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around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . . Development Committee On Parcel R-87

The Development Committee meeting on Parcel R-87 scheduled for 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday Jan. 9 at the American Legion Hall, has been cancelled.

Chairman Tom Cunha has stated that the committee will meet to discuss the proposed development of this parcel, located at Lowney, Tremont and Prospect streets, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 23 at the American Legian Hall, 23 Adams St. He said that representatives from the Boston Redevelopment Authority will be invited to attend.

Basic Services Committee On Ironsides Grill

Chairman Bill Galvin has announced that the Basic Services Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 13 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. to review the application by McLaughlin Restaurant Inc. scheduled to go before the Boston Licensing Board on Jan. 15. The petition includes a request by the Ironsides Grille for an outside patio for dining at its 25 Park St. location.

Public Safety Meeting

Co-Chairmen John Dillon and Bill Mc-Cabe have announced that the next Public Safety/Police Community Relations meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

Basic Services Committee On Monument Square Antennae

Chairman Bill Galvin has announced that the Basic Services Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 16 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. (at the corner of Chestnut Street) to hear a presentation by Gunwyn/Charlestown Limited (continued on page 5)

Mayor Menino Kicks Off Boston's Participation In 'Old Ironsides' Pennies Campaign



MAYOR THOMAS M. MENINO and Commander Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer of USS CONSTITUTION, watch Harvard-Kent Elementary School students Chris Dacey, age 10, of Charlestown, and Irellisse Rodriquez, age 10, of Roxbury, pour pennies collected by the school children at the Kent into the collection chest at a recently held ceremony at the USS Constitution Museum. Menino kicked off Boston's participation and that of its school children to raise funds to purchase sails for "Old Ironsides."



BOSTON KIDS HAVE PENNY POWER to help raise funds for the "Old Ironsides" Pennies Campaign to purchase sails for USS CONSTITUTION stated Mayor Thomas M. Menino at a recent ceremony at the USS Constitution Museum. He further committed his support and that of the city to help raise the necessary funds to see USS CONSTITUTION sail in July of 1997. Shown (I. to r.) Ann Grimes Rand, curator, USS Constitution Museum; CDR. Robert L. Gillen, USN (ret.), national chairman of the Pennies Campaign; Mayor Menino; CDR. Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer, USS CONSTITUTION; Jacqueline "Jackie" Latta, vice president, Charlestown Cooperative Bank which is the depository of the "Old Ironsides" Pennies Campaign; and Legion Past National Historian James W. Conway, American Legion/veterans coordinator for the Pennies Campaign.

How Can You Help The Old Ironsides Penny Campaign? Send or bring your donation, in any amount, to: Old Ironsides Penny Campaign, Charlestown Cooperative Bank, P.O. Box 38, Charlestown, MA 02129. Funds raised during this campaign will go to purchase sails for the ship in celebration of her 200th anniversary this year. It is hoped that she will sail out into the harbor under her own power for the first time since 1881.

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· 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

First and Third Sundays

· 6:30 p.m. - CHarlestown After Murder Program (CHAMP) meeting, St. Catherine's Rectory, 49 Vine St. All are welcome

Mondays · 2 to 5 p.m. - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neigh-

borhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 • 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Nicotine Anonymous support

group meeting, Armed Services YMCA, 150 Second Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard

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

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

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

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

CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, Jan. 9

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

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on Parcel R-87 - cancelled

• 7 p.m. - Adult Book Discussion Group meeting featuring "Ram of

God" by John B. Keane - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, Jan. 10

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

Monday, Jan. 13

· 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee meeting on proposed outdoor seating at Ironsides Grille - Mary Colbert Apartment, 20 Devens St.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 · 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. -Children's Films - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

· 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee meeting - Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

upcoming events

Thursday, Jan. 16

· 3:30 p.m. - Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games - Charlestown Branch Library, 179

• 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee meeting on proposed antenna on top of 30 Monument Square - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. Friday, Jan. 17

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

 5 p.m. - Deadline for submitting nomination papers for Kennedy Center Board of Directors - Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.

· 8 p.m. to midnight - Comedy Night Fund-Raiser to benefit Charlestown Gym Hockey - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Monday, Jan. 20

Martin Luther King Day Holiday

• 7:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion monthly meeting - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

· 7:30 p.m. - Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

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

Tuesday, Jan. 21

· 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 - Community Resource Room, 55 Bunker Hill St.

 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Development Committee meeting on proposed renovation of the Boys & Girls Club - Boys & Girls Club, High Street

Wednesday, Jan. 22

 3 p.m. - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. meeting - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

plan ahead

Saturday, Jan. 25

· 8 p.m. to midnight - Annual Nite Before Fund-Raising Dance to benefit Charlestown Youth Hockey - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, Feb. 14

· 8 p.m. - An Evening with Tommy Makem to benefit the Pipes & Drums of Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

THANK YOU, GOD

Say nine Hail Marys for nine days and ask for three wishes. First business, second and third is for the impossible. Have this published on the ninth day and your wishes will come true even though you may not believe in it.

Saturday, Feb. 15

· 7 p.m. - Country & Western & Valentine Dance, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Feb. 22

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

It's A Boy . . .

Dominic and Cheryl Monzione of Lynnfield, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Dominic Leo, on Dec. 21. He weighed 7 pounds 8 oun-

The maternal grandparents are Eileen and Leo Breen of Melrose.

The paternal grandparents are Mary and Dominic Monzione of Chelsea.

Great-grandparents are Leo and Alice Breen of Arlington, and Kitty and the late Denis Sullivan of Charlestown.

TIARA To Meet On Jan. 10

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a business meeting followed by a program on Friday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall, at Boston College.

This month's program will feature Jim Gallagher of the Ancient Order of Hibemians (AOH) who will display the famed Cross of the Sliding Coffin, which has been fashioned by nuns in Maynooth, Co. public is welcome.

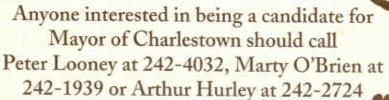
Kildare. They've taken a famous sliding coffin from the Great Famine and fashioned a cross from it. Gallagher will also talk about the contributions the AOH has made to the Irish immigrant community.

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O'Flaherty Sworn In As State Representative

As most area residents were waking to a chilly New Year's Day, Eugene L. O'Flaherty was swom in as Charlestown's first new state representative in almost two decades.

The 28-year-old Boston attorney took the oath of office along with 25 other new representatives on Jan. 1. O'Flaherty assumes the seat held by former Rep. Richard A. Voke, who recently retired from elective office.

The O'Flaherty clan attended the inaugural ceremony at the State House, along with several friends and supporters. Surrounded by family and friends, O'Flaherty was upbeat as



REP. EUGENE "GENE" L. O'FLAHERTY
he reflected on the term ahead. "I am very proud

and honored to assume the position of state representative," he said. "I know I will have to work hard and that is what I am here to do."

O'Flaherty said his first day as a legislator will include trying to offset potential toll increases expected because of reduced federal funding for the Central Artery Project.

"The residents of Charlestown and Chelsea realize the physical toll the Tobin Bridge has on our communities," said O'Flaherty, "we need to mitigate that as much as possible."

The new representative will be announcing office hours in Charlestown shortly.

HAPPENINGS AT THE CHARLESTOWN WORKING THEATER 442 Bunker Hill St. 242-3285

We hope that everyone had a happy and healthy New Year celebration. The theater has some great plans, and we hope to offer something for everyone in 1997!

• Thank You! - Thank you to the Golden Age Center and the Mary Colbert Apartments for hosting our Children's Choir at their Holiday Event. The kids really enjoyed singing their holiday program for the seniors, and special thanks go out to music director Stephen Lee for his excellent leadership. Also, thank you to the Celata family who hosted a very special Chinese dinner for the choir. Everyone had a great time! Thanks, too, to the irreplaceable Francis Flynn, who was a fabulous chaperone!

