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## Post 26, A.L. Sponsors Veterans Day Mass



OFFICERS AND MEMBERS of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion, and its auxiliary, along with elected officials and friends, honored veterans of all wars, those who are now serving in the Armed Forces and those who made the supreme sacrifice, at a Veterans Day Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church on Nov. 9. The Mass was celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor. The St. Francis de Sales Choir provided the inspirational music. The colors were presented by the color guards of the USS Constitution and the Charlestown High School AFJROTC.

Among those in attendance were Senate President Thomas Birmingham, Rep. Eugene O'Flaherty; Boston City Councillor Diane J. Modica; Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services; Thomas Materazzo, commissioner of Boston Veterans' Services; Cmdr. Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret.); Maj. Arthur Gaetjens, USAF (Ret.) director of the CHS AFJROTC; Ron Taylor, Post 26 commander; Mary Walsh, Unit 26 president; and James W. Conway, Legion past national historian and Veterans Day chairman.

## Two New Members Elected To Neighborhood Council

Two new members were elected to the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC) in the Precinct Election held on Nov. 8 at the K. of C. hall. At-large members Bill McCabe and Edna Kelly co-chaired the election that saw 286 people come out to vote for members who will serve for a two-year term.

Richard McCarthy of Bunker Hill Street, was elected to represent Precinct 5. McCarthy succeeds Bob Scalli who did not run for re-election.

James Allwood of Tibbetts Town Way is the CNC representative for Precinct 6. This seat has been vacant for over a year since Nancy Keyes resigned when she moved from the precinct. Allwood won the seat in a 40 to 28 vote over Leslie Dennis of Salem Street.

The other contested race was in Precinct 3 where incumbent Bill Galvin of Monument Square was challenged by Michael DelVecchio of Boyle Street. Galvin was re-elected as representative from the precinct by a 88 to 56 vote.

The voting results were as follows:  
**Precinct 1**  
Judith M. Brennan, 19  
**Precinct 2**  
David M. Whelan, 10  
**Precinct 3**  
William J. Galvin Jr., 88  
Matthew R. DelVecchio, 56  
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## Lawsuit Puts Plans To Renovate And Extend High Street Boys & Girls Club Building In Jeopardy

After years of work, plans for the proposed renovation and extension of the High Street building of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club are in serious jeopardy as a result of a lawsuit filed by a few abutters in Suffolk Superior Court.

In November of 1995, Boys & Girls Club volunteers and officials presented a proposal to the community which called for the renovation of the High Street structure, the construction of an addition to the rear of the High Street building, and, ultimately, the sale of the Green Street building. The club sought community input and advice. During the year and one-half that followed, the

Boys & Girls Club met on numerous occasions with abutters and interested residents, and appeared before the Charlestown Neighborhood Council on several occasions.

As a result of these meetings, several issues were raised by residents. In response, the Boys & Girls Club:

- commissioned a traffic study, which demonstrated the change of access would improve traffic flow in the area and safety for children utilizing the facility;
- commissioned a "shade" study, which demonstrated how the new construction would affect two properties for certain

periods of the day during a few months of the year;

- offered to find off-street parking arrangements for the two Boys & Girls Club vans;
- sought alternative parking arrangements during the Nate Hurwitz Tournament and other major events;
- offered to utilize savings gained from the consolidation into one building so as to eliminate revenue producing rental of the gymnasium, which was a source of complaints from abutters;
- agreed to reduce the foot print of the new construction;

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## around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

### ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .

#### Precinct 7 Meeting On Resident Parking

Precinct 7 representative Tom Cunha will chair a meeting at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Nov. 13 at Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St. to discuss resident parking in that precinct.

Representatives of the city of Boston Transportation Department will be present to outline procedures for the institution of resident parking and to answer questions.

#### CNC Committee As A Whole Meeting On Import Auto Facility

Chairman Peter Looney has called a meeting of the Neighborhood Council for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18 at Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Representatives of Massport, Foreign Auto Servicing Inc. and Diversified Auto Inc. are scheduled to be present to update the community on plans for the Moran Terminal as the foreign auto import location in

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#### 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.

##### Wednesday

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

##### Thursday

• **9:30 to 11 a.m.** - J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866

##### Friday

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

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##### Thursday, Nov. 27

• **noon** - Annual Thanksgiving Dinner - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

##### Sunday, Nov. 30

• **4 p.m.** - Brendan Boyer and the

Royal Irish Showband - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

##### Sunday, Dec. 14

• **1:30 p.m.** - Terry Ring's Newtown Christmas Stroll - Charles-

Newtown, Medford Street

##### Sunday, Dec. 21

• **11 a.m.** - Townie Santa Delivery - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

## CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### this week at a glance

#### Thursday, Nov. 13

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

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Precinct 7 meeting on resident parking - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

#### Saturday, Nov. 15

• **9 a.m.** - Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Annual Breakfast - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - City of Boston 1998 Property Assessment available with Assessing Department representatives - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Sunday, Nov. 16

• **Following 11 a.m. Mass** - Thousand Pounds of Turkey Raffle - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

• **3 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee meeting - Ame-

rican Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

#### Monday, Nov. 17

• **noon to 8 p.m.** - City of Boston 1998 Property Assessment available with Assessing Department representatives - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Rutherford Avenue Corridor Study workshop meeting, sponsored by the Boston Transportation Department - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **7 p.m.** - Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Memorial Mass for deceased members and honorary members, followed by a meeting - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

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

#### Tuesday, Nov. 18

• **10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** - City of Boston 1998 Property Assessment available with Assessing Department rep-

resentatives - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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

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

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Committee of the Whole meeting on foreign auto import facility at Moran Terminal - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 19

• **10 a.m.** - Workshop on breast cancer awareness - 55 Bunker Hill St.

• **10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** - City of Boston 1998 Property Assessment available with Assessing Department representatives - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **2 to 3 p.m.** - Cong. Joseph P. Kennedy II Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

### upcoming events

#### Thursday, Nov. 20

• **4 p.m.** - Performance by puppeteer Wayne Martin and RIF book giveaway - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **5 to 7 p.m.** - Open House - C.R. Edwards Middle School, 28 Walker St. (corner of Walker & Main streets)

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Zoning Committee meeting on Precincts 1 and 2 - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

#### Friday, Nov. 21

• **9 a.m. to 9 p.m.** - Ecumenical Food Pantry Canned Food Drive - Johnnie's Foodmaster, Bunker Hill Mall

• **10 a.m.** - Preschool Story Hour

- Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

#### Saturday, Nov. 22

• **9 a.m. to 9 p.m.** - Ecumenical Food Pantry Canned Food Drive - Johnnie's Foodmaster, Bunker Hill Mall

• **9 a.m. to noon** - Thanksgiving Clothing Drive, sponsored by Young Adult Program - St. Mary's Rectory, One Monument Square

• **10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - St. John's 158th annual Harvest Fair with a Turkey Dinner from noon to 4 p.m. - St. John's Church, 27 Devens St.

• **7 p.m.** - Matty O'Neil Scholarship Dance - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

### plan ahead

#### Monday, Nov. 24

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

#### Tuesday, Nov. 25

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

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

#### Wednesday, Nov. 26

• **7 p.m.** - Peeling and Paring Night for annual Thanksgiving Dinner - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.



#### **Matty O'Neil**

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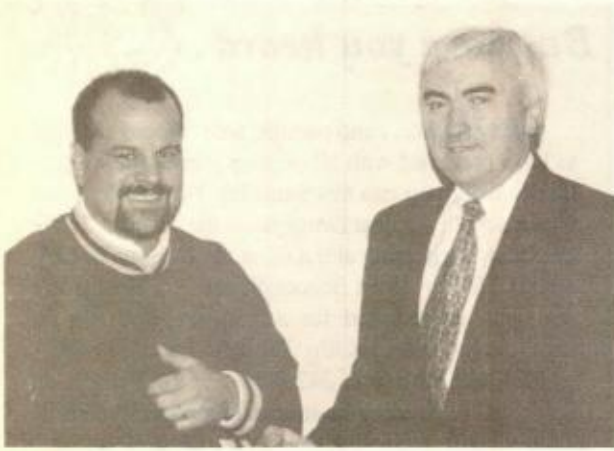
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## Two New Members Elected To Neighborhood Council



PRECINCT 3 candidate Michael DelVecchio (left) congratulates winner Bill Galvin (right) following Saturday's CNC election.



