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Roughan Hall And City Square To Be Topic Of Preservation Society Meeting

The Charlestown Preservation Society will hold its first meeting of the new year on Sunday, January 6, 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Hall, 5 Monument Square. (Please note the new location. To reach the Church Hall, take the path at the left of the church building. The meeting room is on the upper floor of the hall.) The meeting will focus on the development of City Square and current plans for Roughan Hall. All Charlestown residents are invited to attend.

Slides of City Square. To spark discussion on what City Square was, is and can be, Erik Anderson will begin the meeting with a slide show on the history of development in City Square. Erik will show some surprising and beautiful images of City Square in the 19th century, pictures of the El going up and being torn down, and maps of new street patterns and land uses envisioned when the Central Artery is depressed.

We particularly invite those who remember City Square when it was a thriving center of activity to attend this meeting and share their memories with

New Plans for Roughan Hall. Whatever happens to this imposing yellow brick building, now abandoned, will strongly influence the future character of City Square. Jonathan Davis of H.J. Davis Development Corp., Brookline, and an

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"TOWNIE SANTAS" complete the packing of the Christmas gift boxes just prior to

delivery, on Sunday morning, December (photo by John Dillon) 23rd.

Members of the "Townie Committee breathed a sigh of relief as Sunday, December 23rd dawned sunny and cool. The snow contingency plans could be put "on the back burner" and the Christmas baskets that had been prepared for 120 of Charlestown's elderly,

needy, shut-ins could be

delivered without interference from "Mother Nature.'

This local Christmas program had been started early this past fall as letters of solicitation were mailed to local businesses and professional persons. This was followed by an appeal through the pages of the Patriot for individuals

to send in donations.

Once the donations reached the point that the number of gift boxes for 1984 could be determined (20 more than in 1983), nonperishable foodstuffs were ordered from food wholesalers and toiletry and gift items were purchased

The committee put a great deal of thought into the purchases made for the gift boxes. Staple goods such as tea, coffee, jelly, crackers, soup, canned

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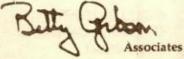
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refreshments. The series is open to the public and admission is free.

The first in the series, entitled "To Have A Navy Or Not: A Great Debate. will be held on Wednesday, January 9, 1985.

For further information, call 426-1812.

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This Week At A Glance

Thursday, Janaury 3

Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini Office Hours - 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 to 7:45 p.m. -Charlestown Community School Athletic Facility, 254 Medford Street

Boston School Committeeman John A. Nucci Office Hours - 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Charlestown Community School, 254 Medford Street

Representative Richard A. Voke Office Hours - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street (office telephone 722-2130)

Sunday, January 6

Charlestown Preservation Society Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - First Baptist Church, 5 Monument Souare

Monday, January 7

Daughters of Isabella No. 1 Meeting - 8:00 p.m. -K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Tuesday, January 8

Films for Children -10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. -Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Beginning Line Dance Lessons - 7:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Police/Community Relations Meeting - 7:00 p.m. -Kent Community School, 50 Bunker Hill Street

Dance Lessons - 8:00 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75

West School Street Wednesday, January 9

Samuel Eliot Morison Lecture Series sponsored by the Lowell Institute, "To Have A Navy or Not: A Great Debate" - 5:30 p.m. - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

Borden-Fields Post 544 V.F.W. Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street

C.C.R.D. Planning Meeting - 7:30 p.m. American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street

Mayor To Deliver "State Of The City" Address

On Monday, January 7th at 7:30 p.m., Mayor Raymond L. Flynn will deliver his state of the City Address at Jamaica Plain

High School auditorium. The public is invited. Seating is limited, so those planning to attend should arrive by 7:00 p.m.

Heritage Society

Saturday, January 19

American Legion Hall 27 Chestnut Street \$4.00 admission

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Irish Village, Cape Cod Weekend, February 8 -10, 1985, \$100 per person, Reservations must be made by January 19, 1985. For information, call Grace Campbell at 242-5075, Pat Farris at 242-4989 (after 6 p.m.) or Kathy Fulton at 242-

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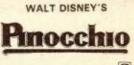


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Thursday, January 10

Boston City Councillor Robert Travaglini Office Hours - 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 to 7:45 p.m. -Charlestown Community School Athletic Facility. 254 Medford Street

Book Discussion Group on Herzog by Paul Bellow -6:30 p.m. - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Representative Richard A. Voke Office Hours - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street (office telephone 722-2130)

Monday, January 14 Appreciation Party sponsored by Representative Richard A. Voke - 7:30 p.m. - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School Street

Wednesday, January 16

Samuel Eliot Morison Lecture Series, sponsored by the Lowell Institute, War With An Old Friend: The Quaisi War With France" - 5:30 p.m. - USS Constitution Museum. Charlestown Navy Yard

Court St. Jude No. 1123 Business Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street

C.C.R.D. Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street

Plan Ahead

Saturday, January 19 Bunker Hill Irish

Heritage Society Pub Nite -8:00 p.m. - American Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street

Wednesday, January 23 Samuel Eliot Morison Lecture Series, sponsored by the Lowell Institute, "An Enemy to Be Feared: Thomas Jefferson" - 5:30 p.m. - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown

Navy Yard Wednesday, January 30 Samuel Eliot Morison

Lecture Series, sponsored by the Lowell Institute. The Shores of Tripoli: The Barbary Corsairs" -5:30 p.m. - USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown

Wednesday, February 6 Samuel Eliot Morison

Lecture Series, sponsored by the Lowell Institute, 'The Second War for Independence: The War of 1812" - 5:30 p.m. - USS Constitution Museum. Charlestown Navy Yard Friday, February 8

Valentine's Dance - 8:00 p.m. - Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street Sunday, February 10

Senior's Valentine's Party - 1:00 p.m. - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop Lawton Hall, 313 Bunker Hill Street

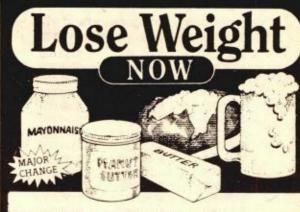
Wednesday, February 13 Samuel Eliot Morison Lecture Series, sponsored by the Lowell Institute. "End of the War: The Nation Saved" - 5:30 p.m. -USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard

Santa Claus Was Here!