• Class Registration - Registration for classes will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25 from noon to 3 p.m. We will be offering acting, dancing and singing classes. Also at this time, we will hold sign-up for those interested in participating in our next production. Our classes are open to ages 7 to 18, and we will have more information about upcoming productions at registration. Please call the theater for more information, or stop by on registration day.

 Parents Meeting - We will hold a meeting for all parents and guardians of the participants of our youth programs on Thursday, Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. Our programs are growing and we need your advice. This will be a good time to meet other parents, voice your opinions and help us steer a course for the future.

 Java Theater Co. - Milton Koikendall, artistic director of Java Theater, teaches a scene study class for adults at the theater every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. There is a fee for this class and, if you would like information, please call the theater.

Pictures, Pictures, Pictures! - Eddie Loan has
the pictures from Little Women, Angels, Fireflies and
Lambs and The Littlest Angel. He will be at the theater on class registration day from noon to 3 p.m. with
the pictures and order forms. We will also have an
album available at the parents' meeting if that proves
more convenient for you.

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

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Elections For Kennedy Center Board Of Directors

The John F. Kennedy Family Service Center will hold elections for seats on the Board of Directors on Tuesday, Jan. 21. Terms are for two years beginning Jan. 28.

Nomination papers will be available at the Kennedy Center main office, 27 Winthrop St., on Friday, Jan. 10. They will be due back with 25 signatures of precinct residents over 18 years old by Friday, Jan. 17 at 5 p.m. Seats available are for Precincts 1, 2, 4 and 6. All Charlestown residents over 18 years old are eligible to run.

For further information, please call Kate McDonough, executive director, at 241-8866.

It's A Boy . . .

Kelly and Joseph Lahiff of Charlestown, are proud to announce the birth of their son, John Paul, on Dec. 30, at 12:01 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds 11 oun-

The maternal grandparents are Paul and Linda Howell of Charlestown.

The paternal grandparents are John and Eleanor Lahiff of Lexington.

Sharing great-grandparent honors are Dorothy Arsenault of Charlestown and Frances Green of Somerville.

John Paul was welcomed home by his big sister, Taylor Mary, age 3.

Mrs. Lahiff is the for-

mer Kelly Howell.

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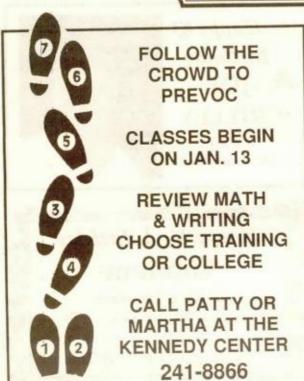
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St. Francis de Sales Happenings

Hungry Sunday

This weekend, Jan. 11 and 12, is Hungry Sunday weekend. Everyone is asked to bring to Mass one can of non-perishable food such as meat products, vegetables, soups or fruit. This food will go to the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry.

9th Grade Confirmation Class

The 9th Grade Confirmation Class, Confirmation One, meets Monday, Jan. 13 in the Bishop Lawton Hall. The girls will meet at 6 p.m. and the boys will meet at 6:45 p.m. Every student must be on time for the beginning of class.

10th Grade Confirmation Class

The 10th Grade Confirmation Class, Confirmation Two, meets Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall. Every student must be on time for the beginning of class. To be eligible for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 18, every student must be present for all eight Confirmation classes for the sophomore class.

Mass For The Anointing

On Sunday, Feb. 9 at 12:30 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall, there will be a Mass for the Anointing for all members of the parish who may wish to receive this special Sacrament of God's love for strength of body and soul.

Seniors Valentine Party

All the senior citizens of the parish are cordially invited to a parish Valentine Party on Sunday, Feb. 9 in the Bishop Lawton Hall, after the Mass for the Anointing, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The afternoon party will consist of lunch, entertainment and dancing. If you would like to be a St. Francis de Sales Valentine, kindly sign YOUR NAME at the ushers' table at Mass. Your signature is your ticket! Please DO NOT sign up for anyone else. If they are unable to come to Mass to sign up, please contact the rectory at 242-0147. The Planning Committee has to have an accurate count.

First Penance And First Holy Communion

All second grade pupils in the par-

ish are eligible for the sacraments of First Penance and First Communion. Please note: All second grade pupils in St. Francis de Sales Parish - both those students who attend Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, other Catholic schools and all public school students - will receive the sacrament of First Penance on Sunday, March 2 at the 9 a.m. Mass in the church . . . and the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time is on Sunday, May 4 at the 9 a.m. Mass in the church.

The religion classes on Sundays are only for public school students. Next spring, both Catholic school and public school students will come together one week before First Penance and First Communion for rehearsals. Public school students preparing to receive these Sacraments must attend all religion classes on Sunday.

Beano Gift Certificates

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Adult Confirmation Classes

St. Mary's Parish is offering Adult Confirmation Classes to those over 18 years of age who have not received Confirmation.

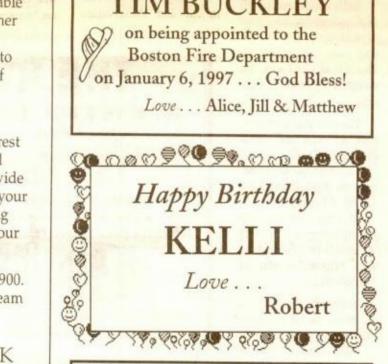
This interparish program is offered to all Charlestown residents. Father James Canniff will con-

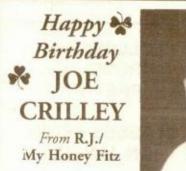
duct these classes which begin Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 48 Winthrop St. Registration will take place at this opening session.

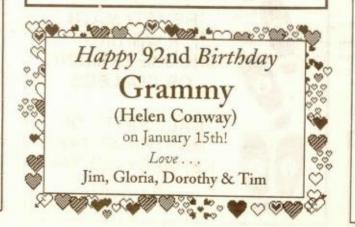
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on May 18.

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Happy Birthday Wishes . . . go out to Richie O'Brien, Monique Matarazzo and Dave Walsh who will all party hearty on Jan. 10th . . . On Jan. 11th, Beverly Gibbons of Golden Age fame will celebrate her birthday . . . Jan. 14th marks the 20th birthday of former Charlestown Rose Nicole DeRoeve . . . and Jan. 15th is the birthday of Tom Cunha and Helen Conway, who will mark her 92nd . . . Have a great day, everyone!

Hungry Sunday Weekend . . . will be held this weekend, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 11th and 12th, at St. Francis de Sales Church . . . You are requested to bring to Mass a can of non-perishable food for the Charlestown Food Pantry . . . Here, those in need of food can receive what they need . . . Give a helping hand to those in need.

Do You Like To Sing? . . . Would you like to become part of a chorus? . . . The Somerville Community Chorus will hold open rehearsals at the East Somerville Community School, at the corner of Cross, Pearl and Glen streets on Tuesday, Jan. 14th at 7:30 p.m. . . . No auditions are needed and all voice parts are welcome . . . There will be an opportunity for solo and small ensemble performances for classical and Broadway concerts to be held during the season . . . If you would like more information, call 628-

A Do You Have A Few Hours To Spare? ... The Whidden Memorial Hospital in Everett would like to hear from you . . . They have some new and exciting volunteer opportunities available in the emergency room, the transitional care unit, the gift shop, and at the hospital's reception desk . . . If you're interested, call Kate Barker at 381-7125.

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♣ Tommy Makem . . . will visit Charlestown on Friday, Feb. 14th to host a benefit for the Pipes and Drums of Bunker Hill so that they may purchase kilts The event will take place at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School Street, beginning at 8 p.m. and would make a super Valentine gift for that special someone for just \$20 a ticket . . . and besides, the band will look pretty strange come Bunker Hill Day marching in the parade without kilts!

