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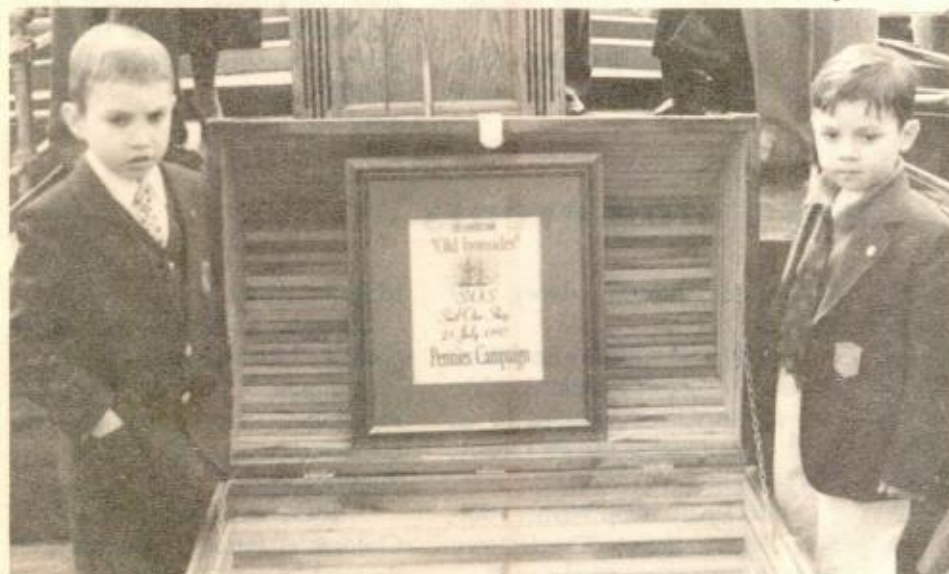
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Penny Campaign Underway To Sail 'USS Constitution' Into The 21st Century



TWO "POWDER MONKIES," John (left) and Bobby (right) Dannemiller, each poured a bag of pennies into a chest on board USS CONSTITUTION as the symbolic start of a penny campaign to purchase sails for Old Ironsides so that she will be able to mark her 200th anniversary in 1997 by sailing out into Boston Harbor under her own power. John, age 6, and Bobby, age 5, are the sons of Eileen (Gillen) and John Dannemiller, and the grandson of Paula and Cmdr. Robert Gillen, USN (Ret.), the 59th commanding officer of CONSTITUTION.



THE PENNY CAMPAIGN to purchase sails for USS CONSTITUTION was kicked off recently with the donation of \$1,000 from the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion. The Charlestown Cooperative Bank will serve as the collection agent for the fund and 100 percent of the money collected will go toward the purchase of the sails. Shown (l. to r.) John F. Sommers, executive director, The American Legion's Washington, D.C. office; John P. "Jake" Comer, Legion past national commander; William D. McCarthy, president, Charlestown Cooperative Bank; Jacqueline Latta, vice president, Charlestown Cooperative Bank; James W. Conway, chairman, the Killilea Fund and Legion past national historian; and Cmdr. Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret.).

Davis-Mullen To Hold Hearing Regarding Kindergarten Assignments

Citing an overwhelming demand for kindergarten seats that have dwindled by over 1,000 spots, Boston City Councillor Peggy Davis-Mullen announced that the Committee on Education will hold a hearing on Monday, April 1 at 7 p.m. at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St., in Charlestown to discuss

and determine the practicality of eliminating the Kindergarten I program.

Under a recently enacted school department policy, Kindergarten I seats and classes will be phased out over a three-year period to increase Kindergarten II classes for 5-year-olds, from half days to full days.

The phase-out begins this September and already

parents of 4-year-old children are receiving the bad news in the mail. Davis-Mullen, a proponent of the educational benefits that Kindergarten I offers to 4-year-old children, adamantly opposes the destruction that this new policy will wreak. "We need kindergarten for 4-year-olds just as much as we need full day kindergarten for 5-year-olds. One without the other would put our children at a disadvantage going into the first grade," Davis-Mullen said.

Parents and guardians are urged to attend.

Stillman Elected 14th Mayor Of Charlestown

by Lynn Peters

Charlestown has a new mayor. Frankie Stillman's last-minute come-from-behind March 22 victory has left him shocked and stunned.

This year's 14th Charlestown mayoral race had only one runner until the last month. Stillman said he was encouraged by friends and family to give lone contender Chris Rizzo a little competition for the traditionally much-coveted title of Mayor of Charlestown.

Each year the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee sponsors the race for our own mayor. Candidates vie to sell their votes for a tour for



HIS HONOR Frankie Stillman, the 14th Mayor of Charlestown, who was elected in the annual contest sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee, is congratulated by his opponent Chris Rizzo following the announcement



PROUD MEMBERS of the family of the newly elected Mayor of Charlestown Frankie Stillman were on hand to congratulate him and wish him well. Shown seated (l. to r.) Maureen Stillman, his mother; Kevin Woods, his nephew; Mayor Stillman; and Marion Considine, his grandmother. Standing (l. to r.) Patty Ann Woods and Karen Stillman, his sisters; Brian Stillman, his brother; and Jimmy Considine, his uncle.

two in Ireland and the the town at the Western in Charlestown, County opportunity to represent Rose Festival in August

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Open Letter To VCR Thief

Dear Editor,

My faith in humanity has been shattered. Yesterday morning, March 27, Beverly Gibbons, director of the elderly program, donated a VCR to the Golden Age Center.

I drove to the center with the VCR, parked my car, and proceeded to unload the trunk. I was interrupted by a brief phone call and, upon returning to the car to retrieve the VCR, I discovered some SCUMBAG had stolen our new VCR.

To say I was disheartened would be an understatement. This gift was meant for our beloved seniors to enjoy a movie and brunch with their peers. So an act of kindness has been reduced to a major loss to the seniors.

If this low-life thief has any conscience at all, he or she might think about how their own grandmother or elderly mother would feel about the loss, and maybe return our VCR.

Our senior center is a non-profit, private organization, so donations such as this particular gift of the VCR are impossible for us to replace.

Sheila Walsh, supervisor
Golden Age Center

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• **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.

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.

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

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

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

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

CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Thursday, March 28

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

Friday, March 29

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

• **11:30 a.m.** - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an adult - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **4 to 7 p.m.** - Pop Warner Foot-

ball Registration - Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.

Saturday, March 30

• **noon to 3 p.m.** - Pop Warner Football Registration - Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.

• **6 p.m.** - Annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner Dance - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, March 31

• **2 p.m.** - Easter Ham Raffle - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

Tuesday, April 2

• **10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.** - Children's Films - Charlestown Branch

Library, 179 Main St.

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

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

Wednesday, April 3

• **7 p.m.** - Friends of Clougherty Pool meeting - Charlestown Community Centers, 255 Medford St.

• **7 p.m.** - Meeting for parents of grade 6-8 students on Academy of the Pacific Rim Charter School - Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

upcoming events

Thursday, April 4

• **11 a.m.** - Healthy Charlestown Coalition Violence Prevention Team meeting - Kennedy Center Drop-In Resource Center, 55 Bunker Hill St.

• **12:15 p.m.** - Charlestown Kiwanis Club meeting - Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza

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

• **7 p.m.** - Adult Book Discussion Group meeting featuring **The Deerslayer** by James Fenimore Cooper - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Friday, April 5

• **10 a.m.** - Adult Discussion Group and Preschool Story Hour -

Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **11:30 a.m.** - Toddler Storytime, stories and songs for children 12 to 36 months old accompanied by an adult - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **4 to 7 p.m.** - Pop Warner Football Registration - Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.

Saturday, April 6

• **9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club Flea Market - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **noon to 3 p.m.** - Pop Warner Football Registration - Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.

• **2 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee meeting - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Monday, April 8

• **6 p.m.** - U-Plan Seminar - Fleet Bank, 437 Rutherford Ave.

• **7 p.m.** - "Life In The City" Planning Committee meeting - St. Catherine's rectory, 49 Vine St.

Tuesday, April 9

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

• **6 to 8 p.m.** - Warren-Prescott School Site Council meeting - Warren-Prescott School, 50 School St.

Wednesday, April 10

• **noon to 3 p.m.** - Open House - Bunker Hill Health Center, 73 High St.

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

plan ahead

Saturday, April 27

• **7 p.m.** - Community Appreciation Awards Night - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Thursday, May 9

• **6 p.m.** - Old Charlestown Schoolboys' Association 83rd Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, May 18

• **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** - Book Sale,

sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Saturday, June 9

noon to 4 p.m. - Family Fun Day - Charlestown High School Field, Medford Street

Sunday, June 16

12:30 p.m. - Annual Bunker Hill Day Parade

It's A Boy . . .

Brian and Sandra Seward of 21 Staples Ave., Everett, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Patrick Jeremy, on March 8 at the Malden Hospital.


The maternal grandparents are Robert and Marie Mitchell of Lynn.

The paternal grandparents are William and Bernadette Seward of 137 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown.

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Gillen Named To ABCD Board Of Directors

Mary C. Chin, chairperson, Board of Directors, and Robert M. Coard, president/CEO of Action for Boston Community Development Inc. (ABCD), have announced the appointment of Maurice "Moe" Gillen to its board of directors.