Meghan Patricia Shields arrived at 9:15 p.m. at the Melrose - Wakefield Hospital on Christmas Day, December 25, 1984.

Meghan is the second child of George and Evelyn (Curtin) Shields of Melrose. She has a big sister, Kelly Rae, who is four years old.

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IRS Has "Post-Holiday Gift" For Local Taxpayers

The Internal Revenue Service is trying to locate some area residents who are due a tax refund from their 1983 federal income tax returns.

According to John D. Johnson, Boston IRS District Director, 2, 178 refund checks worth \$1,027,537.89 were returned by the Postal Service as

undeliverable in this area. The refund checks are for individuals in Massachusetts. Johnson says the tax-

illegible. When a refund is returned by the Postal Service, the IRS attempts to payers may have moved or find the taxpayer and changed their last names deliver the checks, but

to notify the IRS, or the

handwriting may simply be

cannot be found. If you think you may be due a refund and have moved or changed your name during the year, contact the IRS.

Charlestown residents on the undelivered refund list include: Randye Brooks, Douglas D. Caudill, Denise L. Diakos, Patrick B. Jelliffe, Chong Phuoccam, Jeffrey A. Potash, Dianna L. Spacco, and Elisabeth

Taxpayers whose names are listed above should call the IRS toll-free at 1-800-424-1040.

CCRD Forum To Review Development Plans

Three new development projects, in the early stages of planning, will be reviewed at a open community forum sponsored by the Charlestown Citizens for Rational Development (CCRD). The meeting will be held in the American Legion Hall on 27 Chestnut Street at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday. January 16, 1985. Project managers for the developments will be on hand to present an overview of their projects and to answer questions.

The projects to be discussed include:

1) Roughan Hall, at Park and Main Streets in City Square, to be presented by Jonathan Davis, scheduled to be office and retail space;

2) The former Sunnyhurst store on Bunker Hill at Polk Street, proposed for condominiums to be presented by Jim Langley.

3) The Revere Sugar Plant on Medford Street. potential uses under study, managed by R. M. Bradley, to be presented by Steve Kasnet from R.M. Bradley.

All Charlestown residents are invited to attend to learn more about these potential new private developments in the neighborhood.

It's A Bov ...

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edward Codair of 58 Monument Street, Charlestown announce the birth of their son, Thomas E. Jr., born on December 18, 1984 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Brighton.

Grandparents of the new arrival are Mrs. Elizabeth Codair of Mystic Street, Charlestown and Mrs. Patricia Eich of Las

Vegas, Nevada

CCRD Planning

Meeting

The Charlestown Citizens for Rational Development (CCRD) will hold a planning meeting on Wednesday evening, January 9, 1985 at the Legion Hall, 27 Chestnut Street at 7:30 p.m.

All are invited to attend.

during the year and failed there are always some who Candy From Santa At B.H.C.C. Christmas Party



CYRUS KOSKI, of Somerville, a member of the juggling team, The Dueling Bozos, accepts a candy cane from Santa, Bunker Hill Community College student Larry Smith of Charlestown, at the Bunker Hill Community College Christmas Party.

WITH SINCERE THANKS

THE SHEET WAS TH

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred LePage and Kerri Donovan wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to their family, relatives, countless friends, and the clergy of St. Catherine's for a beautiful wedding. The wedding, put together in such short notice, will be a memory to be cherished for the rest of their lives. They extend thanks and love to all.

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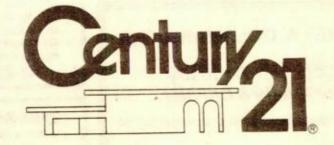
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"Townie Santa" Delivers To Elderly Shut-Ins

(continued from page 1) vegetables and fruits, etc. were included along with a variety of toiletries such as deodorant, powder, shampoo, hand cream just to name a portion of the contents of these gift boxes.

Local merchants and residents were most supportive of this endeavor, which was truly an act of caring and sharing. From the small change placed in the cannisters at the local stores to the substantial donations from local businesses, every dime was appreciated and put to good use.

The recipient selection committee had a very difficult task. Almost three hundred names were submitted to be considered for a Christmas gift box this year and only 120 could be delivered. Trying to keep in mind the criteria established by the "Townie Santa'' committee of focusing on the elderly, needy, shut-in and with the

agencies servicing Charlestown's elderly, the list of 120 was formulated. When the monies were available just prior to the delivery date, some 55 fruit bowls were ordered, so that there would be additional elderly remembered at Christmas.

Several' wrapping and packing evenings were held during the two weeks before Christmas and two large boxes were prepared for each of the recipients.

On Sunday morning, orange juice and milk, (donated by Rosev Dairy), butter and loaves of fresh bread, light bulbs, along with homebaked sweets and a Christmas ornament were packed in shopping bags that would accompany the boxes.

While the gift packages were being completed at the Mary Colbert Apartments, Bob Scalli and his family were utilizing the facilities of his catering business to prepare a hot pany the 120 gift boxes.

