthur Hurley, assistant parade adjutant . . . At the right are headtable guests. Seated (l. to r.) are Commissioner Thomas B. Materazzo, city of Boston Veteran Services; Hon. Mary M. Brennan, retired presiding justice, Charlestown District Court; Father James DePerri, pastor, St. Catherine of Siena Church; and Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty. Standing (l. to r.) are Foley; John Burchill, superintendent, Boston National Historical Park; and former House Majority Leader, Richard A. Voke.

THIRD ROW: At the left, Judy Evers (left), regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, and Materazzo (right) present a Paul Revere Bowl to Foley on behalf of the city, in honor of his serving as chief marshal of the parade . . . Second from the left, Voke brings his greetings to the gathering . . . Second from right, Jim Walsh presents a resolution from Senate President Thomas Birmingham to Foley . . . On the right, Charlestown Rose of Tralee Maureen Powers-Miyaguchi congratulates Foley.

FOURTH ROW: On the left, Parade Committee members present Foley with a framed print of the logo used on this year's boosters and t-shirts. Shown (l. to r.) are Conway, Foley and logo designer Don Haska . . . In the center, Foley shares his thoughts with the audience and states that it would not rain on his parade - and it didn't! . . . At the right are (l. to r.) Ethan Beeler, site supervisor, Bunker Hill Monument; Foley, Ellie Foley and Conway.

FIFTH ROW: On the left, guests came forward to congratulate the chief marshal and he presented each person at the dinner with a pewter pin of USS CONSTITUTION, designed by Tom Gorsuch. Shown (l. to r.) are Peg Bradley, Ginger Leonard, Jan Mastrocola, Ellie and Bill Foley . . . In the center is Bunker Hill Post 26, A.L. Commander Ron Taylor . . . At the right, Ellie and Bill Foley greet At-Large Boston City Councillor Peggy Davis-Mullen.

BOTTOM ROW: On the left, Life Focus Center Deputy Director Kevin O'Halloran (far left) with a group of Foley's friends from Life Focus Center at the dinner . . . At the right, the USS CONSTITUTION color guard presents the colors.

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Harvard Mall Community Cleanup

The Teen Shakespeare Company of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club is sponsoring a cleanup of the Harvard Mall, between Main and Harvard streets, in the City Square area of Charlestown. It will take place on Saturday, July 11, starting

The Teen Shakespeare Company recently entertained residents with an outstanding performance of "Romeo and Juliet," and the performance was held in the Harvard Mall.

Also, at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, there will be an additional cleanup by local residents. In the event of rain, the cleanup will be at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15.

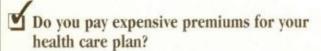
The Harvard Mall is a Boston city park and is dedicated to the memory

of John Harvard, who lived in the area of Town Hill and for whom the university was named.

Area residents are invited to participate in these two cleanups and are encouraged to bring brooms. Other cleaning supplies will be provided to the volunteers.

For more information, please call Pat Simpson at 242-7578.

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Win Bauer Cup

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At the conclusion of the tournament, all players (and some fans) received medals, Bauer hockey helmets, a three-foot high trophy and a pizza party, thanks to Bobby and Jane.

The Townies will be going to Rhode Island to compete in the East Coast Championships where the team will be receiving sponsorships from major sports equipment suppliers. In addition, the Townie roller hockey team will travel to the Pepsi Challenge Cup, The Easton Cup and, maybe, the nationals.

The team would like to thanks the assistant coaching staff of Mark Hanscom, Ryan Murray, Dan Buhay, Brian Morancy, Linzy Gillis, along with coaches Neil Gillis, Tim O'Connell and Walter Buhay, along with the many fans who came to support this very talented group of young-sters.

Courageous Sailing Center Launches 1998 Season

The Courageous Sailing Center, located on Pier 4 in the Charlestown Navy Yard is once again offering free sailing instructions to Boston youngsters. It officially opened its doors for the 1998 season this past Monday.

Established in 1987, the Courageous Sailing Center is a public/private partnership that provides the opportunity for urban youth to enjoy the freedom and excitement of sailing on Boston Harbor free of charge.

The Courageous Sailing Center provides free sailing lessons for Boston youngsters ages 8 to 20 from Monday to Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The program continues through Aug. 28.

For further information, call the center at 242-3821.

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, July 14 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

This week's features are "Chicken Soup with Rice," which is an animated adventure tale that teaches children all about the months of the year. . . "Corduroy" is the story of a stuffed bear who longs for someone to take him home from the department story, tries to find his lost button and has a series of hair-rais-

ing adventures trying to recover it ... and in "Comelius," Cornelius the crocodile walks upright, but no one is interested in his unique perspective on the world until one day he succeeds in capturing his family's attention.