The ABCD Board of Directors is made up of individuals from every neighborhood in the city of Boston and is representative of its very diverse decentralized network of centers called Area Action Planning Councils and Neighborhood Service Centers.

A long-time community activist, Gillen served as president of the Board of Directors at the John F.



MAURICE GILLEN

Kennedy Family Service Center in Charlestown from 1975 to 1978, and in 1978 he was recognized with the ABCD Man of the Year Award.

Among his responsibilities as a member of ABCD's Board of Directors, Gillen will serve on two programmatic committees

of the agency, assist in reviewing grants and proposals which are being submitted in response to RFP's, as well as approve the submission of all grants and proposals for federal, state government and private funding sources.

"We are very pleased to have an individual with such community orientation and commitment to the residents of Charlestown to serve on our Board of Directors," said Chin. "Maurice will add a fresh perspective as we continue our mission of serving the poor and working class residents of this city."

A resident of Charlestown, he has been involved in many community activities, serving on many

boards including the Federation of Charlestown Organizations; the Charlestown Economic Development Corporation, of which he was co-founder; the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, where he served as vice chairman, chairman of its Mitigation Committee; and as a committee member for the Community Appreciation Awards.

He has worked for over 37 years for Boston Edison as a Field Service Representative.

A graduate of Bunker Hill Community College and Harvard University's Loan Executive Program, Gillen lives in Charlestown with his wife Helen and their six children.

Helen K. Priest Dies At 89

Helen K. Priest, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, died on March 18 at the Medplex of Beverly Nursing Home in Beverly.

She was born on Feb. 28, 1907 at the Hotel Salem on the corner of Pearl and High streets in Charlestown. She attended local schools in Charlestown and graduated from Girls High School and Boston University. She was a long-time and active mem-

ber of the Norumbega Women's Club.

During World War II, Helen was employed at the Charlestown Navy Yard. She was a volunteer worker for the American Red Cross and drove an ambulance for them during the war. She was awarded a 50-year citation for her volunteer work with the American Red Cross.

She retired from the old Charlestown Five Cents

Savings Bank some years ago as a teller. She was the daughter of the late Lucian J. and Fannie (DeYoung) Priest.

She was predeceased by her brother L. Charles Priest and a niece Patricia Eich. She is survived by her nephew L. Charles Priest Jr. of Tewksbury.

At Helen's request, her funeral was private. Arrangements were by the John H. Sawyer Funeral Home.

On Honor Roll At Latin Academy

Colin P. Smith and Carlin Theroux-Jones, both of Charlestown, have been named to the honor roll for the third marking term at Boston Latin Academy.

THE REAL ESTATE WEEKLY



Carolyn Sideman, Monument Properties

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Palm Sunday

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Sunday, March 31, 1996: 7:30AM, 9:30AM & 11:30AM

Monday - Wednesday

Mass: 7:30AM

Thursday - Saturday

Prayer Service: 9:00AM

Holy Thursday

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30PM

Good Friday

Readings, Prayers, Passion & Veneration of the Cross: 3:00PM

Stations of the Cross: 7:30PM

Saturday

Easter Vigil Liturgy: 7:30PM

Easter Sunday

7:30AM Liturgy (Lower Church)

9:30 AM Family Liturgy (Upper Church)

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It's A Girl . . .

Daniel and Sandra Blaikie are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Danielle Nicole, on March 5. She weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Dave and Ann Winnett of Charlestown. The paternal grandparents are Joseph and the late Mary Blaikie of Charlestown.

Danielle was welcomed home by her big sister, Brittany, age 6.



Danielle Nicole Blaikie
March 05, 1996 6 lbs. 7 oz.

**DANIELLE NICOLE
BLAIKIE**

It's A Boy . . .

Peter and Diane Looney of Marshfield are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Brendan Patrick, on March 19 at the Quincy Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 5 ounces and was 20 inches long.

The maternal grandmother is Marian Greer of

Dorchester.

The paternal grandparents are Peter and Mae Looney of Charlestown.

The paternal great-grandfather is William C. Looney of Rockland.

Also waiting for Brendan to come home is "Auntie" Michelle Looney.

**Brassil Participates
In Theater Workshop**

Marilyn Brassil, a senior at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y., is a member of the Children's Theater Workshop cast for the original play, "The Good, The Bad, and The Backward," which is touring area elementary schools to introduce young audiences to the theater experience.

Created by workshop participants in a two-semester theater course directed by Katherine Liepe-Levinson, the play was also presented three times on the Colgate campus.

Brassil is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brassil of High Street, Charlestown.

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



• **Congratulations, Mr. Mayor . . .** Frankie Stillman was announced 1996 Mayor of Charlestown last Friday night before a packed audience at the Knights of Columbus Hall. It was a close race, to say the least, with only 526 "votes" separating him and opponent Chris Rizzo. Best of luck, Frankie, and have a great year!

• **Moments In Charlestown . . .** a feature of Boston Cablevision, will air Life Focus Center's Man of the Year Award Ceremonies, produced by Kevin Burke, on Sunday, March 31 on Boston Cable Channel A3 at 11 a.m. Sen. Tom Birmingham was the award recipient and it's a must see!

• **Beware! . . .** Charlestown's City Hall reporter warns all with a mv (motor vehicle) that warning time is over. The street cleaning program begins on **Monday, April 1** and those slips under your windshield wiper will not be a reminder - it will be a \$20 ticket . . . So, check the signs on your street and note that spring is here and with good weather comes street cleaning.

• **The Easter Ham Raffle . . .** at St. Francis de Sales Church will be held on Sunday, March 31 at 2 p.m. in the Bishop Lawton Hall. Stop by and take a chance on winning one or more of the 50 5-pound canned hams.

• **Did We Miss Something? . . .** Is it spring or is it still the yuletide season? One would think Xmas walking down around the Pleasant Street area, as the street lamps are still festooned with garlands and bows.

• **Fenway Park In Charlestown? . . .** According to "sources," the Boston Globe published Wednesday, March 27, that "the Red Sox, who are in the market for a new baseball facility, are shifting their gaze to a slice of Charlestown property located near the Schrafft building." As usual, the "sources" were not revealed. Stay tuned!!

• **Birthday Greetings . . .** go out today, March 28th, to Arthur Crotty, . . . Ginny (Melanson) Mansfield will celebrate on March 29th . . . and on March 31st Maureen Stillman will party for sure . . . Kelly Doe's big day is April 1st . . . Doug Cummings' birthday is April 2nd . . . and "Skipper" Correia will party on April 3rd . . . Happy days to one and all.

• **Ford Hall Forum . . .** Controversial attorney and Harvard Law Professor Alan Dershowitz will speak at historic Faneuil Hall on Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m. as part of the Ford Hall Forum lectures. He will discuss "The American Justice System After O.J." For more information call 373-5800.

• **Boston Marathon Exhibit . . .** "The Race Through History" is on display in the John Hancock Observatory now through April 13. The exhibit is in celebration of 100 years of the Boston Marathon and pays tribute to the people and events which have helped shape the race and recognizes the eight cities and towns along the 26.2 mile route. By the way, over 60 Charlestown runners are getting ready for the 100th race - more to follow. For more information call 572-6429.

• **The National Multiple Sclerosis Society . . .** will hold a walk to benefit Multiple Sclerosis research and provide funds for services on Sunday, April 21 at noon, starting at the Boston Common and you can register or volunteer by calling 1-800-493-WALK.

• **Boston English High School . . .** the nation's oldest public school, will celebrate its 175th anniversary at a gala event scheduled for Thursday, April 25 at The Boston Park Plaza Hotel. The committee expects over 1,000 celebrants for a catered dinner, music, dancing and the opportunity to meet old friends and classmates and show your support for a great school. For more information, call 635-8979 or 635-9999.

• **Project Bread . . .** On Sunday, May 5, Project Bread will host their 27th annual 20-mile Walk For Hunger, which will begin and end at the Boston Common. Registration for the walk will take place on Sunday, May 5 from 7 to 9 a.m. at the common. To learn how to participate in the Walk For Hunger, call Project Bread at 723-5000.

• **The Independent Order Of Foresters . . .** a not-for-profit fraternal organization, is offering help for those suffering the horrors of child abuse. The toll-free crisis line, the only hotline in North America, provides round-the-clock access to professional child abuse counselors. If you suspect abuse, have been abused, or if you are an abuser, call the Childhelp IOF Hotline for help at 1-800-4-A-CHILD.

• **Thought For The Week . . .** Give a little love to a child, and you get a great deal back.

