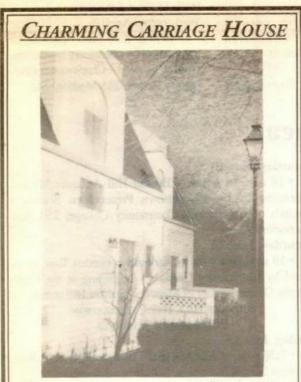


Flatley Hosts St. Patrick's Day Party For Senior Citizens



CHARLESTOWN SENIOR CITIZENS were treated to a spectacular St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 15, courtesy of Thomas Flatley, president of The Flatley Co. There was the traditional corned beef & cabbage dinner, followed by music, dancing and



This two-bedroom, one and one-half bath carriage house is located in a beautiful garden setting. The

entertainment enjoyed by the over 250 Charlestown seniors who came to The Schrafft Center for this annual event. Shown at the left, Mayor Thomas M. Menino (left) presents a Paul Revere bowl to John Dillon (center) in appreciation of Dillon's many years of volunteer service to the Charlestown community, particularly its youth. Looking on is Judy Evers (right), regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services . . . In the center, Thomas Flatley welcomes the senior citizens to this 11th annual event ... On the right, Father Daniel J. Mahoney (right), pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, delivers the invocation along with a special Irish prayer. At the left is Mike Cummings, project manager for The Flatley Co., who served as master of ceremonies.

(photos by Kathy Whitehouse)

The Community Appreciation Awards Committee has announced the names of the recipients of the sixth annual Community Appreciation Awards. Committee Chairman Peter Looney stated that the 12 committee members were "faced with a difficult task to choose from the outstanding nominations received from the community for the seven award categories."

The 1997 award recipients and the category they represent are: Business -McCarthy Brothers Liquors; Organization - Lt. Michael Quinn, USMC Scholarship Fund; Public Servant -Staff of the Charlestown Branch Li-

Community Appreciation Award **Recipients** Announced

brary; New Resident - Nick Adams; Elderly - Essie Martin; Youth - Tim Warren; and Unsung Hero - Sheila Brown.

The award recipients will be honored at a banquet to be held on Saturday, April 12 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St. Tickets are \$15 per person, and will include a hot and cold buffet, dancing and entertainment. The event begins at 7 p.m.

Tickets are available by contacting the Ticket Committee Chairman Stephen Collins at 242-2839 or Secretary Jim Mansfield at 241-0679.

The awards committee is spon-

sored by the Charlestown Neighborhood Council. Members of the committee, in addition to Looney, Collins and Mansfield, are: Treasurer Bill Galvin, Ruthellen Chardavoyne, Tom Cunha, Judy Evers, Maurice "Moe" Gillen, Kathy Giordano, Marty O'Brien Sr., Mel Stillman and Kay Whelan.

Looney said that he still-receives comments from those who attended last year's award ceremony. "This year will prove to be just as memorable," he said. "Seating is limited, sold on a first-come, first-served basis. If you wish to attend this year, you should reserve your ticket now."

unit includes oak floors, two working fireplaces, a terrific kitchen, a brick patio, a roof deck with amazing city views, central air and garage parking. It is priced to sell at \$210,000. To see it, call today.

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★ Community Office Hours . . . Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will resume office hours on Monday, March 24. They are held from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

* Neighborhood Council Meetings ...

Basic Services Committee -Transfer Of Pier 6 Liquor License Chairman Bill Galvin has announced that a Basic Services Committee meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday,

March 25 in the Preble Room, Building 5, Charlestown

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Radio Dispatched 24-Hour Service

Navy Yard. On the agenda will be the proposed transfer of the liquor license from the Tavern on the Water to the Navy Yard Bar and Grill, located on Pier 6 in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Development Committee Meeting On Boys & Girls Club Renovation

Chairman Tom Cunha has announced that the Development Committee will meet on Thursday, March 27 at 7 p.m. for an update on the planned renovations of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. The meeting will be held 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, April 1 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

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The deadline for advertising and copy is Monday at NOON.

SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Thursdays

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

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

Fridays

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

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 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

· 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.

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, March 20

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

 7 p.m. - Second Annual Spelling Bee - Clarence R. Edwards Middle School, 28 Walker St.

Friday, March 21

 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St

· 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. - Blood Pressure Screening for Senior Citizens

- Golden Age Center, 382 Main St. · 8 p.m. - Charlestown Mayor Election Night, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee -K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, March 22

Thursday, March 27

Main St.

· From 11 a.m. - Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner to benefit Muscular Dystrophy Association - Towne Lyne Cafe, 108 Cambridge St. Sunday, March 23

· From noon - Corned Beef &

3:30 p.m. - Creative dramatics,

· 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighbor-

improvisation and imaginative games

- Charlestown Branch Library, 179

hood Council Development Commit-

tee meeting on update of clubhouse

renovation - Charlestown Boys &

Charlestown Branch Library, 179

· 10 a.m. - Adult Discussion Group

Girls Club, High Street facility

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of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Dinner - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, March 28

Saturday, April 5

Sunday, April 6

Saturday, April 12

Sunday, April 13

Cabbage Dinner to benefit Muscular Dystrophy Association - Towne Lyne Cafe, 108 Cambridge St. Monday, March 24

· 7 p.m. - Adult English as a Second Language Conversation - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Tuesday, March 25

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

· 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Boston Water & Sewer Commission Community Service Representative - Golden Age Center, 392 Main St.

· noon - Charlestown Business Association meeting - R. Wesley's Bistro, Sullivan Square

· 7 p.m. - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Basic Services Committee meeting on transfer of liquor license on Pier 6 in Navy Yard - Preble Room, Building 5, Charlestown Navy Yard

7 p.m. - Presentation by John

upcoming events

Main St.

Saturday, March 29

 2 p.m. - Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee meeting - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. Sunday, March 30

Happy Easter!

Monday, March 31

· 7 p.m. - Internet On-Line Orientation for adults - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. Tuesday, April 1

· 10 to 11 a.m. - Rep. Eugene

plan ahead

Saturday, May 10

· 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Bunker Hill Antiques Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society grounds of Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

Saturday, June 14

· 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Charlestown Garden Tour, sponsored by Community Gardens - beginning at the Community Garden, comer of Main and Bunker Hill streets

BUNKER HILL DAY CELEBRATION

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Friday, June 13

 7:30 p.m. - Chief Marshal's Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, June 14

· morning - USS Constitution Turnaround Cruise for arlestown residents

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

Wednesday, April 2

• 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Income tax preparation by volunteers from Community Tax Aid - Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

McManus, president of the John

Birch Society - Hull Room, Building

U.S. Navy - USS Constitution Mu-

seum, Figgie Theatre, Charlestown

C.D.A. meeting - Bishop Lawton

Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church,

herty Office Hours - Charlestown

preparation by volunteers from

Community Tax Aid - Charlestown

Community Center, 255 Medford St.

(call 635-5169 for income guidelines)

Teas of China, Part I - Artisan Cafe,

Irish Exhibit Committee meeting -

American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

O'Flaherty Office Hours - Charles-

Children's Films - Charlestown

· 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. -

town Branch Library, 179 Main St.

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• 7 p.m. - Tasting Course on the

• 7 p.m. - Bunker Hill Museum's

Branch Library, 179 Main St.

· noon - Meet the Women of the

• 3 p.m. - Court St. Jude #1123,

. 5 to 6 p.m. - Rep. Eugene O'Fla-

· 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Income tax

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Wednesday, March 26

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• 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Flea Market, sponsored by the

· noon - Meat Raffle to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K.

6:30 p.m. - Lt. Michael P. Quinn, USMC Scholarship

9 a.m. - Annual Firefighters Mass and Communion

· 7 p.m. - Charlestown Community Appreciation

10 a.m. - Spring Extravaganza to benefit St. Francis

Breakfast - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Awards Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Charlestown Lions Club - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School

Saturday, April 19

· 12:30 p.m. - American Gold Star Mothers Department of Massachusetts Convention Luncheon, honoring Department President Florence Johnson - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, May 2

· 7 p.m. - Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Reunion -Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville Saturday, May 3

• 7 p.m. - Annual Banquet of the Daughters of Isabella #1 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Thursday, May 8

· 6 p.m. - Old Charlestown Schoolboys Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Put Your Old Eyeglasses To Good Use

The Charlestown Lions Club recycles eyeglasses. If you have any discarded or unneeded eyeglasses or sunglasses, drop them off at the Patriot office at One Thompson Square, or call Bud Coleman at 242-2063.

· 10 a.m. - Bunker Hill Day Doll Carriage Parade -Training Field

· 5 p.m. - Mummers Band Concert - Bunker Hill Monument grounds

Sunday, June 15

· 12:30 p.m. - Bunker Hill Day Parade - through the streets of Charlestown

Monday, June 16

• 7 p.m. - Concert, Laser Show & Fireworks -Charlestown Navy Yard

Tuesday, June 17

 9 a.m. - Bunker Hill Day Ecumenical Service - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St., followed by a procession to the Bunker Hill Monument grounds for the commemorative exercises



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The Patriot And More Than Thirty Years

by Charlie McGonagle

In the early 1960s, while working at the Boys Club, I asked the late clubhouse director, Larry Santapaul, why the club did not offer a weekly column in the local newspaper, The Patriot, concerning the organization's many activities.

"If you want to do something like that, go right ahead," he told me.

I had no idea, at that time, that the column I then called *Cruising The Corridors* would evolve into an enjoyable endeavor that would continue through the next thirty-odd years.

My many years at the club offered me instant material for weekly contributions to **The Patriot**. Through the kids and their many activities, I was never at a loss for things to write about. I enjoyed it, and I truly believe the kids did as well.

With time, my writings began to reach beyond the corridors of the Boys Club, and I began to focus in on Charlestown and its wonderful people. Except for a very rare occasion, I purposely avoided controversial issues, and decided, instead, to concentrate my efforts on an area I like to think of as being in the realm of human interest.

I quickly found out that the neighborhood and its people provided a larger arena for material, and I would like to think that more people were beginning to become aware of my contributions to **The Patriot**.

Much of the feedback I began to receive from fellow "Townies" indicated that there were many people out there who were interested in the Charlestown they knew as youngsters. It is not that they wanted to live in the past, but they certainly seemed happy to make a quick visit there. People also seemed to enjoy stories of family and of holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas.

What had begun as a simple bit of reporting at the old Boys Club had evolved into offerings consisting heavily of nostalgia, family, friends and holidays.

I am at a point now where I would like to attempt to compile a collection of many of my columns which have appeared in **The Patriot** over the past thirty-plus years and put them into book form. At this point I do not really know if this is an endeavor worth my while, but it is something I have long thought about.

Gloria Conway of **The Patriot** has graciously given me the green light to pursue my dream. She is a wonderful person, and I will be forever grateful to her for allowing my contributions to appear in The Patriot.

Although I have saved a fair collection of my columns from **The Patriot**, there must be hundreds that I do not have. This is especially true of those which were printed in the early years. After all, how was I to know this would still be going on some thirty-four years later?