CNC ELECTION Committee Co-Chairmen Edna Kelly (left) and Bill McCabe (right) are congratulated by Precinct 6 candidate Leslie Dennis (center) on the outstanding way in which they ran this year's election.



THE CNC Election Committee completed the counting of the ballots in record time. Shown seated (l. to r.) are Jim Conway and co-chairmen Bill McCabe and Edna Kelly. Standing (l. to r.) are Dan Ryan, Peg Bradley, Maureen McCabe and Pat Johnson.

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### Precinct 4

Don Haska, 7

### Precinct 5

Richard J. McCarthy, 20

### Precinct 6

James Allwood, 40

Leslie A. Dennis, 28

### Precinct 7

Thomas S. Cunha, 18

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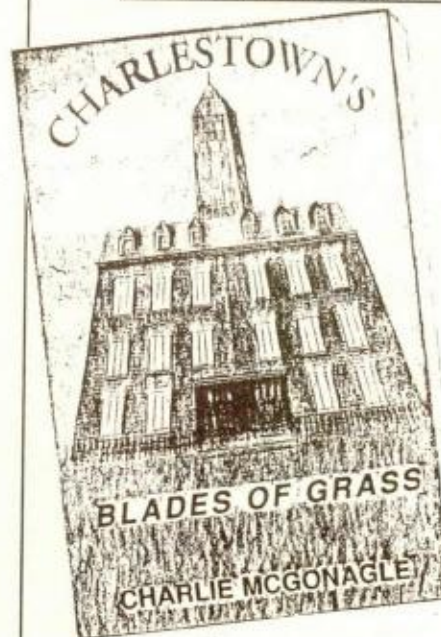
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## St. John's To Hold 158th Harvest Fair

St. John's Episcopal Church at 27 Devens St., will hold its annual Harvest Fair on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This year marks the 158th consecutive celebration of the Harvest Fair, a Charlestown tradition.

Throughout the day, visitors can browse and shop upstairs in St. John's Parish Hall. Sale tables include children's toys and equipment, books, attic treasures, handmade gifts, candies, gourmet food, baked goods and Christmas items.

A turkey dinner will be served starting at noon, with accompanying music by Larry Henry on the clarinet and Chris Felknor on guitar.

This year, for the first time, St. John's has offered raffle tickets - (\$1 each or six for \$5), with a long list of prizes available. The raffle has proved so popular that 1,000 tickets have been sold already. St. John's volunteers will sell tickets around town between now and the fair. Fair co-chairwoman Debby Lang says most of the tickets have been sold already. A few remain. Raffle prizes include: Bruins tickets, Celtics tickets, autographed poster of the New England Patriots 1997 Super Bowl squad, U.S. Tennis Open tickets, a Family Fun Package gift certificate to Ryan Family Amusements, holiday basket, red velvet al-

bum, handmade afghan, gift certificate for Johnnie's Foodmaster, and gift certificate for a cake from Cakes by Adelyn.

St. John's Youth Group will sponsor a Mitten Drive to collect warm clothing for the needy and homeless. Please bring all clothing donations to St. John's between now and the fair, and look for the Big Mitten Drive donation box at the fair itself.

Fair chairwomen Debby Lang and Rosemary Kelly, and Fair Journal coordinator Oren McCleary, want to thank the Charlestown community for their generous sponsorship so far. Pre-fair fund raising has been the best ever.

## Snow Completes Deployment To The Mediterranean

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class William J. Snow, son of William J. Snow of Clinton Place, Charlestown, has completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided missile cruiser *USS Thomas S. Gates*.

Snow is one of more than 300 sailors aboard the ship, which departed its homeport of Norfolk, VA, in April as part of the *USS John F. Kennedy* Battle Group. During deployment, Snow participated in numerous multinational exercises designed to test air, surface and subsurface capabilities.

While deployed, Snow visited several ports of call including France, Greece, Italy, Romania, Spain and Turkey. In addition, sailors from Snow's ship partici-

pated in community outreach projects in the host communities.

On the return trip home, Snow's ship rescued a two-man crew from a distressed vessel that had been capsized by 50-foot seas and 60-mph winds north of Bermuda.

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A 1993 graduate of Medford High School, Snow joined the Navy in September 1993.

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



♣ **Hey Kids . . .** and parents, too! Would you like to have breakfast with all of your friends and neighbors? Well, you can this Saturday, Nov. 15th, when CHarlestown Against Drugs hosts the annual CHAD Breakfast, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on West School Street . . . Tickets are free, but are required for admittance, and can be obtained by calling Kathy Whitehouse at 241-9511 or Melissa Doherty at 242-9366 . . . St. Francis de Sales will be holding its annual Thousand Pounds of Turkey Raffle following the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Nov. 16th in Bishop Lawton Hall . . . and The Daughters of Isabella No. 1 will host their annual Mass for deceased and honorary deceased members at 7 p.m. in St. Francis de Sales Chapel on Monday, Nov. 17th . . . All are most welcome to attend.

♣ **Charlie McGonagle . . .** Charlestown's own and everyone's favorite writer, will be at the Charlestown Patriot office, One Thompson Square, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 22nd to autograph copies of his book, "*Charlestown's Blades of Grass*" . . . For those you who have already purchased a copy, be sure to stop down and see Charlie.

♣ **There Are Birthdays Galore This Week . . .** and they start tomorrow, Nov. 14th, with Mary Foley of Bartlett Street celebrating her big day . . . Melissa Doherty and Mary Kay Tkachuk will party hearty on Nov. 15th, a date also shared by Betty Golden . . . Edward Hart will be 85 years "young" on Nov. 16th, which is also the birthday of gardener extraordinaire Rudy Doenges . . . and Peter Patrick Looney (aka Dado) will kick up his ??-year-old heels on Nov. 18th . . . Hope you all have a great day!

♣ **Happy Anniversary Wishes . . .** go out tomorrow, Nov. 14th, to Fran and Bob Harty who will celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary . . . and Jim and Carol Connors will mark their 28th wedding anniversary on Nov. 15th . . . Here's to many more!

♣ **The Boston Parks And Recreation Department Park Rangers . . .** are offering free programs during the month of November . . . "Stables Are For Horses, Barns Are For Cows" is the program for this Saturday, Nov. 15th, where you can visit the home of the Boston Park Rangers' horses. Meet the mounted Rangers' patrol partners and learn how they are cared for in this "behind-the-scenes" tour. Meet at the Annex Road Parking Lot at Franklin Park at 2 p.m. and follow the temporary signs.

♣ **Open House . . .** Parents are cordially invited to the C. R. Edwards Middle School Open House on Thursday, Nov. 20th from 5 to 7 p.m. Report cards will be available and you will be able to confer with your child(ren)'s teachers regarding curriculum and progress . . . Also on Thursday, Nov. 20th, Malden Catholic High School, located at 99 Crystal St., Malden, will hold its annual Open House from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for eighth grade boys interested in attending MC and their families to obtain information about the academic and extracurricular program available at the school. Registration is now open for the Catholic high school entrance exam, to be held on Saturday, Dec. 13th. Interested students can register to take the exam at MC or during the open house. If you have any questions or would like more information, call the school at 781-322-3098.

♣ **Do You Have An Unwanted Vehicle . . .** hanging around? If so, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Mass. will be glad to take it off your hands. If you are interested in donating a vehicle, you may call the "Cars For Boys & Girls" program at 1-800-246-0493 and it will be picked up free of charge, providing you have the title available and the car is intact. Not only do the Boys & Girls Clubs benefit from the sale of each car, but the person making the donation may be able to take the fair market value as a charitable contribution on their income tax.

♣ **A Christmas Bazaar . . .** will be held at Our Lady's Parish, 575 Washington St., Newton, this Saturday, Nov. 15th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shop for new gifts, jewelry, baked goods, etc. Also, there will be independent dealers and crafters. For directions or more information, call 527-7560, ext. 18.

♣ **Thought For The Week . . .** You can't put a price tag on love, but you can on all its accessories.  
- Melanie Clark

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## Receives Honors At Aquinas

Jill MacKillop of Charlestown, has been named to the president's list for the 1997 spring semester at Aquinas College in Newton.