The one remaining concern for the "Townie Santa" committee on that Sunday morning was how many people would appear to assist in delivering the boxes. The "spirit of Christmas" arrived in full force as men, women, children - young and old, arrived to help with the delivery. In many instances, this was a family project, with mother, father and children taking part in the delivery.

Among those taking part in the preparation and delivery of the gift boxes were: Joe Kent, Joe Foley, Dave Flanagan, Kathy Getchell, Jake Getchell, Margaret O'Halloran, Noreen O'Halloran, Kay Perreault, Ted Horne, Jimmy Walsh, Jean Fitzpatrick, Marge Coghlan, Lynn Whittman, Ellen Mondi, Mary Holubowich, and Kay Whelan.

Also Anne Considine, Anne Maire Considine,

MacInnes, Robert Wallace, John Griffin, Leo Carey, John Campbell, John McBride and Mickey Fitzpatrick of Teamsters Local 25, Reno Marazzi, Karen Sullivan Weafer, Kimberly Weafer, William Brassil, Beverly Gibbons, Peter Golden, Paula Wiles, Eddie Wiles, Mabel Shea. Francis Maher, Lillian Boutilier, Charlie Loring, George Decoteaux and Claire Peront.

Others assisting were David Perkins, Laurie Hogan, Donna Hartung, Marguerite Griffin, Linda Reid, John O'Brien, Robert Rolinson, Ellen Crotty, William Crotty, Kenneth Crotty, Arthur Crotty, Mr. and Mrs. Al Gallarelli, Virginia Goggin, Ann Wallace, Philip Kelly, Patricia Kelly, Kevin Martell, Noreen Johnson, Laurie Greenbaum. Representative Richard Voke, Kevin Barry, Arthur Hurley and Joe Cotter.

Also Marty O'Brien,

O'Brien, Pauline O'Brien, Boston School Committee Member John Nucci, Kevin O'Halloran, Patti Rooney, Bob Rooney, Joey Woodman, John Reilly, Tim Corcoran, Barbara Thornton, Rucker Alex, Tom Cunha, Patrice Melanson, Kathleen Kacvinsky, Gloria Conway, Jim Conway and Tim Conway.

The delivery was facilitated by a van from Teamsters Local 25 and even Santa Claus and a Christmas elf contributed to the good cheer apparent on delivery day. With the cooperation of all, the 120 gift boxes and 55 fruit bowls were delivered in less than two hours.

The committee would like to thank each and every person who assisted with the preparation and delivery of the baskets. If someone didn't "sign in" and we missed your name please accept our thanks for your help.

persons stated that this 'Townie Santa' program "made their Christmas" and the response from the recipients was most heartwarming.

The many hours of time and energy expended by a small, dedicated group of residents to organize and prepare the gift boxes was all done in the "spirit of Christmas" with no one person or organization singled out for praise or glory. This "Townie Santa" program is unique to Charlestown and is a reflection of the pride many residents have in this community and their willingness to share their Christmas with others.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions were received this past week from:

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Back To School Program To Continue

native education program for out of school fourteen and fifteen year olds will continue. Michael Griffin, Coordinator Charlestown's Community Schools, informed The Patriot that discussions with the Boston Housing Authority and the Bunker Hill Tenants' Task Force had resulted in a renewal of the contract for the Back-To-School Program through June 1985. The Program will be administered by Charlestown Community Schools and will be integrated into its educational program that includes City Roots, an alternative high school program, day and evening adult education classes, GED Preparation, the External High School Diploma, and college credit courses.

"The entire funding package for the Back-To-School Program has not

been completely worked out," stated Griffin. "The Community Schools Program committed itself to matching 25 percent of the cost of the Back-To-School Program from January 14th to June 28th, 1985. We have proposals being considered by private foundations to cover the Community Schools commitment. If these fail, the neighborhood can expect us to be doing a lot of local fundraising.

The Back-To-School Program was initiated through the cooperative efforts of the Life Focus Center, the Bunker Hill Tenants' Task Force, and the Boston Housing Authority. It is located in the Multi-Service Center at 76 Monument Street. Back-To-School provides basic educational services, career counseling and job readiness skills to young people who are out of

school. The Program's ultimate goal is to raise student's basic skills to enable them to return to a traditional more educational setting at an appropriate grade level in order to complete their high school education. Individual counseling, career counseling and job development services are utilized to maximize the student's potential for completing the educational component successfully.

There will be few changes in program format for Back-To-School during the next six months. "We will build upon the program's strengths as we integrate it into the Community School Program," stated Joe Travis, Educational Counselor for Community Schools. "We will accept students who are 13 years old. Students over 16 will be placed in our City Roots Program located at Charlestown's

Boys and Girls Club. We will expand enrollment from 15 to 18 students and we will consider students with specific needs who do not reside in the Bunker Hill Public Housing Project. The number we can take from outside the project is limited. There will have to be extenuating circumstances. We would like to be able to offer this program on a first come first serve basis community-wide, but cannot this term. We hope our funding situation will permit this next year.'

Back-To-School will operate a twenty week basic education program beginning Monday, January 21st. Students can be registered by calling Joe Travis weekdays at 242-2770. An initial interview between parent, student and Joe Travis will explain program policies and requirements.

Massport Aids Community School

Massport Executive Director David W. Davis announced that the Authority has contributed \$500 to assist the Kent/Charlestown School with its basic skills classes for Charlestown residents.

Davis said, "Massport is pleased to assist the Kent/Charlestown Community School with this most worthwhile program for local youths, 16 years of age and older." He also commended the Community School for the "outstanding job" they do each year providing much needed educational programs for Charlestown youth.



PRESENTS CHECK Massport Executive Director David W. Davis is shown presenting a \$500 check to Michael Griffin of the Kent/Charlestown Community School to assist the school with its basic skills classes for Charlestown residents.