It is here where I would ask for some help.

Do you have a particular column that you may have saved for one reason or another that you might like to send to me for possible inclusion in my project? If you do, I would ask that you make a copy of it and send it to me. Please do not send the original, for I cannot guarantee its return. Copies should be sent to:

Charlie McGonagle 11 Plaza Avenue

Stoneham, MA 02180.

If it is at all possible, the date on which the column appeared in **The Patriot** should also accompany the copy.

This is not a project that will happen overnight, and perhaps time will tell me that it is a foolhardy venture, and that I should scrap my plans, but for now I plan to proceed.

Thanks for any help you might be able to give me.



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Lynch Interviews Mayor Menino



KATHLEEN LYNCH, a student at St. Anthony's School in Somerville, interviewed Mayor Thomas M. Menino in his office at City Hall on March 14 as a school assignment. Kathleen lives at 16 St. Martin St., and is the daughter of Peggy Lynch. As Kathleen left his office, Menino asked that she be sure to let him know what she gets as a mark on her paper.

Old Charlestown Schoolboys To Hold 84th Reunion

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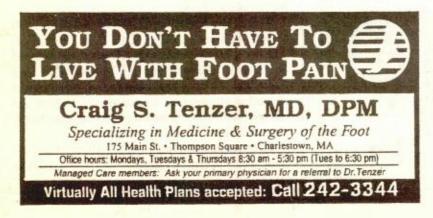
Palm Sunday

Saturday Mass and Distribution of Palms - 4:00PM Sunday Mass and Distribution of Palms - 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30AM

The Old Charlestown Schoolboys Association will hold its 84th reunion on Thursday, May 8 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St., Charlestown.

Applications for membership in the association are available by writing to Ronan Fitz-Patrick, P.O. Box 375, Charlestown, Mass. 02129. Prospective members must have attended school in Charlestown prior to 1950. The Schoolboys are offering two \$1,000 scholarships this year, the Old Schoolboys Scholarship and the Old Schoolboys Palledoes Athletic Scholarship. Applications may be obtained at The Charlestown Patriot, Charlestown High School, or the Boys & Girls Club Teen Center. Applications for the scholarships must be returned by April 19 at one of the above locations.

If you would like more information, call 242-5493.



Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Mass at 7:30AM

Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer - 9:00AM Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00PM

Good Friday

Morning Prayer - 9:00AM Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00PM Stations of the Cross - 7:30PM

Easter Vigil Morning Prayer - 9:00AM Evening Mass of the Lord's Resurrection - 7:30PM

Easter Sunday Mass 7:30AM 9:30AM - Family/Children's Liturgy 11:30AM

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES HAPPENINGS

Lenten Services

The Mass schedule during Lent is morning Mass on Thursday, March 20 through Saturday, March 22 and Monday, March 24 through Wednesday, March 26 in the chapel. Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Friday, March 21 at 7 p.m. in the church.

Confirmation One -9th Grade

The 9th grade Confirmation One Class meets Monday, March 24 at 6 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall. Both the girls and the boys class will meet at 6 p.m. for their third quarter examination.

Firefighters Mass &

Communion Breakfast

The annual Firefighters Mass and Communion Breakfast will be held at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 6 at St. Francis de Sales Church. Father Patrick Healy, O.M.L., will be the Homilist at the Mass. The breakfast will be served after the Mass in the Bishop Lawton Hall. Tickets are \$8 for the sit-down breakfast catered by Dominic's Union Caterers, and are available from the ushers at Mass and at the rectory This is an opportunity for all to say thank you to firefighters for all that they do. Everyone is welcome to attend. Spring Extravaganza

The Parish of St. Francis de Sales is sponsoring a Spring Extravaganza

on Sunday, April 13 at 10 a.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall. The Extravaganza Raffle will consist of 25 beautiful, expensive prizes, such as a twoday/one-night trip for two to the Irish Village, a two-day/one night trip for two to the Irish Village, a two-day/ one night trip for two to the Foxwoods Resort Hotel, a Madonna and Child Hummel, a Candlewick quilt, and more!

Tickets are \$1 for a chance on the 25 magnificent prizes and are available from Guild members, the ushers at Mass and at the rectory This is the ONE MAJOR fund raiser for the parish taking the place of the Christmas Bazaar. Wé truly need your support.

Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 29 at the American Legion

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Hall, 23 Adams St. Persons interested in helping with the June 15 parade and the celebration are welcome.

'Container Gardens In The City' At The Charlestown Branch Library

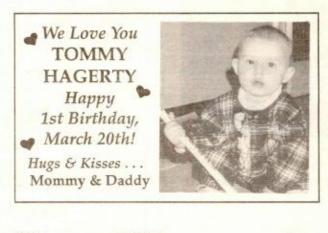
MacAlpine,

ban spaces.

board member of the Char-There are many attraclestown Community Gartive plantings that can be done with both flowers and dens, will be the guest speaker at the weekly adult herbs, which are easy-care discussion group meeting and fun for the gardener. at the Charlestown Branch Special situations, such as Library, 179 Main St., at sun and shade problems, 10 a.m. on Friday, March will be addressed.

The program is free and MacAlpine is an experiopen to the public. There is enced gardener with lots of no meeting on March 28, tips for gardening in small Good Friday. spaces. She will concen-For more information, trate on the opportunities

call the library at 242-1248.



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

 Election Night Is Here! . . . Tomorrow night, Friday, March 21st will see the official election of a new Mayor of Charlestown . . . The Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee invites you to come on down to the K. of C. Hall around 8 p.m. to bid farewell to this past year's mayor, Frank Stillman, and congratulate the new mayor Patty Kelley . . . Admission is free and there will be dancing to the music of Andy Healy's Band.

A Things To Do . . . Tonight, Thursday, March 20th, the second annual Community Spelling Bee, cosponsored by Keane, Inc., will be held at the Clarence R. Edwards Middle School, 28 Walker St. at 7 p.m. Come cheer on your favorite team . . . and meet the women of the U.S. Navy on Wednesday, March 26th at noon, at the Constitution Museum's Figgie Theatre in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

A Quite A Few Birthdays . . . are being celebrated in town this week . . . today, March 20th, is party time for Chuck Guittarr, who shares his birthday with Kathy Riley and Paul Martell . . . March 21st is the birthday of Marion Austin Gray . . . Helen McLaughlin shares her big day with Brad McCrary, who turns 4 on March 24th . . . Shannon Kiely, former Charlestown Rose, turns 23 on March 25th . . . and Joan Mansfield, Robert "Bo" Blaikie and Brenda Page will all celebrate on March 26th . . . Hope it's a happy one for everybody!

Happy Belated Birthday . . . to Billy McCrary, who celebrated his 8th birthday on March 1st

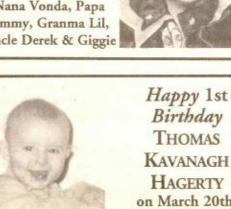
A The Coming Of Spring . . . Brings Street Cleaning . . . Charlestown's City Hall reporter has a warning: The street cleaning program begins on Tuesday, April 1st and ticketing begins in earnest! ... Warnings will be issued prior to the fateful day and then it will be tickets for real! . . . So, note the day of the week for street cleaning on the signs near your home or workplace! (Won't the commuters be upset!)

Get Well Wishes . . . go out to Ken McCarthy Sr., who is recuperating at the Spaulding . . . We're sure he'd like a card or two . . . Mail them to him at the Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Room 528, 125 Nashua St., Boston, Mass. 02114.

· Ford Hall Forum . . . The lead voice among a new generation of feminists comes to the Ford Hall Forum on Thursday, March 27, to discuss young women's struggles to reclaim and redefine feminism. Author, activist and cafe owner, Rebecca Walker, appears at Faneuil Hall in an address entitled, "To Be Real: Telling the Truth & Changing the Face of Feminism." The program, which is free, begins at 7 p.m. and will include a question and answer period.

Kennedy Library Programs . . . The John F. Kennedy Library and Museum's Children's Hour will present musician and storyteller Jennifer Smith on Saturday, March 22nd at 10:30 a.m. with a program, of traditional stories, games and songs from four continents. It is free and open to children age5 and older and their parents. For more info., call 929-4523 ... on Monday, March 24th at 7 p.m., Dr. Thomas Payzant, superintendent of the Boston Public Schools, will address the Kennedy Library's Political Discussion Group on issues faced by leaders of urban school systems. For more info., call 929-4548 . . . and on Tuesday, March 25th, at 5:30 p.m., the forum series will present Jill Ker Conway, author of "Written By

Happy 2nd Birthday JULIE on March 19th! Love . . . Mom, Dad, Nana Betty, Nana Vonda, Papa Jimmy, Granma Lil, Uncle Derek & Giggie



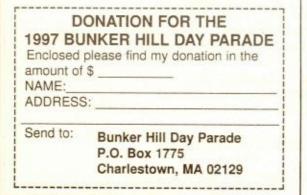
Birthday THOMAS KAVANAGH HAGERTY on March 20th! Love & Kisses . . . Auntie Noreen & Sean

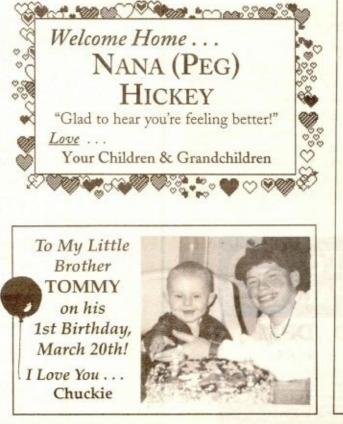
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\$35,000 is needed to put the Bunker Hill Day Parade on the streets of Charlestown on Sunday, June 15. A grand celebration is planned this year, marking the 222nd anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, the 200th anniversary of the commissioning of USS Constitution, and the 100th anniversary of Charlestown being the homeport of USS Constitution. The success of the celebration depends on you - the residents, merchants and organizations. Donations of

\$25 and over will be publicly acknowled	ged.
Donations have been received from:	
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Cronin Club	200
The Warren Tavern	100
Attorney Colleen A. Meyers	50
James J. Duffy Inc.	30
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Attorney Karen Dean-Smith.	25

Send your donation in any amount





Herself: Autobiographies of Women Throughout the World." For more info., call 929-4571.

American Sign Language . . . Beginner, intermediate and advanced levels of American Sign Language will be offered by the Mass. State Association of the Deaf (MSAD) starting the week of March 24th. Classes will meet once a week for two hours in Malden and will run for eight weeks. In addition to learning how to sign, you will also learn about the deaf community and culture. For more information, call MSAD at 388-9114.

Free Eye Screening For Older Adults . . . will be held on Tuesday, March 25th, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Whidden Memorial Hospital, 103 Garland St., Everett. The screening will be directed by Paul Greenfield, M.D., a board-certified ophthalmologist on staff at the hospital. Registration is required and can be made by calling the Laser Service at the hospital at 381-7173.