MacKillop is a member of the Class of 1998.

## THANK YOU, GOD

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## around the town

### ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings... Meeting On Import Auto Facility

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the New England area. Also, the report of Trudy Coxe, secretary of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, which determined that an Environmental Impact Report on the plans is not necessary.

### Zoning Committee Meeting

Chairman Tom Cunha has called a Zoning Committee meeting for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. The zoning of precincts 1 and 2 will be discussed.

At this meetings there will be copies of the present zoning available along with the city's proposed zoning changes and the number and types of zoning variances that have been requested in the particular precincts during the past 18 months.

### Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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

★ **Yard Waste Collection** . . . Boston's Recycling Program will be collecting leaves and yard waste this Saturday, Nov. 15.

Leaves, grass clippings, plant cuttings and small twigs can be put out in large brown paper bags in open garbage barrels or tied with brown twine. The special Saturday collection starts at 7 a.m., so get it

out early. Please **do not** use plastic bags. Any leaves put out in plastic bags will be left for the weekly garbage collection. For more information, call 635-4959 or 635-7573.

★ **Charlestown Against Drugs** . . . Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will meet at 5:30 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Nov. 13 at the Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St. All interested persons are welcome.

★ **Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting** . . . The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Persons willing to assist with the planning and fund raising for the June 1998 parade and other aspects of the celebration are welcome.

★ **Rutherford Avenue Corridor Study Meeting** . . . The Boston Transportation Department (BTD) will host the third workshop of the Rutherford Avenue Corridor Transportation Study Working Group from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 17 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

For information, contact Ned Codd, BTD Policy and Planning, at 635-4606.

★ **Cong. Kennedy Staff To Hold Office Hours** . . . U.S. Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy has scheduled Congressional office hours in Charlestown and residents are invited to meet with a member of the congressman's staff to discuss federal policies, issues and

programs.

District representative Al Rielly will meet with residents from 2 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

For more information, contact Rielly at 242-0200.

### ★ Townie Santa Committee To Meet . . .

A Townie Santa meeting to continue planning for the delivery of Christmas baskets to the elderly, needy, shut-ins of this community will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. All are welcome to attend.

★ **Design Review Committee** . . . The Charlestown Preservation Society Design Review Committee will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 24 in the community room at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. This meeting was originally scheduled for Nov. 17. Included on the agenda is an update on the construction of townhouses in back of the liquor store at Thompson Square and the planned renovation of 285 Bunker Hill 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 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 18 in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

• Francis Rolinson is seeking to change the legal occupancy of 51 Elm St. from a two-family to a three-family dwelling. (BZC-19261)

• Kathleen Kennedy is seeking a determination that the Inspectional Services Department erred in the issuance of Permit #0513 on Oct. 3, 1996 to allow the premises to be used as a fee-paid 33-space parking lot and Permit #1372 on Oct. 3, 1996 for stairway installation, both at 81 Cambridge St. Kennedy also seeks a determination that the Inspectional Services Department erred in failing to appropriately process her appeal of the issuance of these permits. (BZC-19217)

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

★ **Board Of Appeal Decisions** . . . Petitions were brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on Nov. 6 in Boston City Hall:

• A petition by Claire Smith to erect a 2 1/2-story addition at the rear of 34 Mead St. and also change the legal occupancy from a two-family dwelling to four apartments was deferred until Jan. 13. Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, stated that an abutters meeting will be held prior to the hearing. (BZC-19053)

• Permission was granted to Craig S. Lynch to enlarge the front and rear dormers on a two-family dwelling at 9 Lexington St. and also erect a 20'x20'4" rear addition.

★ **Let Us Give Thanks** . . . The annual Canned Food Drive by the volunteers of the Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry will take place from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21 and Saturday, Nov. 22 at Johnnie's Foodmaster in the Bunker Hill Mall.

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# Gentile Address Issues Relative To 465 Medford St. And Parking At CNC Meeting

by Amy Chardavoyne

The monthly meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC) was held on Nov. 6, at the American Legion Hall. Council members attending were Edna Kelly, Tom Cunha, John Iacoi, Bill Galvin, Jim Conway, Peg Bradley, Marty O'Brien, Bill McCabe, Don Haska, Dan Ryan and Ken Stone.

Tom Cunha, vice-chair, opened the meeting by inviting a representative of The Flatley Co. to address the council regarding community concerns relative to recent environmental problems associated with 465 Medford St. (formerly Brockway Smith), as well as parking issues generated by the overflow from new tenants at the Schrafft Center.

Tony Gentile, representing The Flatley Co., began his presentation by providing an update on recent events at 465 Medford St. Gentile stated he came to the council because he wanted the community to understand that The Flatley Co. was responsive and took immediate and appropriate action when they learned that a sub-contractor was illegally sandblasting at the site. The project was stopped on Oct. 8 and Flatley immediately suspended the operation and contracted a licensed abatement contractor to work with city inspectors. As of Nov. 6, the building was deemed safe and clean.

Gentile went on to explain that The Flatley Company has been a good neighbor for over 12 years. When they were notified of the problems associated with the sandblasting, they took immediate action. He believes that The Flatley Company has been painted in a poor light as being unresponsive and uncaring about the situation. He stated that this is simply untrue and that they are sorry it happened and cleared up the problem immediately.

Tom Cunha asked Gentile if there would be a phone number available for immediate

abutters to call to address their concerns about the sandblasting or if he would prefer to have a community meeting.

Gentile stated that he would be the point person and provided his number at the Schrafft Center. Anyone with concerns can contact Tony Gentile at 242-2700.

The council pressed on to address the parking issue that has been generated by tenants of the Schrafft Center. Council member Bill Galvin questioned Gentile about the number of parking spaces currently available for tenants at the Schrafft Center. Gentile explained that they have just completed an expansion of about 150 parking spaces which brings the parking to over 1,200 spaces. Gentile committed to go back and get the specifics and bring them to the Precinct 7 parking meeting. He added that The Flatley Co. has doubled its shuttle service to Sullivan Square Station and is encouraging employees to use public transit. They have also initiated an MBTA pass program and tenants are offering employee discounts.

Precinct 7 representative Tom Cunha announced that there will be a CNC-facilitated resident parking meeting tonight, Thursday, Nov. 13, at St. Francis de Sales' Bishop Lawton Hall at 7 p.m. Cunha cautioned council members that the CNC will only facilitate the meeting between residents and the Boston Transportation Department and that no vote will be taken by the council on the issue.

Dorothy Steele, Massport's community liaison for Charlestown, was unable to attend the council meeting, but contacted the council to leave information regarding the former Revere Sugar site, owned by Massport, and that she and CNC Chairman Peter Looney had arranged for a CNC meeting of the whole on Nov. 17 to discuss the Revere Sugar site and the changes at Moran Terminal. In addition, Massport will

arrange a shuttle, from a location to be determined in Charlestown, to South Boston, to afford Charlestown residents an opportunity to see the Autoport operation in South Boston. Dates currently being discussed are Saturday, Nov. 29, or Saturday, Dec. 6.

There was a motion passed later in the meeting that the Massport/CNC meeting of the whole be rescheduled from Nov. 17 to another date as it is in conflict with the Central Artery meeting and other organizations' meeting on that date. The meeting has been set for 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18 at St. Francis de Sales hall.

Residents have also expressed concerns about security at the Revere Sugar site. Steele reported that 24-hour-a-day security has ended. Massport has arranged to have its police patrol the site every half hour. If anyone sees anything suspicious or has any security concerns, call 242-7979 and someone will be available 24-hours-a-day.

The floor was opened and Francis Sacco addressed the council regarding an issue his family has been attempting to resolve for many years. The issue involves a parcel of land his family has been attempting to purchase from the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA). Sacco claims that after many years of attempting to purchase the property, the BRA put the parcel up for sale and his family was never notified. The condo association at 34 Austin St. had put in a proposal for the parcel. Sacco has asked the BRA and the condo association to evenly divide the parcel between the two abutters. The condo association refused to comply with the request. Sacco requested the CNC to endorse a letter to the BRA supporting the Sacco family.

Council member Jim Conway stated that he had read the proposed endorsement letter and that it seemed fair. He made a motion that the CNC send the letter to the BRA.