Community School News...

The Council and Staff at Charlestown's Community Schools hopes that everyone had a safe, healthy and happy holiday.

The gym floor has been replaced. We are thankful to the City of Boston and the Boston School Department for allocating the funds required to fix the floor. Anyone who has used the High School Community School Gym knows how bad the situation was. No more. Regular Community School gym hours are back in effect. You can expect that there will be a lot of rules governing useage of the gym to protect the new floor. You can also expect to find more activities, leagues, etc. scheduled now that the floor no longer represents a safety factor.

We are recruiting new students for City Roots and the GED Prep and Adult External Diploma Programs. New classes start Monday, January 21st. You can register for both programs by calling Joe Travis at 242-2770 weekdays or for City Roots by calling Barbara Hansen at 242-3363. City Roots is the alternative high school program that serves individuals 16 to 21 who are out of school. It is located at Charlestown's Boys and Girls Club. City Roots runs Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The adult education classes serve individuals 18 and older and meet either mornings - Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 to 1:00, or evenings - Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The next GED Test will be offered at the High School Community School on January 22nd, 23rd and 24th at 6:30 p.m. Registration for the tests must be completed by Tuesday, January 15th. There is a \$5.00 registration fee and a cost of \$3.00 for each of the five tests to be taken. Total cost for registration and the five tests is \$20.

Alumni Search To Begin

Jeremiah E. Burke High School, in conjunction with its 50th Birthday Celebration announces the formation of an Alumni Association. All interested graduates should contact Resa Snyder, School Registrar, at 445-8265 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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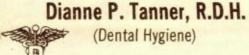
Ceramics is looking for new students. Classes are held at the Kent on Wednesday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Bea Moynihan is the instructor. Each class costs \$5.00. Students must purchase their own greenware, brushes and any special paints or supplies. Call David Martell at 242-1835 for details.

We would like to welcome Noreen O'Halloran to the Community School staff. Noreen, a lifelong resident of Charlestown, will work as our Outreach/Counsellor. She will recruit students for City Roots and the Back-To-School Program and act as our liaison to the courts, other service agencies, and the schools. Noreen will provide advocacy and counselling services to young people.

The pool is operating its normal schedule. We want to applaud Dinga Houlihan, Anne Connolly and the Community Swim Team. The team has won all of its swim meets this year-just like last year.

For information on any of the above, please call Bob McGann weekdays at 242-2770.

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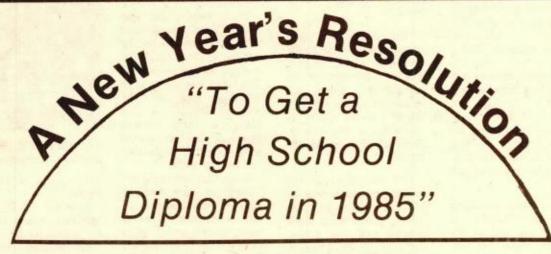


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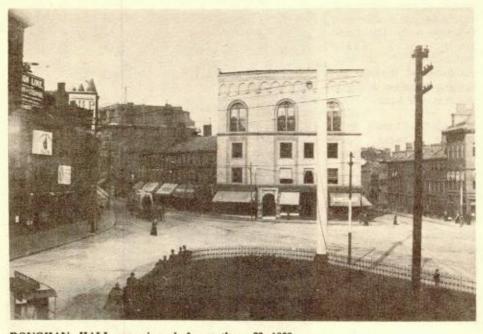
Roughan Hall — Memories Of A Glorious Past, Promises Of A New Future

by Marianne Martin
Roughan Hall, once an
active part of
Charlestown's marketplace, has, like City
Square, been abandoned by
the businesses which once

building, which was built in 1892 with an addition in 1896, is "structurally sound." Most of the original design elements, such as cast-iron Corinthian Columns at the

storage. These will be repaired, stated Davis, and utilized once more. The remainder of the basement will possibly be used for storage.

The second floor was



ROUGHAN HALL as viewed from the 22, 1899.
Waverly House in City Square on September (photo courtesy of the Bostonian Society)

flourished, leaving only the memories and boarded windows behind.

H.J. Davis Development, in a joint effort with Keane Incorporated, would like to restore Roughan Hall back to the major business center it once was at the turn of this century.

Jonathan Davis, President of the H.J. Davis Development team, will act as project manager for the restoration of the 92 year old Roughan Hall, a building described by the article "Features of City Square," found in the Charlestown Savings Bank archives, as "the most conspicuous building in City Square."

The four story, 72 foot tall building was designed by Arthur H. Vinal, the architect also responsible for the lodge located at the base of the Bunker Hill Monument, the Robert B. Brigham Hospital, and a number of police and fire stations in Boston, as well as the Opera Houses located in Augusta and Bangor, Maine, Vinal designed the building for Michael Roughan, a local and prominent businessman in the late 19th century

The building, according to the developer, is presently in "one of the greatest states of disrepair." However, he continued, despite a fifteen year vacancy and being the target of vandalism, the

storefronts and cast stone trimmings, remain intact.

During the height of activity in City Square, Roughan Hall served as home to many diverse businesses and functions ranging from office and retail use to recreational and social.

When the Hall first opened, storefronts lined Main and Park Streets and City Square. Charlestown Real Estate Agency and D.J. Griffen-Hatter were among the first tenants. In 1897, Roughan Liquor Store moved into the street level addition.

Davis stated that after the building is restored, the street level first floor will once again serve the community with retail businesses. As planned, the 5000 square foot area will be available for lease, stated Davis.