 Thought For The Week . . . Think of the ills from which you are exempt. - Joubert

(continued from page one) ★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . . Central Artery Meeting -Sullivan Square Issues

Ken Stone, liaison from the Neighborhood Council to the Central Artery/Tunnel project, has announced that a meeting on issues relative to Sullivan Square will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 15 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Representatives of the Mass. Highway Department and the city of Boston Transportation Department will be present.

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

★ Resident Parking . . . Everybody's favorite subject, "Resident Parking," will be the focus of an upcoming meeting sponsored by the city of Boston Transportation Department. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 14 in the upper hall of the K. of C., 75 West School St.

More details will follow.

★ Street Sweeping Program To Start April 1 . . . The city of Boston street sweeping program will resume on Tuesday, April 1, after being suspended for the winter months.

Mayor Thomas M. Menino said, "Clean neighborhood streets are an "important quality of life issue. With the cooperation of residents who willingly move their cars on street cleaning days, sweepers can quickly remove the soot and refuse that has built up over the winter and keep the neighborhoods clean through the spring and summer months.

"Signs are posted on streets throughout the city indicating the street cleaning schedule," said Boston Transportation Commissioner John F. Magee. "Although finding a parking space on an alternate street can be an inconvenience, residents are urged to park in accordance with the posted street sweeping restrictions so their cars do not hinder the quality of the job to be completed."

Parking Enforcement Officers will enforce the no parking - street sweeping restriction throughout Boston's neighborhoods on street cleaning days. During the last two weeks of March, officers will distribute courtesy tags to cars parked on streets included in the neighborhood street sweeping program. Actual parking tickets, carrying a fine of \$20, will be issued starting Tuesday, April 1. Magee is optimistic that voluntary compliance with the regulations will make towing unnecessary.

Boston's Street Sweeping Program is a joint effort of the Public Works Department, the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services and the Transportation Department. The program provides for most neighborhood streets to be cleaned twice a month from April through November.

★ Charlestown Business Association ... The Charlestown Business Association will hold its monthly meeting at noon on Tuesday, March 25 at R. Wesley's Bistro at Sullivan Square.

The guest speaker will be Stephen J. Caneb of Catamount Management Corp. who will address the future plans for the Hood's Milk Complex.

The cost of the luncheon is \$10, and reservations should be made with Attorney Willard Stievater's secretary at 241-8332 or Fax 241-9401. Guests are welcome.

★ Irish Exhibit Committee Meeting... The Irish Exhibit Committee of the Charlestown Historical Society's Bunker Hill Museum will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 26 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

★ Free Computer And Business Skills Training... is available for people 55 and older who meet Boston and Metro North residency requirement and income guidelines and wish to work on a full or parttime basis.

For more information, attend Operation A.B.L.E.'s open house every Friday at 10 a.m. at 119 Beach St., 4th floor, Boston.

★ Easter Egg Hunt ... Please join the Metropolitan District Commission and Phillips Candy House for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22 at Dorchester's Victory Road Park.

The event begins at 10 a.m. and will include an Easter Egg Hunt, a special appearance by the Easter Bunny, face painting, a petting zoo, music and refreshments.

Victory Road Park is located on the waterfront adjacent to the Boston Gas tank and the Old Colony Yacht Club. Free parking is available at Phillips Old Colony House Restaurant.

In the event of rain, the egg hunt will be held on Sunday, March 23 at 1 p.m. In case of bad weather, or for further information, call 727-5114, ext. 538.

★ CHarlestown Against Drugs . . . CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 27 at the JF Kennedy Center, 27 Winthrop St.

All interested persons are welcome.

★ Board Of Appeal Hearings . . . Petitions were brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on March 18 at Boston City Hall:

· Frederick Roberts (by JP's Pizza, Sub

around the town

& Pasta) petitioned to change the legal occupancy of 219-225 Bunker Hill St. from dental office and shoe repair to dental office, shoe repair and restaurant, including take-out food. (BZC-18654)

The applicant did not attend the hearing and the board denied the petition without prejudice.

 Nancy Lee Monaco petitioned to erect a one-family dwelling at 37 Parker St. (BZC-18661)

Attorney David Dilorati made the presentation to the board and Eamon Fee answered questions on the proposed building.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, told the board that this property has been an unkempt lot for many years. The abutters want to see a building on the site but have concerns with this proposal. They would like to see the structure moved closer to Parker Street, otherwise it would block the abutter's picture window. Evers presented a letter from one abutter requesting that the off-street parking be located in the rear. She said that her office would support the proposal with the concerns of the abutters being addressed.

Boston City Councillor Diane Modica supported the plans with the proviso that drainage problems be addressed.

Tom Flynn, a direct abutter, expressed concern that the structure would be too close to his property.

The Boston Redevelopment Authority recommended approval. However, Board Chairman Richard Dennis instructed the BRA to resolve the neighbors' concerns through design review, if possible. The board voted to approve the petition, subject to design review.

• William Evers petitioned the board to change the legal occupancy of 24R St. Martin St. from a one-family to a two-family dwelling, installing a basement apartment. (BZC-18747)

William Evers made the presentation with photographs and a petition of support signed by abutters.

Dennis Galvin, associate director of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Service; Boston City Councillors Diane Modica, Francis "Mickey" Roache and Stephen Murphy; and Tom Jones of the Carpenters Union Local 218, all supported the petition. Mrs. Thomas Joyce of St. Martin Street was opposed.

The board voted to approve the petition. Persons with questions or concerns may call the board at 635-4775.

* Camp Bunker Hill . . . is accepting applications for its summer 1997 season. The camp serves children ages 5 to 14 with behavioral and learning disabilities. Campers enjoy such activities as swimming, hiking, rowing, climbing ropes courses, fishing, arts and crafts, games, computer activities and academic enrichment. The camp is directed by Dr. Michael Cauley and Dr. Scott McLeod of the MGH Charlestown HealthCare Center and supervised by a dedicated and caring team of counselors. Don't miss this great opportunity for your children to have a wonderful summer experience! For more information and application materials, please call 724-8241. The application deadline is April 4.



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Vincent G. Mannering Executive Director

The Boston Water and Sewer Commission Office of Community Relations will have representatives at:

PLACE: Charlestown Golden Age Center 382 Main Street

DATE: Tuesday, March 25





11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Our representatives will be available to:

- Accept payments (check or money order only)
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O'Brien Honored At St. Francis de Sales St. Patrick's Day Party

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Holy Week 1997

Sacrament Of Reconciliation Confessions During Holy Week

Good Friday after Evening Liturgy Holy Saturday Afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Chapel There will be no confessions Holy Saturday evening as the Easter Vigil Mass is at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Week

Masses at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Holy Thursday

Mass will take place at 7 p.m. followed by the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Reposition. The Church will be open until 10 p.m. for those who wish to visit the Altar of Reposition.

Good Friday



THE ANNUAL St. Patrick's Day Dinner-Dance, chaired by Essie Martin, was held recently at St. Francis de Sales. It was a time for good friends to meet and enjoy a corned beef and cabbage dinner, and also for the parish family to honor one of its own, Marty O'Brien Sr. A performance of Irish Step Dancing from students of the Mary Madden School of Dance opened the evening. Following presentations to O'Brien, it was dinner and dancing into the wee hours. TOP ROW: At the left, Father Dan Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales parish, expresses his thanks and that of the parishioners to O'Brien for his tireless work on behalf of the church ... In the center are Catherine and Marty O'Brien ... On the right, the gathering was entertained by the outstanding performance of step dancers from the Mary Madden School of Dance. Shown (l. to r.) Maura Allard, Keagan Gallagher, Meg Gallagher and Casey Cedorchuk. SECOND ROW: On the left, Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, presents a certificate of recognition to O'Brien for his work in the parish and in the community ... In the center, Jim Conway, chairman of the Bunker Hill Day Parade/Commemorative Committee, presents a key chain and lapel pin to O'Brien as a token of appreciation for his continued support of the parade and its fund-raising activities . . . At the right are step dancers Shawna Pelton, Helen Collins Walsh and Cheryl Collins. THIRD ROW: At the left is St. Patrick's Day Dinner Chairperson Essie Martin who has chaired this event in the parish for the past 31 years ... On the right, Bill McCabe presents a Boston City Council resolution to O'Brien. which had been filed by At-Large City Councillor Peggy Davis-Mullen. BOTTOM ROW: Friends of the Charlestown District Court make a presentation to fellow member O'Brien. Shown (I. to r.) Peter Looney, Chief Probation Officer Barbara Burke and O'Brien.

The Church will be open at 12 Noon for the Solemn Three Hours.

The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday will take place at 3 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. The Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord will take place so that as many people as possible can attend the Service of Good Friday. There will be no Stations of the Cross on Good Friday since the Liturgy of this day incorporates the Way of the Cross within the Service. We are reminded that <u>Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence.</u>

Easter Vigil

Easter Vigil Holy Saturday Evening - Holy Saturday

The only service on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m. There are no morning Masses. Those who participate at the Easter Vigil Mass fulfill their Mass obligation for Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday Mass

The Masses on Easter will be the same as on every Sunday, namely, 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

A HOLY AND HAPPY EASTER TO ALL

You Know Who I Am!

I've been standing here facing Gen. Prescott for over 83 years. I've been dressed up in red, white and blue buntings, I proudly hung "Old Glory" in front of my windows so all could see. My windows were shining, my floors were spotless, my beautiful oak wood was grand.

I embraced the little ones who first learned to read, I helped the older children with their homework. My books helped the future businessperson, banker, schoolteacher, principal and the list goes on. I was kind to the town, I was useful and people were proud of me. I served the community well.

I was created to serve Charlestown and I have that opportunity to serve you again as a museum . . . but more than a museum. In the future, my top floor can be filled with files or factual data on the history of Charlestown. Once again, I will be able to supply information to everyone.

The Charlestown Historical Society will help me have programs for the children, carried out with the help of our senior citizens. The museum will be bright and I will hold many treasures of Charlestown in exhibits so all can see and appreciate. I will welcome people from everywhere to see and appreciate and to discover information on our one-mile by one-mile town. I can tell the history of the town and you would be proud to show me off again. The love I received in the past, I will receive again!

In my small way, I can be a part of the future of your children, the young teens. You can leave the legacy in my trust. Most importantly, our children need to know their town's history. You can help me, for the more people in the town that join in, the less work there is for one individual. Give me that chance, I deserve it, don't give up on me. Pick up that phone and call one of the members, you know at least one. Let's give it a try. I want to survive for the community. I want to serve you and the children of the present and future. There's all kinds of help that is needed . . . grants must be written and community fund raising will be on the agenda. Community service is also in the future. Make me presentable again. Dress me up in red, white and blue, let the flag fly and allow me to team up with the "old general."

I am as you guessed, the "old library," now the Bunker Hill Museum.

Now I'd like to invite everyone to be a part of my grand reopening in the spring by sharing your past and memorabilia with mine. We are also seeking memorabilia from the bicentennial or some "Old Ironsides" relics to display at the museum . I do need help cleaning the pieces of our history that I currently have in the museum. Time has a way of depositing dirt and dust over all our treasures.