- John Ruskin

**Happy 1st Birthday To My Godson
NOLAN VESEY
on March 28th!
Love . . . Auntie Laura
xo xo xo xo**

**Congratulations To Our
UNCLE FRANKIE
The New
Mayor Of Charlestown
Love . . . Kevin & Brian**

**Happy 1st Birthday
ROWAN DEIRDRE
HOULIHAN
on March 30th!
Love & Kisses . . . Mommy & Daddy**

**If you see . . .
MARK SAIITA
on March 30th, wish him a
Happy 20th Birthday!
Love . . . Mom & Dad**

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Birthday
ANNEMARIE
on March 31st!
Love . . .
Mom, Bill,
Ernie & Lisa**

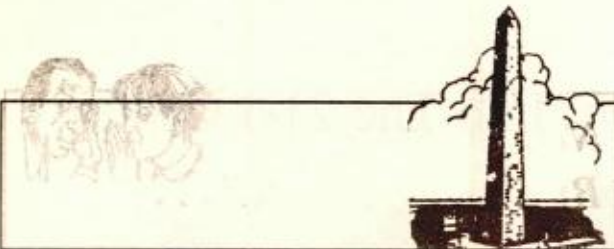
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**Happy Birthday
MOMMY
on April 2nd!
Love & Kisses . . .
Brittney and Cameron**

**Happy 1st Birthday
on March 30th!
ROWAN
DEIRDRE
HOULIHAN
Love . . . Nunna Cain &
Grand-"Pal" Houlihan**

**Happy 1st Birthday
ROWAN DEIRDRE
HOULIHAN
Love . . . Uncles John, Séamus, Breandan
Aunts Shannon, Caitrin &
"Big Cuz" Kelsey Shay Houlihan**

**Happy Birthday
MA
on March 31st!
Love . . . Ryan**



around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meeting . . .

Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Neighborhood Council, chaired by Peter Looney, will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

In addition to reports relative to committee meetings that have been held since the last monthly meeting, Ted Marquis from City Year and Jack Halloran, principal of the Harvard-Kent School, will make a presentation on plans for the school playground. Also, a representative from Bunker Hill Community College is slated to update the CNC on the movie soundstage proposed for a site adjacent to the college; Gabriele's restaurant will bring its proposal to seek a license to serve cordials and for entertainment at its Charlestown Navy Yard location; and Peter Steele from the Boston National Historical Park will give an update on the plans for the Freedom Trail.

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

★ **Community Office Hours . . .** Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, will resume office hours on Monday, April 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

★ **The Academy Of The Pacific Rim Charter School . . .** will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 3 at 7 p.m. at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St. for parents of children entering the 6th, 7th or 8th grade in September who want to find out more about the new school. The original meeting, scheduled for March 7, was cancelled due to a storm.

Charter schools do not charge tuition and are free to develop their own curriculum. The Academy of the Pacific Rim Charter School will focus on basic skills, discipline and parental involvement. The school will be located in downtown Boston. Parents who cannot attend the meeting can call 348-0909 for more information.

★ **Bunker Hill Day Parade . . .** The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 6 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. The committee is planning the parade and fund-raising activities to support the event which will be

held on Sunday, June 16.

★ **U Plan Seminar . . .** A seminar on the U-Plan - the Massachusetts College Savings Plan, will be held on Monday, April 8 at 6 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch for the Fleet Bank of Charlestown, 437 Rutherford Ave. The plan is administered by the Massachusetts Education Financing Authority.

For further information, call 242-3918.

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

• Guilford Transportation, Boston & Maine Railroad (by Murray Outdoor Communications Inc.) seeks to erect a billboard advertising display structure at 70 Cambridge St. (BZC-18151)

Questions or concerns on this petition should be directed to the BOA at 635-4775.

★ Bunker Hill Health Center Open House . . .

The Mass. General Bunker Hill Health Center will host an Open House from noon to 3 p.m. at the center, 73 High St. The purpose of the open house is to introduce Charlestown residents who are unfamiliar with the center to the health services that are available for them here in Charlestown.

Several staff physicians from various departments, including pediatrics, adult medicine and dermatology, will be available to discuss the services they have to offer.

A guided tour of the health center will be given to those interested in visiting the various departments. Free blood pressure screening will be provided along with a light lunch. All are welcome.

★ **Operation A.B.L.E. . . .** Free computer and business skills training is available for people 55 and older who meet Boston and Metro North residency requirements and income guidelines. Applicants must want to work on a full- or part-time basis.

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★ **Mobility Assistance Program . . .** Secretary of Transportation James J. Kerasiotes announced the commencement of the 22nd round of the Mobility Assistance Program to promote elderly and disabled transportation.

Private non-profit and public agencies

can apply for Mobility Assistance Program capital grants for the purchase of vehicles and related equipment. The vehicles are to be used to transport individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, and elderly persons where other forms of mass transportation services are unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate.

Mobility Assistance Program grants will assist in purchasing equipment. Grants are provided for 80 percent of the vehicle and/or equipment costs. The remaining 20 percent must be provided, as a local match, by the successful applicant. Applicants must also be prepared to provide 100 percent of the funding needed to operate the equipment.

For more information, call the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction, Transit Unit, at 973-7000.

★ Central Artery/Tunnel Project Update . . .

Work began this week to shift the alignment of the Surface Artery slightly near its intersection with Kneeland Street to match up with a new Mass. Turnpike (I-90) exit ramp. The work is expected to continue until late May, with work done primarily at night. Daytime traffic will not be affected. When it opens this summer, the new I-90 ramp will replace the existing ramp now leading to Atlantic Avenue to allow for continuing Central Artery construction in the area. More information on traffic alternatives and the new ramp will be available when the opening approaches this summer.

Also this week, Summer Street between Atlantic Avenue and Dorchester Avenue will

be reduced to a single lane in each direction from 8 p.m. until 6 a.m., because of utility work along the north side of the street. This traffic change will remain in effect nights only until mid-May. All lanes will be open during the day, including rush hours.

★ State Register of Historic Places Is Now Available . . .


The Mass. Historical Commission has announced that the State Register of Historic Places (SRHP) is available. The SRHP is a comprehensive listing of buildings, structures, sites and districts that have received local, state or national designations based on their historical or archaeological significance. The State Register publication is for sale at the State Bookstore, State House, Boston. For information, call 727-2834.

★ "Pack It In Program" . . .

MGH-Bunker Hill Health Center is offering continuous free five-week programs to help you stop smoking. Sessions, which are free of charge are held each Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. from now through April 10 in the second floor conference room at 73 High St. Space is limited, so call 485-6210 to register.

★ Lupus Foundation Support Group . . .

The Somerville Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 11 at the Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville. The speaker will be Dr. Michael Bigby, dermatologist at Mass. General and Beth Israel hospitals. The subject will be keeping your skin healthy for the summer.



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Penny Campaign Underway To Sail 'USS Constitution' Into The 21st Century



EXCITEMENT permeated the atmosphere as invited guests and media gathered on the decks of the USS CONSTITUTION on March 22 as the completion of her restoration was marked with a "sea trial" and the announcement that the American Legion is spearheading an Old Ironsides Penny Campaign to raise funds to purchase and outfit the ship with sails to mark her 200th anniversary in 1997.

TOP ROW: At the left, Cmdr. Michael C. Beck, USN, commanding officer of CONSTITUTION, extends a welcome and offers his vision for the ship going into the 21st century. . . . In the center are Charlestown residents Pat and Bob Rooney and Jackie Latta, vice president of the Charlestown Cooperative Bank that will collect the funds for the penny drive. . . . On the right, Jim Conway,

chairman of the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, and past national historian, The American Legion, tells of the donation of \$1,000 to kick-off the penny campaign from this local fund and the commitment of the Legion to spearhead the drive to raise the money for sails.

SECOND ROW: At the left, Legion Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer pledges his support for this patriotic cause. . . . In the center is Boston National Historical Park Superintendent John Burchill (right) with shipboard guests . . . On the right are Bobby and John Dannemiller whose bags of pennies were poured into the chest for the penny campaign.

BOTTOM ROW: At the left, Merideth Beck deposits her pennies into the collection chest as her dad, Cmdr. Michael Beck looks on . . . In the center are (l. to r.) Al

Gallarelli, commander of Bunker Hill Post; Comer, Beck; John Sommers, executive director of the Legion's Washington, D.C. office; and Conway . . . On the right, "Moments in Charlestown" producer Kevin Burke interviews Claire Wilkerson, great-grandniece of Dr. David Skinner whose \$1 has been verified as the first in the penny campaign launched in 1925.

OTHERS on the podium include Charlie Dean, director of the Naval Historical Center, Detachment Boston; Cmdr. Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret.), 59th commanding officer of CONSTITUTION and member of the "Sail Our Ship" Committee; William D. McCarthy, president, Charlestown Cooperative Bank; Sara Beth Stern, volunteer; and William S. Annino, president, Junior Achievement of Eastern Massachusetts.

"Report to commander - CONSTITUTION is fit for duty . . . including the possibility of limited sails," so stated Charlie Dean, director of the Naval Historical Center, Detachment Boston, on the morning of March 22. With the major restoration of the ship complete, the tugs were in place and the crew prepared for "sea, or harbor, trials" and the berthing of the ship once again at Pier One in the Boston National Historical Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

The restoration of the ship has several implications. Her 64th commanding officer, Cmdr. Michael C. Beck, USN, relates that she is stronger than was the ship almost 199 years ago. Also, her masts have been strengthened to carry sails - and the ship has not been powered by sails since 1881. Now, as she approaches her 200th anniversary in 1997, plans are that she will sail out into the harbor under her own power during that celebration.