Hugo, a bumbling circus clown, improves his routine with the help of his newly adopted stray dog in "Cannonball." It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Good books to read are Corduroy by Don Freeman and Cornelius by Leo Lionni.

New Look 'Townies' Home Opener Against Maine On Saturday

This Saturday evening, July 11, the Charlestown Football Townies will display their new talent in new uniforms in a new stadium. Kick-off is scheduled for 6 p.m. at East Boston Memorial Stadium against the Maine Blizzard.

Just in from Las Vegas, the Thursday morning line has the Townies listed as a four-point home favorite against a strong but road-weary Maine team. A first-time listing in the favorite column in nearly four years is credited to a strong showing on June 27 against a Middleboro team that contended for the league title last season.

The Townies got off to a slow start in the 14-6 loss to the Middleboro Cobras in the season's opening tilt. However, from the end of the first period on, the new-look Townies controlled the play against the host Cobras. A 72-yard scoring drive to end the first half put the Townies in position to win the ball game. Trailing 8-6 going into the break, the Town Team continued to control the momentum until there was just under seven minutes to play in the game.

On third down and 15, Middleboro threw a desperation pass from the Townies' 36-yard line, that found its target through tight coverage, deep in the corner of the end zone. After blocking the extra point attempt, the Townies continued to control the line of scrimmage.

Following a revamped offensive

line, the Townies offense drove down to within striking distance of a gametying touchdown. At this point, the boys from Bunker Hill found themselves snake-bit once again as a costly penalty put the end zone out of reach.

After the game the Townie coaching staff felt their team played well enough to win against the more experienced club and hope to get to .500 hundred this week at home.

This year's Townies are sporting a more Patriotic look. With a full coaching staff now in place, the Townies feel this is the season to turn things up a notch.

Anyone interested in directions to Saturday's game can call the Townies Hotline at 886-0166.

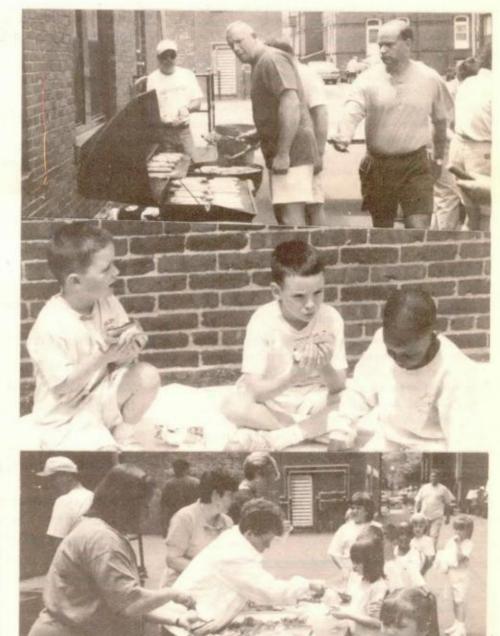
News From Charlestown Catholic Elementary School

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School closed for the year amid a bustle of activity. From final exams, to closing Mass, to Canobie Lake Park field trip, to cook-out, etc, it was an exciting and busy time.

Over 200 children travelled on 6 busses to Canobie Lake Park for an end-of-the-year outing. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of Charlestown Catholic, the trip was enjoyed by all. Many parents accompanied the students as chaperones or to enjoy the day themselves.

Parents, organized by Karen Langan, cooked hot dogs and served a great lunch for children in grades 1-7. Hot dogs, rolls, chips and drinks for the cookout were donated by Johnnie's Foodmaster and Hoodsies were donated by Rosev Dairy. It was a fun day for children and parents alike.

Another generous donation from CHAMP will be held over until September for the school's annual Field The entire school went to the kindergarten rehearsal for the students' graduation. So many children remembered when they were at the front of the school on their own graduation day. It is always such a treat to enjoy the younger children perform for the older children. Though some grades have a waiting list, there is still room in a few grades. For further information, please contact Sister Mary Ellen at 242-0169.



St. Francis de Sales Happenings

Saturday Night Beano Beano Gift Certificates are

available in any denomination at St Francis de Sales Rectory or at the Saturday Night Beano.

Cookbooks

Copies of the Parish Cookbooks are still available from the ushers at Mass or at the rectory. Cookbooks are \$6.00.

Bola Gifts

The Giant Parish Bola that will take place on Sunday, Sept. 27 after the 11 a.m. Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall.