> Margie Keating Charlestown

Historical Society Note: I am not a writer, but I wanted to share our hopes and dreams with you. This project could mean so much to the town, to the young, elderly, new residents and old residents, businesses, schools and our churches. We need the support of the community!

Send for applications for membership to the Charlestown Historical Society, P.O. Box 1776, Charlestown, Mass. 02129, or call Margie at 242-9631 for information on how you can participate and help make this dream a reality.

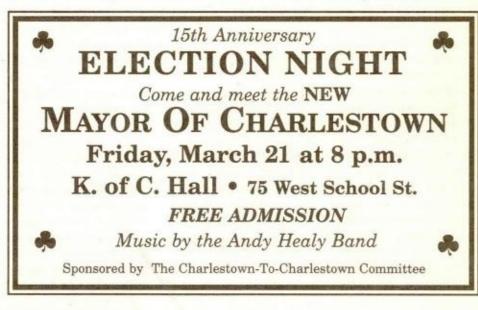
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Internet Instruction For Adults At The Library

Adults' Librarian, Theresa Francisco, will present an "Internet On-Line Orientation" for adult patrons at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., from 7 to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 31.

The hands-on classes are designed to offer the novice a brief overview of Internet resources and to provide participants with a basic understanding of the Information Superhighway so that they can begin to investigate its potential on their own. The presentation will also include a description of the wide range of informational resources and services available through the Boston Public Library's on-line databases.

Class size is limited and preregistration is required. To register, please stop at the front desk or call the library at 242-1248.



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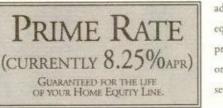
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Senior Citizens Celebrate St. Patrick's Day At Annual Party Hosted By Flatley

On March 15 vans traveled up and down the streets of Charlestown gathering some 250 senior citizens for their annual trek to The Schrafft Center for the St. Patrick's Day celebration given in their honor.

This is the 11th year that Thomas Flatley, president of the Flatley Co., has opened the doors of his company-owned Schrafft Center to welcome the seniors. Green and white balloons decorated the room and each table contained centerpieces of fresh green carnations. And this wasn't the only green - for as one guest noted, "I never knew there were so many shades of green," as she looked around the expanded dining room at the guests'

attire.

Father Daniel J. Mahoney, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish, offered the blessing and from then on it was food, music, dancing and entertainment until the vans made their way back over the hills to deliver the seniors to their homes.

A number of Flatley Co. employees joined the seniors and the invited guests, with the company's Project Director Mike Cummings serving as master of ceremonies. Steaming plates of corned beef and cabbage were carried from the kitchen as a nimble waitstaff made its way through the dancers and photographers lining the dance floor.

Even Mayor Thomas

Menino, Boston City Councillor Diane Modica, Boston Fire Commissioner Marty Pierce Jr., Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, and Flatley, himself, made their way to the kitchen and assisted the waitstaff in serving the dinners to the seniors.

It didn't take long before Tom Flatley took over the microphone, thanking those present "for making it a special day." He took this opportunity to announce the upcoming arrival of John Hancock Insurance with approximately 900 employees as a new tenant at the facility, introducing Tom Dunn from that company to say a few words. Flatley also told the gathering 'that the Boston College sailing program will be operating at the company's docks on the Little Mystic.

Joe Joyce and his band kept the pace going strong, with the music interspersed by a joke or two. There were fiddlers, soloists and Charlestown native John Walsh joining in the musical group that crowded the stage, with Bernie Kelley coaching from the back.

Students from the Sheila Clougherty and the Mary Madden Schools of Dance, delighted the audience. They were followed by exhibitions by a number of adults with step dances and reels.

Among the guests were Senate President Thomas Birmingham and Rep. Gene O'Flaherty, each of whom entertained the group with a song.

Mayor Menino, besides helping serve the dinner, made a special presentation of a Paul Revere bowl in honor of St. Patrick's Day to John Dillon for his years of service to the Charlestown community, particularly to its youth. Dillon coached youth hockey for many years and, in recent years along with Dorothy Harris, has run the CHarlestown Against Drugs Junior Bowling League.

Suffolk County District Attorney Ralph Martin expressed his pleasure in being invited to join the seniors in this celebration, and referred to his own Irish lineage.

Local guests included



Charlestown Neighborhood Council Vice Chairman Tom Cunha and Second Vice Chairman Mel Stillman, Charlestown Rose Lesley Borden, Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee Chairman Arthur Hurley, Moe Gillen, Senior Coordinator Beverly Gibbons, BPD Senior Response Officer Frank Walsh and Jim and Gloria Conway from The Charlestown Patriot.

The seniors danced the afternoon away, until it was time to board the vans. They left with green carnations, courtesy of City Councillor Modica, who distributed them to all with the assistance of her aide Amy Chardavoyne. The Flatley Co. employees added a wrapped chocolate for the trip home.











USS Constitution's Women Crew Members To Give An Inside View Of Their Naval Lives

Having mainstreamed women in 1978 and having assigned them to front line duties in 1993, daily headlines remind us the U.S. military is still adjusting to the full integration of women in its ranks.

USS Constitution's first woman executive officer will lead women members of her crew in a candid discussion of their own U.S. Navy careers at noon on Wednesday, March 26 in the USS Constitution Museum's Figgie Theatre.

"Meet the Women of the U.S. Navy," a presentation honoring Women's History Month, will give listeners an opportunity to learn first-hand what life is like for women in today's Navy and on board Constitution. The panel will invite questions from the audience.

"There's so much that is incredibly positive for women in the Navy," says Lt. Cmdr. Claire Bloom, Constitution's second in command. "We get very few chances to tell our stories ourselves as we will at this presentation."

Bloom, 50, became Constitution's first woman executive officer in 1996. Bloom joined the Navy at the age of 34 and entered Officer Candidate School. Just prior to her present assignment, Bloom served as base support officer at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Bloom holds two master's degrees - one in strategic intelligence and another in educational leadership.

"Meet the Women of the U.S. Navy is part of the "USS Constitution - 200 Years" series, which will be offered periodically in 1997 during USS Constitution's Bicentennial celebration. The lectures are open to the general public free of charge. Listeners are invited to bring a brown bag lunch and beverages will be provided. The series is presented as part of the Samuel Eliot Morison Lectures, sponsored by the Lowell Institute.

The facilities are accessible to the handicapped. For more information, call 426-1812.

Free Observing Of Comet Hale-Bopp On March 23

The Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics invites the public to attend special free telescopic observing of Comet Hale-Bopp and the lunar eclipse on Sunday, March 23.

Weather permitting, the roof of the center's complex will be open for viewing from 7 p.m. to midnight. The comet should be visible around 8 p.m. and the lunar eclipse should begin around 9 p.m., peaking at approximately 11:30 p.m. Access to the roof will be through a door of the Great Refractor Building (the largest dome on Observatory Hill). Visitors are invited to bring their

own binoculars. In case of rain, observing will take place on Friday, March 28.

The center is located at 60 Garden St., Cambridge, one mile from Harvard Square and can be easily reached by public transportation. Parking is available. For information about

accessibility, call 495-7461.

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Special Olympics To Hold Sailing Training

On Sunday, April 6, Mass. Special Olympics will hold a training school for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer sailing coach.

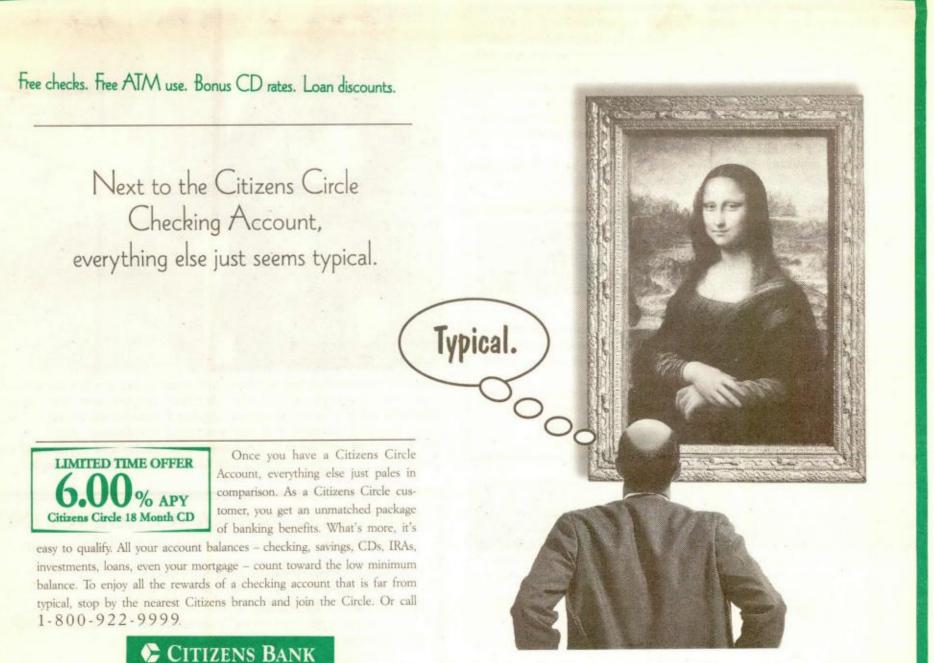
The training session will be conducted by certified

Special Olympics coaches at the Courageous Sailing Center in the Charlestown Navy Yard. The session will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will provide an overview of the Special Olympics Sailing Program

as well as a model training session with Special Olympics athletes. There is a \$10 fee to attend.

For further information or to register, call George Kent at 1-508-774-1501, ext. 228.









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ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

Holy Week Services, March 23-30

The Holy Week schedule is as follows: **Palm Sunday:** - Saturday Vigil Mass at 4 p.m. - Children's Passion Play during Gospel Narration at Mass at 9 a.m. -Mass at 11 a.m.

Holy Monday: - Mass at 9 a.m. - Prayer Service with Eucharistic Exposition/Benediction at 7 p.m. Confessions offered immediately following.

Holy Tuesday: - Mass at 9 a.m. - Prayer Service with Eucharistic Exposition/Benediction at 7 p.m. Confessions offered immediately following.

Holy Wednesday: - Mass at 9 a.m. - Seven Last Words of Christ Prayer Service at 7 p.m.

Holy Thursday: - Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m.

Good Friday: - Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion at 3 p.m. Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Saturday: - Confessions in the Lower Church from 3 to 4 p.m. - Easter Vigil at 7 p.m.

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Easter Sunday: - Masses at 9 and 11 a.m.

★ Girls Annual All-Day Olympics - The annual Sports Olympics for girls will be held on Wednesday, April 23, at West Roxbury Community School. St. Catherine's team is now being formed. Charlestown girls in the 7th and 8th grades from public or parochial school are invited to participate. Athletic events include basketball, volleyball, gym hockey and water basketball.

For further information, call Candace Griffin at 241-9398, Kelleigh Mahan at 242-4102 or Father DiPerri at the rectory, 242-1750. You may sign up at the rectory.

★ Penny Drive - A penny drive is being conducted for CYO. This is an important fund raiser which helps support the many activities for our youth. If you have any pennies piled up in a drawer, a jar, a piggy bank, etc., we would be very happy to take them off your hands. You may drop them off at the rectory. By doing this, you are helping maintain our programs by defraying their cost.