The vote was recorded as unanimous. Tom Cunha, acting chair, requested each member of the council present to sign the letter, which they all did.

The floor was closed and Bill McCabe, co-chair of the council's Public Safety Committee, reported that at the last meeting, residents of Elm Street expressed concerns about a Bed & Breakfast located on that street. After much discussion, CNC members voted to request the appropriate city of Boston agency to investigate the need to better distinguish by signs, B&B's in residential areas.

Cunha, chair of the CNC Development Committee, announced that there will be a meeting to discuss zoning in Precincts 1 and 2 on Nov. 20.

Ken Stone reported that at a recent MDC meeting there was some discussion about renaming Paul Revere Landing Park. After much discussion, CNC members voted that the council would facilitate a meeting to discuss the name of the site that is now referred to as the Paul Revere Landing Park. A meeting date has yet to be set.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, reported that Dick Mulligan of the BRA informed her that the developer for the Thompson Square project did have the necessary permits to begin construction. However, Mulligan stated that the developer would not receive an occupancy permit until he signed off on a contract to complete phase two of the project. Residents' concerns surrounding traffic and parking remain outstanding.

The CNC voted to invite Tom O'Brien, director of the BRA, to the December meeting of the council to address any plans for development in Charlestown that would impact the neighborhood.

The next monthly meeting of the CNC will be on Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the K. of C. Hall.

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We miss and love you so much...  
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Consideration Asked On Sale Of Sliver Parcel

Nov. 6, 1997

Mr. Clarence Jones, Chairman  
Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA)  
One City Hall Square  
Boston, MA 02201-1007  
Re: Boston Redevelopment Sale of Plot R-18A

Dear Mr. Jones,

The above-captioned matter has been brought to the attention of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council by one Mr. Francis Sacco of 16 Lawrence St., Charlestown. This parcel of land is approximately 850 square feet and is located in a residential area. The sale of this parcel of land is of interest to the council as the facts as related by Mr. Sacco indicate that a fundamental injustice is in the process of taking place with respect to the sale of this property.

Specifically, the council has been informed that despite the Sacco family's numerous attempts to purchase this parcel of land over the last 10 years that the BRA intends on selling parcel R-18A to one, Sheila T. Martin of 34 Austin St., Charlestown. What is distressing to the council is the fact that Sheila Martin has only resided in Charlestown for the last three years and that the Sacco family has resided in Charlestown for over 60 years. What is even more distressing to the council is BRA's complete disregard to any compromise solution despite the Sacco family's willingness to divide the property between the two interested parties and/or purchase the property upon the same terms and conditions of any third party.

Further, when the council looks at the facts as outlined by Mr. Sacco, we question the appropriateness of the BRA's

actions. The Sacco family has attempted to purchase parcel R-18A over the last 10 years, yet this parcel was only formerly advertised for sale on Oct. 1, 1994, approximately one month after Ms. Martin purchased her Charlestown condominium. This may only be a coincidence, nevertheless, this factual scenario is suspect.

It is the council's position that where there are two parties owning land abutting parcel R-18A and where both parties wish to purchase this parcel, that it is only fair, at a minimum, that this parcel be divided in half and sold to both parties. What is clearly not fair is that a long-time Charlestown family who has sought to purchase this land for at least the last 10 years, upon terms and conditions now apparently satisfactory to the Authority, not even be considered as a possible "buyer." This scenario simply flies in the face of fundamental tenets of fairness.

In light of the above, the council strongly urges and would fully support a decision by the BRA and the city of Boston to:

1.) Consider all of the facts and circumstances surrounding the Sacco family's history in Charlestown and their efforts to purchase parcel R-18A;

2.) Negotiate with both parties in a fair and equitable manner; and

3.) Consider possible compromise solutions such as dividing parcel R-18A and selling half of the parcel to one, Sheila Martin, and sell the other half of the parcel to one, Frank Sacco.

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## Lawsuit Puts Plans To Renovate And Extend High Street Boys & Girls Club Building In Jeopardy

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- agreed to reduce the total square footage of the new construction from approximately 20,000 square feet to 12,000 square feet;

- agreed to provide an additional entrance to the facility from Main Street to reduce traffic flow on High Street;

- and to have the general contractor take numerous actions to lessen any impact caused during construction (including geotechnical surveys, limitations on work hours, etc.).

After gaining the support of the community and the approval of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, Boys & Girls Club officials appeared before the city of Boston Zoning Board of Appeals seeking variance from certain aspects of the Zoning Code in order to allow the project to proceed. Over 150 letters in support were received by the Zoning Board together with petition signatures in excess of 2,000 people, and numerous supporters were at the actual hearing. The Zoning Board voted unanimously to approve the variance requested.

Within 20 days (the statutory appeal period) of the filing of the board's decision,

nine residents of Charlestown filed suit in Suffolk Superior Court against the Zoning Board of Appeals. The suit, which remains pending, requests that the Zoning Board's decision be nullified by the court and that the Boys & Girls Club be prohibited from going forward with its plans.

The plaintiffs in the suit allege that the Zoning Board acted improperly in granting the requested variance. The plaintiffs also allege that the consolidation into the High Street building and new construction will generally result in problems of traffic and safety and, more specifically, will adversely affect them in terms of a reduction of light, view and increased noise and shadows. The Boys & Girls Club was added as a party defendant to the suit and has been defending against the plaintiffs' claims. The suit prevents the club from commencing construction on the High Street building.

Attorneys for the Boys & Girls Club, who have taken an active role in seeking to defend against the suit, maintain that the board was well within its powers and legally justified in granting the requested variance. The Boys & Girls Club has, in pleadings with the court,

pointed out that the delay caused by the suit will impose in excess of \$750,000 in additional costs to the project. Further delay, which at this time appears unavoidable, will result in additional costs to the club. It is the "delay" costs which pose the greatest jeopardy to the project.

The Boys & Girls Club officials have continued efforts to address concerns presented by the plaintiffs and, as a result, three of the original group have dropped out of the suit. The remaining six individuals are abutters who own four of the homes and one condominium unit adjacent to the Boys & Girls Club property. The remaining plaintiffs have acknowledged that other individuals not named in the Complaint are financially supporting the lawsuit, however, they are refused to divulge the names of those individuals.

Mindful that the plaintiffs could delay construction for years, the Boys & Girls Club officials have tried to negotiate with the remaining plaintiffs; however, the plaintiffs have refused all attempts to settle the matter. In this connection, the plaintiffs refused an offer to compensate them for any

reduction in their property values caused by the project. The Boys & Girls Club officials also asked the plaintiffs to consider if there is any alternative construction plan that would be acceptable. The remaining plaintiffs have indicated that no alternative construction plan is acceptable.

Jerry Steimel, Charlestown Clubhouse director, reports that, "given the current physical state of our buildings, this is not a matter we can merely walk away from, as the plaintiffs would like to see happen. It is unfortunate that so few can prevent what is in effect a \$5 million gift to the children of this community.

Some of the plaintiffs in the suit have continually suggested that an alternative site would be a better location for the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club; this "not in my backyard" mindset ignores the reality that even if we were given raw land, in an appropriate location, the cost of construction is far beyond our financial abilities. At this time, the club is continuing to explore all options in order to insure that Charlestown's boys and girls have the facilities that they need and deserve."

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

### Turkey Raffle

It's Turkey Time! St. Francis de Sales Parish is sponsoring a Thousand Pounds of Turkey Raffle. Tickets are \$1 each or a book of six for \$5. The raffle will be held this Sunday, Nov. 16, after the 11 a.m. Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall (lower church) with refreshments available. Tickets can be purchased from Fran Ringer at 242-0126, at the rectory or from the ushers at Mass.

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

This weekend, Nov. 15 and 16, at all the Masses, the members of the St. Francis de Sale St. Vincent de Paul Society will be at the back of the church to receive your free-will offering to assist them in their work

with those less fortunate during this holiday season.

### Ninth Grade Confirmation One Class

The 9th grade Confirmation Class, Confirmation One, will meet Monday, Nov. 17, in the Bishop Lawton Hall at 6 p.m. sharp.

### Thanksgiving Day Mass

There will be a special family Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9 a.m. in the church. This will be the one and only Mass on Thanksgiving. Following the Mass, a loaf of Blessed Bread will be distributed to each family to share at their Thanksgiving Dinner. Make your Thanksgiving Day truly grateful by beginning the day with Mass.