Back some 70 years ago, a penny campaign was launched to restore the USS CONSTITUTION with schoolchildren from throughout the country sending in pennies in support of the ship. It is recorded that \$154,000 was raised by this means, called the "Save Old Ironsides" campaign. Other funds were raised by the sale of lithographs, buttons and discarded materials from the ship's hull.

Now, in 1996, the "Old Ironsides Penny Campaign" has been launched to outfit

the ship with sails. A donation of \$1,000 from the Killilea Fund of Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion was presented by the fund's Chairman James W. Conway as the first step in raising between \$200,000 and \$500,000 for the project. The Legion will spearhead the drive but Conway noted that this project is "all-inclusive" and support from individuals, businesses and fraternal, civic and educational organizations is encouraged and welcomed.

Legion Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer and John Sommers, executive director of the Legion's Washington, D.C. office, praised the effort and offered support to the project.

The Charlestown Cooperative Bank, represented by its president William McCarthy and vice president Jacqueline Latta, will serve to collect the funds. All of the money directed to this campaign will go to sails for the ship with no salaries or administrative costs. Donations, in any amount, are welcome and should be sent to:

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Charlestown Cooperative Bank
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201 Main St.
Charlestown, MA 02129.

During the ceremony, Beck spoke of his pleasure in having CONSTITUTION return to duty. He noted that "this is the Navy's flagship, the oldest commissioned

warship afloat in the world . . . The USS CONSTITUTION's mission is to represent the values and ideals of the Naval service and of the Nation. It is my vision that she will represent our nation, the United States of America, sailing into the 21st century. I see this vision in both a physical and spiritual sense. In order for this vision to be realized, CONSTITUTION must sail again."

Part of the bicentennial celebration will focus on education. Beck went on to say, "If the document for which she is named, the United States Constitution, is studied, we will recognize as citizens what our duty is to keep this country free . . . CONSTITUTION must sail again because she can sail . . . and the effort that it takes means the values that made this country great are alive and well."

Cmdr. Robert L. Gillen, USN (Ret.), 59th commanding officer of CONSTITUTION and member of the "Sail Our Ship" Committee, served as master of ceremonies. Gillen formally announced the start of the nation-wide "Old Ironsides Penny Campaign" which will be led and coordinated by The American Legion. He stated that donations of any size would be welcome, but the object was for the campaign to work with the country's children so they will remember this event for years to come as those did in the 1925 drive.

He introduced the ship's two newly appointed "powder monkeys," his grand-

children, John and Bobby Dannemiller, representing the children of the United States. They dumped bags of pennies into a large sea chest on the deck of the ship.

One organization that has come forward to assist in this campaign is Junior Achievement of Eastern Mass., represented on this occasion by its president William S. Annino.

Then, as helicopters circled the ship, ropes were cast off and CONSTITUTION was moved out into the harbor escorted by fireboats sending streams of water skyward. She saluted the city of Boston with her guns blazing before she was turned back toward Charlestown and her home at Pier One.

An essay contest was held in conjunction with the penny drive in 1925 and students across the country were asked to submit 500-word essays. Julia Kochevar, 13, an eighth grade student in 1925 at the St. Joseph School in Grand Junction, Colo. wrote: "Old Ironsides must be preserved. Old Ironsides is our family heirloom. She belongs to all generations of Americans. We shall save her. Thousands of patriotic Americans to come will reverently tread her decks . . . they will gaze upon her guns that gained our victories, and from all this they will get new inspiration and a renewed and increasing love of our country and of our heroes whose daring and whose bravery have kept us free."

Parks Department Planning Improvements To Training Field

by Lynn Peters

The city is expected to begin spending the first \$100,000 on improvements to the Training Field as early as this summer, according to a three-phase plan presented to residents by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department and a consulting design company at a March 26 public meeting.

The meeting, hosted by the Parks Department at the American Legion Hall, included neighborhood historians, Friends of the Training Field and abutters. Eugene Bolinger of Levy, Eldredge & Wagner Associates, said improvements to the historic acre park will be accomplished in three phases.

The second phase, described as the master plan by Bolinger, will include planning and cost review with neighbors. The construction phase,

expected to come late this year or early 1997, will include \$200,000 of city Capital Improvement money.

Bolinger described the initial work as safety improvements for the circa 1630s Training Field, the oldest park in the country. Improvements will include stabilizing the centerpiece Civil War monument, repairing the Adams Street and Freedom Trail staircases, installing railings and including water service with a hose connection and potential spray-shower for children.

Beyond these first basic steps, an additional \$200,000 will pay for the park's enhancement. Residents and designers will work together on creating "historically correct" improvements during the second phase over the next several months.

"There is absolutely no-

thing set in stone," Bolinger said. He said he encourages the community's comments and specific concerns about the Training Field.

Neighbors took the opportunity to plant the seeds for anticipated issues in designing the park. American Legion Past Commanders Jim Conway and Arthur Hurley explained their interest in recognizing two Charlestown residents who received the Congressional Medal of Honor for their Civil War service.

"It would be a feather in the cap of Charlestown," Conway said, reporting that there is probably no other town in the country that can boast of two such distinguished soldiers.

Neighbor Bill Meyers raised the age-old dog fight between park users. "I hope you'll consider animal control and the trouble

we've had with the wayward dogs," Meyers said. "They have taken over the Training Field."

The current temporary chain-link fence was a Parks and Recreation Department response to neighbors' complaints about irresponsible dog owners whose animals have trampled and killed the grass, and mow down small children unleashed. Fencing is giving grass seed a chance to grow this season.

Other issues raised included the iron fence around the entire park, handicapped access, plantings, the Freedom Trail line and whether to incorporate a sprinkler for young children to replace the open hydrant.

Bolinger said he expects to return to the community within the next month to begin the master plan discussions.

Lions Club Flea Market

The Charlestown Lions Club annual flea market will be held on Saturday, April 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 West School St. Tables are available for rent at \$15 each and more information on table rental may be obtained by calling Marion and Bill Wood at 242-

4919, Bud Coleman at 242-2063 or Rosemary Kverek at 242-3716.

This flea market is one of the largest in the area with more than 50 tables available. Admission to this event is only a \$1 donation at the door and all proceeds will be utilized for eye research locally, on a state and national level.

'Life In The City' Committee Planning Fall Lecture Series

During the past few months, the "Life in the City" committee has been working very hard planning and scheduling speakers for this year's lecture series. The programs will include diverse and interesting topics, along with many prominent speakers.

"Life in the City" is an autumn lecture series which in its first year was successful in bringing together old and new residents in this forum.

Because of last year's

initial success, there may be a fourth lecture added. The tentative schedule includes one lecture in September, two in October, and one in November, all to be held at the Armed Services YMCA. Watch for exact times and dates.

The next committee meeting will be held on Monday, April 8 at 7 p.m. in St. Catherine's Rectory, 49 Vine St. All are welcome.

Persons interested in volunteering to help on the committee may call Bob Collins at 242-6644.

Local Artists' Work To Be Shown At The Boys & Girls Club National Conference



CONGRATULATIONS to Michael Woods and Lauren and Jennifer DeMille, all members of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, shown with their artwork which will be displayed at the National Boys & Girls Club Conference in Las Vegas in May. They participated in an art show at the club in January, after which all entries were sent to the regional conference. Their works were chosen to be shown and judged at the national conference.

It's A Girl . . .

Mikel and Colleen Raver of Medford, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Katelyn, on March 14 at the Mount Auburn Hospital.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Whealan of Medford.

The paternal grandparents are Mike Raver of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Gerry Dunn of Brockton, formerly of Charlestown.

Sharing great-grandparent honors are Marie Grasso of Medford and Meg Whealan of Somerville.

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Stillman Elected 14th Mayor Of Charlestown



ELECTION NIGHT in Charlestown is always an exciting event, and March 22 was no exception.

TOP ROW: At the left, 1995 Rose Nicole DeRoeve and 1994 Mayor Michele Cannizzaro read the name of the 1996 Mayor Frankie Stillman, shown in the photo second from the left . . . Second from the right, the Charlestown-To-Charlestown sponsors of the Mayor and Rose contests, congratulates the new mayor. Seated (l. to r.) Michele Cannizzaro, Peg Bradley and Carol McClellan. Standing (l. to r.) Chairman Arthur Hurlley, Marty O'Brien Sr., Stillman, Paul Morceau and Peter

Looney . . . On the right is Stillman with his nephew Kevin Woods.

SECOND ROW: At the left is Stillman and his opponent Chris Rizzo . . . Second from left is Stillman with his campaign manager Jackie Sullivan . . . Second from right, Charlestown Mayors welcome Stillman to their ranks. Seated (l. to r.) Pat Harty, 1992; Stillman; and Florence Johnson, 1990. Standing (l. to r.) Michele Cannizzaro, 1994; Linda Howell, 1991; Marty O'Brien Sr., 1984; and Claire Lynch, 1988 . . . On the right is 1995 Charlestown Rose Nicole DeRoeve.

BOTTOM ROW: At the left, the Rizzo family congratulates candidate Chris Rizzo on an outstanding campaign. Seated (l. to r.) Paul Rizzo, father; Chris Rizzo; and Mary Rizzo, mother. Standing (l. to r.) Paul Rizzo, brother, and Linda Rizzo, sister . . . In the center is Stillman with 1991 Rose Cindy Burke (left) and 1995 Rose Nicole DeRoeve . . . On the right, Rizzo thanks some of his campaign team. Shown (l. to r.) Dodie Boyle, Chris Rizzo, Barbie Matson, Paul Rizzo and Mary Rizzo.