Mini-Grants Available To Charlestown Agencies Under MGH Community Benefits Program

The Mass. General Hospital (MGH) Community Benefit Program with the MGH Community Benefit Advisory Committee in Charlestown has awarded more than \$130,000 to three long-standing neighborhood agencies to address the issues of substance abuse within the community.

The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Bunker HIII Community College and the John F. Kennedy Family Service Center each received funding for programs targeting community awareness, recreational activities, skill-building educational programs and relapse prevention. The agencies work in conjunction with the Healthy Charlestown Coalition, which coordinates this initiative.

"Before we asked for local agencies to submit proposals, members of the Community Benefit Advisory Committee met with various neighborhood representatives in community to help identify those health issues that most affected the community," said Joan Quinlan, director of the MGH Community Benefit Program. "These representatives worked with us to identify substance abuse as the single most important health concern."

The three agencies address substance abuse prevention in different ways. The Charlestown Boys & Girls Club has created the Excell Program, aimed at keeping youth in high school. Based on a similar program at the Clarence R. Edwards Middle School, Excell works with Charlestown High School to identify and monitor students who may be at risk of low academic achievement related to poor attendance.

In addition to education counseling and after school tutoring services, Excell offers self-esteem and life skills building activities including the teen pregnancy prevention curriculum and guest speakers on such topics as domestic violence, substance abuse prevention and health and wellness issues. Bunker Hill Community College offers a program dedicated to introducing community young people to higher education. This six-month program, which provides a semester of free tuition, offers credited courses in writing and computer skills and career planning, as well as a course designed to provide a basic understanding of the effects of drug and alcohol abuse.

Families who have members struggling with a drug or alcohol addiction typically need support, particularly those families with younger children. The Kennedy Center provides a series of 10-week group sessions designed to educate parents and children about the effects of substance abuse on the entire family. The program also helps family members develop practical skills for coping with the effects of living in a family affected by substance abuse.

Each proposed program was assessed using criteria established by the Advisory Committee, which is comprised of MGH representatives, individuals with expertise in communitybased substance abuse prevention and community residents. Along with funding for these programs, the MGH Community Benefit Program will provide additional funding to support related initiatives.

These mini-grants, which range from \$300 to \$3,000, will provide seed money for creative new ideas allowing agencies without the capacity to absorb larger grants to be meaningful participants in this effort. They will be awarded throughout the year and are subject to review by the Healthy Charlestown Coalition. The grants also will provide funding for pilot projects which, if successful, could be replicated or expanded. Applications for minigrants are renewed on a monthly basis.

For more information about the MGH Community Benefits Program initiatives, call Dan Ryan at the Healthy Charlestown Coalition, 241-3756.

VA Expands Services For Women Veterans

The Women's Health Center at the Boston VA Medical Center has added a plastic surgery clinic, staffed by Dr. Christine Hamori.

Women from all eras of military service receive care in the Women's Health Center, with specialized treatment offered depending on life stage and interest. Plastic surgery can only be done for medical reasons by the VA. Dr. Hamori staffs the plastic surgery clinic every Friday from 11 a.m. to noon.

Other specialty services offered to women veterans include cardiology, neurology, urology, osteoporosis, rheumatology, psychiatry, psychology, nutrition and gynecology. Primary care is offered as well.

The VA has always provided health care to women, but this has not been widely known, and access to these services has not been convenient. Over the last few years, in response to a growing need for more specialized care for women-related illnesses, the VA has made an effort to attract women veterans.

For information on the plastic surgery clinic, call 232-9500, ext. 5932.



UPCOMING TRIPS!

• Shopping Trip - On Thursday, April 3, a shopping trip is planned. The bus will leave the center at 9 a.m. for shopping at Ann & Hope in Danvers, lunch at the Hometown Buffet and a movie at Danvers Cinema. The bus will return at approximately 5 p.m.

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Participants Enjoy A 'Night Of Beauty' As Part Of The Best Year In School Ever Program



CHANGE was in store as Meaghan Burke (left) prepares for a new look and Katie DiFava

• Overnight Trip - A two-day, one night trip to the Mystic Seaport and Foxwoods is being planned for April 17 and 18. The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. on April 17 and return at 7 p.m. on April 18. The cost is \$149, double occupancy. For more information, please call Snuggles at 635-5175.



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Locally Owned & Operated. Friendly Professional Service. 241-5252 (right) receives a facial. Recently, the "Best Year" program participants, through the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club and the Clarence R. Edwards Middle School, enjoyed a "night of beauty" sponsored by BoJack Academy of West Roxbury. You may not recognize the following girls due to their new appearance: Kelly Burke, Krystina and Kelliegh Harrington, Jen Ford, Tanie Arroyo, Fallon Leonard and Christina Dalrymple.

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Corned Beef, Cabbage And Blarney For MDA — All For A \$Fin\$ At The Towne Lyne Cafe

Peter O'Malley, proprietor of the Towne Lyne Cafe, 108 Cambridge St., Charlestown, will host the establishment's eighth annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Fund Raiser on Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23.

The famously delicious, \$5 All-You-Can-Eat corned beef and cabbage dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday and resume at noon on Sunday. All proceeds of the twoday event will be donated to MDA to assist in the funding of their research efforts for *Jerry's Kids*.

Some of Boston's most

Young Earns Athletic Award

Beaver Country Day School in Chestnut Hill, has announced that Sarah Young of Charlestown, has received the Most Improved Player Award for Middle School Girls' B Team Basketball.

Young, a seventh grader, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Young.

Free Health Program For Seniors

The city of Boston's Commission on Affairs of the Elderly offers free screenings and health education programs to Charlestown residents age 60 and older.

Blood Pressure Screening will take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friday, March 21, at the Charlestown Golden Age Center, 382 Main St,

THANK YOU, GOD

Pray 9 Hail Marys during 9 days. Ask 3 wishes, 1 concerning business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your notable political and media personalities have volunteered their support of the event. Newspaper columnists Mike Barnicle and Beverly Ford, as well as Boston City Councillors Diane Modica and Mickey Roache are just a few of the local celebrities who will be serving up some of the best post-"High Holiday" comed beef, cabbage and lighthearted "blarney" in the city.

The enthusiastic support of the entire community, including the Charlestown Neighborhood Council's Pete Looney and Bill McCabe, blended with the heartfelt involvement of friends from the Charlestown Patriot, the Boston Police Department, Massport and the Criminal Justice System continues to make this event a fun-filled success. The final savoring touches of Sandra Griffin of Griffin Caterers, will add just the right flair to the Towne Lyne Cafe's secret, corned beef and cabbage recipe.

For the past three years, the Towne Lyne Cafe has been the number one contributor to the MDA in eastern Mass., of the 400 establishments in its patronage category. Last year's contribution exceeded \$7,000. "We're proud, but not satisfied with that accomplishment," said O'Malley. "We won't be satisfied until a cure is found for this debilitating disease.

The Towne Lyne Cafe looks forward to extending its best local tavem atmosphere to you and your family on Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23. Stop by anytime throughout the month and purchase a shamrock, enter a raffle or make a donation to this worthwhile effort. Any support you can offer will truly go a long way in helping to keep the smiles on the faces of Jerry's Kids who are currently afflicted with Muscular Dystrophy.

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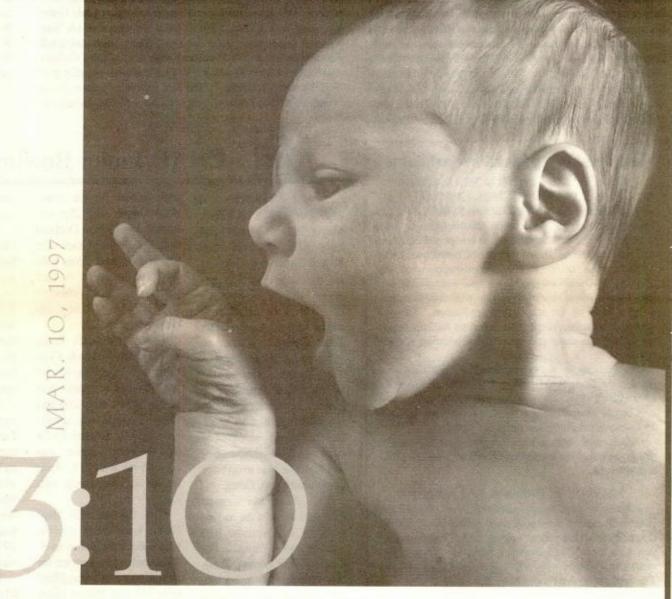
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BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

Tidbits Tri Peat!... How does one spend a day off? In Charlestown, of course, directing a tournament for young people on a holiday when just about everything is closed to them. Just another day in the Andy Puopolo - Bob D's Wide World of Sports. It was really a major event. Mike Erardi flew in from downtown Everett to referee and Mike Sweeney was excited to learn that Dunkin' Donuts was giving away free coffee, but he would rather have free donuts!

The winner of the 1997 Bunker Hill Cup deserved the title "Champions." After a grueling five-hour mini game series, the victor had to win a semi-final game and the championship game to claim the bragging rights in an eight-hour ball hockey marathon. Five teams, 50 kids, had the pucks to play all day. Four of the five teams would advance to the semi-final games in a very close race, and some very memorable mini games. The standings following the mini games were: Tallent 3-0-1 (7 points); Poole 2-1-1 (5points); Murray 2-1-1 (5 points); Tidbits 0-0-2 (2 points) and Arroyo 0-3-1 (1 point).

Tidbits had to win or tie Arroyo to take the final playoff spot in their last game, and the first and second playoff spots were decided in the final mini game. In the semi-finals, Murray defeated Poole 9-7 and Tidbits nipped Tallent 6-5 to move into the championship game.

The championship game saw the Murray team with a seemingly commanding 3-1 lead late in the game, but defending Tidbits wouldn't quit and wouldn't let the cup leave Bunker Hill, and roared back to a stunning 7-4 victory. Note that the Tidbits didn't have a mini series win! Hail to the 1997 Bunker Hill Cup Champs - Greg McNeil, Jim Tallent, Jim Yandle, Mark Saitta, Keith Wallace, Greg Staples, Shane Fisher, Jackie Kelly, Danny Noonan, Jimmy Kane, Mike Machado and Dom Tamburello.

Congratulations to participants Phil Jones, Marc Russell, Joe

Scholarship Applications Available OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are available for two \$1,000 Old Charlestown Schoolboys' Association scholarships. In order to be eligible for the scholarship, the boy or girl must be a senior in high school, be a resident of Charlestown for 10 or more years, complete a scholarship application, enclose a copy of his or her high school transcript and at least three letters of recommendation, preferably from references listed on the scholarship application. The new second scholarship, named the Palledoes Athletic Scholarship, has the same procedure for submitting applications.

Applications are at the **Patriot** office, One Thompson Square, the Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St., and at the Charlestown High School office, 240 Medford St.

Completed applications should be returned by April 19 to one of the above locations.