Craft Fair

The Guild of Saint Francis de Sales is sponsoring their annual Craft Fair on Sunday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall (lower church). There are a few tables available. Please contact Alice Ringer at 242-0126 or Joan Rae at 242-0147 to reserve a table. Refreshments will be available. Keep this date in mind

St. Catherine's News

★ CYO Summer Events - CYO Summer events have been planned. All youth and chaperones may now sign up for the events: Georges Island - Tuesday, July 21 (The cost is \$5 for the ferry); All-Dayer - Saturday, July 25 (The price has not yet been set); CYO Harbor Cruise - Monday, July 27; Sunset Beach - Saturday, Aug. 1 (The price has not yet been set, but sign up as soon as possible); Red Sox vs. Royals - Tuesday, Aug. 11; Riverside Amusement Park - Tuesday, Aug. 18 (The price has not yet been set, but those wishing to attend must leave their name, age and telephone

number at the rectory as soon as possible). Any questions, please call St. Catherine's Rectory at 242-1750.

★ Anne Regan Retires - Father DePerri has commended Anne Regan for her work at St. Catherine's Rectory for the past 18 years. He noted that she used her talents in many ways to help promote the interest of the parish while working at the rectory in addition to being a lifelong and loyal parishioner. He stated that those in the parish are especially grateful for her work on various committees, especially the Christmas Bazaar. Father wished her well in her retirement.

IT WAS FOOD AND FUN at the recent cookout for the students of Charlestown Catholic. At the top are parents Joe Langan, Brian Messenheimer and John Doherty keeping the grills going to feed the whole school . . . In the middle are first graders Ryan DeRosa, Marc Considine and Vladimir Desir enjoying their picnic lunch . . . At the bottom, first Graders Christina McCarthy and Bridget Ellis pick up hot dogs. Parents Sharon McSorley, Dodie Boyle and Patti Callahan serve.

Residents Welcome Tall Ships For Salute . . . Concerned About Traffic And Parking

(continued from page 1) the various entertainment specials that will fill the pier for three days.

He said that Thursday, July 23 is essentially a setup day as the tall ships will dock and the Bicentennial Village will be established. The activities get underway at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 24 and the pier will be open to 10 p.m. that night. The hours for Saturday, July 25 will go from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and on the last day, Sunday, July 26, the village will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Vagos told the group that featured on the pier, aside from boarding the ships during certain hours, would be activities for children, live concerts, food vendors and a beer tent. He stated that Pier 1 would be closed to vehicles, except a few with permits to load and unload goods. He stressed that there would be no parking on Pier 1 and publicity on the celebration is carrying this fact.

Vagos went on to say that the Boston Police Department has been asked to close Gate 4 at Chelsea Street to incoming vehicles without a permit and direct people to Gate 5. He related that police seem to be committed to elsewhere in the city and he asked for the support of members of the Neighborhood Council in securing a police presence.

Dray spoke about shuttle buses from 'T' Stations, but was still checking into the runs the buses would make. A local bus driver advised them to look carefully at scheduling shuttles as the bus run on weekends is about every hour, and many of these buses are packed.

The question was raised

as to whether Bunker Hill Community College had been contacted on use of its parking lot for Friday through Sunday, preferably with connections back to the Navy Yard by means of a shuttle. Dray said he had no information on whether a contact had been made with the college.

A Navy Yard resident expressed grave concern on traffic coming into the town and, particularly into the Yard, and becoming trapped on the various piers and dead-end streets, particularly in the residential part of the Yard. She pointed out that the garage in the Yard is quite full in normal times and could not accommodate large numbers of cars. She added that the Yard has undergone a considerable number of changes, not the least of which are an increase in residents and businesses, since the last Seaport Festival in 1994.

Dray said that the organization will be promoting water shuttles between the Charlestown Navy Yard, downtown and Black Falcon. He said that crew members of the visiting ships will travel for free, while the public will be charged \$1 or \$2 per person.

Conway asked if MGH and the MWRA have been asked to utilize their buses which normally run through the Yard, to which Dray said no. He did note that this International Salute would not be on the same scale as the Tall Ships visit in 1992 when the community was sealed off and residents needed a pass. He said that there were no plans to shut down the town.

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Dray outlined the events planned for the celebration, beginning with a Parade of Ships into Boston Harbor starting at 1 p.m. on July 23. He said that "Old Ironsides" would be towed out to the Fish Pier and held there as the visiting ships salute her and as they pass, she will render a gun salute. She will return to her berth at approximately 4 p.m.

Dray went on to say that with the opening of Pier 1 on Friday, ships will post their hours for tours and family oriented activities, face painting, a magician, and entertainment, including live radio broadcasts from the Pier will get underway and continue during stated hours until the salute concludes at 7 p.m. on July

26.