* Take A Look At Our Local Movie Star . . . Jonathan Tucker (of Sleepers fame) as he guest stars in "Early Edition," on CBS at 9 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11th . . . Jonathan spent eight days shooting on location in Chicago for this show,

A Children's Hour At The John F. Kennedy Library . . . On Saturday, Jan. 18, beginning at 10:30 a.m., Semenya McCord and a trio of exceptional musicians will present "Journey Into Jazz" as part of the Children's Hour series at the JFK Library . . . The program is a participatory anthology of the African-American musical experience, highlighting the social and historical significance of this art form . . . Children's Hour is appropriate for family audiences and children ages 5 and older . . . All programs are free and open to the public, although reservations are required and may be made by calling 929-4523.

♣ Calling All Seniors . . . An exercise group will be held at the Constitution Co-op Apartments, 42 Park St. on Monday, Jan. 13 at 10 a.m. . . . Stop down and join in on the fun.

A Thought For The Week . . . It is sad not to be loved, but it is much sadder not to be able to love. - de Unamuno

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★ Neighborhood Council Meetings (continued from page one)

Monument Square Antennae
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Development Committee Meeting On Boys & Girls Club

According to Chairman Tom Cunha, the Development Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21 to review the proposal for the renovation of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. The meeting will take place at the club's High Street facility.

Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ Licensing Board Hearing... A petition will be brought before the city of Boston Licensing Board of Appeal at 10:25 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 15 in Room 809A at Boston City Hall. McLaughlin Restaurant Inc. at 25 Park St., Charlestown, known as Ironsides Grille, the holder of a C.V. 7-Day All Alcoholic Beverage License, has petitioned to amend the description of the licensed premises.

At present, there is a bulkhead entrance to the cellar on Joiner Street for stock; emergency exit to Joiner Street; in two rooms and kitchen on first floor; cellar for stock (enlarging kitchen).

The changes requested is the bulkhead entrance to the cellar on Joiner Street for stock; emergency exit to Joiner Street; in two rooms and kitchen on first floor; cellar for stock (enlarging kitchen); and to include an outside patio.

★ Board Of Appeal Decision . . . A petition by Kathleen E. Wright and Marie

Goulin seeking permission to change the legal occupancy of 98 Baldwin St. from a one-family to a two-family dwelling was brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on Jan. 7.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, presented two tax bills to the board, one for each unit. She told them that it has been a two-family for many years with separate tax bills and the existing condition should be legalized. Boston City Councillors Albert O'Neil and Peggy Davis-Mullen supported the petition and the board granted approval.

★ Design Review Committee . . . The Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

Homeowners with design issues may contact Ron Swenson at 242-9213 to be added to the agenda.

- ★ Board Of Appeal Hearings... Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:
- Gunwyn/Charlestown Limited Partnership (by Wireless PCS Inc. dba AT&T Wireless Services) are seeking permission to install roof-top antennae with related equipment on the 44-unit apartment building at 30 Monument Square, formerly Charlestown High School. (BZC-18627)
- David A. Parry seeks permission to construct a 20-foot dormer on 1 Henley St. and change the legal occupancy from a one-family to a two-family dwelling. (BZC-18590)

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

★ January Is Blood Donor Month . . . The American Red Cross has announced that January is National Blood Donor Month and extends its thanks to the volunteers and donors who roll up their sleeves and help other people.

This time of year, blood supplies generally dwindle and the Red Cross says what better way to celebrated this month than to give the gift of life! For more information on becoming a donor, call toll-free, 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

★ Central Artery/Tunnel Update . . .

Nighttime Closure Of Haymarket Off-Ramp

The I-93 southbound exit at Haymarket will be closed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. from now to Friday, Jan. 17, with the exception of Friday and Saturday nights.

Traffic will be detoured via the Dock Square off-ramp, then a right turn on North Street, a right turn on Congress Street and then to New Chardon Street.

Richard W. 'Dick' Creaser Dies At 70

Richard W. "Dick" Creaser of Charlestown passed away on Jan. 7 after a brief illness.

A retired electrician of the Boston and Maine Railroad, Richard attended the Warren School, the Clarence R. Edwards Junior High School and graduated from Charlestown High School.

He was a charter member of the Charlestown Preservation Society, former curator of the Charlestown Historical Society and member of the Bunker Hill Monument Association. Along with his wife, Virginia, he compiled stories on the history of early Charlestown, which were published in *The Charlestown Patriot* in 1968 and 1969.

Through both the Historical and Preservation societies, Richard's love of



RICHARD W.
"DICK" CREASER

history and the interesting stories about Charlestown and its early settlers, many of the old buildings, including the Warren Tavern, were saved from destruction.

An article published in the Boston Globe about John Harvard, stated they had contacted Richard, "A well known Boston historian," for some of their facts.

Richard was also

known for giving lectures on the history of Boston to many Historical Societies throughout the state.

He is survived by his wife Margaret Virginia (Brennan) Creaser of Charlestown, a son Richard W. Creaser of East Sebago, Maine, a daughter Sandra D. Creaser of Charlestown, and two grandsons, Edward A. Creaser of Casco, Maine and Derek J. Creaser of Norwood. Another son, James M. Creaser died on Sept. 8, 1996.

Visiting hours will be on Friday, Jan. 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. at the John H. Sawyer Funeral Home, 329 Bunker Hill St.

A Funeral Mass will be said at St. Mary's Church, 55 Warren St. at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11.

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7:00 am to 7:00 pm 7 days out of 7.....

Thank you, everyone, for your warm and enthusiastic response to our re-opening of the Artisan Cafe!

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Tea pots, coffee makers and all tea and coffee accessories will be 20% off, and another 20% will be donated to the Charlestown Boys' and Girls' Club. Please join us!

Espresso Lessons - Tuesday Evening January 21st

By popular request, espresso theory in plain English, hands-on frothing lessons,
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Birmingham Honored For Leadership On Behalf Of Children

Sen. President Thomas F. Birmingham was honored recently by the United Way's Success By 6 Leadership Council for his exemplary service on behalf of Mass, children. The Council. Leadership chaired by BankBoston CEO Chad Gifford, recognized in particular Birmingham's leadership of the recently passed Success By 6 "Invest in Children" license plate bill and the health care access law.

"'Invest in Children' is more than a maxim, it is intelligent public policy," said Birmingham. His accomplishments in this area include initiating an early childhood education program for working families,

Young Earns Athletic Award

Beaver Country Day School is pleased to announce that Sara Young of Charlestown has won an athletic award during the school's fall 1996 season.

Young, a seventh grader and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Young, received the Coach's Award for Girls A Team Soccer.

drafting the Education Reform Act, ensuring the provision of more than \$800 million promised in that legislation and expanding medical coverage for children. "Programs that provide children with a more promising start in life are not altruistic endeavors. This is what a self-interested society must do to ensure a desirable and hope-filled future," continued Birmingham.

The "Invest in Children" license plate will be the first specialty plate in the nation to establish a fund to improve the quality of child care. The plate, which is expected to raise more than \$2 million for quality child care, is slated

to go on sale in September 1997 at the Mass. Registry of Motor Vehicles.

The Child Care Quality Fund, which will be managed by the Mass. Office for Children, will make grants available to nonprofit child-care organizations for teacher training, parent/consumer education, the purchase of educational curricula and materials, bilingual/bicultural training and technical assistance to help centers to secure accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children. At present, fewer than 20 percent of the state's child care centers are accredited through this national association.

Spencer Featured On House And Garden Network

Robert Spencer, Charlestown landscape designer, has been featured on an episode of the House and Garden Network (HGTV) landscape design program, "Breaking Ground." Spencer's design and installation of an Irish style courtyard garden, a specialty of his company, Minerva Design, in Boston's South End neighborhood in July of 1996, was taped on three separate sessions, covering design, plant installation and the proper use of brick and stone to create a geometric arrangement of a patio, enclosed by mixed beds of perennials, shrubs and small trees.

"Breaking Ground" appears weekly on HGTV cable systems around the country.