"Hopefully, the retail component," continued the developer, "will provide jobs and services to the community." Among the businesses he would like to attract, Davis stated is "possibly a food store, cleaners, or a stationery store."

The basement of the building originally was the site of three bowling alleys, public bathrooms, billiard and pool tables, and a hair dressing department.

According to Davis, underneath the sidewalk lie vaults, once used for formerly home to several offices and clubhouses, while the third floor was the site of the Bunker Hill Council, Knights of Columbus.

Davis stated the second floor will once again be utilized as office space which will be available for rent.

The third floor and fourth floor will be occupied by Keane Inc., a computer consulting firm. According to Davis, the firm will occupy approximately 60 percent of the building for at least 10 years.

It is the fourth floor of Roughan Hall which holds perhaps the prized memories for most Charlestown residents. For it was the fourth floor which housed the "Hall."

The two story "hall" was a large open spaced room with a mezzanine on the end facing City Square and a stage at the other end. The room was elaborately decorated with six large mirrors framed in gild along the walls, painted panels of dance scenes, as well as ceiling medallions and plaster work.

Some Charlestown senior "Townies" know Roughan Hall for the fourth floor. Some even know the hall as their "own", having spent many Saturday nights dancing to the sounds of the Bobby Sutton Orchestra.

The opening of Roughan

Hall was marked by a Charity Ball. The proceeds of which went to the poor of Charlestown.

Afterwards, the hall regularly was used for dances by both social and fraternal organizations up until the late 1930's. Dances were every Saturday night and on various weekdays.

"It was our meeting place," reflects Mrs. Kay Whelan, "we used to get all dressed up and go."

According to Mrs. Whelan, she never "missed a Saturday night - even after I was married." In fact, Mrs. Whelan's days at Roughan Hall did not end until the birth of her first child.

Many remember Roughan Hall not only for the dances themselves but for the memories often associated with the days (and nights) at Roughan Hall. Many women remember being warned about "those sailors" and having to walk home to Hayes Square the long way because they were forbidden to travel along Chelsea Street. As one woman stated, "Everyone thought the sailors were sinful and were only trying to pick up

The men remember going to the Waldorf for a hot dog and some coffee and to Department of the Interior accepted the facility for listing of properties deemed worthy of preservation.

By being listed in the National Register, investors are eligible for a federal tax credit of 25 percent on all monies spent on rehabilitation. This federal tax break encourages the preservation and restoration of depreciable historic commercial, industrial, and residential rental buildings.

"We see this building (Roughan Hall) as one of the foremost buildings in Charlestown," stated Davis, "It's position and detail are spectacular and will compare favorably with any other rehab in Boston."

Davis stated that the future "vision" of City Square is one of "transformation" as other development plans for the area become finalized, namely the Tontine Crescent Associates' proposed 65 units of condominium housing to the rear of Roughan Hall, the St. Mary's School Elderly Housing complex being built on Warren Street and the proposed depression of the I-95 ramps into City Square.

Each project will "compliment" the other, stated Davis, as City some of the window lintel restored.

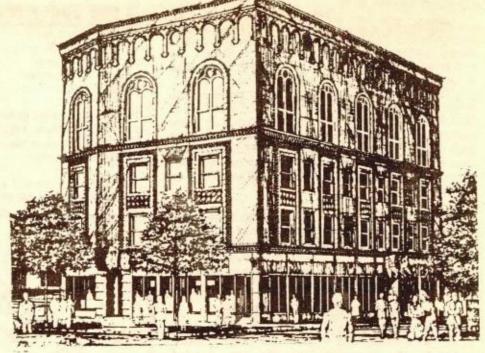
Davis stated that the interior of the building will be gutted. The elevators, stairs and bathrooms will all be replaced. The main lobby will be remodeled, and the heating and electrical systems will be replaced and an air conditioning system installed.

Keane Inc., presently located on Commercial Street, Boston has, according to Davis, "made a significant commitment" to Roughan Hall by signing a ten year lease for 30,000 square feet, approximately 2/3 of the building, with two ten year additional renewal options.

Davis stated that this action on the part of the Keane company, states "their belief that a move to Charlestown can only help the City of Boston in general, and Charlestown in particular."

Philip Hawkins, Senior Vice President of Keane Inc., grew up in Charlestown and according to Davis, was "quite instrumental" in the company's decision to relocate in Charlestown.

The computer firm has told Davis that they wish to change the name of Roughan Hall to the Keane Building since they have made a major commit-



ARCHITECT'S RENDERING of the proposed renovation of Roughan Hall by

H.J. Davis Development Corporation.

see "some of the best fights."

James "Buttsy" McGrath, when asked of his memories of Roughan Hall, smiled and said, "You ask any old person and they'll tell about the waltzes and how many times we all went there."

McGrath also fondly remembers roller skating at the hall and "those 5 cent bagfuls of sugar cones."

In addition to dances, offices, and stores, Roughan Hall also was the address for a roller skating rink, taverns, a cinema, and some light manufacturing businesses.

Due to the significance of Roughan Hall, not only in terms of memories, but also design, architrecture, and location, in 1982 the Square, known as "the Gateway to Charlestown," undergoes metamorphosis.

Since Roughan Hall is classified as a certified rehabilitation, Davis stated that the exterior of the building will be restored to the original design.

"We will stabilize and preserve (Roughan Hall) to bring it into the 21st century," stated the developer.

The \$3 1/2 million project will take a "comfortable ten months to complete" and should be available for occupancy on January 1, 1986. Construction bids will be accepted in February and actual construction should begin in March 1985.

According to Davis, the exterior will be cleaned, masonry repaired, and ment to the developer.