(photos Kathy Whitehouse)

(continued from page 1) Mayo. The mayor also represents Charlestown at various events throughout the year here at home.

When Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee Chairman Arthur Hurlley had made the introductions of the committee, past mayors, past roses and Boston City Councillors Diane Modica and Peggy Davis-Mullen, it was time for the announcement the whole audience had been wait-

ing for.

Michele Cannizzaro, 1994 Mayor, had been delegated by outgoing mayor Tommy Donahue to represent him on Election Night as he was visiting Ireland and had marched in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Cork City. Donahue called the Knights of Columbus Hall later in the evening to wish the new mayor well.

Cannizzaro then opened the envelope and read the name of the new

mayor - Frankie Stillman. When he reached the microphone, he was presented his medallion by Cannizzaro and offered a brief acceptance speech. Rizzo came up to the stage to shake hands and offer his congratulations.

The votes were tallied as follows: Stillman 11,671 and Rizzo 11,145.

Hurlley had announced that Stillman would receive two tours of Ireland along with \$500 in spending money, and Rizzo

will be awarded two tours of Ireland.

Stillman says he'll be taking long-time comrade Billy Vraibel with him on his trip to Ireland. He says the chance to go to Ireland is something he's looking forward to, and he'll take the opportunity to look up Irish relatives after he does a little research with his grandmother.

Especially concerned about the fate of Charlestown's damaged Em-

mons-Horrigan-O'Neil Rink and a homeless Youth Hockey, Stillman says will do whatever he can as mayor to assure a successful resolution. The Charlestown Youth Hockey Association lost the opportunity to host its own spring Bryan McGonagle Tournament this year. The loss of the rink because of hundreds and thousands of dollars in roof damage also means lost revenue in concessions money.

"It's still early," Stillman says as he looks forward to accompanying the Charlestown Rose selected in June.

Later in the evening a drawing was held for \$1,000 from the over 22,000 votes cast in the race. The winner was Charlestown's own Dodie Boyle.

The committee will be announced the annual Charlestown Rose Contest in the very near future.

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Westbrook Construction Corp. To Restore Muster House

On March 14, the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) voted to designate MJC Realty Trust as redeveloper for the Muster House in the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Westbrook Construction Corp. will perform the restoration work as well as occupy the building upon completion. Michael J. Colarusso, principal of MJC Realty Trust and

president of Westboro Construction Corp., said "The Muster House provides a significant opportunity to restore a highly visible and unique historic structure for productive use."

Built in 1852, this historic building is immediately recognizable because of its octagonal plan and clock tower. As part of the development plan, the

complete exterior will be restored and the original clock movement and lighting will be made fully operable.

In addition to the offices for Westbrook Construction Corp., the Charlestown Preservation Society will share conference facilities with Westbrook on the ground floor. Redevelopment is scheduled for early May.

Voke Acts To Improve Services For Seniors

Acting to improve the coordination and delivery of services provided to the state's senior population, the Mass. House, led by House Majority Leader Richard Voke, voted to adopt legislation to create Aging Service Access Points, commonly referred to as ASAPs.

Voke, a noted senior advocate, stated, "Prior to this, the state's long-term care services were fragmented and therefore difficult for seniors to find and to utilize. This initiative

will help provide seniors easier access to a coordinated and well-managed system that is also more cost effective for taxpayers."

Under the plan, not only will the search for quality care become easier, but the emphasis will be shifted to caring for the state's estimated 1.1 million elderly residents at home as opposed to in nursing homes or other institutions. Voke says this will be accomplished through the establishment of regional ASAPs. Among the services

that will be provided include informational assistance, needs assessments, service delivery and case management.

Voke concluded, "This piece is a nice fit with my efforts to enhance the quality of life for seniors. As the fastest growing segment of our population, we must develop innovative programs such as ASAPs to ensure that the health care, safety, housing and consumer needs of our elderly population are met by state government.

USS Constitution Museum Announces Extended Spring Hours

The USS Constitution Museum celebrates spring with new extended hours. The museum will open daily at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. from now through May 31.

Located in the Boston National Historical Park at the Charlestown Navy Yard and just yards away from USS Constitution, the museum is dedicated to preserving and interpreting the heritage of the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat. Youngsters and adults can hoist a sail, take the ship's wheel, and learn to sail a square rigger. Interactive exhibits challenge visitors

to man Constitution's cannons and relive one of "Old Ironsides'" fiercest battles, which she fought with the British frigate *Java* in the War of 1812.

In addition to exhibits such as "Around the World Aboard 'Old Ironsides' 1844-1846," chronicling Constitution's 852-day, 52,321-mile around the world diplomatic voyage, the museum will host the 17th annual model show of the USS Constitution Model Shipwright Guild of New England from now through Saturday.

On permanent display in the Preservation Gal-

lery is the detailed story of the recently completed restoration and preservation work on Constitution.

Admission to the museum is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors, \$2 for children 6 to 16, and free to children under 6. The museum's "Kids Free" program offers free admission every weekend and school vacation weeks to children 16 and under when accompanied by an adult.

The museum's programs and facilities are accessible to the handicapped. For more information, contact the museum at 426-1812.



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◆ **Mini Ball Hockey Tournament** . . . With the help of Freddy Arroyo and Mike Melaugh, the Andy Puopolo-Charlestown Pride Mini Ball Hockey Tournament is underway. Four teams are taking part in the round-robin format, and the top two teams will play for the championship. Games are being played at the Kane Cage on Corey Street, adjacent to Charlestown Catholic. Participants are: Mike Woods, Jason Souza, Pat Doe, Freddy Arroyo, Ryan Arroyo, Vinny Donovan, Mike Melaugh, Brian McCrary, Mike Reid, Andrew Brennan, Ray Ortiz, Mike Doe, Jon Jones, Jimmy Dyer, Pat Hollien, Chad Titcomb, Joe Roche, Ryan Connolly, Andrew Grzelczyk, Sean Noonan, Tommy Bren-

nan, Mike Wilkins, Phil O'Neil, Joe Wilkins, Russell Groggett, Larry Mulcahy, Chet Ferreira, Anthony Sorrentino, Ryan Evers, Pat Keane, Ryan Godfrey and Ryan Mainey.

◆ **Spring BNBL** . . . Basketballs will be in the air this spring (finally). Spring BNBL, aka "Bob's Neighborhood Basketball League," will begin within the week down at the Eden Street courts. Six teams are scheduled to compete in this 16 & under league. Special thanks to Eden Street Basketball King Russell Groggett for helping to get the teams together. Special thanks also to Officer Teddy Boyle and the Police Athletic League (PAL) for their support.

◆ **College Board** . . . Fargo, North Dakota was a nice place to visit, and the Gallaghers would have liked to have stayed longer, but Bentley was defeated by Delta State in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament. Finishing in the country's Top Eight is not a bad accomplishment, and I think the goal for next year has already been set. Congrats to Corey Gallagher on another season well done!

◆ **Charlestown High Lights** . . . Charlestown High bas-

ketball standouts Scott Clark and Anthony Walker are members of the Boston Amateur Basketball Club. BABC is one of the elite basketball programs in the country sporting some of the state's top players.

Baseball, spring track and softball pre-season are now underway at CHS and many of our Townies are involved.

◆ **Tip Of The Cap** . . . Amy Chardavoyne, aide to Boston City Councillor Diane Modica, does a great job. She is always around to help, and while some may say it's her job, Amy does it in her own special, effective way. We are fortunate to have her in city hall.

◆ **Tidbits** . . . Birthday best to Paul Martell and Megan Murray . . . Question of the week - who is Cookie and the Cookie Monster? . . . JoJo Scadding is out of hibernation, spring must really be here . . . Monique has found a new interest in lacrosse . . . Joe Tallent says hello to Kelley . . . Jimmy Gallagher, are you asking her to the prom? . . . Spotted on MTV "Joe Burns, Live in Concert!" . . . Bobby Krol will be autographing Burger King Crowns on Family Fun Day . . . ANGELO . . . Jamie Strickland would like to borrow an MBTA pass . . . *Smile!*

Receive Robert McGrath Memorial Scholarships



THE RECIPIENTS of the annual Robert McGrath Memorial Scholarship were John Ahearn, a student at Matignon High School, and Russell Grogett, a student at Don Bosco School of Technology. The scholarships were presented at the Boys & Girls Club. Shown (l. to r.) Boys & Girls Club Director of Education Jenny Atkinson, Helen Grogett, Russell Grogett, Lenny Bouillier, John Ahearn and Elizabeth Ahearn. The scholarships are made available through the efforts of the Boston Municipal Police, especially Lt. Frank DeRosa and Officer Danny Ring, who sponsor this scholarship in memory of Robert McGrath.

Cabral Promoted To Vice President Of Somerset Bank

Thomas J. Kelly, president and chief executive officer of Somerset Bank, has announced that Paula M. Cabral has been promoted to vice president.