Charlestown Community Centers

255 Medford Street 635-5169

- ◆ Thank You Special thanks to Bud Whalen, Steve Owens and all the members of the Bunker Hill Associates for your recent donation to the Charlestown Girls' Center. Your contribution will be used to support Girls' Center activities during the February school vacation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.
- ◆ Ski Trip The Teen Connection will be taking a trip to Attitash Mountain from Feb. 21 through 23. Any teen interested in going on this trip should contact Mimi at the Community Center as soon as possible. Call 635-5169 for additional information.
- ◆ Co-Ed Ball Hockey Registration for co-ed ball hockey will take place at the Kent Community Center from Jan. 13 to 24 between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m. Any boy or girl ages 6 to 12 interested in playing should register at this time. Games will begin on Jan. 27 and will start promptly at 3 p.m. There is a \$10 per child registration fee. For additional information, contact Michelle Gorman at 635-5177.
- Swim Meets The last two home swim

meets of the season will be held on Friday, Jan. 11 at 6 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 25 at noon. Come down and support the swim team before the season ends.

- ♦ Saturday Schedule The Community Center gym will be open from noon to 8 p.m. on Saturdays, Jan. 11 and 18. The gym will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 25. Please remember that there is a swim meet scheduled for Jan. 25.
- Membership Renewal Just a reminder that February is membership month at the Community Center. Most memberships expire at the end of the month. If your membership is about to expire, please remember to renew it at the Community Center office on Medford Street. Thank
- Welcome Aboard The Community Center staff would like to welcome Josephine Peters to the staff at the Golden Age Center. Josephine will be assisting Bev and Sheila at the GAC and we wish her the

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Evening and Weekend Appointments Available

Charlestown DPW Employee Retires



MAYOR THOMAS MENINO stands with Public Works Highway Maintenance workers Raymond Fernandes of Charlestown, Tony Frasso and Joe Canavan, a DPW supervisor, during the annual Christmas breakfast for DPW employees at the Frontage Road Public Works Yard on Dec. 20. Fernandes and Frasso are both retiring this year. Shown (l. to r.) Fernandes, Menino, Frasso and Canavan

Artisan Cafe

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Coffees in Stock This Week (Whole bean or ground to order):

- Sumatran featured this month, double picked Golden Mandheling, rich, earthy flavors, soft & syrupy, try pressing this
- · French Roast dark, smooth, caramel notes, try pressing this
- Viennese Roast (Artisan '96 House Coffee) chocolatey
- Aged Celebes complex, enormous body, nutty, spicy, changes in the cup
- · Guatemalan Antigua finca Los Volcanos, fruity & bright, elegant
- · New Guinea from Papua's Kinjibi Estate, complete, balanced, rich
- · Decaf Colombian SWP, very high quality, surprising nutty depth
- Artisan House Espresso smooth, great aromatic notes, try this solo
- Artisan 1997 House Blend (always available) one quarter French

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- Rose Congou fragrant, satisfying Chinese black tea w/rose petals
- · Black Mango the scent of mango, impressions of melons and other fruits over black Chinese tea, for lingering
- Sencha (Japanese green) bright flavor of pea greens, very high grade
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- January 15 Fourth installment of 1996 individual estimated tax is due.
- January 31 Employers must furnish W-2 statements to employees. 1099 information statements must be furnished by banks, brokers and other payors.
- January 31 Employers must file 1996 federal unemployment tax returns and pay any tax due.
- February 28 Payors must file information returns (such as 1099s) with the IRS.
- February 28 Employers must send W-2 copies to the Social Security Administration.
- March 3 Farmers and fishermen who did not make 1996 estimated tax payments must file tax returns and pay taxes in full.
- March 17 1996 calendar-year corporation income tax returns are due.
- April 15 Individual income tax returns for 1996 are due.
 - April 15 1996 partnership returns are due.
- April 15 1996 annual gift tax returns are due.
- April 15 Deadline for making 1996 IRA con-
- April 15 First installment of 1997 individual estimated tax is due.
- . June 16 Second installment of 1997 individual estimated tax is due.
- August 15 Deadline for filing your 1996 tax return if you filed for an extension of the April 15th deadline.
- September 15 Third installment of 1997 individual estimated tax is due.

If you can't file a tax return on time, you may request an extension from the IRS. The extension request must be filed by the return's original due date. An extension gives you more time to file a return; it does not give you additional time to pay any taxes still owed.

Contact our office for assistance with any of your tax filing requirements.

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Children's Film Program

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

A wild cat is untamable in "The Cat that Walked By Himself" . . . and "One Little Kitten is the story of a curious kitten's adventurous day. A "surprise movie" will also be shown.

Paddington visits the bank, the Tower of London and more in "A Paddington Bear Movie," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

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Spring Registration At BHCC

Registration for the spring semester at Bunker Hill Community College is now taking place.

Students may register from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. Special Saturday registration hours will also be available on Jan. 11 and 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Orientation and information sessions for prospective students will be on Mondays at 6 p.m., as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 p.m. Opening day for all new students will take place on Jan. 21. Classes begin at the Charlestown campus on Jan.

Students may register for non-credit courses throughout the semester. However, early enrollment is recommended in order to ensure a place in a class. Registration will be accepted by mail, phone-in at 228-2422, or by FAX at 228-2082.

It's A Boy ...

Mr. and Mrs. James Farris of Charlestown announce the birth of their son, Patrik Ryan, on Dec. 26 at the Mass. General Hospital. He weighed 9 pounds 1 ounce and was 22 1/2 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Emily Riley and the late Andrew (Buddy) Riley.

The paternal grandparents are Patricia Farris and the late Myles (Buddy) Farris.

He was welcomed home by his big brother, Ryan, age 9.

Patrik has the honor of being named after a very good friend, Patrick Walsh.

Charlestown Youth Hockey

Annual Nite Before Fund-Raising Dance

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On Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 6:30 p.m., there will be an information night featuring a video, prizes, questions and refreshments, concerning the cruise to Bermuda aboard the Royal Majesty. All are welcome.

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Holiday Spirit Abounds At Terry Ring's Newtown Stroll

A HIGHLIGHT of Terry Ring's Newtown Christmas Stroll was the presentation of a plaque of appreciation to Rep. Richard A. Voke on behalf of the committee. Shown at the left is Terry Ring thanking Voke for his support with Voke and City Councillor Diane Modica . . . In the center, Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, takes photos of the kids with Santa . . . On the right, Ring gives Mrs. Santa (Ann McCarron) and Santa Claus (Marty O'Brien) her wish list. Also present at the event were City Councillor Mickey Roache and Repelect Gene O'Flaherty. (photos by Kathy Whitehouse)





Young And Old Alike Enjoy Terry Ring's Newtown Stroll





CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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* WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Shelter Drive - Once again, the Boys & Girls Club is accepting the following donations for its shelter drive, through January: curtains, pillows and cases, cookware, towels and washcloths, tablecloths, kitchen towels, plates, dishes, umbrellas, children's books, men's coats, blankets, comforters, sheets and decorative items. Items may be new or used.

Women and children, victims of domestic violence, often must leave their possessions behind when seeking safety and need whatever the shelters can give them to help start over. Anything you have to give will be appreciated and we will distribute the items to various local shelters.

We are looking for household items for families who are transitioning from a shelter to more permanent housing. Due to last year's overwhelming response, we will not be accepting clothing except for winter coats and underwear.

If you can help, please ask for Denise or John when bringing your donations to the club and please leave your name, address and phone number. If you have any questions or would like more information, call 241-3754 or 242-1775.

* GENERAL NEWS

Saturday Clubhouse Hours Change -As most club members know by now, the club hours for Saturdays have been changed. The new hours are noon to 5 p.m. This went into effect Jan. 4. Club Closed Saturday, Jan. 11 - The club will be closed this Saturday, Jan. 11, so the staff can attend a mid-year training session.

Chef's Club - Anyone who is interested in joining the Chef's Club on Saturdays can sign up with Damaris. We tried to have the cooking class on Fridays and it didn't work out. We hope by moving it back to Saturday will entice member interest. Classes will begin on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 1 p.m.

Winter Art Classes - Sign ups for winter art classes will be tomorrow, Friday, Jan. 10 at 3 p.m. in the art room.