Scholarship winners must be present at the reunion dinner on May 8 or the runner-up will receive the scholarship award.

MICHAEL P. QUINN SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are being accepted for the 1997 Michael Patrick Quinn Scholarship which will be for \$2,500 for the recipient's first year of college only. To be eligible, you must be a Charlestown resident for the past four years and graduate with your high school class of 1997. The application deadline is May 1.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, or by calling 242-5493 or 242-5445. Tallent, Jamie Hutchins, Mike Sweeney, Paul Hennessey, Brian Dole, Jon Jones, Rob Murray, Pat Healey, Mike Collins, Chris Donovan, Joe Lawler, Mike Upton, Vin Donovan, Bobby Yandle, Tim Warren, Nick Smith, Fred Arroyo, Frank McPherson, Ian Urquhart, Eric Burns, Pat Doe, Pat Walsh, Chet Ferreira, Mike Melaugh, Danny Awbrey, Greg Poole, Andrew Ray and Ricky Evers for making the day and the tournament a great success.

Special thanks to Youth Officer Teddy Boyle, BPD, for his help, and Mike Erardi, always a very good friend.

Roller Hockey... Pick up the March 21 edition of the Hockey News and you will find a very interesting section about Roller Hockey. There is also a list of tournaments and the names and numbers of contact people if you are interested in any more of the many tournaments. Might be something to look into - events like KOHO Cup or the Boston Breakout, to name two.

High School Prep Notebook ... The winter sports champs have been crowned. All-Star Teams and All-Scholastic Teams will be announced soon, and already for many, spring training has begun. The winter tournaments were among the best ever, and the Division 1A Hockey Tournament will go into the books as a classic. Many of of our local heroes took part, and that made the tournaments even more exciting. Special congratulations to Arlington Catholic and Hockey Cougars Chris Gallagher and Jack Celata, who captured the Division 1A State Championship, and finalist Boston College High and Eagle Jimmy Byrnes, and to Division 1 state final Malden Catholic and Hockey Lancer Jimmy Kane. Charlestown is proud of you! Celtics Youth Clinic ... The Red Auerbach-Boston Celtics Youth Basketball Clinic will take place this Sunday morning at

the FleetCenter. The clinic is an annual event and many of our youth-serving organizations have free admission tickets.

College Board ... Corey Gallagher and her Bentley team are spending the week in beautiful Grand Forks, North Dakota, where they are battling Kennesaw State (GA) in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division 2 Women's Basketball Tournament. A victory advances them to tonight's semi-finals versus Edinboro (PA). The championship game is on Saturday.

In College Division 1 NCAA tournament action, Boston University will take on the winner of the Vermont-Denver game Saturday in the East Regional at the Worcester Centrum. The winner advances to the hockey Final Four to be held in Milwaukee over Easter weekend.

Boston Latin, Boston University, Chicago Blackhawk standout via Charlestown, Jack O'Callahan, will be honored at the Milwaukee Final Four as a member of the 50th golden anniversary All College Team. Funny, that word Gold-en rings a bell! Congratulations to Jack and the entire O'Callahan family.

Pro Line . . . Florida topped New Jersey 4-1 and the Panthers remain in the fourth Easter Conference playoff spot with a 32-23-16 (80 pts.) record.

Keith Tkachuk scored his 41st goal of the season in a big 3-2 victory versus St. Louis. The victory moves the Phoenix team into a third place tie in the Western Conference.

Tidbits ... Birthday best to the loverly Mrs. Patsy Loan ... Who ate the first Nate Hurwitz Hot Dog of '97? ... Jacque Neff's new aka "T.C." ... JoJo says hello to PJ Hansen, see you soon! ... Blinky Dole?? ... Countdown: 28 days to go! ... Tidbits Ball Hockey Cry: "Wait till next year!"

Smile!



CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon

I would like to thank Mayor Thomas Menino and Judy Evers for the Paul Revere Bowl honoring me for community service, presented at the St. Patrick's Day Party for Charletown senior citizens, sponsored by Tom Flatley. I was so stunned, I was speechless. I will always cherish the award and I appreciate it from the bottom of my heart. I would also like to thank Dorothy Harris, president of our league, for without her I would not be able to do what I do. Thank you, Dotty.

The American Legion managed to hold on to first place by drubbing the Red Store in an 8-0 shutout. For the American Legion, Sheilann Williams bowled a single string of 110, breaking the old record of 107 which was set last week by Colleen Hoell. Sheilann was also the high bowler for the American Legion with 253, followed by Casey Durham with 220, Jessica Grace with 213 and Andrew Foley with 208. Top bowler for the Red Store was Steve Awbrey with 252. Joe Awbrey was runner-up with 125.

Diane Modica's team bounced the Kennedy Center for a 5-3 win. Top bowler for Modica's team was Richie Burns with 260 and Chris Chiampa was runnerup with 209. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Sean Cronk with 218. Runner-up was Joey Burke with 211.

The Bunker Hill Real Estate team blew out the McCarthy Brothers in an 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for BHRE was Mike Shackford with 247 and Robert Hoell was runner-up with 223. Top bowler for McCarthy Brothers was Matt Paley with 266. Jared Silva was runner-up with 149.

The Charlestown Patriot blasted the Shamrocks in an 8-0 shutout. Top bowler for the Patriot was Sara Johnson with 177 and Michelle Williams was runner-up with 172. Top bowler for the Shamrocks was John Harrington with 230. Runner-up was Jon Paul Awbrey with 226.

In the final match of the day, Jenny's bumped off Cricket's team in a 7-1 match. Top bowler for Jenny's was Jimmy Kissane with 245 and Keri Maguire was runner-up with 125. Top bowler for Cricket's was Marianne Kissane with 197. Danny Kissane was runner-up with 183.

Bowlers of the week are Matt Paley 266, Richie Burns 260, Michelle Williams 253 triple and 110 single, Steve Awbrey 252, Mike Shackford 247, Jimmy Kissane 245, John Harrington 230, Jon Paul Awbrey 226, Robert Hoell 223, Casey Durham 222 and Sean Cronk 218.

Bowlers trying the hardest are Joe Awbrey 125, Quinn Evers 152, Nicole Chiampa 157, Chris Schievink 166, Brent Awbrey 173, Mark Dillon 179, Brendan Grace 179, David Grace 181, Shawn Burke 190, Andrew Foley 208 and Jessica Grace 213.

See you all on Saturday! Standings

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American Legion	49	15	
B.H. Real Estate	48	16	
Diane Modica	35	29	
Jenny's Pizza	33	31	
Shamrocks	32	32	
Cricket's	31	33	
Chas'n. Patriot	31	33	
McCarthy Bros.	24	40	
Kennedy Center	19	45	
Red Store	18	46	

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CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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* GENERAL NEWS

Congratulations - to club members who participated in the Wang Center Wizard of Oz program. Participants visited the Peabody Museum in Salem, made Wizard of Oz puppets, were part of a drama workshop at the club, and saw the "Wizard of Oz" on the big screen at the Wang Center. The kids were: Kaitlyn Nadeau, Meg Mc-Goff, Meg Gallagher, Jane Santos, Phillip Castronova, Jonathan Guerrero, Michael Black, Lyndsay Ferreira, Kristina Matarazzo, Zulieka Velasquez, Jacquelyn Kroon, Anthony Vitale and Katie Lane.

Tree Club - It's not too late to join the Tree Club. We are now planning to plant at least one tree in the spring. Talk to Jenny or Yma if you want to participate. Invention Convention - Don't forget that the Invention Convention is Friday, March 28, from 4 to 6 p.m. Sign up with Colleen Burke in the library and start inventing now!

A Big Thanks - to the 10 University of Michigan students who spent their spring break with the club members teaching them all about the fun of science. Club members learned about polymers, sound, volcanos, temperature, etc. Thanks to Charles Kelsey, David Diehl, Monica Mutsulavish, Prameela Nagaraju, Carrie Menold, Ruchi Mishra, Scott Thomas, Shetali Wanavati, Marie Tripp and Kim Kim. ★ TEEN CENTER

Snowboarding - Week 7 - Concerns about lack of snow "melted" as conditions returned to normal. Club snowboarders headed down the trails looking for bumps and jumps. Paul Blaikie is still working on his dismount from the lift. (Xaymara Saez was his latest victim!). While many were "catching air," Brian McCrary caught "spill of the week," as he took a flying leap off a jump - and dumped. **★ PHYS ED NEWS**

Nate Hurwitz Tournament - The 75th annual Nate Hurwitz Tournament got off to a great start on Thursday with Charlestown's own 16 & under team beating Winter Hill 51-34. Stop by for some games all week long involving some of the area's best talent and, while you're here, stop by Sharon's "world famous" snack bar for a "Hurwitz Dog" or "Sausage."

In other Hurwitz news, the over/ under for Dan "Ryno" Ryan in the "Hurwitz Dog" competition is 85! Phys. Ed. is taking the "over!"



STUDENTS from the University of Michigan spent their spring break with club members teaching them all about the fun of science.

Charlestown Gym Hockey

The schedule for Saturday, March 22 is: 9:30 a.m. - Bunker Hill Florist - Split team for the game

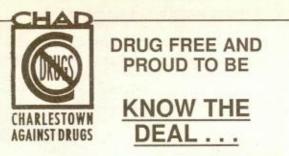
10 a.m. - The Horseshoe vs. Jimmy's On Top 10:30 a.m. - Bryan's Pals vs. Bunker Hill Insurance 11 a.m. - Main St. Furniture vs. Grant Photo 11:30 a.m. - Dunny's Pals vs. L'il Al's noon - Kerrigan's vs. T. J.'s Kids

Charlestown Gym Hockey "Trophy Day" is being held on Saturday, March 22. The teams will play a half-hour game, then go down to the lower hall for refreshments and to receive their trophies.

Gallagher In Grand Forks For Basketball Championship

Charlestown's own Corey Gallagher, a sophomore at Bentley College, is in Grand Forks, North Dakota for the 1997 NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Championships. The quarter-finals were played on March 19. Gallagher was one of two freshmen to appear in every game for the Bentley College Falcons last season. She is a good rebounder and can also step out and knock down the three-pointer.

season, averaging 4.3 points and 3.0 rebounds. She started five of the first eight games this season. In the final nine regular season games, she made 16 out of 27 field goal attempts.



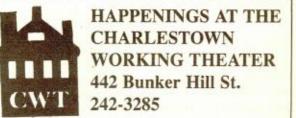
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· Snoopy Rehearsal Schedule

Tuesday, 7 - 9 p.m. - Charlestown High School Thursday, 7 - 9 p.m. - Charlestown High School Saturday, 2 - 6 p.m. - Charlestown Working Theater

Snoopy!

Tickets for *Snoopy*, which are \$10 per person, are currently on sale at Artisan Cafe in the Bunker Hill Mall and Bunker Hill Insurance Agency, 82 A Bunker Hill St. Show dates are Fridays through Sundays, April 4-6 and 11-13. Tickets are going quickly, so don't miss out!