Cabral joined the bank in June 1995 as marketing officer. She is responsible for the planning, development and execution of the bank's marketing effort.

Prior to joining the bank, Cabral was with

Peabody Properties Inc., where she was property manager of Taunton Woods in Taunton, Mass. She was director of marketing for Wynn & Wynn P.C., the largest law firm in southeastern New England with headquarters in Raynham. She has 15 years bank marketing experience as vice president and marketing director of Durfee Attleboro Bank, a

\$400 million affiliate of Multibank Financial Corp. with 11 banking offices in Bristol County.

Cabral is a member of the Bank Marketing Association, New England Bank Marketing Association and Banker's Educational Forum Middlesex Group. She served as the bank's 1995 Employee United Way Campaign Manager.

Marco Honored By National Association Of Letter Carriers

Former Charlestown resident John Marco was honored at a well-attended National Association of Letter Carriers testimonial to the retired National Business Agent's 18 years of service.

Marco began his career as a letter carrier in 1960, moving through the NALC Branch 34 ranks before winning election to the NBA seat in 1976. He was involved in the famous wildcat strike in 1970 when all the carriers in the Harvard Square office picketed for better wages, hours and working conditions. This national-level strike resulted in the Postal Reorganization Act which created the U.S. Postal Service in place today.

Born and raised in Charlestown, Marco attended St. Catherine's Gram-



JOHN MARCO, retired National Business Agent for the National Association of Letter Carriers and formerly of Charlestown, was honored at a testimonial at Anthony's Pier 4. Shown with Marco are his wife Angie, NALC President Vince Sombrotto and Boston Branch 34 President Joe Morris.

mar and Charlestown High schools. Marco now lives in Revere with his wife Angie, who was honored

along with him for her same years of service as secretary at the NBA's office.

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Squirt C Team In Martha's Vineyard Tournament

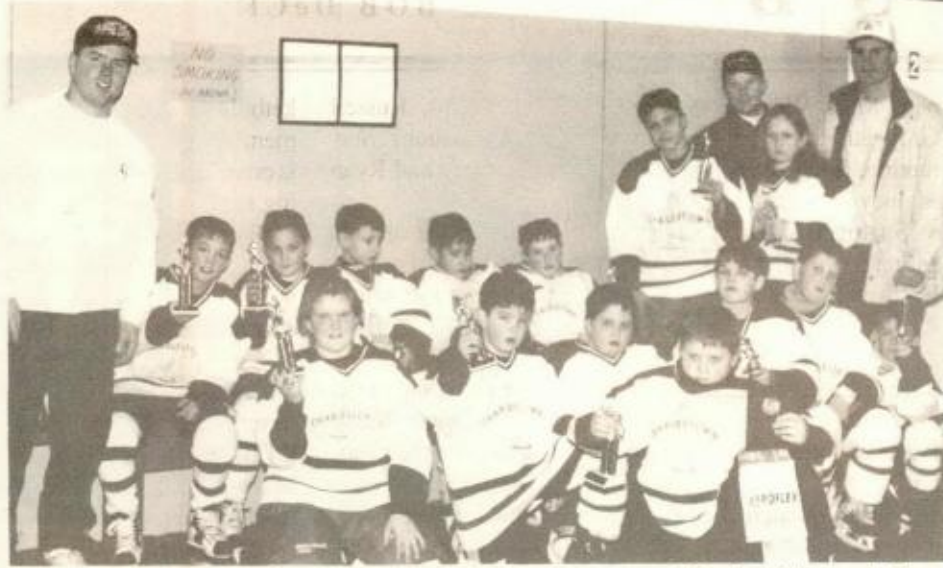
Recently the Charlestown Youth Hockey Squirt C team participated in a hockey tournament on Martha's Vineyard. Although they came up short in the championship game, they played a great tournament with an undermanned team.

On Friday night, the Squirts came from behind and beat Martha's Vineyard 3-2.

Saturday morning brought another victory as they beat the Somerville Squirt B team 5-1.

Saturday night Charlestown came from behind again and tied the eventual winner, Providence, 1-1.

On Sunday, the Charlestown team, which included four Mites, were rearing to bring home the championship trophy. They were ahead, 1-0, but Providence scored a short



THE SQUIRT C TEAM is shown after its championship game on Martha's Vineyard. Front row (l. to r.) are Courtney Considine, Patrick Considine, Andrew Labao, Keith "MVP" Labao, Orzario Coco, Paul Collins and Ryan Collins. Middle row (l. to r.) are Chris D'Anjou, Erica Greene, Neil Gillis, Steve Carr and Matt Lareman. Standing (l. to r.) are John Doherty, Ryan Arroyo, Danny Sullivan, Barbie Gillis and John Lyons.

time later to tie the game. Charlestown quickly came back and scored on the Select B team from Providence and were winning,

until Providence scored on a controversial goal with two minutes remaining in overtime to win the championship.

The boys and girls of the Squirt C team have much to be proud of — they played a great tournament.

Pop Warner Corner

Charlestown Pop Warner Football will be holding registration for the 1996 season for any boy or girl, ages 8 to 14, at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green Street:

- tomorrow, Friday, March 29 from 4 to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, March 30 from noon to 3 p.m.
- Friday, April 5 from 4 to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 6 from noon to 3 p.m.

The registration fee is \$40 for the first child. Family rates are available. Registration fees do not have to be paid immediately. However, they must be paid in full before Aug. 1.

New players to the organization must present a birth certificate that will be returned before the first game.

In an effort to expand the organization, a Mitey Mites team is being formed. Any child 7 years of age who would like to play, must be registered by April 6.

If you have any questions, please call Jack Schievink at 241-7767.

Put Your Old Eyeglasses To Good Use

The Charlestown Lions Club has recycled over 8,000 pairs of eyeglasses, making it possible for many who could not afford to buy eyeglasses to obtain them.

If you have any discarded or unneeded eyeglasses or sunglasses and would like to put them to good use, please give them to a local Lions Club member, drop them off at the Patriot office at One Thompson Square, or call Bud Coleman at 242-2063.

Charlestown Gym Hockey News

The Charlestown Gym Hockey Board would like to thank the following people and businesses for their support during the recent Comedy Night Fundraiser: Kevin Knox, Mike Prior and Chuck Roy, the comedians from Nick's Comedy Stop; Sonny Page, the owner of the club; Kerrigan's; Grant Photo; Salon 44; Shear Delight; R. Wesley's Bistro; Dillon's Russian Steam Bath; The Harp, Boston; Macca & Company; the K. of C. staff; Dodie and Li'l Dodie Boyle and the people who attended. Your support is truly

appreciated. The night was a big success.

Schedule For Saturday, March 30
 9:30 a.m. - Dunny's Pals vs. Bryan's Pals
 10 a.m. - Horseshoe vs. B.H. Insurance
 10:30 a.m. - Jimmy's On Top vs. Kerrigan's
 11 a.m. - T. J's Kids vs. Main St. Furniture
 11:30 a.m. - Li'l Al's vs. Grant Photo
 noon - B. H. Florist Group I vs. B.H. Florist Group II

Charlestown Little League News

The tryouts for major league teams have been scheduled for Saturday, April 13 and Sunday, April 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain dates will be Saturday, April 20 and Sunday April 21 at the same times.

Players who will reach the age of 9 before Aug. 1, 1996 and who will not be 13 before Aug. 1, 1996 are eligible to try out for major

league rosters.

Anyone who has not registered yet may do so prior to the tryouts from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Little League Clubhouse at Ryan Field, the Neck. Please bring a copy of your birth certificate, a parent or guardian to sign the registration form and a fee of \$30 per family.

Players on major league

rosters who have not registered must contact their managers about their intentions to continue with their teams.

At this time there is a need in the program for minor league coaches. If anyone is interested, contact Wayne Davis at 242-4952.

Little League Board of Directors

Public Safety Education Grants For Charlestown Schools

Public safety officials, funded through state grants, will be providing valuable educational services to Charlestown students, announced Sen. Thomas F. Birmingham and Rep. Richard A. Voke. The Boston school district has received grants, through programs funded by the Department of Public Health and managed by the Executive Office of Public Safety to provide drug- and fire-awareness instruction to students.

Through the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) grant, \$30,000 is being provided for a collaborative effort

between school and law enforcement personnel for drug- and violence-prevention education. The curriculum, supported by classroom materials and community-oriented law enforcement officers, is designed to equip students with the skills to resist peer pressure, substance abuse and violence, while building decision-making, risk assessment and communication abilities. This year, the well-established DARE program will be complemented by a new public safety grant.

The Student Awareness Fire Education (SAFE) grant of \$18,000 brings

firefighters into the classroom to share fire prevention information with students. The firefighters, who will receive training at the state's Firefighting Academy, will discuss smoke detectors, home escape plans and the hazards of smoking, among other health and safety issues. This program was initiated in the Senate's budget and is the first statewide fire and anti-smoking education program.

"The earlier children learn about the detrimental consequences of drugs, smoking and playing with matches, the better we all are," said Birmingham. He

praised "these valuable programs for making public safety and health issues that affect all of us very real to our most impressionable citizens."

Voke added: "These programs serve to provide lessons about life that cannot be found in textbooks, but which are still vital to the proper development of our children. I am very pleased to do my part in bringing these grants to the children of Charlestown."