Saturday evening will include a Parade of Lights through Boston Harbor, noted Dray. Ships of all shapes and sizes will be decorated and illuminated as they travel from Castle Island down Boston Harbor, making at turn at Pier 1 in Charlestown. The ships will be judged and prizes awarded. The evening will conclude with a fireworks spectacular over the harbor at 10 p.m. This is in addition to the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra concert at Harborlights Pavilion in South Boston, starting at 8 p.m.

Dray stated that there were the same parking concerns at Black Falcon in South Boston as there are in Charlestown. He assured the residents that fire, safety, medical and traffic plans were in place. He told the committee that this would be international exposure for the community and he feels that it will be "a tremendous success with a minimum impact." Conway countered with "impacts are always greater than expected."

Committee member Tom Cunha, who is ombud for the 'T', told Dray that he would like to see their traffic plan for the event, and an appointment was set for them to meet. Cunha said that it will be a great celebration for Boston and other areas, "but Charlestown has to live for those three days."

Cunha also asked how this community "comes out" with non-profits and businesses having an opportunity to take part. Dray said he did not know as they were dealing with Boston Concessions on food sales within the park and potential food vendors have to go through Boston Concessions, telephone 499-2700.

Although merchandising and food sales was brought up at the Feb. 26 meeting and a Conventures representative told that gathering that "there might be opportunities" for Charlestown organizations to sell at the event, at the meeting, there was no information as to the procedure.

On Wednesday, the Patriot contacted Patricia Papa from the Mayor's Office of Special Events & Tourism was in charge of licensing vendors that would be located outside the perimeters of the park. She was not specific as to what, if anything, would be approved for sale and said that if anyone had a proposal to call her at 635-3911.

A vote to ask the Neighborhood Council's Executive Committee to send a letter to the mayor, and the Boston Police and Transportation departments for "suitable police protection" passed unanimously. Members present included: Conway, Cunha, Edna Kelly, Bill McCabe, Bill Galvin, Marty O'Brien and Don Haska.

Residents still had concerns as the meeting drew to a close. Ron Taylor warned that "if the weather is good, there is going to be a lot of people here!"

Ships To Visit Boston Harbor For The Bicentennial Of USS Constitution's First Sail

Tall ships will parade into Boston Harbor again! To honor the USS Constitution, the U.S. Coast Guard Barque Eagle and the Argentine Frigate A.R.A. Libertad, the largest of the visiting Tall Ships, will journey into port this month in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the USS Constitution's first sail.

Eagle, the flagship of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, is used for the sail training of U.S. Coast Guard cadets in the disciplines of seamanship. It measures over 290 feet and has a crew of over 200 officers and cadets.

Libertad, commissioned by the Argentinean Navy in 1963, is almost 350 feet in length. Joining these two extraordinary sailing vessels in Boston Harbor will be the H.M.S Rose from Connecticut, the Ernestina from Fall River, the Providence from Rhode Island, the Bowdoin from Maine Maritime Academy and the Spirit of Massachusetts from Newburyport. The Tall Ships will be berthed at the Charlestown Navy Yard.

On Thursday, July 23 at 1 p.m. the ships will sail in Boston's first International Salute, paying tribute to "Old Ironsides" in an afternoon of pageantry and excitement. The International Salute may be viewed from many sites along Boston's waterfront. The tall ships will be docking in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The bicentennial celebration also includes frigates and destroyers from around the globe which will be berthed at the Black Falcon Cruise Terminal. Visitors will have the opportunity to board a number of vessels while they are in port and join in the series of weekend festivities at the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Free concerts, a boat parade of lights and evening fireworks will entertain spectators and celebrate this two-century-year-old ship. There will also be nautical demonstrations, songs and music from the sea, and other "Americana" activities, as well as the New England Aquarium's Tide Pool and children's programming for families to enjoy.

A schedule of the various concerts and entertainment on Pier 1 in the Charlestown Navy Yard will be published in next week's Patriot. The Pier will come alive on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 24 to 26.

Also, the lottery winners for two tickets to the special Boston Pops Concert, under the direction of Keith Lockhart, at the Harborlights Pavilion in South Boston at 8 p.m. on Saturday, July 25, will be announced in next week's Patriot. Be sure you submit the coupon found on the front page of this week's Patriot and take a chance in order to be present at this grand concert, that will include the 1812 Overture, complete with cannon fire.

For more information, visit the USS Constitution Bicentennial Salute web site at http://www.boston.com/oldironsides or contact the information line at 204-4250.



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CHarlestown Against Drugs Junior Bowling League Awards Ceremony

by John Dillon

The annual award ceremony and luncheon for the CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Bowling League was held recently at the American Legion Hall on Adams Street. Trophies were awarded to all the youngsters, and I would like to report who won all the hardware.