Singing Classes Commence

Christina Wilhelm will begin teaching singing classes for children and adults! Classes for children will be held twice weekly, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Christina will also be directing a new adult voice program to form a community chorus for special events during the year. Anyone interested in singing with the group is invited to come to the first rehearsal on Tuesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. For more info, call the theater.

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



by Nicholas C. Pino Counsellor to Small Businesses

DOES FILING SEPARATELY EVER MAKE SENSE?

Each year, married couples have the choice of filing joint or separate tax returns. The joint option is usually best, since it eliminates the time and expense of filing two forms, and it frequently results in a lower overall tax bill.

However, there are situations where separate returns save taxes. Here's the reason: When filing separately, each spouse generally reports his or her own income and deducts expenses paid out of his or her own pocket. For example, medical expenses are deductible only to the extent that they exceed 7.5% of adjusted gross income (AGI). Miscellaneous itemized deductions must exceed 2% of AGI, and casualty losses must exceed 10% of AGI. When one party has more of these deductions than the other, or income is disproportionate, filing separately should be considered.

Example: Assume Husband and Wife each has AGI of \$50,000. Among their itemized deductions, Husband has \$7,000 of unreimbursed medical bills, which are paid by him, while Wife has no medical expenses. This couple will receive no tax benefit if they file a joint return, because their medical bills don't exceed 7.5% of the \$100,000 combined AGI (\$7,500). But, filing separately would permit Husband to deduct \$3,250, which is the excess of \$7,000 over 7.5% of his own \$50,000 AGI. (In community property states, income and deductions may have to be split 50% - 50%, unless traceable to separate property sources.) Filing separately may also be smart when couples are separated or experiencing discord. A joint return means the IRS can later come after either spouse for any tax underpayments, regardless of who actually caused the problem. When you file separately, you are responsible only for your own tax deficiencies. Separate returns can also be undesirable, since both spouses must either itemize or take the standard deduction. By filing a separate return, you may also forego certain tax breaks, such as dependent care and earned income tax credits and rental loss writeoffs.

She appeared in 27 games off the bench this

Gallagher was a nine-letter winner at Matignon High School, receiving three each in basketball, softball and volleyball. She is Matignon's all-leading scorer, netting 1,855 during her career.

Gallagher, the daughter of Jim and Lois Gallagher, is a marketing major.

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News From Charlestown Catholic Elementary School

Osmosis is the cause. The cause of what? If one asks Danny Castro, a fifth grade student at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School, he will explain that it is through osmosis that the salt spread on highways during the winter absorbs water from roadside plants and kills them as a result. Danny's interest in the effect of salt on plant life was his motivation to study the plant-salt interaction for his entry in the Charlestown Catholic Science Fair.

The Science Fair was held on March 13 and was an excellent opportunity for students, parents, relatives, friends and teachers to, as Pope in his Essay on Man, directed, "Go wondrous creature mount where Science guides." Each grade from Kindergarten to grade eight participated in the Science Fair with some presenting class-wide projects and others individual explorations. The results were excellent.

Meagan Daniels, a second grade student, researched the role the tongue plays in human functioning. As Meagan says, "The tongue is an organ of the human body which is used to taste, swallow and talk."

Other members of grade two researched various systems of the human body with the result that an excellent presentation, including statistics charts and reports.

In grade one there were several individual projects relating to the universe. Shevonne Connock did research into phases of the moon and has learned that "the moon moves around the earth" and seems to have different shapes (i.e. crescent) at particular times of the month. Colin Mc-Sorley investigated Black Holes and shared important discoveries such as "a black hole is where there is no life. Beware all ye who enter here" as the preamble to his presentation warns.

Kindergarten students presented a quite interesting study of the seasons. Through oral presentation, songs and poems, these children produced a thorough investigation of the four seasons and their influence on humans.



STUDENTS at CCES recently held a Science Fair. TOP ROW: At the left, are fourth graders who presented projects on the dolphin, along with a song by Shanice Douglas, Shannon Devlin and Kassandra Borden . . . On the right are seventh graders Courtney Wrenn and Kristi Donahue. SECOND ROW: On the left are third grad-

an individualized in-depth sented the results of independent research into subjects from magnets and electricity to the solar system. The discussion and presentation of these projects revealed that much research had been devoted to both sixth grade projects. Do you know how to feed

ers Chantel Mello, Christine Durham and Corey Brennan who studied scientists for their project . . At the right are fourth graders Casey Owens, Melissa Sanchez, Paige McSorley, Kelly Gouthro, Kevin Smith and Kevin Walles and their projects on frogs. THIRD ROW: At the left is Kerry Breen of grade 6 who displays her project on

sound . . . On the right, grade 8 student Ian Fitzsimmons displays his project. BOTTOM ROW: On the left, fifth graders Erin Russell, Brittany Wilkins and Courtney Considine present their project . . . At the right, second graders Nicole Callahan and Michael Ochoa give their presentations on the brain.

quakes, clouds and the ef-

very difficult task of ap-

Grade 3A students did

study of animals which was nothing less than fascinating, while grade 3B researched the lives, activities and contributions of scientists from Galileo to modern day researchers of the effect of viruses on human life. Grades 6A and B preand care for a "pet" snake? Or how does a roller coaster run?"

Grades 7 and 8 also participated in the Science Fair with individual, as well as two partner projects. From an in-depth study of the real danger of lightning and electric current to earth-

fect of smoking on human respiratory functions, the junior high area of Charlestown Catholic presented a varied program of thoughtprovoking projects.

Twelve judges from the Charlestown community and the faculty took on the praising projects of fifth to eighth grade students. Prizes of first, second and third place, as well an honorable mention, were awarded. The results of the judges' evaluation will appear in an upcoming "News From Charlestown Catholic."



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Thank you again for supporting this important program. Sincerely, C. Levina Kim

Volunteer and Intern Coordinator

Children's Author Stephen Krensky At The Charlestown Branch Library

Stephen Krensky, author of the Lionel early reader books, will be a guest at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., on Thursday, April 3, at 4 p.m. He will discuss how his ideas turn into stories and will read to the children.

"My goal is to create a book that I like, a book I hope children will like too. With grades K-3, I focus on one or two of my ideas

and simply explain how they became stories. Then I read one of these stories aloud to show how the idea grew into the story itself," said Krensky. Children will be involved in the presentation and encouraged to ask questions.

This program, recommended for children in grades K-3, is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 242-1248.

Massport Tobin Bridge Paint Project Gears Up In Chelsea

The Massport Tobin Bridge Paint Project is scheduled to start in April in Chelsea. The contractor, Erie Interstate, began setting up outriggers and placing cables on March 17. Two lanes of traffic will be open at all times for travelers heading north. This mobilization is to

prepare for the positioning of the containment in the work area. The area of the bridge to be painted spans from Beacon Place to the end of the bridge property in Chelsea on the upper deck. All steel elements will be painted from lowerlevel hand-rails up.

"In order to ensure the safety of both the neighbors and the traveling public, it is necessary that we repaint the bridge," said Mary Jane O'Meara, Tobin Memorial Bridge director. "With the success of the paint project in Charlestown last season, we are confident that this work can be completed with minimal operational impacts, alleviating the problem of lead chips falling into the community. Painting will protect the structural integrity of the bridge, improve its appearance and protect against rust and chipping."

This project has been designed to be as environmentally sound as possible. Because Massport has specified that no sandblasting is allowed, the flaking lead paint will be removed

Mike Barnacle To Host 'Hidden History Of Boston'

Mike Barnicle, a Channel 5 correspondent/commentator and Boston Globe columnist, debunks the myths and uncovers the facts about Beantown and environs in the "Hidden History of Boston," which airs on Sunday, March 23, from 9 to 11 p.m.

Barnicle takes viewers on his own walking tour of Boston and surrounding areas to give viewers a more accurate look at the early days in our nation's history with cameos by some of Boston's most famous and infamous residents.

Barnicle explores the Pilgrims and the Puritans, the War of 1812, the Salem Witch trials, Boston's most popular tourist attraction, Beacon Hill's sordid past,

Mayor James Michael Curley, The Coconut Grove Fire and more.

Although every child learns that the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, no one knows for sure because the legend of the landing didn't exist until the 1740s. Indeed, Plymouth Rock has been moved, broken-in-two, glued back together, and broken again, all in the name of trying to protect it! And Beacon Hill, now a very posh Boston neighborhood, was previously a red-light district, frequented by sailors and known as Mt. Whoredom.

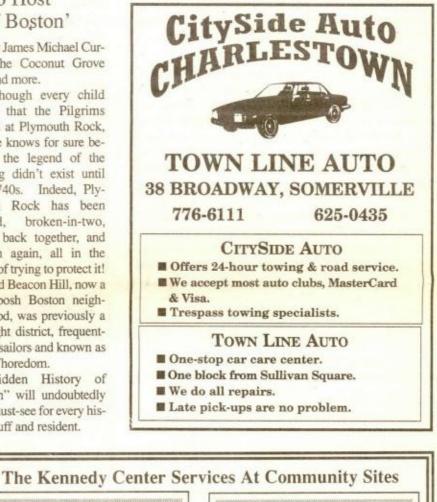
"Hidden History of Boston" will undoubtedly be a must-see for every history buff and resident.

with hand-held power tools with vacuum attachments. The attachments will vacuum up the paint chips as they are scraped from the steel. The work will be performed in an enclosed containment system that keeps dust and particles from escaping into the atmosphere.

Workers inside the containment will be protected with respirators and protective clothing. The paint that will be used is an aluminized epoxy mastic green and will be either sprayed or rolled onto the structure, all within the containment system. At the end of each work day, lead paint debris collected from the power tools will be stored, transported and disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations. Drums of paint waste will be stored in a secure area on Massport property, away from the community.

Massport Community Liaison Dorothy Connolly Steele, is available to answer concerns and guestions at 973-5691, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In the event of an emergency after hours, call Logan Operations at 561-1919 to page Steele.

O'Meara is also available to answer questions and concerns regarding the bridge and the paint project at 242-7979.



100 Ferrin St. For Seniors Only

Tuesday, March 25 9 a.m. - Coffee 9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA 10 a.m. - Plastic Embroidery 11:30 a.m.- Kit Clark Lunch

Wednesday March 26

Friday, March 21 8:30 a.m. - Coffee 10 a.m. - Seniorobics 11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch

12:30 p.m. - Bingo

55 Bunker Hill St.

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Thursday, March 27 9 a.m. - Coffee 9:30 a.m. - Swim at the YMCA 10 a.m. - Crochet 11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch 12:45 p.m. - Bingo

100 Ferrin Street includes:

- · Activities for the elderly of Charlestown.
- · Community Room.
- Familiar as well as new activities.

55 Bunker Hill Street includes:

- · Activities for adults of all ages. · A collaboration with the Healthy Charlestown Coalition.
- Activities organized by community residents, call with suggestions, 241-8866.