While there may be opposition from the community as to the name change, the memories will remain as vivid as yesterday for many who forever will know it as Roughan Hall.

Davis, however, has made no promise of returning 5 cent bagfuls of sugar cones or roller skating in the building, nor has he learned of the Bobby Sutton Orchestra making a comeback, but Davis states that the present omnious derelict "eyesore". which overlooks City Square, will be restored to the famous architecturally beautiful building, rightfully deserving the memories which are housed within its walls, and in the hearts of many residents.

Financial Aid Hotline

The Massachusetts Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, Inc. (MASFAA) will offer its eighth annual toll-free student financial aid hotline service this January and February.

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Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor must be signed and include name, address and telephone number for verification. The name will be withheld if the writer so requests. Anonymous letters will NOT be published.

Ring out the holiday season on a happy note at a special showing of festive films on Tuesday, January

The sad but true analogy between the "old Charlestown" and the Charlestown of today is that "Townies" took care of their own; that is, the young guys protected the store and/or corner on which they stood, instead of destroying it and in-

elder timidating customers.

Charlestown: Where Has The Pride Gone?

In past years, Main Street was brightly lit with Christmas lights on each tree and fashionable gas lamps that showed the spirit in which "Townies" could take pride!

Today, there are no

The True Spirit Of Christmas

On Sunday morning, December 23rd, at 9:00 a.m., 60 "Townies" of all ages gathered at the Mary Colbert Apartments on Devens Street to help "Townie Santa" deliver Christmas baskets to the shut-ins and elderly of our town.

Everyone got into the Christmas spirit and enjoyed their part acting as "Santa." Many came back with happy hearts and stories about how people were so thankful to be remembered at Christmas. Others returned with tears in their eyes, saying nothing, but knowing that the sacrifice of their time during this busy time of year, had indeed made their Christmas much merrier

After the deliveries were completed and all the "Santas" went on their way, each one could still hear that gentle voice that said "God Bless You, Townie Santa and the good people of Charlestown. Only for you, we would not have had any Christmas." All made a commitment to come back next year to be "Santa" once again!

One of the Santas

Thanks To Local Foster Parents

An article on toys for foster children submitted by the Department of Social Services to this newspaper, appearing in a December edition, may have been misleading.

I would not want people to believe that the Department of Social Services gave every child in our care all of the toys that they received for Christmas. The Department was able to help in a small way through generous donations from many people, but the biggest contributors to the children's gifts were the foster parents themselves. The foster parents spend much more money than is given to them, not only for gifts, but for the daily upkeep of every child in their care.

I want to personally thank all of the local foster parents for all their time and effort in seeing that the children in their care had a very Merry Christmas and to wish them all a very Happy New Year!!

Suzanne Muse Palma, MSW, ACSW, LICSW Harbor Area Director Department of Social Services 76 Monument Street Charlestown, Ma. 02129

Christmas lights along Main Street and big, ugly utility lights take the place of the classic gas-styled lamps. Stores along Main Street, Bunker Hill Street, and Hayes Square are now reverting to iron grates and steel barriers, similar to those in Roxbury, to protect the storefronts from senseless vandalism and theft.

I feel that it is a damn shame and an embarrassment that is happening in Charlestown.

Ed O'Connell

CPS To Meet

(continued from page 1) architect from Bergmeyer Assoc. will present their new plans for the development of Roughan Hall as office and commercial space. Mr. Davis plans to apply for historic preservation tax credits and hopes to start construction in the spring. Mr. Davis has agreed to fill out a CPS Development Information Form and the CPS Design Review Committee will closely monitor this project.

Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.



Holiday Film Festival

8, at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "A Christmas Story," in which Fat Albert and his gang find the Christmas spirit when a woman gives birth to a baby in their clubhouse!; "The Velve-teen Rabbit," telling the story of a small, stuffed rabbit who arrives in a child's stocking on Christmas day, and then

comes to life. Or does he?; 'Christmas In Oaxaca,' with folk dancing, pinata breaking, and other traditional holiday activities as they are celebrated in Mexico; and

"The First Christmas Tree." showing that the candles on this Christmas tree not only decorate it, but they help to guide the toymaker to his home.

Make your holidays merrier by sharing seasonal stories from the library. Some suggestions:

The Christmas Wolf by Michel Gay: The Velveteen Rabbit: or, How Toys become Real by Margery Williams: Santa's Favorite Story by Hisako Aoki; and The All-Around Christmas Book by Margery Cuyler. HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

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Davis said, "Massport is

pleased to assist the

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which provides local youth

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Tuesday's game.

January 8, 1985, will have

Team 3 vs. Team 2 at 7:00

p.m. and at 8:00 p.m.,

Schedules and League

standings will be available.

Team 4 vs. Team 7.

MASSPORT Executive Director Davis is shown presenting a \$1,000 check to Kevin Gallagher of the Charlestown Hockey Clinic McGann. which Massport is assisting for the second

The Community School

Basketball League will

resume play on Monday,

January 7, 1985 with Team

6 vs. Team 5 at 7:00 p.m.,

followed by Team 1 vs.

Team 9, at 8:00 p.m.

consecutive year. Shown (l. to r.) Mark Urquhart, Gallagher, Davis and Bob

Senior Hockey League Standings:

W L T Pts. Wilkins Club Keough Club Hart Club Sullivan Club

This week's games:

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12:50 p.m. Keough vs. Hart

Member Of Outing Club

Dru Jaffe, daughter of Eleanor Jaffe of Charlestown, is a member of the Outing Club Council at Bates College. Jaffe, a senior, is working on the club's publicity committee during the current academic year.