The championship team was Diane Modica's with bowlers Eric Lynch, Casey Durham, Chris Boutwell and Joey Burke. They all received championship trophies and jackets.

The McCarthy Brothers, Chris Schievink, Jessica Grace, Matt Hickey and Tim Venezia, received second place trophies and team jackets.

This year the league had two Triple Crown winners - high average, high string and high triple string - and they were John Harrington and Sheilann Williams. What these two bowlers did was unbelievable and something that is very rarely seen.

On the boys' side, Mike Shackford got the second high three with 314, Chris Boutwell got second high single with 110, and Matt Paley matched the high average

On the girl's side, Jessica Grace had a great year and took all the second place trophies with a second high three at 259, a second high single at 104 and a second high average. The most improved bowlers were Casey Schievink for the girls and

Brendan Brassil for the boys. All the other bowlers received team trophies.

The league would like to thank the sponsors for helping us all year with our expenses. They were Diane Modica, The Charlestown Patriot, McCarthy Brothers, Red Store, Jenny's Pizza, American Legion, Kennedy Center, Bunker Hill Real Estate, Jim and Carol Connors (The Shamrocks), and Crickets for my son who passed away.

Special thanks go out to a couple of special people, Gloria and Jim Conway. Gloria sponsors a team every year and puts our column in the paper every week. And when we couldn't get a hall several years ago, Jim Conway stepped forward and offered us the American Legion hall for as long as we needed it. Charlestown is very fortunate to have these two people living in this community.

I would also like to thank the parents for bringing something to the luncheon, especially the baked goods, and Jenny's Pizza for the best pizza in town. Special thanks go to Rita Mahoney, the league secretary, who did so much to keep the league going; to Dolly Harris for helping me with the matchups every week; and to the people that helped me clean the hall - Linda Shackford, Rita Mahoney, Casey Durham, Dotty Harris, Karen Paley, Mike Shackford and Matt Paley.

Have a nice, safe summer. See you in



128; and high triple, 328 . . . On the right are members of the second place McCarthy Brothers team. Shown (L. to r.) Jessica Grace, Chris Schievink, Matt Hickey and Tim Venezia. SECOND ROW: On the left is Mike Shackford who was honored for bowling the second highest triple at 314 . . . Second from the left is Sheilann Williams who won the Triple Crown with a high average of 76, high triple with 265 and high single with 104 . . . In the center is Chris Boutwell who claimed the second

high single spot with 110 . . . Second from the right is Jessica Grace, who earned the second high average with 69, the second high triple with 259 and second high single with 101 . . . At the right is Casey Schievink, sporting the most improved girl trophy. THIRD ROW: On the left is the most improved boy, Brendan Brassil . . . Second from the left is Matt Paley who tied for the high average

with 88 . . . Second from the right are lady bowlers (l. to r.) Casey Schievink, Sheilann Williams, Courtney Schievink, Jessica Grace and Michelle Williams . . . On the right is Kevin Celata, holding his team trophy. BOT-TOM ROW: On the left is Shawn Burke and Kevin LaVallee holding their team trophies . . . At the right is Jared Silva and Casey Durham.

SUMMER GED TESTING

The summer GED Test will be administered Aug. 10, 11, and 12 at the Charlestown Community Center. Preregistration is required for first-time testers and for retesters. Registration dates are Monday, July 13 to Thursday, July 22.

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- Pawtucket Trip... The Boston Police Department's Area A Youth Officer, Ted Boyle, rolled out the blue and white van the other night, and headed south for the first Pawtucket Red Sox trip of the summer. Ten "Townies" took part in the trip, organized by the Andy Puopolo Summer of Success pro-
- Softball Challenge . . . The North End Softball League would like to challenge the Charlestown Softball League to an All-Star game on Wednesday, Aug. 5 at the North End Park. The event would be part of the North End Family Pride Week, which is being hosted by North End Against Drugs. Call Mike Gianosoli at 889-2549 for details.
- Scapicchio Hoop Tournament . . . Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio will host a basketball tournament for teams made up of players 16 and over. Anyone interested in submitting a team, should call Vinny LaBella at 635-3200 for all the information. The cost is \$50 per team, and shirts will be provided.
- Area A Roller Hockey ... Week two of the Boston Police Area A Roller Hockey League highlights include big-time scorers, standout goal tending, an OT victory, a tie and, of course, some rain.

Mike Doe erupted for five goals as Eden Street picked off its opening win of the year, defeating the New Kids 6-3.

Paul Hennessy had both goals for Newtowne, but highly recruited Chet Ferreira's second goal of the game was the winner as Dunstable Street grounded the "Tampa Express," 3-2. In its nightcap, Dunstable Street and the Smugglers battled to an 8-8 draw. John Murphy had four goals for the Smugglers.