Annual Art Show - The club's annual Art Show will be held on Thursday, Jan. 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. If you have work to enter into the show, talk to Jason. Families and friends are welcome to attend the show.

Congratulations - to the winners of the Library Time-Telling Contest: Brendan Grace, Diana Gordillo and Shane Yandle.

* SPORTS REPORT

15 & Under Girls Ball Hockey - The girls team traveled to Waltham for the finals after upsetting South Boston. The girls played hard but were edged out 6-4 by an older and more experienced Waltham. Congratulations to Julie Grzelcyk. Michelle Kane, Ann-Marie Fratalia, Stephanie Centola, Kelly Myers, Jessica Brasil, Kristen Scales, Erin Barry, Sarah Rabbitt and Kerry Brennan. There will be a Chinese food party at the club on Friday, Jan. 10 at 5 p.m.

12 & Under Boys Ball Hockey - The boys team repeated as ball hockey champs



ACCORDING TO THE STAFF, THIS IS JERRY STEIMEL!

with a thrilling 10-9 overtime win against a tough South Boston team in Southie. Led by Jon "Bucky" Jones' goaltending, and Ryan Connolly's overtime goal, the Chiefs quieted the crowd and marched out of South Boston as champs. Congratulations to Pat Kelly, Ryan Murray, John Grzelcyk, Andrew Grzelcyk, Derek Garceau, Ryan Connolly, Tim Brennan, Sean Noonan, Dan Buhay, John Castro, Dan Castro, Dan Considine, Mike Wilkins and Mike Kelley. There will be a Chinese food party on Friday, Jan. 10 at 5 p.m. at the club.

Flag Football - Any teens looking to enter teams into a flag football league in the gym should see Derek or Stephen. We have two teams and need two more.

Swim Lessons - Anyone interested in signing their child up for swim lessons can do so by contacting Jennifer Swales at the club.

The schedule for lessons is as follows: Beginners: 6 to 8 year olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m.; and Advanced: 9 to 12 year olds on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m. Please note that attendance is very important for the classes to be a success. Please encourage your child to attend all lessons. Don't wait for the summer!!

* TEEN NEWS

Keystone Club - Members of the Keystone Club were on hand to deliver for Townie Santa on Dec. 22. The Keystone Club will be attending a Peer Mediation course for the next six weeks.

Teen Rap - The Great Date Debate was a huge success. Chris Connors had the debate in an uproar defending the boys' view of dating. Aileen Gorman counterattacked for the girls' view of dating. Rappers will be going to the Rock Gym on Feb. 2. See Sharon or Denise.

Tournaments - are held every Tuesday and Thursday night at 7 p.m.

Ski Trip - A ski trip is being planned.
Check it out! Spaces are limited.

* UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Jan. 9 - A field trip to "Phi Phi" the Clown.

Wednesday, Jan. 15 - Freedom Celebration from 3 to 5:30 p.m. in the library.



CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon

What a wonderful Christmas party the CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League had last week.

I would like to thank everyone for bringing something - the cake from Lyndell's with the Santa Claus and the winter scene was delicious. Dotty and I would like to thank the children who brought us gifts. That was very thoughtful of you, and we really appreciate it.

As you know, CHAD Junior Bowling took time off during the holidays and will bowl next on Jan. 11, which is also the last day of the first half.

We will have position bowling that day, which means the first place team will bowl the second place team; the third place team will bowl the fourth place team and so on. The team with the most points at the end of the day will have won the first half. Then we'll start all over again until we have a winner for the second

half. At the end of the bowling season, these two teams will have a roll-off to see who wins the championship.

Now I have some very interesting scores to report. The McCarthy Brothers dunked The Red Store for a 6-2 win. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Matt Paley with 238. Runner-up was Mike Simensen with 194. Top bowler for The Red Store was Steven Awbrey with 212. Runner-up was Kaileigh Burke with 202.

Bunker Hill Real Estate bumped off Jenny's for a 6-2 win. Top bowler for BHRE was Mike Shackford with 250. Runner-up was Robert Hoell with 194. Top bowler for Jenny's was Jimmy Kissane with 230. Runner-up was Ryan Stillman with 186.

The American Legion squeaked by Cricket's team for a 5-3 win. Top bowler for the American Legion was Sheilann Williams with 227. Runner-up was Jessica Grace with 214. Top bowler

for Cricket's was Chris Schievink with 238. Runner-up was Marianne Kissane with 213.

The Charlestown Patriot clubbed the Shamrocks for a 6-2 win. Top bowler for the Patriot was both Michelle Williams and Sara Johnson, who tied with 180 each. Top bowler for the Shamrocks was John Harrington with 226. Runner-up was Quinn Evers with 187.

In the final match of the day, Diane Modica's team tied the Kennedy Center 4-4 to keep itself in contention for first place. Top bowler for Modica's team was Richie Burns with 247. Runner-up was Colleen Hoell with 202. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Sean Cronk with 225. Runner-up was Joey Burke with 196.

Bowlers of the week are Mike Shackford, who bowled a triple of 250 and a great single of 99 - nice bowling Mike! Also, Richie Burns 247, Matt Paley 238, Chris Schievink 238, Jim Kissane 230,

Sheilann Williams 227, John Harrington 226, Sean Cronk 225, Jessica Grace 214, Marianne Kissane 213 and Steven Awbrey 212.

Bowlers trying the hardest are Keri McGuire 112, Joe Awbrey 134, David Grace 152, Meaghan Burke 158, Shawn Burke 163, Jared Silva 168, Brendan Grace 175, Brent Awbrey 190, Mark Dillon 193, Andrew Foley 197, Chris Chiampa 197, Candice Eatherton 198 and Casey Durham 202.

See you all on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 11:30 a.m. sharp! And to all, have a Happy

Standings

New Year!

Cricket's 52 28
Diane Modica 48 32
American Legion 47 33
Red Store 45 35
McCarthy Bros. 44 36
Jenny's Pizza 38 42
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D'S BEAT BY BOB DECRISTOFORO



... I talked to Father Coyne during New Year's week, and he is doing well. He sends his very best to everyone in Charlestown, and tells me he will be leaving for California, and his sabbatical within the next two weeks, returning to Boston in late April. He has been assisting at various parishes around the Archdiocese and will be helping out at Bridgewater State College before his trip west. He is very anxious to get back into full-time parish work. Come April, early May, he will be back, "better than ever." Let's hope it's a Boston neighborhood parish, where he is most needed! Good luck, Father

Charlestown High Lights . . . Two more championship trophies were added to the quickly growing number at Charlestown High, thanks to the great Christmas vacation work of the hockey team and the boys' bas-

Terry Smith had the game winner and Greg Poole was named tournament MVP as the hockey Townies toppled host Northeast Regional 4-3 to take home the Northeast Holiday Classic title. Joe Tallent, Chet Ferreira and Marc Russell had goals for the Townies. Pat Lacey and Marc Russell were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Getting back into regular season play, the hockey Townies were defeated by a very good Savio Prep team 5-3, but roared back defeating East Boston sometime between the first and second quarters of the New England Patriot victory game on Sunday. Pat Walsh, the scoring machine, had two goals and Marc Russell had one. CHS plays O'Bryant on Saturday.

Not to be outdone, the basketball Townies took home another Christmas Tournament crown - their third straight. The Haverhill Christmas Tournament plaque was up for grabs and now hangs in CHS. The Townies topped Whittier 75-63 in the championship

game. Anthony Walker was named Tournament MVP, and Desmond McDuffie earned All-Tourney honors.

On Sunday, Anthony Walker and Desmond McDuffie combined for 34 points as CHS moved to 5-0 defeating St. John's Prep

In the first miracle of 1997, the swim team, under the direction of Coach Anna Leonard (the graduate), defeated South Boston in the home opener on Friday. Members of the team are Kim Leonard, Emilio Vallejo, Corey Laven, Mary Felix, Tomayo Manzanillo, Adriano Manzuela, Martiza Bonilla, Andres Montoya, Sayra Veras, Aura Guerra, Jennifer Brown, Santo Perez, Victor Berroa, Caesar Viasus, Kerrin Donahue, Kalidia Reyes, Xaymara Saez, Claudy Paul and managers Pauline Coleman and William Lopez.