Birmingham and Voke lauded the law enforcement and fire prevention professionals for their continued commitment to these valuable programs.

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Charlestown Catholic Elementary School News

Charlestown Catholic Elementary School was alive and growing recently as students and faculty celebrated its Science Fair. It was "standing room only" as parents, family members and friends visited the school to view the exhibits and hear the creative and informative presentations.

Students in grades 5 through 8 prepared individual or small-group projects and were evaluated by volunteer teams of judges. The judges were impressed with the students' original ideas and their knowledge of their topic. In the lower grades, parents and students explored the senses, the ocean, dinosaurs, weather, the human body, insects and spiders, rocks and geology and endangered species.

Classrooms were transformed, as all were challenged to look at nature, ourselves and our world a little differently. This year's Science Fair taught participants to question, to explore and to respect the earth and all living things. A special thanks to all who continue to help all to become life-long learners.

Book Discussion Group To Meet At The Charlestown Branch Library

The Brown Bag Bookies of the Charlestown Branch Library, have changed their name to the Adult Book Discussion Group and will now meet on the first Thursday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. The next meeting will be on April 4 at the library, 179 Main St.

The book to be featured this month is **The Deerslayer** by James Fenimore Cooper. *Fiction Catalog* says: This is "a rous-

ing tale of warfare between the Iroquois Indians and the white settlers about Lake Otsego before 1745. The chief characters are Hawkeye, Uncas and the two sisters, Judith and Hetty, who defy the Indians in an attempt to rescue Hawkeye."

New members are always welcome.

For further information, call Tess Francisco at 242-1248.



STUDENTS at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School recently created and presented projects for the annual Science Fair. TOP ROW: At the left, first graders Kylie McCarthy, James Karos, Deni Peric, Nicole Callahan and Shawn Wallis tell about the ocean . . . On the right, first grader Erin Shannon told about dinosaurs. BOT-

TOP ROW: On the left, third grader Robert Hoell shows his rock project to first graders Sean Anthony and Michael Lacey . . . In the center, fifth graders Tina Centola and Ashley Smith present their project on the moon . . . At the right, Anthony Vitale shows his scorpion as an example of the insects that grade 3 studied.

CYO & ST. CATHERINE'S NEWS

BY FATHER RON COYNE

▲ **Special Thanks For The Color Guard Show**- We want to thank all those who contributed to the success of our annual home Color Guard Show at Charlestown High School on March 23. We welcomed hundreds of fans from throughout New England to this uplifting experience. There were 23 color guards competing during the evening. We thank the Charlestown Community Center and Charlestown High School for the use of the facilities. We thank the parents and friends who worked diligently throughout the day in the cafeteria, the gymnasium, with the equipment and in the foyer. Our program book was supported by so many of our local businesses, merchants and organizations. This show is our main fund raiser of the year and we love to welcome so many people to our town. We are grateful to all of our Townies and neighbors for taking the time to join us at the show. Our "Townies," "Little Townies" and "Teeny Townies" will never forget the ovation they received from the crowd.

▲ **In-House Softball League For Girls 8 to 12** - Once again this spring we will sponsor a softball league for girls ages 8 to 12 during the months of April and May. All games will be played at the Charlestown High field. (Some weekday afternoons at 5 p.m., others on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and noon.) We hope to have four teams with close to 15 girls on a team. All girls will practice on Saturday, April 6 at noon at the high school field where they will receive their schedules and a T-shirt, and games will begin on Saturday, April

13. Registration will be held at St. Catherine's Hall tomorrow, Friday, March 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. The cost will be \$15 per person (\$25 for a family of two or more). For more information, call Father Coyne or Susan Essex at 242-1750.

▲ **CYO To Sponsor Junior High/Middle School Radical Love Rally** - We would like to join 1,000 junior high students at BC High on Sunday, April 14 from 1 to 6 p.m. for a rally to discuss issues and celebrate our faith. The bus will leave St. Catherine's at 12:15 p.m. The day will feature bands, games, skits, talks, pizza and a Mass. Featured presenters are New Spirit, including MTV musician Barry Kingston. The cost is \$12 per person and includes a T-shirt and bus transportation. Please leave your name and money at St. Catherine's Rectory as soon as possible. All public and parochial school children in grades 6, 7 and 8 are welcome. For more information, call Father Coyne.

▲ **7th And 8th Grade Girls Olympics** - All 7th and 8th grade girls, from both parochial and public schools, are invited to represent Charlestown in the annual Junior Olympics, which we sponsor, at West Roxbury High School on Tuesday, April 16. There will be 13 parishes competing throughout the day in basketball, volleyball, gym hockey, water basketball and a superstars contest. A bus will leave St. Catherine's Church at 8:30 a.m. and return around 6 p.m. Lunch is included. The entire day is free. If you are interested, call Father Coyne at 242-1750. Also, teenagers are

needed to referee and to keep score.

▲ **Vacation Roller Skating Party** - All children and teenagers are invited to join us during the April vacation for a skating party at Roller World in Saugus on Wednesday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to noon. Buses will leave St. Catherine's Church at 9:15 a.m. and return at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person and includes transportation, admission and skate rental. You may bring roller blades if you wish. There are video games and a snack bar available. All public and parochial school boys and girls are welcome along with their parents. Tickets are now on sale at St. Catherine's Rectory.

▲ **Super Bingo At St. Catherine's** - Reserve Tuesday night, May 7 for the first Super Bingo at St. Catherine's. All prizes are based on 150 players. If we sell more tickets, prizes will be adjusted. The cost is \$50 per person. You may register at St. Catherine's Rectory with \$50 cash (no checks will be accepted, nor partial payments). Prizes range from \$100 to \$500. There will be raffles and lots of fun and surprises. We invite you to join the excitement and be ready to play at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m.

▲ **Summer Trip To Washington, D.C.** - St. Catherine's altar servers and any other children, teenagers or families are welcome to join us on a 5-day trip to Washington, D.C., Sunday through Thursday, July 7 to 11. Call the rectory at 242-1750 for further information.



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Special Thanks

A special "thanks" to Bernie Auch and Paul Collins for helping me when I "hit the ice." Again and again I say there are good people in Charlestown.

Sincerely,
Marie Brennan
Charlestown Branch Library

Thank You

I would like to thank all the people who supported me during my campaign, especially my family, relatives and friends. Thanks to everyone who came to my times and sold tickets for me.

Thanks for the donations from Salon 44, Fancy Fingers, the music by Macca and D.J. O'Brien and McCarthy Liquors. If I forgot to thank anyone, I'm sorry. Thanks

CHAD Junior Bowling League News

by John Dillon

In the first match of the day in the CHARLESTOWN Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League, Diane Modica's team defeated the Kennedy Center 6-2. Top bowler for Modica's team was Stephen Wall with 260. Runner-up was Ryan Hickey with 196. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Shawn Burke with 194 and runner-up was Brent Awbrey with 125.

Bunker Hill Real Estate shutout Jenny's 8-0. Top bowler for BHRE was Jared Silva with 200. Runner-up was Mark Dillon with 185. Top bowler for Jenny's was Mike Shackford with 233 and Steven Awbrey was runner-up with 231.

The American Legion

keeps on winning and defeated the Charlestown Patriot 6-2. Top bowler for the American Legion was Richie Burns with 269 and runner-up was Sean Reilly with 256. Top bowler for the Patriot was John Harrington with 254.

There was a 4-4 tie between the Red Store and the Shamrocks. Top bowler for the Red Store was Jean Wall with 248, and Brendan Grace was runner-up with 173. Jim Kissane was top bowler for the Shamrocks with 289 and Dan Kissane was runner-up with 213.

The biggest upset of the year took place as Cricket's team shutout the McCarthy Brothers team 8-0. The McCarthy's team bowled excellently with every bowler scoring over 200,

but Cricket's team was not to be denied. Padraic Locke slammed a great 254, with Matt Paley backing him up with a nice 245. Katy Locke also had a good day with her 219, and Joe Awbrey anchored the team with a 156. Any other day, McCarthy Brothers would have taken 8 points, but on this day they lost 8. Top bowler for McCarthy's was Sheilann Williams with 221 and Marianne Kissane was runner-up with 216. Casey Durham also had a good day with 200.

Bowlers of the week are: Jim Kissane 289, Richie Burns 269, Stephen Wall 260, Sean Reilly 256, John Harrington 254, Padraic Locke 254, Jean Wall 248, Craig Gaudette 247, Matt Paley 245 and Mike

Shackford 233.

Bowlers who tried the hardest are: Brent Awbrey 125, David Grace 146, Joe Awbrey 156, Jessica Grace 163, Michelle Williams 186, Shawn Burke 194, Casey Durham 200 and Katy Locke 219.

There will be no bowling this week due to the state tournament being held at the lanes. We will resume bowling on Saturday, April 6 at 11:30 a.m.

Standings	W	L
American Legion	68	4
Red Store	48	24
McCarthy Bros.	44	28
Kennedy Center	42	30
B.H. Real Estate	41	31
Shamrocks	40	32
Cricket's	28	44
Diane Modica	28	44
Chas'n. Patriot	14	58
Jenny's	11	61

Thank You

To Patty Ann and Bob,

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P.S. Thank you also to Father Coyne, Father Buckley and Sister Nancy for renewing our vows, and to our family and friends who made it a very special evening.