Monday, March 24 8:30 a.m. - Coffee 10 a.m. - Seniorobics 11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch 12:45 p.m. - Bingo

Tuesday, March 25 8:30 a.m. - Coffee 10:30 a.m. - Hispanic Coffee Hour

Wednesday, March 26 8:30 a.m. - Coffee 10 a.m. - Healthy Exercise + 11:30 a.m. - Kit Clark Lunch 12:30 p.m. - Bingo

Thursday, March 27 8:30 a.m. - Coffee 9:30 a.m. - Bus to Stop & Shop 9:30 a.m. - Drop-In/Goal Setting Group 11 a.m. - Violence Prevention

Happy March Birthday to Frank Ahern, Marguerite Bagley, Martin Boyer, Ann Boyle, Peg Broderick, Gert Brown, Phyllis George, Catherine Kelley, Barbara Marston, Florence Muller, Isabel McArdle, Marge McCabe, Bob Pelletier and Ruth Smith.

THE CHARLESTOWN POLICE LINE

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

Wednesday, March 5

A Charlestown man stated that person(s) unknown broke into his pick up truck between 1 and 2 p.m. while it was parked on Mt. Vernon Street and stole a Motorola flip phone valued at \$300.

Friday, March 7

A Charlestown man reported that person(s) unknown broke into his car between 8 and 9 p.m. while it was parked on Tufts Street and stole a Motorola cellular phone valued at \$52.

Saturday, March 8

A Stoneham man reported that between 12:45 and 5:30 p.m., person(s) unknown broke into his car while it was parked on Austin Street and damaged the door locks, the dashboard, the radio and the glove compartment..

Sunday, March 9

A Mattapan man reported that he parked his motor vehicle at Bartlett and Walker streets at 8:30 p.m. and when he returned to the vehicle at 10 p.m., person(s) unknown had spray painted both sides of the vehicle with black paint and wrote "C-Town 97" on the hood with blue spray paint. He also found dents on both doors and on the rear quarter panels.

Tuesday, March 11

At about 12:45 p.m., the police and the Boston Fire Department were called to 100 Terminal St. on the report of a Level III Haz-Mat. The BFD related that a 20-foot box trailer was leaking an unknown amount of Isophorone Diamine. The BFD Haz-Mat team opened the trailer and found a 55-gallon drum of the chemical had tipped over. The drum was righted and the leak stopped. The clean up was turned over to Clean Harbors Co. The area was secured, and a Mass. State Police officer and a BFD Engine Co. remained at the site until clean up was done on Wednesday.

A resident of Winthrop Street reported that between 1 and 6 p.m., person(s) unknown forced the inner door of her third-floor apartment. The apartment was ransacked and

Legal Notice

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department Suffolk Division Docket No. 96P-0939

NOTICE OF GUARDIANSHIP - MINOR - WITH - WITHOUT SURETIES To Joan Gooding and Mark Gooding, both of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, and to all persons interested in Mark Gooding of 67 D Old Landing Way, Boston, Suffolk County. A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Elizabeth Hanscom, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, be appointed guardian,

with custody, without sureties on her bond. If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Boston on or before March 27, 1997.

Witness Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Boston, the 3rd day of March, 1997. Richard Iannella

Register of Probate

among the items stolen were skis, a bicycle and a camera with lenses, tripod and a light meter valued at \$1,500.

A resident of Old Landing Way reported that between 10 p.m. and midnight, \$80 was taken by a woman who entered his home and removed the money.

Wednesday, March 12

Just after midnight, a Charlestown woman reported that as her ex-husband tried to get her into his motor vehicle, she broke away and ran. He reportedly threw her against a wall, causing her nose to bleed, and when she fell to the ground, he kicked her in her ribs, and then fled the area. The incident happened on Old Landing Way.

Thursday, March 13

At 12:13 a.m., officers responded to Russell Street on the report of a fight. The officers found the fight was between two brothers and when the officers entered the apartment, it continued. The officers commanded the two to stop and when they did not, the officers physically restrained the two, meeting resistance. They were both placed under arrest for assault and battery and transported to Area A.

A Medford man stated he was operating his motor vehicle on Old Ironsides Way at about 5:49 p.m., when a Chelsea man, who was also driving on the street, stopped his motor vehicle, parked and confronted the first man, stating that he was tailgating. It was reported that the Chelsea man, who identified himself as a security guard, attempted to punch the man and pointed a gun at him. The guard said the man punched him in the face, a struggle ensued and his firearm was knocked from his holster as he fell to the ground. A witness reported that he saw the guard point his gun at the man, a charge denied by the guard. Detectives from Area A are investigating the incident.

Saturday, March 15

At 5:30 p.m., a Charlestown woman was observed by employees of CVS in the Bunker Hill Mall putting items under her jacket and leaving the store without paying. Two employees escorted her back into the store and called the police. She was arrested and charged with shoplifting.



Legal Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk Division Docket No. 97P-0568

NOTICE

In the ESTATE of Ettore Marino. To all persons interested in the estate of Ettore Marino, late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death January 22, 1997.

For more information regarding arrested individuals, contact Community Service Officer Bill Smith, 343-4627

> Charlestown Neighborhood Policing Center 316 Main St. 343-4888 Open 7 days, 8 a.m. to midnight For emergencies, call 911 The confidential drug line number is 343-4627 The confidential mailing address is Boston Police Department Area A-1 P.O. Box 5894, Boston, MA 02114

(Include as much information as possible such as the suspect's age, height, weight, vehicle, type of drugs, times)

Sunday, March 16

A Medford woman reported that as she was returning from a club in Quincy Market at about 2:10 a.m., a fight started between her and five females on Tibbetts Town Way. The suspects fled before police arrived. The woman was struck in the face and suffered a nose bleed.

At 11:30 a.m., officers received a call that a woman was damaging a car with a knife on O'Meara Court. She reportedly pulled out a knife and scratched the side of the victim's car and also flattened the tires of the victim's boyfriend's car before she fled.

A resident of Monument Square reported that around 2:50 p.m. while he was loading laundry into his car, which was parked in front of his house, another resident of the house shouted at him, came down the stairs and punched and assaulted the man, resulting in injuries to his hands and knees. The man then fled from the area.

Officers responded to 502 Medford St. at about 8:30 p.m. where they found that a station wagon, being driven outbound by a Charlestown woman, had struck the building. There was extensive damage to the brick and front doorway. The car was towed and the driver was transported to Mass. General Hospital by ambulance.

Murray Begins Community Service Work

As part of their curriculum, Boston College High School students must complete 150 hours of community service work in their senior year in order to graduate. Robert Murray of Charlestown will be working at the North End Union Daycare.

Over the years, BC High has become connected with some 300 sites where students may volunteer. This year, students are working in some 150 sites. They begin their work on March 31 and assignments vary from within the city of Boston to outence the Jesuit philosophy of learning to be "men for others." During their service, the students write two reflection papers to record their experience and how the work is affecting them as individuals.

All sites must be nonprofit and the work experience must provide the students with direct face-toface interaction with the clients they are serving. Office work, custodial work and fund-raising activities are excluded. The students are there to get hands-on experience while forming some relationships that change them while they make a difference for someone else.

Legal Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS The Trial Court

Probate and Family Court Department Suffolk Division Docket No. 97P0552 NOTICE

In the ESTATE of William R. Shappe, aka William Reinhold Shappe.

To all persons interested in the estate of William R. Shappe, aka William Reinhold Shappe, late of the County of Suffolk, Date of Death February 16, 1997.

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Catherine M. Murray of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, be appointed administratrix with sureties on her bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEAR-ANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Pemberton Square BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 10, 1997.

Witness Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date 3/13/97 Richard Iannella

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From the office of Richard K. Mazow, Esq. 2 Dexter Row, P.O. Box 13 Charlestown, MA 02129 242-0321 A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the will be proved and allowed and that Oswaldo Marino, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk, be appointed executor, without sureties on his bond.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEAR-ANCE IN SAID COURT AT Boston Suffolk Probate Court, Old Courthouse, room 120 BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON April 10, 1997.

Witness Mary C. Fitzpatrick, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date 3/18/97 Richard Iannella

Richard Iannella Register of Probate

Legal Notice

Pursuant to Section 6104 (d) IRC, the annual returns of the Ansin Foundation (Harold S. Ansin, Trustee) can be inspected at the Foundation's office: c/o Patrick B. Maraghy, RINET Company, Inc., 213 Union Wharf, Boston, MA 02109, (617) 723-3718.

March 20, 1997

lying communities.

The goal of the program is for students to experi-



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VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK



VIC DeMICHELLE WITH ALEX GAUDETTE Vic DeMichelle has tutored at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club for the past three years. He tutors two or three club members, one of which is Alex Gaudette, who says, "I like tutoring with Vic. He's a good friend and he helps me with my homework!"

Children's Film Program At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, March 25 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Flossie outwits a fox to protect a basket of eggs in "Flossie and the Fox" . . . "Over in the Meadow" is a a sing-a-long film presenting a classic children's tle Tiger and Little Bear decide to go to Panama in "Panama."

Paddington raises money to buy a birthday gift in "Paddington's Birthday Bonanza," which will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **Over in the Meadow** by Paul Galdone and any of the **Paddington** books by Michael Bond.



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JFK Center Head Start Day Care Programs

The John F. Kennedy Family Service Center offers a variety of options for child care.

Head Start - Children must be 3 years of age by Sept. 1, 1997, meet federal guidelines and be a Charlestown resident. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and runs for the 10-month school year.

Preschool Day Care -Parents must be working at least 30 hours per week. The hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Vouchers are accepted through Child Care authorization from the Department of Transitional Assistance and can be obtained at Child Care Choices.

After School Day Care - A program for children 6 to 12 years of age and 5-yearold children who have a fullday placement in the Boston Public Schools. Parents must be working and meet income guidelines. Vouchers are accepted.

Wrap Around Day Care - This program is before and after school day care for 3 and 4-year-olds. The hours are 7:30 to 9 a.m. and 1:30 to 6 p.m., and full time during school vacations. Parents must be working and meet income guidelines.

For information on any of the programs, call the Kennedy Center at 241-8866.



Crowley Deployed To Mediterranean Sea Aboard USS Nashville

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jay P. Crowley of Charlestown, a 1988 graduate of Everett High School, is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the amphibious transport dock ship USS Nashville.

Crowley is one of more than 400 sailors and 1,500 Marines who departed in November as part of the USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group (ARG). The ARG is comprised of the amphibious assault ship and ARG flagship USS Nassau, the dock landing ship USS Pensacola and the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

In January, Crowley's ship participated in a joint amphibious exercise off the coast of Spain. During the seven-day operation, and under adverse weather conditions, USS Nashville was able to carry out a multi-mission live fire exercise with Spanish forces. In commemorating their 27th birthday, Crowley's ship participated in a multinational exercise designed to project subsurface, surface, air and amphibious power ashore.

The USS Nassau ARG and its embarked Marines present a formidable U.S. presence which can provide a rapid response in times of crisis. With helicopters, conventional landing craft and high speed air cushioned assault craft, an ARG's sailors and Marines like Crowley can conduct a variety of missions from reconnaissance and amphibious assaults to evacuating civilians and providing humanitarian aid.

So far, Crowley has visited France and Spain. He joined the Navy in August 1991.



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