In another stellar goaltender's game, Joe Brennan had the overtime game-winner as Main Street topped the Smugglers, 8-7. Jimmy McIsaac and Mike Lehey were outstanding in the nets. Joe "Fingers" Wilkins had a hat trick for the Smugglers.

Raindrops, yes! All the Wednesday activities were postponed. All games will be made up.

Standings: Smugglers 1-1-1, Dunstable Street 1-1-1, Eden Street 1-0-0, Newtowne 1-1-0, Main Street 1-1-0, New

- College Board, Oops . . . Former Matignon star, Niko Dimitrakos, will be attending Maine where he will be playing hockey . . . Sorry to disappoint the "Wildcat" fans!
- ♠ Mike Kelly A-OK . . . I paid a visit to MGH on Sunday.

to see Mike Kelly and, contrary to all rumors, Mike is doing real well and looks great. He says "Hello" to all his friends, and he should be home this week.

- ♣ Special Olympics At BU . . . Coaches Shea and Fleming (Townie) led a great Charlestown High School delegation to the state Special Olympics at Boston University. All the Olympians won medals and had the opportunity to meet with BU standout, Travis Roy. Participants were Marlon Germain, Kathleen Thompson, Jessica Liena, Joao Cardoza, Wayne Jenerson, Vincent Bennett, Vitaliana Gonsalves, Shavette Payne, Kiera Martin, Andre Arijeetey, Terrilyn Noah, Vareria Abeland and Nipha Miller.
- ♣ Townie Opener . . . The Charlestown Townies Football Team will be looking for its first win of the young season when it hosts Maine on Saturday, July 11 at East Boston Stadium. Kick-off time is scheduled for 6 p.m. This year, all Charlestown home games will be played at East Boston
- ♣ Tidbits . . . Birthday Best to Mrs. "D" . . . Word has it that Mike Kelly's crew is aka Charlestown's "Most Eligible," except for Mike!

Smile!

CHARLESTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

The Little League District 9 Tournament started on July 7 with defending champs, Charlestown, hosting Mission Hill. The winner of this game will play Upper Roxbury in Roxbury on July 9.

The 9- to 10-year-olds are playing in the Mayor's Cup in South Boston this coming weekend. Both teams will play at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. Come and give these players your support. Good luck to all the teams!

All registration fees and booster tickets are past due please return the money to the Clubhouse. Senior League fees are now due.

A few more senior players are welcome. Come down to the clubhouse if you are interested.

> Senior League Schedule All Games At Ryan Field

Friday, July 10, 6 p.m. - American Legion vs. Kipo's Pizza

Monday, July 13, 6 p.m. - Foodmaster vs.

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Wednesday, July 15, 5:45 p.m. - Kipo's Pizza vs.

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Wednesday, July 15, 8 p.m. - American Legion vs. John Hancock SS

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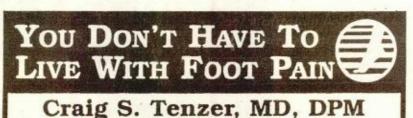
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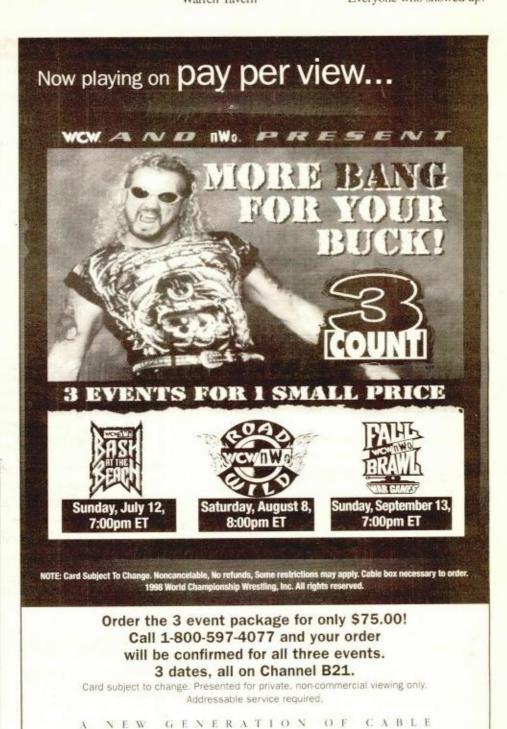
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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway, Commander, District A-1, **Boston Police Department**

Sunday, June 28

A Charlestown man was in a bar in the Navy Yard at about 10:30 p.m. and, while he was standing there, he placed his brown canvas bag on the floor by his feet. About 15 minutes later when he was set to leave, he realized his bag was missing. The bag contained personal items and a Quad Com digital cellular phone, valued at \$250.