## Edna Doherty Passes Away At 74

Edna (Lannon) Doherty, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, passed away on Nov. 12 at the Carney Hospital after a brief illness. She was 74.

Mrs. Doherty was the wife of the late John Doherty, and the beloved mother of Dennis Doherty,

Barbara McIsaac, Jean Prince and John F. Doherty. She is also the loving grandmother of eight.

Mrs. Doherty is the sister of Mary Papasodoro of Somerville, Grace Clifford of Medford and Ruth Noseworthy of Marston Mills, and twin sister of the

late Walter Lannon.

Visiting hours will be held at the Frank H. Carr Funeral Home, 220 Bunker Hill St., on Friday, Nov. 14, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral Mass will be said at St. Catherine's Church on Saturday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m.

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# Celebration Marks The 200th Birthday Of The *USS Constitution*





## Ceremonies Mark The Bicentennial Of 'USS Constitution'

The bells in all of Charlestown's churches pealed a chorus of congratulations for *USS Constitution* as she celebrated the 200th anniversary of her commissioning with a celebration on Oct. 21.

The celebration began with a Bicentennial Blessing on Pier One, adjacent to the ship, at 8 a.m. with Cmdr. Christopher A. Melhuish, USN, 65th commanding officer of *USS Constitution* (shown top row center on page 8) presiding.

Representing the Secretary of the Navy was the Hon. William Cassidy Jr., acting assistant Secretary of the Navy (shown top row at the right being presented a pewter coin and pin replica of *USS Constitution* by Legion Past National Historian James W. Conway). Cassidy spoke at the blessing and was the principal speaker at *USS Constitution's* 200th birthday celebration banquet that eve-

ning at the John F. Kennedy Library.

At the conclusion of the blessing, the 90-foot Mt. Rushmore American Flag was raised over Pier One, under the direction of Mark Valentine.

Fifty new U.S. Navy recruits were then sworn in during an impressive ceremony on the pier with the U.S. Navy Band, Newport playing appropriate music, as they did on board *USS Constitution* and at ceremonies throughout the day.

Hundred of dignitaries, veterans and a group of Charlestown residents lined up to start the boarding for the Bicentennial tug-assisted cruise of "Old Ironsides" to Rowe's Wharf. Just prior to her departure, a 90-foot U.S. Navy Flag, was unfurled, again under the direction of Valentine.

During her cruise out into Boston Harbor, all joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the

singing of *God Bless America*, led by the school children on board.

Lt. Cmdr. Claire Bloom, USN, executive officer of *USS Constitution*, acted as master of ceremonies for the program on board the ship, and Cmdr. Melhuish made appropriate remarks, noting the historical significance of Oct. 21 and the remarkable combat record of "Old Ironsides."

*Constitution* fired a 21-gun salute to the nation off Rowe's Wharf at 12:30 p.m. and then proceeded to the U.S. Coast Guard Integrated Support Command Pier Two, on Atlantic Avenue, which is near the original site of Harte's Shipyard where the ship was built and launched on Oct. 21, 1797.

Many of the dignitaries aboard, including Boston's Mayor Thomas Menino, debarked at the Coast Guard Pier with the U.S. Navy Band, the 1797 Colonial Marines and many oth-

ers to participate in the pier-side ceremony and then form up with *USS Constitution's* Color Guard, Pikemen and members of the crew in 1812 uniforms for the march through the streets of Boston to the Old South Meeting House. Here a Bicentennial Oration Ceremony was held. Menino offered remarks on the occasion, Cassidy delivered an address and an historical address was given by Henry S. Lodge.

As the parade left the Coast Guard's Pier Two, "Old Ironsides" cruised back to the Charlestown Navy Yard where the remaining guests, crew and Cmdr. Melhuish disembarked.

The day's historic celebration was capped off with a 200th birthday celebration at the John F. Kennedy Library, where presentations were made to all the members of *USS Constitution's* crew.



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## Wayne Martin Puppets At The Charlestown Branch Library

Skilled puppeteer Wayne Martin will return to the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 4 p.m., as part of the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) series.

*The Strings of Fantasy* performance will combine beautifully crafted hand puppets and marionettes with a variety of musical styles. Dramatic lighting and theatrical effects will add to the suspense in this cabaret-style variety show.

Members of the audience are encouraged to take part in the fun!

This program will be followed by refreshments and a book give-a-way of two books per child. The RIF program is funded by the Friends, a grant from the Mass. Biomedical Corp., and the Reading Is Fundamental Project.

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## Young Adult Happenings

The Thanksgiving Clothing Drive will take place on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 9 a.m. to noon. Warm clothes in useable condition can be dropped off in front of St. Mary's Rectory on that day, during those hours. Young adults who may have vans or pick-up trucks are needed so that when the clothes are dropped off, they can be put into the vehicles and taken to the Long Island Shelter. There are over 1,000 homeless men and women who live at the shelter and have nothing. Please help out with this drive.

Planning is taking place for the Young Adult Mass of Thanksgiving, which will

take place on Sunday evening, Nov. 23 at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Every young adult is asked to bring to Mass one toiletry article such as deodorant, soap, toothpaste, new toothbrushes, towels, etc. which will be part of the Offertory of the Mass and then will be brought to the Long Island Shelter. All young adults are welcomed to come to this Mass to participate in Thanksgiving.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up for the Young Adult Program, please contact Father Paul McCarthy at 241-9014.

## Charlestown Gym Hockey News

### Standings - Nov. 8

	W	L	T		Nicholas Kupchaunis
Bunker Hill Florist	6	0	0	Bunker Hill Insurance	R.T. Kelly
Jimmy's On Top	4	1	1	Dunny's Pals	Brian Callahan
Grant Photo	4	1	1		Quinlan Locke
Poolie's Pals	4	2	0	Grant Photo	Marvin Jones
Dunny's Pals	2	3	1		Mary Kate Collins
Bryan's Pals	2	4	0	Jimmy's On Top	Catherine Tagliatela
Bunker Hill Insurance	2	4	0		Keagan Gallagher
Main St. Furniture/Medford	1	2	3	Kerrigan's	Matthew Travis
Kerrigan's	1	5	0		Naquana Dunn
Li'l Al's	1	5	0	Li'l Al's	Mason Hayes

### Players of the Week - Nov. 8

Bryan's Pals	Nathan McGann	Main St. Furniture, Medford	Kyleigh Watson
	Ian Dillon	Poolie's Pal	Joshua Massiah
Bunker Hill Florist	Ryan Buckley		Michelle Jones
			Deven Kelley

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**Tom Stevens at (617) 241-5936.**

*Thank you in advance!*

## What's Up At The Kennedy Center

Here it is - already November and a lot of interesting things are happening at the Kennedy Center.

There will be a workshop on breast cancer awareness at 55 Bunker Hill St., on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 10 a.m. All women are invited to learn how to detect this major killer.

The Farmers' Market is over for the year. Thanks to all the farmers who supplied such great produce this past summer. Hope to see everyone there next year.

As we move from fall to winter, its time to think about cold weather. Fuel assistance has started. You must call Colleen at 241-8866 for an appointment.

The deadline for applications for the Apprenticeship Preparedness Program is today, Nov. 13 for the January class. If you or someone you know is interested in getting into the building trades, call Patty for more information.

A home health aide class is being formed for January 1998. If you are

interested and have not already put your name on the list, call Martha. Here is a good opportunity for training and a chance to begin a career in health care.

Get in shape for the holidays. Come to the aerobics class on Mondays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Bring a towel and get ready to move!

For seniors - On Nov. 25 at 10 a.m., a podiatrist will be at 55 Bunker Hill St.

That's all for this month. Have a great Thanksgiving and see you next month.

## Preliminary Property Assessments Available At The Charlestown Branch Library

The city of Boston Assessing Department has completed a revaluation of all residential and commercial properties for Fiscal Year 1998. A new assessed value for each property will be indicated on the Fiscal Year 1998 - third quarter tax bill to be issued at the end of December.

Owners of both residential and commercial property are invited to visit the Charlestown Branch Library at 179 Main St. on the dates and hours listed below to review their FY 1998 assessment, discuss any concerns or ask any questions they may have with Assessing Department staff who will be at the library.