The Bates Outing Club is the second oldest, the largest, and one of the most active clubs in the country. Founded in 1920, the club plans such annual events as hikes at Mt. Katahdin, Acadia National Park and Mt. Washington, and sponsors the college's Winter Carnival, ski trips

The organization is concerned with issues affecting the environment. Members have held workshops on such topics as nuclear power and energy conservation, and they also sponsor a paper

In addition, the Outing Club maintains 35 miles of the Appalachian Trail and loans camping and outdoor sporting equipment to Bates students.

and clambakes.

recycling program.

C.Y.H.A. News

There will be a Coaches and Managers meeting on Thursday, January 10th at the High School Cafeteria on Medford Street. The Managers will meet at 7:00 p.m. the Coaches will meet at 7:30 p.m.

The General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 16th at 7:30 p.m. at the Kent School, 50 Bunker Hill Street.

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

Friday, January 4 Pee Wee B vs. Agawam at 7:10 p.m. Saturday, January 5 Pee Wee A vs. Lynnfield at 3:10 p.m. Sunday, January 6 Squirt A vs. Malden at 7:00 a.m.

Mite B vs. Revere at 8:40 a.m. Squirt B vs Marblehead at 9:20 a.m. Mite A vs. Haverhill at 11:40 a.m.

Tuesday, January 8

Bantam A vs. Lynn at 6:00 p.m.

B.H.A. Basketball League Exhibition

An Opening Night Exhibition of the Boston Housing Authority Open Division Basketball League will be held on Wednesday evening, January 16, 1985 at the

Tobin Gym/Sociedad

Latana in the Maurice

Tobin Building, 1481 Tremont Street, Boston starting at 6:00 p.m.

Teams will be taking part in the League from the various Boston Housing Authority Projects, including Charlestown.

Facts About Drugs -Cocaine

Cocaine - from magic to madness.

One hundred years ago, Freud was extolling the virtues of cocaine as a treatment for constipation, consumption, sexual problems, depression, and morphine addiction. All of this changed in a few months. A close friend died in depression and despair, hopelessley dependent on cocaine, the cocaine Freud had prescribed for his friend's depression and morphine

This tragedy changed Freud's opinion of cocaine. He called it the "third scourge of man," right on the heels of alcohol and morphine

Today we find cocaine in the spotlight, being described as the "magic" chemical of the 80's, the perfect high, the instant relief from loneliness, isolation, and depression. But more and more people are finding "madness" instead of magic in their use of

In this "age of self," people have arrived at the point of seeking the ultimate "high" instead of "happiness," 'usefulness," "purpose." A user is surrounded by the myths that are far from the facts concerning cocaine: "Cocaine is not addicting," "There is no withdrawal when I use cocaine," "I will not have a hangover," "I will not injure myself physically using cocaine," 'Everybody does it." "It gives me status." All of these myths are just that myths, falsehoods, lies.

Cocaine is not a minor recreational drug but a cause of major chemical dependence. Cocaine use causes manic highs, depths of depression, instability, loss of control, and deep impacts on one's self esteem and relationships. And other important fact: the willingness to go to any lengths for cocaine.

Cocaine, a choice of the young adult is far from "magic." closer to "madness" and more often than not associated with another drug use and chemical dependence. (Alcohol, heroin, poly-drug).

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Boston Harborpark Advisory Committee Holds First Meeting

Boston Mayor Raymond L. Flynn's Harborpark Advisory Committee held its first meeting in the Board Room of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. The advisory body will "help breathe life" into the project that was announced by the Mayor and BRA Director Stephen Coyle on October 9th.

The comprehensive plan for promoting economic growth on the waterfront while dramatically increasing public access and open space along the harbor could, according to Mayor Flynn, provide onethird of the city's anticipated growth in jobs, investment and tax revenues, and housing opportunities for the rest of the decade.

BRA Director Coyle told the Advisory Committee, "Orderly growth on the waterfront must include the public benefits such as access from the water as well as land, jobs, and housing. Your task will be to mediate and keep city and state government on its toes during the life of this unique project.'

The Advisory Committee on Harborpark, appointed by the Mayor, is made up 15 members representing each of the city's five harborfront neighborhoods, as well as

government, labor, environment and business. The Committee's task will be to ensure public input into the decision-making process which will result in development that reflects a sensitivity to community needs and desires. The committee will also help foster coordination and cooperation among the participants.

At the first meeting, chaired by Lorraine Downey, the Advisory body received a draft copy of the interim planning overlay district for Harborpark. This amendment to the city's zoning code will, when finished, essentially impose a moratorium on building permits for a two year period until these permits conform to the proposed zoning scheme for Harborpark. The interim zoning measure will protect the planning process so that balanced development that corresponds to the Mayor's plan can take place. Residential properties which are already permitted under the Boston Zoning Code will be exempt from the interim overlay zoning scheme.

The members also received a copy of proposed interim design standards for the Boston Inner Harbor. These standards will be reviewed by the committee as well to insure that the design of structures, and public space are compatible with the Harborpark. The intent of the design standards is to respect the historic architecture and build upon its unique aspects, while at the same time, be sensitive to the abutting neighborhoods' concerns.

William Doherty, Associate Director of the Public Facilities Department and a member of the Harborpark Advisory Committee said, "Although Public Facilities has major parcels connected with Harborpark, I am also interested as a resident of South Boston. Community input will be extremely important as this process unfolds.'

Fred Stefano, a member from East Boston told the committee, "We now will have the whole picture in mind, it will no longer be piecemeal. What we say here will be forgotten, but what we do here will long be remembered by our children and our children's children.