Mal and Maury

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Charlestown Mayor Frankie Stillman

P.S. Thank you Chrissy Griffin for the ceramic donations, and Tommy (a.k.a. John Travolta) Vesey for keeping the dance floor open, and congratulations to Kelly Considine who won the scratch tickets.

Frankie

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The tax law contains a presumption that an activity is a business, not a hobby, if it is profitable in three out of five consecutive years (two out of seven consecutive years for activities involving horses). Some factors which help determine whether you have a hobby or a business include:

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Applications are now available for the \$1,000 Old Charlestown Schoolboys' Association scholarship. 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. Completed applications should be mailed to Kenneth Awbrey, P.O. Box 375, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

Applications are at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, and at the Charlestown High School office, 240 Medford St. The deadline for filing completed applications is April 19.

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Applications are being accepted for the 1996 Michael Patrick Quinn Scholarship which will be for \$2,500, an increase of \$500 above the 1995 grant. To be eligible, you must be a Charlestown resident for the past four years and graduate with your high school class of 1996. The application deadline is May 1.

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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, April 2 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "The Table, the Donkey & the Stick" a fairy tale about the misfortunes of three brothers . . . a young gosling wanders away from his family to go exploring in

"Wee Geese" . . . and a little girl greets an alien from another planet in "A Visit From Space."

Rosie convinces her friends to star in her musical in "Really Rosie,"

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Suggested good books to read are **Rechenka's Eggs** by Patricia Polacco and **Company's Coming** by Arthur Yorinks.

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Sunday, March 17

An automobile parked on Tibbetts Town Way was damaged by person(s) unknown. The motor vehicle sustained scratches from the front to the rear.

Monday, March 18

Person(s) unknown broke the front door window of the Radio Shack in the Bunker Hill Mall and stole property from the display cases.

Wednesday, March 20

Person(s) unknown stole money from the fire station at Sullivan Square when the firefighters were out on a call.

Friday, March 22

A Charlestown resident was arrested at Main and Eden streets for possession of a Class B substance with intent to distribute in a school zone. Officers recovered from the suspect what appeared to be angel dust.

Sunday, March 24

A person was hit on the head with a baseball bat while on Carney Court by a suspect who is known to the victim.

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community service officer

Wednesdays

1 to 3 p.m. - Detective Jack Pierce,
domestic violence

Thursdays

1 to 3 p.m. - Bill Smith,
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5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Jim McNamara,
community service officer

Fridays

1 to 3 p.m. - Paul Baker,
auto division

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



Healthy Charlestown Coalition

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HOMEBASE RETURNS!

The Healthy Charlestown Coalition will once again be sponsoring Homebase 101 classes in cooperation with the city of Boston Public Facilities Department. The classes, which are intended to assist first-time homebuyers in the process of buying a home in Boston, will begin on Wednesday, April 17 and run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings for five weeks at the Charlestown Community Center. For registration, please call 635-HOME or contact the coalition office for more information.

COALITION MEETING

The full meeting of the Healthy Charlestown Coalition will be on Tuesday, April 16 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Kennedy Center's Drop-In Resource Center, BHA Administration Building, 55 Bunker Hill St. All are welcome, and a light supper will be provided.

VIOLENCE PREVENTION DESIGN TEAM

The next meeting of the Violence Prevention Design Team will be Thursday, April 4 at 11 a.m. in the Kennedy Center Drop-In Resource Center at 55 Bunker Hill St. At the last meeting, the team brainstormed activities for the state-wide Violence Prevention Month which will take place through May. We will continue planning these activities at this meeting as well as discuss the results of the Violence Prevention Survey which will be tabulated in time for this meeting.

HEALTH CENTER TOUR

On Wednesday, April 10, there will be a tour of the MGH Bunker Hill Health Center from noon to 3 p.m. The tour has been set up by Ann Macauley and Cindy Ramananskas, who are Community Health Nurse Practitioner students. The tour will be conducted to introduce people who have not utilized the services at the health center. Spanish and Chinese translations will be provided. If you have any questions concerning the tour, contact the coalition office.

FAMILY FUN DAY

A date has been set for this year's Family Fun Day. The day-long activities will kick off Charlestown Pride Week on Sunday, June 9. Activities, games, music and family fun will take place from noon to 4 p.m. at the Charlestown High School Field. The next planning committee meeting has not yet been scheduled. If you are interested in assisting in the planning, please call the coalition office.

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

Poems Wanted For Contest And Anthology

Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc. is offering a grand prize of \$500 in its new Distinguished Poet Awards poetry contest. Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered. The contest is free to enter.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any style. The contest closes May 31. However, poets are encouraged to submit their work as soon as possible, since poems entered in the contest also will be

considered for publication in the Winter 1997 edition of *Treasured Poems of America*, a hardcover anthology to be published in December 1996. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest. Prize winners will be notified by July 31.

Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc., Dept. E, 203 Diamond St., Sistrerville, WV 26175.

CHS Teacher Wins National Award

Teddy Wan, a civics, geography and history teacher at Charlestown High School, has won the 1996 Close Up Foundation-Linda Myers Chosen Award for Teaching Excellence in Civic Education. Wan is one of six teachers from across the country to receive the annual award from the foundation.

Wan will receive a \$1,000 cash award and an engraved plaque at a ceremony to be held April 1 at the National Press Club in Washington where he and 12 Charlestown High School students will be participating in the Close Up Foundation government studies program.

"As a teacher to Chi-

nese immigrant students in the Boston Public Schools bilingual studies program, he has inspired his students to become involved in their community. Under his direction, they have provided shopping services and hot meal delivery to elderly clients at the Chong Wah and Quincy Tower nursing homes and have also conducted voter registration drives through the Asian American Civic Association," said Steve Janger, president of the foundation.

"His commitment to his students is apparent in everything he does. He is a role model for teachers across the country," added Janger.

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The spring GED testing dates have been set for May 6, 7 and 8. Pre-registration is required for initial testing and retesting. Registration dates are April 1-11. For more information, please contact Peggy O'Brien at 635-5169.

Marion C. Burr Dies At 89

Marion C. (Morton) Luse Burr, age 89, died on March 14 at the Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home in Chelsea.

A lifelong resident of Charlestown, she was a member of the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association; Bunker Hill Unit 26, the American Legion Auxiliary; and the Charlestown Historical Society.

Marion was past president of the Bunker Hill Garden Club and former commodore of the Bass Point Boat Club in Nahant.

Marion was the beloved



MARION C. BURR

wife of the late John Burr and Henry Luse. She was the devoted mother of Jacqueline Latta of Char-

lestown, and the late Shirley Dube and Henry Luse; the loving grandmother of Linda Phelps of South Carolina, Dianne Farmer of Everett, Cheryl Webber of Reading, Sharon Brady of Charlestown, Karen Gelaides of Orlando, Florida, David Latta of Nahant; 15 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ann Delaney of Nahant.

Her funeral was held from the John H. Sawyer Funeral Home with a funeral Mass at St. Mary's Church, Charlestown.

Friends Of The Charlestown Branch Library To Sponsor Book Sale

On Saturday, May 18, the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library will hold a book sale at the library, 179 Main St., from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Book donations are needed. Clear off those shelves, you'll never read those books a second time anyway, and at the same time, you'll be making room for new purchases on the 18th of May.

Books can be dropped off at the library any time during regular operating hours: Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5

p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon.

Volunteers are needed, both prior to the sale and on the day of the sale. If you can assist for a couple of hours, please call Nea Hoyt at 242-3446 or leave your name with the librarian.

It is hoped that the book sale will be a substantial money-maker, as it was two years ago, when more than \$2,000 was raised. The mission of the Friends, which is in its fifth decade, is to assist the library, its staff and patrons. The Friends are proud of their recent ac-


complishments which include: the purchase of a new 32-inch television and VCR to assist the staff in various presentations; refurbishment of all the upholstered reading chairs; the installation of new vertical blinds; and the sponsorship of the Reading Is Fundamental Program for the children and the Friends' Lecture Programs for adults.

Your help, either by book donations or volunteering to help on the sale (ideally both) will enable the Friends to continue to achieve these and other worthy goals.

Mite C Team Wins Bay State Hockey Tournament In Marlboro



THE CHARLESTOWN YOUTH HOCKEY MITE C TEAM won the Bay State Hockey Tournament in Marlboro recently. Shown front row (l. to r.) Ian Box, Keith Russell, Garrett Hatton, A.J. Hanscom, Ryan Dyer, Neil Gillis, Brendan Ryan, Mike Evers and Keith Labao. Middle row (l. to r.) Seamus Lynch, Wyatt Crane, Keith Morrison, Brian Rose, Kasey Cedorchuk, Jim Hayes, Alexa Hingston and Martin Sheehan. The team, which was undefeated, was coached by Neil Gillis (rear) and Mark Walsh. Players missing from the photo are Brendan Watson, Brian Morancy and Pakky Lacey.



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Holy Week

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Masses at 7:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. in the Chapel on 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 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 Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence.

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