Preliminary property assessments will also be available by calling the As-

sessing Information Center at 635-4287 daily between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or on-line via the city of Boston Web page at: <http://www.ci.boston.ma.us/cyberhall/assessor>.

The new assessed values must be submitted to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue for certification before the third quarter bills are sent.

Assessing staff will be at the library:

- Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.;
- Monday, Nov. 17 from noon to 8 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Nov. 18 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and
- Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## Book And Craft Sale To Aid Nursery School Scholarship Fund

Beacon Hill Nursery School will hold a Book and Craft Sale at the school on Tuesday, Nov. 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. with all proceeds from the event going directly to the BHNS Scholarship Fund.

The Children's Book Shop of Brookline has signed on as the book vendor for the school and will offer hundreds of exciting titles from this magical store's extensive inventory.

The nursery school will offer a broad selection of holiday and housewarming gifts to buy. Homemade

jams and mustards, velvet scarves, lavender pillows, topiaries and chocolates will be on sale.

In addition to the local crafts, the school is excited to have several outside vendors selling their exclusive lines at reduced prices. The vendors include H.M. Woggle Bug and two lines of French-made boys and girls clothes selling at 30 percent below their retail value. And Green Ink will be available to take orders for cards, photo calendars and personal stationery.

For more information or directions to the school, please call 227-0822.



## Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be held at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "Angus Lost," a film about the Scottish Terrier, Angus, who enjoys several adventures during

his absence from home . . . "The Frowning Prince" is the story of a young prince who believed his frown was permanent . . . and young Cecily's punishment leads to an hilarious adventure involving singing elephants in "Cecily."

Jimmy is able to pursue his interest in computers in a family of boxing enthusiasts in "Brother Tough," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Good books are **McDuff Comes Home** by Rosemary Wells and **The Frog Prince**, Continued by Jon Scieszka.



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# BOB D'S BEAT

BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO



♣ **Youth Sports Congress** . . . Mayor Tom Menino will host Boston's first Youth Sports Congress this Saturday morning, Nov. 15, at the Reggie Lewis Center. The day will bring together representatives from throughout the city to assess the status of youth sports in our city and set a plan for the future. I am very pleased that I will be attending this congress as a delegate.

♣ **CHAD Breakfast** . . . CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will host their annual breakfast on Saturday morning, Nov. 15, at the K. of C. Hall. Peter Looney has done a great job in keeping CHAD alive and strong, and everyone involved should be continuously applauded for their effort.

♣ **Charlestown Lacrosse** . . . The newly organized Charlestown Lacrosse team will be fund raising this weekend. The program is accepting donations of new or used boys' Lacrosse equipment. If you can help, please contact Zach Lehman at 242-1344 or Anna Leonard at 241-0032. Support this new endeavor.

♣ **3-On-3 Hoop Tournament** . . . There will be a Thanksgiving Basketball 3-on-3 Tournament at the Reggie Lewis Center the weekend of Nov. 22 and 23. There are many age classifications. For entry forms, call 445-3380. Male and female teams are encouraged to participate.

♣ **Open Houses** . . . Catholic Memorial, a school for young men in grades 7 through 12, will hold an open house on Sunday, Nov. 16, from 1 to 3 p.m. CM is located at 235 Baker St., West Roxbury. For more information, call 469-8019.

Salem State College will hold an open house for incoming freshmen and transfers on Saturday, Nov. 15 at the Mainstage Auditorium. The program begins at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call 978-741-6716.

♣ **Weekend Football Watch** . . . **Friday, Nov. 14** - East Boston at Charlestown. **Saturday, Nov. 15** - St. John's at BC High, Don Bosco at Catholic Memorial, Everett at Malden, Williams at Arlington-Catholic, Con-

cord-Carlisle at Boston Latin, Medford at Matignon, English at Latin Academy, Pope John at Minuteman and St. Clement at Savio Prep.

♣ **High School Prep Notebook** . . . The rain held off and the Townies held on for their second straight win, and their fourth of the season, defeating Burke 12-6 in a City League Inter-league contest. Good defense or, better said, timely defense, was once again the key to victory. Tony Hobbs put Charlestown on the scoreboard on a six-yard run late in the second quarter, but the game football buster belonged to Kevin White, who picked up a punt he blocked, and carried it in a six-yard run for the game winner.

Arthur Cameron had a touchdown as Everett goose-egged Waltham 32-0 to move one more step closer to a GBL title, and a Super Bowl berth. Everett has a perfect 8-0-0 record.

John Murphy and Ray Ortiz had the offense points in the Belmont Hills' season finale versus Dover and Weston. The boys

are now gearing up for hockey.

♣ **College Board** . . . Bentley College Women's basketball team has quite an early season road trip. Corey Gallagher and her teammates will be playing a few games in Cancun!

Bridgewater State will also hit the road. Nick Smith and his new team will be traveling to San Antonio for some hoop.

♣ **Pro Line** . . . Keith Tkachuk scored his seventh and eighth goals of the season as Phoenix shut off Toronto 3-0. We won't be seeing Keith until January when the Coyotes make their only appearance of the season at the Fleet.

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Congratulations to Jason Gallagher and Cheryl Collins . . . Katie's Favorite Song: "Memories!" . . . Special get well wishes to Jay Kelsey from all his friends . . . Word is a new star is rising at the CHS cafeteria . . . Congratulations to Mary Rizzo, who won an all expense paid round-trip to the North End. . . .

Smile!



## WINTER GED TESTING DATES

The winter GED testing dates have been set for Dec. 1, 2 and 3. Preregistration is required for initial testing or retesting. Registration dates are now through Nov. 18.

For more information, please contact Peggy O'Brien at 635-5169.

## CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon

There has been some tough competition in the Charlestown Against Drugs Junior Bowling League.

The Shamrocks fought their way into a first place tie with Cricket's team by drubbing Bunker Hill Real Estate 8-0. The top bowler for the Shamrocks was Steven Awbrey with a three-string total of 229. Jeff Lynch was runner-up with 200. Top bowler for BHRE was Chris Chiampa with 225 and Sean Cronk and Courtney Schievink were the runners-up, each with 206.

The McCarthy Brothers team paddled the Charlestown Patriot 6-2. Top bowler for the Patriot was Jessica Grace, who during the day, broke the high single with a 98 string, only to have it broken later by Sheilann Williams, who bowled a 100 string. Jessica's total for the day was a nice 240. Runner-up for McCarthy Brothers was

Chris Schievink with 237. Top bowler for the Patriot was David Grace with 190. Runner-up was Nicole Chiampa with 182.

Cricket's retained a piece of first place with a 6-2 thrashing of Jenny's Pizza. Top bowler for Cricket's was Matt Paley with 287. Jared Silva was runner-up with 208. Top bowler for Jenny's was Mike Shackford with a fantastic 304! Now I don't know what they're putting in the water at the Shackford house, but Mike set the record last week with a 292, came back this week with another record-breaker and also bowls strings of 112 and 102. As an adult, I would be happy to bowl those strings! Runner-up for Jenny's was Kevin Lavalley with 190.

The American Legion erupted for a 6-2 win over Diane Modica's team. Top bowler for the Legion was Jon Paul Awbrey with 227. Runner-up was Shawn

Burke with 209. Top bowler for Modica's team was Chris Boutwell with 227. Andrew Foley was runner-up with 185.

In the final match of the day, there was a 4-4 split between the Kennedy Center and the Red Store. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was John Harrington with a great 269. Runner-up was Nick Celata with 218. Top bowler for the Red Store was Sheilann Williams with a wonderful 265. Sheilann also broke the womens' high single with her 100 string. Brendan Grace was runner-up with 199.

\* Bowlers of the week are Mike Shackford 304, Matt Paley 287, John Harrington 269, Sheilann Williams 265, Jessica Grace 240, Chris Schievink 237, Steven Awbrey 229, Chris Boutwell 227, Jon Paul Awbrey 227, Chris Chiampa 225 and Nick Celata 218.

Bowlers trying the hard-

est were Tim Hickey 139, Brendan Brassil 149, Laddonna Phipps 151, Joe Awbrey 156, Casey Durham 156, Kevin Celata 158, Quinn Evers 159, Kevin Scadding 164, Eric Lynch 177, Matt Hickey 180, Casey Schievink 187 and Bob Kalin 189.