The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club and CHS will be teaming up in a special program, which should be most helpful to our Charlestown-Townie students. This program gets underway this week.

· High School Prep Notebook . . . Boston Latin has extended its basketball unbeaten streak to six. After winning the Stoughton Christmas Tournament, the Wolf Pack got back into Dual County League play, dropping Acton-Boxboro 69-49. Townie Nick Smith led all Latin scorers with 18 points.

Brendan Lynch (Don Bosco) was named to the Catholic Conference All Star All Catholic Cross Country Team.

Boston Latin split its hockey week activities tipping Acton-Boxboro 2-1, but falling to Lincoln-Sudbury 5-2. Savio Prep and Latin Academy battled to a 2-2 tie. Malden Catholic upended Springfield Cathedral 3-1.

Niko, remember him, Dimitrakos scored three goals and assisted on a fourth, as undefeated Matignon (5-0), topped Archbishop Williams 4-1. Jimmy Considine is a Matignon-Townie Varsity Warrior. Matignon and Arlington Catholic meet Saturday at 8 p.m. in a big Catholic Central League battle at Stone-

Leo, remember him, Boucher, is the varsity basketball coach at Cathedral High School.

South Boston downed Snowden 11-5 in a City League hockey battle on Saturday. Townies Billy Burke, Larry Mulcahy and Mike Carroll are members of the Snowden team, which is coached by Michael Moloney.

Hockey Night At BU . . . With the help of youth officer Teddy Boyle and my Andy Puopolo Club, a great contingent of Charlestown young people had the opportunity to attend the University of New Hampshire-Boston University Hockey East game on Friday at BU. Special guests were Coach Paul Wrenn and his Pee Wee hockey team. It was a great night made even better by a special exhibition between the Junior Terriers and the Junior Friars. John Murphy, a member of the Charlestown Pee Wee team, is also a member of the Junior Terriers.

Pro Line . . . Florida shut out Los Angeles 5-0 to move back into second place in the NHL Atlantic Division, three points behind first place Philadelphia. The Panthers are 21-10-9 (51 points). Florida goaltender John Van-

biesbrouck will be the Western Conference starter in the All Star game.

Phoenix was defeated by the New Jersey Devils on Sunday and begin the week with a 18-19-4 (40 points) record. Keith Tkachuk has scored 24 goals in 40 games. Defenseman Oleg Tverdovsky will represent Phoenix in the All Star game to be played in San Jose.

... Birthday best to Robbie Murray, Alexis Finneran and Jamie Smith . . . New Year's best to Annie Martin and "Auntie" Sally Finnigan and her friends at St. Mary's . . . Recipes for Sissy's famous Drop Cakes are available at the CHS cafeteria . . . Congratulations to the Rob McIntosh family on the birth of their first child . . . Herbie and Frankie - stop dreaming . . . Timmy Gallagher, no longer available?? . . . Beware the pigeon . . . Danny Jones is not a barber, ask Chicken . . . Countdown 101 . . . Bob Scadding would like to borrow a pair of sunglasses . . . Is Mike Carroll taking classes at UMass-Amherst? . . . Mrs. Burke, please give Billy directions on how to put on his earring, thank you . . . Jill M. enjoyed her field trip to the Bunker Hill Monument . . . Who spilled the hair dye on Frankie McPherson?

Smile!

Charlestown Gym Hockey News

Standings - I	Dec. 28			
	w	L	T	B. H.
Bunker Hill Florist	11	2	1	
The Horseshoe	10	3	1	Bunk
Bunker Hill Insurance	9	3	1	
Jimmy's On Top	8	6	0	Dunn
Bryan's Pals	7	5	2	
Main St. Furniture	7	6	1	Grant
Grant Photo	6	6	1	Jimm
Dunny's Pals	5	7	2	
Kerrigan's	3	11	0	Kerri
Li'l Al's	2	9	1	
T. J.'s Kids	1	12	0	Li'l A

Players of the V	Veek - Dec. 21
Bryan's Pals	Shane Yandle
	Kyle Cain
B. H. Florist	Danielle Whalen
(Cameron Harrington
Bunker Hill Insurance	The few who came
Dunny's Pals	The few who came
Grant Photo	Eddie Coleman
	Andrew Connors
Jimmy's On Top	Michael Todd
	Patrick Smith
Kerrigan's	James Karos
	Allison McNulty
Li'l Al's	Had A Bye
Main St. Furniture,	Evan Yandle
Medford	Brittany O'Brien
The Horseshoe	Ashley Foley
	Ryan Foley
T. J.'s Kids	The Whole Team

Players of the Week - Dec. 28 Bryan's Pals Nathan McGann Thank you for your support.

	Ian Dillon
B. H. Florist	Matthew Buckley
	Jeremy Adams
Bunker Hill Insurance	Connor Carrigan
	Mark Assad
Dunny's Pals	Kerryn Loan
	Joseph Mocera
Grant Photo	The Whole Team
Jimmy's On Top	Patrick Considine
	Danny Fowkes
Kerrigan's	Aaron Burke
all of the same of the Court	Brian McGoff
Li'l Al's	Jennelle O'Donnell
	John Ellis
Main St. Furniture,	Justine Yandle
Medford	Anthony Chardger
The Horseshoe	Kylie McCarthy
	Kyleigh Watson
T. J.'s Kids	Had A Bye

We'd like to thank Jim Walsh and the Bunker Hill Associates for their generous donation. Their support is truly appreciated.

Charlestown Gym Hockey will hold its annual Comedy Night Fund Raiser at the K. of C. Hall on Friday, Jan. 17 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased on Saturdays during gym hockey hours at the concession stand, at the door on the night of the event, or by contacting: Debbie or Kerrie Lent at 241-8656; Jimbo Tucker at 242-3470; or Timmy Dacey at 242-1937.



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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.



Thank You, Judy!

Thank you, Judy Evers, for your fast response in helping to get the overhead floodlights turned on under the I-93 bridge on Cambridge Street.

As always, you are there for the public's safety.

Sincerely, Charlie Johnson

Townie Helping Townie

Editor Charlestown Patriot One Thompson Square Charlestown, Mass.

While on duty at the Boston Police A 15 Substation on the evening of Jan. 3, Louis Nadeau entered the station at 10:30 p.m. and informed me that he had, in his car, an elderly confused female in bed clothes. Nadeau was returning home after an evening with his children at the Charlestown Rink and found the woman wandering on Austin Street.

After a brief conversation with the woman, it was apparent that she needed to have a medical evaluation done and, as usual, Ambulance A-15 responded right away. Together we ascertained her name, but were unable to get her address. Enter one Mike Stillman who was passing by and suggested I contact Beverly Gibbons, senior citizen advo-

cate for Charlestown. A call was made to her home and she responded to the station within five minutes and identified the woman. Mrs. Gibbons said she would call relatives of the woman who lived in the Boston area and inform them that their mother was to be taken to Mass. General Hospital for evaluation and medical treatment, if necessary.

Not normally a letter writer, I have to convey my respect for the three Townies mentioned above who, if they hadn't interceded on this woman's behalf, a tragedy could have occurred as the temperature was in the 20's. Having been born in the Town, all I can say in closing is that this is another example of Townie helping Townie.

Respectfully submitted, P.O. Dennis Doherty Boston Police Department Area A-15 Substation

McLaughlin House Thanks Secret Santas

The staff, board and clients of the Dennis McLaughlin House would like to extend their sincere gratitude to all of the wonderful people of Charlestown and greater Boston, who so generously donated toward providing a very special Christmas celebration for the mothers and children of the McLaughlin House.