Monday, June 29

A Charlestown man reported that between 4 p.m. on June 27 and 7 a.m. on this date, someone removed his Audio-Vox cellular phone, valued at \$100, from the kitchen table in his Tibbetts Town Way apartment. There was no sign of forced

Police responded to a radio call to Walford Way where a Charlestown woman stated that between 2 and 5 p.m. two unknown witnesses saw a Charlestown woman trying to push up a living room screen in her apartment, causing damage.

Wednesday, July 1

At about 12:58 p.m., officers responded to Elm Street on the report of a vandalism in progress. The officers spoke to a 32year-old Charlestown man who said that he observed the suspect, a 42-year-old neighbor, bend over at his parked auto with a sharp instrument in his hand. When the man went over to look at his auto, he observed a one-inch cut on the seam of the driver's side rear tire. The man told the police that there has been a long-standing dispute with the suspect. The officer spoke to both parties and suggested they resolve the matter through the court.

At 9:05 p.m., members of the Drug Control Unit, along with Area A police, arrested a 27-year-old Charlestown woman on Old Landing Way on a default warrant issued by the Somerville District Court for shoplifting.

Thursday, July 2

At 9:20 a.m., a 49-year-old Charlestown man was arrested at the Charlestown District Court on an outstanding warrant for operating an uninsured vehicle.

At 10 a.m., police responded to Bunker Hill Street and placed a 26-year-old Charlestown man under arrest on a warrant.

While on foot patrol near Pier 4 in the Navy Yard at about 11:30 a.m., the officer observed a 31-year-old Charlestown man drinking what was believed to be beer from a paper cup. The officer noted that he was unsteady on his feet and was shouting at commuters waiting for the water shuttle. He was asked to leave the area and he refused. He was then transported to Area A and charged with being disorderly. His auto was

At about 2:30 p.m., officers were called to CVS in the Bunker Hill Mall on the report of security holding a shoplifter. The officers determined that the suspect, a 31-year-old Woburn woman, had an outstanding warrant from the Woburn District Court. She was placed under arrest.

At 6:47 p.m., police were called to Bunker Hill Street where a 45-year-old Charlestown woman told them that last week, her sister had borrowed her gold ring, valued at \$3,000, and she has refused to return it. The woman also said she gave her sister \$54 which she refuses to pay back. The suspect told police that she had returned the ring and had never borrowed money. Officers advised the woman to seek complaints of larceny at the Charlestown District Court.

Friday, July 3

At 12:30 a.m., officers were called to Eighth Street on the report of a man assaulted. The 26-year-old Charlestown man told the police that after leaving a friend's apartment and while walking down the hallway, he was approached by a man unknown to him and who, for no reason, punched him in the face. The man states that he fell to the ground, dazed, with his nose bleeding. The man was transported to MGH with a possible broken nose.

Police responded to Walford Way and Polk Street at 7:54 a.m. on the report of an accident and found a motorcycle down. A 24-year-old Revere man was lying on his back and stated that the motorcycle failed to make a left turn onto Polk Street. The man was taken to the hospital with possible back and neck

A Charlestown man reported that between 9 p.m. on July 2 and 9 a.m. on this date, his motor vehicle had been broken into while it was parked in the vicinity of 450 Main St. Taken was a Sony disc player, valued at \$450; a cellular phone with a cord, \$159; a pair of glasses, \$350; a blood-testing kit, \$150; a 35-mm camera, \$200; and a small Sony camcorder, \$450. There was no sign of forced entry.

At 5:30 p.m., police were called on the report of a fight on Tibbetts Town Way. They met a 32-year-old Charlestown man who stated that he had an argument with two brothers who have been his friends for 12 years. He said they had argued over money and then they assaulted him. The man was transported to MGH with head and nose injuries. He will seek complaints in the Charlestown District Court.

Saturday, July 4

A Charlestown man reported that his rented motor vehicle was vandalized while it was parked on Park Street between 10 p.m. on July 3 and 8:30 a.m. on this date. Two passenger side tires were damaged.

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ed that between 5 p.m. on July 3 and 8:45 a.m. on this date, his stand had been broken into, the window had been smashed and \$60 had been taken from the cash register.

A Charlestown man stated that between 6 p.m. on July 3 and 9 a.m. on this date, the tires on the passenger side of his motor vehicle had been slashed while it was parked on Park Street.

A Charlestown woman reported that between 5 p.m. on July 3 and 9:25 a.m. on this date, the tires on the passenger side of her motor vehicle had been slashed while it was parked at Chestnut Street and Monument Square.