I would like to thank our executive secretary and treasurer, Rita Mahoney, for her tremendous help. She makes it easy for me to keep the league together. Rita, you're a doll!

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See you all on Saturday - we bowl at 11:30 a.m.

### Standings

	W	L
Cricket's	28	12
Shamrocks	28	12
McCarthy Bros.	26	14
B.H. Real Estate	22	18
Kennedy Center	22	18
American Legion	22	18
Diane Modica	19	21
Jenny's Pizza	12	28
Chas'n. Patriot	11	29
Red Store	10	30

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## POP WARNER CORNER



The football season ended this past Sunday as the A Team championship hopes were washed away on a wild and wet day in Weymouth. With field conditions comparable to the Charles River, the Townie offense could not set sail as Weymouth sloshed to a 12-0 victory.

With the score deadlocked at 0-0 with less than a minute remaining in the first half, Jason Souza picked off a Weymouth pass and returned it inside the Weymouth 10-yard line, but the Townies could not punch it in as time expired. The Townies kicked off to begin the second half, hoping to pin the Weymouth offense deep in their own territory. Unfortunately, this backfired and Weymouth slipped and sloshed their way downfield to the end zone for its first score of the day. It was all Weymouth from that point on as they killed the clock en-route to a 12-0 victory.

Congratulations to Darwin Mendo-

za, Jason Souza, Bobby Lawrence, Miguel Cordova, Michael Centola, Frankie McPherson, Johnny Moncion, Mark Matarazzo, Jimmy Joseph, Sean Rea, Michael Leonard, Brian McCrary, Francisco Garcia, Steve O'Neil, Chris Schievink, Javier Garcia, Jose Cruz, Joey Gonzalez, Luis Cruz, Chris Boutwell and Ryan Connolly.

Other than the usual getting to practice problem, they played hard, commanded immediate respect from their opponents and their level of sportsmanship was of the highest regard. Mike Walsh and Danny Ryan did a remarkable job transforming this group into a competitive football squad and though it is a thankless job at times, credit should be given where credit is due. The contracts for next year are printed and we await your signatures. Thank you both, again!

Thanks to our many fans who traveled to Weymouth and the B Team cheerleaders who supported the team.

The fundraiser raffle will continue through the annual awards night on Dec. 5. You may purchase a raffle outside of Johnnie's Foodmaster during Thanksgiving week and your support again is much appreciated.

One final thank you to Capt. Ron Conway and the Boston Police Department and the BHA Police whose presence during the last two home games, eased the minds of all in attendance.

Finally, the biggest question you may remember at the beginning of the season was could this community support youth football through the entire season? Well, that question has been answered!

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The Charlestown Townies vs. the Boston Raiders Pop Warner "A" team game will be shown on channel A23 at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15.

See you next year!  
- John Taglilatela



## 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, Charlestown!

Your reputation of independence is legendary and well-deserved.

I have always done well when my votes are counted in Charlestown. On election day, you gave me the great honor of voting me No. 1 in Charlestown.

I asked some of you to allow my signs on your property for a short time before the election, with the promise that they would be taken down with due speed after the election. The election is over, my signs are down and I hope all other candidates have taken their signs down as well.

May you all have good health and be as happy as you have made me.

Charlestown will always be Number One with me!

Gratefully,  
Peggy Davis-Mullen

## Our Heartfelt Thanks

Dear Gloria,

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all who offered their support to our family during our recent losses. We would like especially to mention our wonderful neighbors on Tibbetts Town Way for being there for us and for their help in ways too numerous to mention.

This outpouring of concern is what makes Charlestown such a unique community. In a society in which many barely know their neighbors, the people of Charlestown stand apart because you can always be assured of their support in a time of need. Our recent losses were made more bearable as a result of our wonderful neighbors and so we thank them for this.

Sincerely,  
The Donahue Family

Quinn Scholarship Award  
To Be Increased In 1998

Dear Gloria,

On Saturday, April 4, 1998, we will celebrate the 29th annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner Dance. Once again, this festive occasion will be held at the Bunker Hill Council Knights of Columbus Hall.

It will be an honor to pay tribute to Brendan J. Sullivan, the 1997 Quinn Scholar, presently attending Stonehill College. All of what we have accomplished in Michael's name has been made possible through our loyal supporters. The proceeds from the annual dinner dance, general donations, the annual golf tournament (which will be held on Aug. 14, 1998), and the kind generosity of the Mass. General Hospital's Smart Choice program, for which we are most grateful, make all of this possible.

As a result of the above support, we are most pleased to announce that the scholarship will be increased from \$2,500 annually to \$3,000. Additionally, the Francis J. McCluskey Supplementary Award will also increase from \$1,250 to \$1,500. This combined annual grant of \$4,500, a 20 percent increase, will be available for the 1998 Quinn Scholar to be selected in May of 1998.

Once again, we thank you for your steadfast support which will benefit the fine youth of our beloved community.

Regards,  
Ronan J. FitzPatrick, treasurer  
Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Fund

## An Open Letter From Thomas J. Flatley

Dear Gloria,

I now have in hand several reports from our staff and will attempt to clear up the statements recently appearing in the Charlestown Patriot portraying The Flatley Company as an uncaring and unresponsive neighbor in a community we greatly respect.

**Sandblasting:** We completed extensive preliminary testing of this building prior to construction and were informed of no environmental concerns. Once we learned the subcontractor encountered a problem on Oct. 8, 1997, we immediately shut down the area. From this point on, we worked hand in hand with the local inspectors, a fully licensed abatement contractor and followed the directions of the Office of Environmental Health to the letter of the law.

I am pleased to report that we have received our final sign-offs ensuring the site is free and clear of all concerns.

During the past 12 years, we have invested over \$50,000,000 in the restoration and rejuvenation of old buildings such as Schrafft's and others in the immediate vicinity - improvements the community can be justifiably proud of. We have taken an area of town where minimum wages prevailed and, at the present time, the average wage is over \$30,000 per year.

For these past 12 years, we have been deeply involved in many of the organizations in town primarily due to the wonderful individuals who live within the community and we shall always pride ourselves in being part of the community.

I wish to also remind you about some of the decisions we chose not to make through the years such as the rejection of the Salt Distribution Plant at one of our locations. Certainly it would have reaped high profits for us yet clearly not for

the community, most specifically our immediate neighbors in Precinct 7.

In a most recent letter, I was disappointed to read that The Flatley Company does not care about the health and safety of children. If from Day One, the safety of any child had been in jeopardy, no project would even have begun. We are committed and dedicated to children within the community as they are indeed our future.

Let's not forget that The Flatley Company planned, built and continues to subsidize the Day Care Center at Schrafft's. We brought in Bright Horizons, clearly the leader in the industry, so both tenants and community members have this option right down the street. For Mr. Dennis Callahan to insinuate we do not care is totally irresponsible. He encourages the community to contact me, yet he has failed to do so himself. If he had, he would have learned that we tested the area. We even tested the sandbox in the outside playground. All tests were negative with no traces of any hazardous materials whatsoever.

In closing, may I add that the contractor who made the error in judgment has been properly dealt with and we wish that this brief error could be undone. But mistakes do occur during such a high-profile job. However, I wish to tell you that we have removed over \$2,000,000 worth of hazardous material from our sites in Charlestown during the last three years and, whenever we see any questionable material, we follow the letter of the law and will continue to do so.

Together, Charlestown and The Flatley Company should go forward and continue to create a top notch environment in which to work and live within a great community.

Sincerely,  
Thomas J. Flatley

## Legal Notice

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Notice Of Change Of Name

To all persons interested in the petition hereinafter described.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Sybal A. Arnold of 104 1st Ave. #307, Boston, Suffolk, 02129 praying that her name may be changed as follows: Sybal A. Arnold to Sybal A. Cole.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 20th day of November, 1997.

Witness, Elaine M. Moriarty, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this 27th day of October, 1997.

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

Tuesday, Oct. 4

A Charlestown resident told police that unknown persons squirted a substance on the door locks of his Washington Street home at about 7:10 p.m. The substance was later found to be two-stage epoxy glue that damaged the doors and locks.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

An employee of a business at 50 Terminal St. reported that between 5 and 10 p.m., someone broke the driver's side door of a vehicle and took a factory-installed CD/radio.