The community's response to our request for Secret Santas was phenomenal! We were worried that we might not be able to solicit enough toys for all of the McLaughlin House children, but once the donations began arriving, we were amazed at the number of responses. From turkey dinners and huge fruit baskets to warm clothing and every kind of toy imaginable, the gifts came pouring in at a rate that was unbelievable!

We were able to provide each of the McLaughlin House's residential children with a huge bag filled with beautiful, high-quality toys. So great was the number of donations that we were also able to provide beautiful presents for the children who used to live with us before their families moved into permanent housing, as well as for all of the children who are still in foster care, waiting to be reunited with their families at the McLaughlin House. The wonderful Christmas spirit of Charlestown's Secret Santas was very far-reaching - bringing happiness, love and hope to over 30 high-risk children and their mothers."

Charlestown resident and McLaughlin board member, Bill McCabe added to the children's happiness by playing Santa Claus at the Christmas Party. As all of the children took turns walking up to sit on Santa's lap and receive their presents, their faces were filled with true joy, wonder, amazement and excitement. The light in their eyes reflected the love, the hope, the caring and the sharing that the Charlestown community demonstrated in making this a very loving and optimistic Christmas for the children of the McLaughlin House.

One example of this was when one of our residential children, an 8-year-old boy with mild retardation and slight autism, was given his bag of gifts from Santa. When he opened his first gift, a radio/tape deck, he looked at Santa in awe and asked, "This for me? You brought this for me?" When Santa replied, "Yes, this is for you, because you have been such a good boy!" the whole crowd applauded, the child's face filled with pride, and he laughed so hard, that tears welled up in his eyes.

The McLaughlin House staff, board, mothers and children, will never forget the spirit of love that was demonstrated on Christmas Day 1996. In our clients' quest to continue healing themselves and each other from the pain and heartache of former addiction, we are sure that each of them will often think back to this very special Christmas and remember the goodness and love that they were shown by so many kind and generous people in the community. We are certain that these memories will continue to help them to heal, grow and rebuild their lives.

Sincerely, Cathy Qualitz and Sharon Paulo

Thank You To The Kind And Caring People!

To all of the kind and caring people who came to my assistance on Tuesday, Dec. 31, when I slipped on the ice

Thank You

I'd like to thank the Charlestown community for contributing to our fund raising at Johnnie's Foodmaster. The money raised will help support our organization. The girls have started another competitive season and with continued support will be successful.

This past weekend the C Guard placed third and B Guard placed second. The next show will be held at BC High School at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11.

Dan Awbrey

at Hayes Square, I want to extend a most sincere thank you.

I wish I could thank you personally, but things happened so quickly I failed to get your names. However, you know who you are and I would have to assume that you are "Townies," because you were so caring. Charlestown is such a caring community.

You might like to know that a few well-placed stitches took care of my injury and I am doing well.

Thank you to the 911 team - you were great, and to the MGH Emergency Ward personnel for their quick action and their constant reassurance.

Sincerely, Dot Keniston

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A.N.

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed General Bids for MPA Project No. 7.001B BLUE LINE RESI-DENTIAL SOUND INSULATION PROGRAM, EAST BOSTON & RE-VERE, MASSACHUSETTS, will be received by the Massachusetts Port. Authority at the Capital Programs Department Office, 4th Floor, Room 4510, Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts 02116, until 11:00 A.M. local time on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1997 immediately after which, in a designated room, the proposal will be opened and read publicly. This project is funded entirely by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and managed and contracted by the Massachusetts Port Authority.

Sealed filed sub-bids for the same project will be received at the same office until 11:00 a.m. local time on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 1997, immediately after which, in a designated room, the filed sub-bids will be opened and read publicly.

NOTE: PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAP-ITAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT (ABOVE ADDRESS) AT 1:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1997.

The work includes ALL LABOR, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ACCUSTICAL PERFORMANCE OF FORTY-FIVE (45) RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS. SOUNDPROOFING MEASURES INCLUDE NEW VINYL COMPOSITE, ACOUSTICAL REPLACEMENT WINDOWS, NEW WOOD REPLACEMENT WINDOWS, ADDITION OF ALUMINUM STORM WINDOWS, ACOUSTICAL TILE CEILINGS, EXTERIOR PRIME AND STORM DOOR REPLACEMENT, CAULKING, PAINTING, WEATHERSTRIPPING, AND MODIFICATIONS TO CERTAIN ROOMS.

Bid documents will be made available beginning MONDAY, JANU-

ARY 6, 1997.

In order to be eligible and responsible to bid on this project General Bidders must submit with their bid a current Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Division of Capital Planning and Operations and an Update Statement. The General Bidder must be certified in the category of GENERAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION or DOORS AND WINDOWS. The estimated project cost is \$1,380,000.00.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY

Charles H. Yelen Acting Executive Director

THE CHARLESTOWN POLICE LINE

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

Monday, Dec. 23

A Wareham man reported that between the evenings of Dec. 22 and 23, person(s) unknown shattered the driver's side door window of his motor vehicle which was parked on Third Avenue in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Nothing was reported stolen.

Between 8 a.m. and 10:30 p.m., person(s) unknown popped the passenger-side front door lock, damaged the trunk lock and the driver's side door lock on a motor vehicle parked on First Street in the Charlestown Navy Yard. There was no report of property stolen.

Police officers responded to Austin Street at 11:26 p.m. on the report of two males trying car doors. Two males were observed in a green Cherokee who fled on foot as police arrived. A 17-year-old Charlestown male was apprehended after a chase on Main Street. He had a walkman in his pocket and when he was returned to the vehicle, a headset inside was identified as belonging to him. The second suspect eluded arrest by fleeing on foot on Seminary Street. The door lock and ignition of the Cherokee had been popped.

Tuesday, Dec. 24

Between 9 p.m. on Dec. 23 and 7 a.m. on this date, person(s) unknown shattered the passenger-side door window of a motor vehicle which was parked on Concord Street. Taken was \$5.

Between 10 p.m. on Dec. 23 and 9 a.m. on this date, person(s) unknown shattered the passenger side door and lock of a motor vehicle which was parked on Tibbetts Town

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Charlestown Boys & Girls Club 15 Green St. • Charlestown, MA 02129 Attention: Krishna Foran Way. Tools and other items were reported taken.

Officer Boyle was flagged down by a Quincy man who stated that between 12:20 and 4 p.m., his car was broken into while it was parked on Old Rutherford Avenue. A cellular phone was reportedly taken.

Wednesday, Dec. 25

At about 1:30 a.m., officers responded to an alarm at Dunkin' Donuts on Main Street. Two lower windows adjacent to the door had been smashed.

A Norwood man driving inbound on the Alford Street Bridge was hit by a car making a U-turn, the operator of which fled the scene. This car was registered to a Cambridge man.

Between 11 p.m. on Dec. 24 and 8 p.m. on this date, person(s) unknown struck the driver's side door of a car parked on Medford Street.

Thursday, Dec. 26

A Charlestown man reported that he was struck and knocked to the ground by an MBTA bus while crossing Main Street from the Schrafft Center to the Local 25 hall. He stated that he injured his left knee. The bus driver did not stop.

Saturday, Dec. 28

A Charlestown woman reported that the rear windshield of her car was smashed by person(s) unknown between 11:05 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. while it was parked on Sullivan Street. Nothing was reported stolen.

Sunday, Dec. 29

At 9:20 a.m., a Cambridge resident reported that the passenger-side front door window of her car, which was

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parked on Winthrop Street, had been damaged by person(s) unknown. It is unknown if anything was taken.

Monday, Dec. 30

Police officers went to Warren and Water streets about 11:50 a.m. on the report of a fight. The officers spoke to the victim, a 52-year-old Somerville man, who stated he was punched in the face by a 55-year-old Holliston man, who said he was punched first. This argument evolved from one motor vehicle trying to pass another and punches were thrown. Both parties were told they could seek complaints at Charlestown District Court.

A woman reported that between Nov. 15 and this date, person(s) unknown forced open her first floor apartment door on Polk Street, damaged two screens and the bedroom door. Taken were a television set, a table, blankets and clothes hangers.