A Charlestown man stated that between 10 p.m. on July 3 and 10 a.m. on this date, the four tires on his motor vehicle had been slashed while it was parked on Park Street.

A Beverly woman stated that between 2:45 and 8:30 p.m., someone entered her auto while it was parked on Polk Street and stole a purple-colored wallet containing \$75, a Mass. driver's license, various ID's, a credit card and a checkbook.

Police responded to Chappie Street at 11:30 p.m. on the report of a hit and run to a motor vehicle, causing damage to the front and hood. The license plate number, which was obtained by witnesses, belongs to a man from Dennisport.

Sunday, July 5

A Charlestown man reported that he parked his auto on Prospect Street at 7 p.m. on July 4 and when he returned to the vehicle at noon on this date, he found a large dent in the rear bumper. There were traces of dark blue and red paint on his brown auto.

Police were called to a Bunker Hill Street apartment where a Charlestown woman told him that she went away at 8 p.m. on July 3 and when she returned at 9 p.m. on this date, she found that her front door lock had been damaged and entrance was possible, but nothing appeared to be disturbed.

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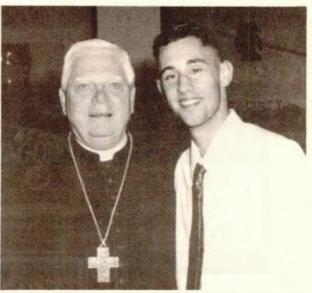
The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday evenings,

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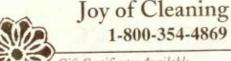
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Each mini-camp will concentrate on a single sport with youngsters choosing from soccer, lacrosse, track & field, football and baseball/softball. High school and college coaches

will teach all sessions Professional and college athletes will be making surprise guest appearances and all participants will receive certificates and Tshirts upon completion of each mini-camp.

Please note that participants must provide their own lunch and transportation, and that preregistration will be required for both groups and individuals.

The schedule for Sartori Stadium is as follows: July 13 to 17 - soccer; July 21 to 24 - lacrosse; July 28 to 31 - track & field; Aug. 11 to 14 - football; and Aug. 18 to 21 - baseball/softball.

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HMO EXECUTIVES ARE ATTACKING CHRIS GABRIELI

IN THE FIGHT TO PROTECT PATIENTS, CHRIS GABRIELI IS TAKING ON THE HMOs.

(On June 25, the HMOs attacked Chris Gabrieli after he ran an ad in support of the Patients' Bill of Rights. They wanted him to cave in. Here is Chris Gabrieli's response.)



Innovative Ideas that Work for Families

democrat for congress

July 7, 1998

Massachusetts Association of HMOs 18 Tremont Street Suite 305 Boston, MA 02108-2301

Dear Massachusetts Association of HMOs:

Your attacks on me and my support for a Patients' Bill of Rights only reinforce my commitment to reforms that will ensure patients get the quality health care that they pay for and deserve.

Let me reiterate where I stand.

I believe we need a Patients' Bill of Rights. In Congress, I will fight for Senator Kennedy's legislation, an important step to protect patients.

I will work to end the gag rule nationally – I believe doctors should feel free to give patients their best medical advice without the fear of retribution. This is a real problem, although in your letter attacking me you deny the problem even exists. As the American Medical Association made clear in a statement to the Subcommittee on Health [July 30, 1996], "federal legislation is necessary to make 'gag clauses' null and void in all health plans."

I will work to make sure patients have a fair and swift right to appeal when an HMO denies them the health care they need. Too many health care decisions are based on what's financially best for the HMOs, and not what's best for the patients. Your blanket denial of this is a cause for grave concern; it reminds me of the cigarette executives standing before Congress and claiming that nicotine is not addictive. Senator Kennedy's legislation has several important reforms to help ensure patients are protected. Rather than deny the existence of a problem, you should be working to help resolve it and support this bill.

Finally, let me end on a personal note. I attended two years of medical school before leaving to work in the family health care software business, and I have worked in the biotech field for many years. Through these experiences, I have developed a deep appreciation for the wonders of modern medicine and for the dedicated doctors and nurses who practice it. My highest priority is to ensure that all Americans have access to quality health care. No one should be denied life saving treatment because they're in the "wrong" HMO. No one should be denied knowledge of medical options when facing a medical decision. To be clear, none of your attacks on me or distortions of the issues will dissuade me from fighting for these badly needed reforms. In short, your attempt to gag me will not work. I will continue to fight for the reforms needed to protect working families in the Eighth District and across the nation.

Sincerely.

Chris Gabrieli

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For a complete copy of the HMOs' letter attacking Chris Gabrieli, his response, and other facts, see www.gabrieli.org. Or call for more information: (617) 354-0060.

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8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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