Friday, Oct. 31

A Washington Street resident reported that at least four males had thrown eggs at his home at 9:10 p.m. and again at 10:10 p.m. which resulted in the transom window with old glass and detailing being shattered. The man chased the suspects but was unable to catch them.

Saturday, Nov. 1

The owner of a business on Main Street stated that between 5 p.m. on Oct. 31 and 10:15 a.m. on this date, someone spray painted and bent a "no parking, private property" sign that is on the side of her building.

Sunday, Nov. 2

A resident of Burlington stated that while her auto was parked at Green and Main streets between 6:15 p.m. on Nov. 1 and 1:45 a.m. on this date, someone broke the rear passenger window with a brick and stole her school bag, stamps and \$50.

Monday, Nov. 3

The superintendent of a construction site in the rear of 500 Rutherford Ave. reported that between 2 p.m. on Nov. 1 and 6:30 a.m. on this date, two Drego box trailers were broken into. The padlocks from the doors of the trailer were stolen, along with two Yamaha generators and three tool boxes containing a large number of tools, with the value yet to be determined.

A Brighton woman stated that her auto had been broken into between midnight and 6:30 a.m. while it was parked in the vicinity of 107 Main St. The passenger-side window had been smashed with a brick and a purse and a bag had been stolen from inside the auto.

The Boston Community Center's school facility at 76 Monument St. was reported broken into between 5 p.m. on

Oct. 31 and 6:45 a.m. on this date. Taken were AT&T calculators, a Polaroid camera and Magic Markers, valued at \$77, along with a license and a BankBoston card. Two screens had been damaged.

A resident of Carney Court stated that someone had entered her apartments between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and removed a Panasonic radio, valued at \$400, and an Emerson VCR, valued at \$200. There no signs of forced entry.

At 2 p.m., it was reported that a cellular phone, valued at \$100, was taken from a man while he was on the shuttle boat, Edward R. Snow.

The police were called to the gasoline station on Rutherford Avenue at about 8 p.m. on the report of an accident. The driver of the auto had purchased gas and attempted to pull away from the gas station when he ran into another person's auto. The man detained the suspect, who was identified as the driver, as several friends of the suspect exited from the auto and fled on foot. The auto, which had an Indiana registration, had been reported stolen on Nov. 2. The suspect, a 14-year-old Charlestown resident, was booked and tools found in the front seat were held as evidence. The auto was towed.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

The owner of a business at 50 Terminal St. reported that after reviewing her bank statement and cancelled checks, she found that a \$600 check had been cashed by another individual at an East Boston check cashing store. She said this check had been stolen between July 8 and Oct. 21.

A Charlestown man stated that between midnight and 8 a.m., red paint was thrown over the front door, steps and flower pots of his Main Street home. He stated that this is the sixth incident in a two-year period of time. The CDU has been notified.

An employee of a business at 50 Terminal St. reported that between 4 p.m. on Oct. 20 and 11 a.m. on this date, someone attempted to break into a company rental truck. The passenger side door lock had been popped, but the truck had not been entered.

A resident of Auburn Street stated that between 8 p.m. on Nov. 3 and 8 p.m. on this date, his auto had been hit while it was parked at Oak and Russell streets.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

At about 1:30 a.m., police spoke to a woman who stated that her Carney Court apartment had been ransacked. All the draws had been pulled out and thrown on the floor. She said she is missing a snow globe, valued at \$65, and a collection of Ultimate Warrior action figures, valued at \$499. She said

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there had been no forced entry.

At 6 p.m., the detail officer in the Bunker Hill Mall observed a 46-year-old Somerville man in the park area of the mall urinating on the sidewalk as people were passing by. He was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was placed under arrest for indecent exposure.

Residents of a Monument Square home told police that they heard a loud noise between 5:30 and 6 p.m. A rock had been thrown through a window into the vestibule where it had broken another window.

At 6 p.m., a Charlestown woman reported that her auto had been struck by an MBTA bus in the vicinity of 207 Bunker Hill St. She said that she was sitting in her auto when the bus struck her door, breaking the window and mirror. The bus did not stop. The MBTA inspector is investigating.

Thursday, Nov. 6

At 12:37 a.m., a special police officer was questioning a person in CharlesNewtown when a 34-year-old Charlestown man placed his body between the officer and the person being questioned and began to obstruct the officer by menacing him. The officer will seek complaints in Charlestown District Court for being a disorderly person and trespassing.

At about 1:50 a.m., officers responded to Tufts Street on a report of vandalism in progress. They found an auto, belonging to a N.H. man, with extensive damage. It was towed for safekeeping.

The supervisor of a construction site on Front Street stated that between 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 5 and 5:50 a.m. on this date, a Honda generator, valued at \$2,400 was taken from the site. It had been chained to a construction trailer.

A man reported that between 8 p.m. on Nov. 5 and 6:45 a.m. on this date, an auto had been damaged while it was parked at 16th Street and First Avenue. The auto was left running.

A Charlestown resident reported that between 9 p.m. on Nov. 5 and 8 a.m. on this date, an auto parked on Austin Street was broken into. Taken were CDs, valued at \$50, and two sets of golf clubs with a total value of \$1,200.

At 2:35 p.m., a Charlestown man reported that his wallet containing \$40 had been stolen from his Bunker Hill Street apartment.

A woman reported that between 2 and 4:30 p.m., \$30, credit cards and an ATM card had been stolen from a briefcase in her Rutherford Avenue office.

Friday, Nov. 7

A Charlestown man reported that between 2 p.m. on Nov. 6 and 12:30 a.m. on Nov. 7, someone entered his Polk Street apartment through a living room window and took a television, valued at \$120, a cable box, valued at \$200, and \$30.

At 8:15 a.m., officers responded to 529 Main St. where they spoke to a Brookline man who stated that as he was driving into the parking lot, a Reading man threw a roll of paper at his auto and broke the windshield. The second man said the first man almost ran him over, he was scared and the roll of paper fell from his hands and struck the window.

Between 3 and 4 a.m., two autos parked on Chelsea Street were vandalized.

Sunday, Nov. 9

A Charlestown woman reported that between 9 p.m. on Nov. 8 and 9 a.m. on Nov. 9, a hub cap was removed while the auto was parked on Austin Street.

At 3:20 p.m., Charlestown teen reported that as he turned from Bunker Hill Street onto Chappie Street riding a moped, an occupant of an auto that had been riding closely behind him suddenly opened the passenger-side door and struck him, nearly causing him to lose control of the moped. Another incident happened with the teen and the same vehicle at about 5:15 p.m. on Monument Square.

At 5:30 p.m., a Westwood woman stated that while driving on Main Street, she went to make a turn when a red auto traveling in the opposite direction struck the driver's side of her vehicle and the auto fled the scene.

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This is the sixth year that it has been held at the American Legion Hall. Prior to 1992, the dinner was served at Sweeney's restaurant on Bunker Hill Street, and it has always been a great success. It has provided joy and togetherness for local residents who have no family, are estranged from them, or live too far away to join with them to share Thanksgiving Dinner. This special dinner at the Legion Hall will help them share the special tradition and spirit of Thanksgiving.

Again this year, not only will the Sweeneys, the members of Bunker Hill Post and friendly volunteers be serving dinner starting at noon at the Legion Hall, but they will also be delivering meals to shut-ins unable to get out to the hall.

If you know of anyone who will be

spending a lonely Thanksgiving at their home, you are asked, by Tuesday, Nov. 25, to please give Sweeney a call at 279-4246, contact the Patriot office at 241-9511, or leave a message on the answering machine at the Legion, 242-2646, to make arrangements to join the gathering or to have a meal delivered to a shut-in, courtesy of the Sweeneys and Post 26.

Shut-ins who wish to have a meal delivered, should call one of the telephone numbers listed above and leave their name(s), address, apartment number and telephone number.

Willing workers are needed on Wednesday evening, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m. to peel and pare vegetables, stuff turkeys and set tables. Please bring utensils with you to pare and cut the vegetables. Also on Thanksgiving Day, workers will be needed to finish preparing the food, welcome guests and deliver meals.

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
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