Seats Available In Tiny Tots Program

The Charlestown Community Center has a limited number of seats available in its afternoon Tiny Tots Program. This program is for 4-year-olds only.

If you would like more information or would like to register your child for the program, please contact Debbie Lent or Alice Smith at 635-5177.

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The book that will be featured this month will be Ram of God by John B.

The Library Journal said, "Life in the Irish village of Ballybobwan is full of incidents. Villagers plot and scheme, pine away for unrequited loves, abuse their families and drink themselves to early deaths. Edward Drannaghy, the Ram of God, earned his sobriquet after being tricked into fathering a child, causing him to lose his place in the seminary. After 15 years of working the family farm with his brothers, he is about to return to his calling."

New members are always welcome. For further information, contact Tess Francisco at 242-1248.

It's Girl Scout Cookie Time!

January is not only the time to make resolutions, but to place orders for your favorite annual confections! That's right, it's Girl Scout cookie time!

Girls from the Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council will be knocking on doors from Jan. 10 through 27, taking orders for everything from the traditional favorite Thin Mints to the new boxes of reduced fat Iced Ginger Daisies.

Since 1930, the annual cookie sale has been the backbone of financial support for girl programming that has inspired girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service.

Each year, Patriots' Trail serves nearly 35,000 girls in 65 cities and towns in the greater Boston area with the help of its 8,800 adult volunteers. Support Girl Scouting and buy boxes of cookies from local Girl Scouts.

If you are unable to contact a Girl Scout in your area, please call 695-1715.

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'Next To God We Are Indebted To Women . . . First For Life Itself, And Then For Making Life Worth Having'

Sarah Josepha Buell Hale, a prominent humanitarian, poet and author, spent 40 years as editor and publisher of *The Ladies' Magazine*, the nation's first literary magazine for women. She also was the editor of *Godey's Lady's Book*. As editor, she supported several causes, including persuading President Abraham Lincoln to declare the first national Thanksgiving celebration in 1864. Her authorship of the children's classic, *Mary Had A Little Lamb*, the establishment of Mount Vernon as a national shrine and her many contributions to women's causes have made her famous.

Hale was far from being a radical feminist, however, she did believe that women should be educated in order to care for their families in case an emergency should arise. She did not believe in a woman's right to vote and would not support the Suffrage Movement. She believed with others of her time that marriage and motherhood comprised women's destiny. But, then again, she was born in the 18th century. She was a Victorian.

The biggest legacy that she left soars heavenly 221 feet above the first great battlefield of the American Revolution. Sarah Hale has the honor of being the first to suggest to the public the cooperation of women in the building of the Bunker Hill Monument. In the Ladies' Magazine, which was published in Boston, she inserted a series of articles suggesting that an attempt be made by the women of Mass. (or of all New England if that be thought



SARAH JOSEPHA BUELL HALE

best) to raise the sum of \$50,000 to be appropriated to the finishing of the Bunker Hill Monument. In one of her articles she referred to the example of Roman women who gave up their golden ornaments to pay the ransom of their captured city. In a subsequent article in the same magazine, Hale cited the example of the women of Israel, who brought their bracelets and jewelry of gold as an offering to the tabernacle.

The following circular was issued in every town: "A number of ladies in Boston having formed a society with the intentions of raising a sum of money, to be appropriated toward the finishing of the monument on Bunker Hill, respectfully invite the cooperation of the Ladies of New England in the same design. Impressed with the importance of this patriotic project, it was distinctly understood that the task of raising the needed funds would be solely that of the ladies. Neither husbands, fathers or brothers are to be importuned for the money which is to be given. This must be obtained by the industry, economy, selfdenial of those who offer it.

"Are there not hundreds of ladies in this city who might spare for one year largely from the sum allotted for ornaments, and yet to be sufficiently adorned? Are there not thousands of ladies who would be willing to make an exertion in so noble a cause? We would have none allowed to subscribe save females and children of both sexes under the age of 12. What an opportunity would then be presented to mothers, to awaken their children's hearts the love of country."

The Ladies Fair opened in Quincy Hall, which is opposite Faneuil Hall, on Tuesday, the eighth day of September, 1840, and lasted seven days. At the conclusion of the Fair, Mary Otis, the treasurer of the Bunker Hill Monument Fair Society, paid over to the treasurer of the Bunker Hill Monument Association, the sum of \$30,035.53, a larger sum by far than had ever before been realized in the country by any similar efforts. At length, the ladies did what the men could not or did not do, they inspired a patriotic fervor that resulted in a sponta-

neous flow of so many rich donations from noble and generous hearts. It was this sentiment of patriotism that so inspired and influenced Amos Lawrence of Boston and Judah Touro of New Orleans, each to add \$10,000 toward the completion of the Bunker Hill Monument.

TODAY'S TREASURES . . . TOMORROW'S HEIRLOOMS

Freehand glass blowing is one of the oldest known art forms. Pairpoint Crystal, America's oldest glass works, a tradition of quality and excellence since 1837, still uses the tools and techniques developed by Deming Jarves at Sandwich glass over a century ago.

The glass blower begins with a molten gather and with dextrous hands creates a unique one-of-a-kind piece of art. The Charlestown Historical Society invites you to take home a unique piece of Charlestown's history, a continual reminder of the crucial role that women played in building the Bunker Hill Monument.

If you would like a Commemorative Cup-Plate, send a check for \$17.75 to the Charlestown Historical Society, P.O. Box 1776, Charlestown, Mass. 02129, Attention: Marie Alves, Marie will be at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square every Saturday during the month of January between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. If you would like to purchase a cup-plate, they are now available for pick-up.

Jack Alves, director Charlestown Historical Society



<u>Healthy</u> <u>Charlestown Coalition</u>

15 Green Street • 241-3756 Danny Ryan - Coordinator

NEXT COALITION MEETING

The next monthly meeting of the Healthy Charlestown Coalition will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 21 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Kennedy Center's Drop-In Resource Center located in the BHA Administration Building at 55 Bunker Hill Street.

At this meeting, we will discuss our plans for the Community Awareness component of the MGH Substance Abuse Initiative. There will also be updates from the Violence Prevention Team, the mini-grant sub-committee and a recap of the coalition's joint planning session with CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD).

PLANNING RETREAT

As part of the coalition's involvement in the Mass. General Hospital's substance abuse initiative, we will participate in a joint planning retreat with members of CHAD. The planning session will take place on Friday, Jan. 17 in the Hull Room at the Charlestown Navy Yard from 12:30 to 5 p.m.

The goal of this meeting is to enhance the coordination of substance abuse prevention programs in Charlestown for the upcoming year. If any individual or organization would like to participate in this planning session or has any information that would assist our efforts in coordinating substance abuse resources and programs in the community, please do not hesitate to call the coalition office.

KIOSK INFORMATION WANTED

Any community organization, agency or resident looking to further publicize events, activities or information, has the Healthy Charlestown Kiosk at their disposal. The kiosk, named the "Common Wheel," is located in Johnnie's Foodmaster and consists of four panels displaying community information. The panels are labeled for UPCOMING and ONGOING events and activities, TOWN NEWS and neighbor-toneighbor NETWORK. If you would like to display information, please contact the coalition office.

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

Ice Skating Lessons

Lace your skates and glide into '97. Take advantage of a winter activity that's just waiting for you to enjoy.

Ice skating classes are taught in Boston area MDC rinks for children age 5 and up and adults, wearing either figure or hockey skates. Skaters of all levels can take classes at the same time with separate ability group classes for each skill level. This is great for family and friends who want to take classes at the same time but are of

different abilities. The schedule includes weekend, weekday and evening classes and are taught by professional ice skating instructors.

Rink locations include Cambridge, Everett, Medford, North End and Somerville. Classes will begin in mid-January. The sevenweek course fee is \$75 for children and \$85 for adults.

For registration information, call Bay State Ice Skating School at 890-8480, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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