Tom Ennen, Executive Director of the Boston Harbor Associates and also a member of the committee added, "We now have the opportunity to have those pieces come together - unified - in a total picture. I



THE BOSTON HARBORPARK Advisory left is Charles Johnson, Charlestown's Committee holds its first meeting. Shown representative on the committee.

feel somehow I am on the

threshold of a dream."

Director Stephen Coyle distributed at the meeting a listing of grants which have been applied for that relate to Harborpark, as well as a detail of the projects in the various stages of planning and implementation for Harborpark. During the planning period the Harborpark

CLASSES

ICE SKATING

Advisory Committee will need to be aware of and will be asked to advise the BRA on which ones are appropriate.

The next meeting of the Harborpark Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 23rd, at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the BRA, 9th Floor, City Hall. Its agenda will include further discussion on the interim zoning measure and new design standards. All meetings are open to the public who are encouraged to attend.

Other members of the Harborpark Advisory Committee include Charles Johnson of Charlestown.

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Legislation Signed To Guarantee Full Access To Hospital Care

While giving high praise to the State Legislature's Joint Health Care Committee, chaired by Representative Richard Voke (D-Charlestown) and Senator Edward Burke (D-Framingham), Governor Michael Dukakis recently signed legislation to guarantee full access to hospital care for 30,000 General Relief recipients and thousands of other poor people receiving Medicaid in the Com-

monwealth. The new law, which under an emergency provision took effect on December 18th, provides for both in-patient and outpatient treatment for medically necessitated hospital care to all the state's General Relief recipients. In addition, the legislation calls for a new Medicaid payment formula which will guarantee that hospitals give both General Relief and Medicaid recipients the same access to treatment as privately insured patients.

Representative Voke, a leading proponent of affordable and accessible health care for low and middle income families, said that this legislation "will help balance the inequities of our health care system by quaranteeing the same

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tives. productivity measures and universal participation by all payers (Medicaid, Medicare, Blue Cross and commercial insurers). "By restraining the rate of increase," concluded Voke, "we are able to keep hospital costs down, thereby opening up the system to insure that everyone who needs it receives proper medical attention.

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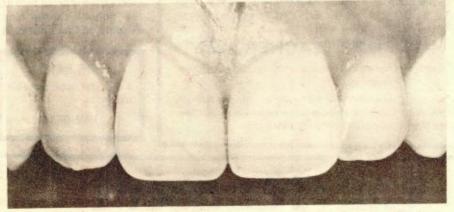
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Questions For Potential Developers

by Barbara Thornton, CCRD Co-Chairman

Charlestown is undergoing a surge of development activity. Some changes seem so fast, buildings are under construction before people have a chance to think about whether or not the development is appropriate for the neighborhood. The following is a checklist showing the information the neighborhood should or could have to have a better understanding about the development:

COMMUNITY PLAN: How does development fit in with Charlestown citizens' vision of the community? Do Charlestown citizens want to encourage more office space? more shopping space? more affordable housing? more luxury housing? more parks and open space? Where should these spaces be located?

ZONING: How is the property currently zoned? Will the project require a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals? Is a zoning petition on file for that site? (A zoning petition or a variance hearing can slow or stop a proposed development.)

DEVELOPER: Who is the developer? Who are the members of the development team? What have they developed in the past? Are they willing to meet with the

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PROPOSED USE: Is this a residential use, an office use, a retail use?

DIMENSIONS: How big is the site? What are the outside dimensions of the ground floor? How many square feet of space will be in the building? How tall is the building? How much space will be open in the front, on the sides, in the back of the building? Will the building cast shadows on neighboring buildings?

PARKING: Will the development include onsite parking for each bedroom planned in a residential development? Will there be four parking spaces for each 1000 square feet of office or retail development? Will there be parking space for every three employees in a manufacturing

DENSITY: How many units are planned for the site? What will the traffic impact be on the neighborhood?

MARKET: Who will use this space when it is developed? Who is it planned for? Will Charlestown people have first option to buy or rent in the space? How does the developer intend to market the site?

SELLING PRICE: What is the proposed selling price? Is the project subsidized? Are there discounts for Charlestown residents? What is the price per square foot? How does that compare with other residential, office or commercial properties in the area?

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The exhibit also includes Death Stars and Dinosaurs," a Planetarium show, offering a possible explanation for the sudden disappearance of dinosaurs.

DESIGN REVIEW: Is the development team willing to establish a working relationship with the neighborhood through a design review committee?

FINANCIAL STABILITY: What banks are providing a construction loan? Is the loan committed? What is the projected "return on investment" from this project? How much money income will this project yield when it is completed and occupied? How much "equity" is the developer contributing? What is the maximum debt anticipated during the construction phase? Can the developer cover this

QUESTIONS: As questions arise during the project development do people in the community know who to call to get clear and accurate answers?

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BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE cheerleaders visit with Santa at the College's Holiday party. Shown front is Cindy Hanlon of Everett. Standing (l. to r.): Cheerleading squad captain, Felice Kreitman of Somerville, Debbie Pearson of Somerville, Jean Pearson of Somerville, and Kathy Frethy of Melrose. Larry Smith of Charlestown, a student at Bunker Hill Community College,

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Being Old And Getting Cold-

Accidental or exposure-related hypothermia is defined as the unintentional drop of body temperature to below 95 degrees Fahrenheit. It is uncertain how many people die each year from hypothermia. There were 4826 hypothermia-related deaths reported in the United States during the period 1970-1979, but estimates of the true incidence have been as high as 25.000 per year. What is known is that the highest risk group for the development of hypothermia is the elderly, and that the elderly also have the highest mortality rate from hypothermia.

Normally, there are several adaptive mechanisms that prevent body temperature from falling. Shivering serves to raise body temperature, and peripheral vasoconstriction (the clamping down of blood vessels in areas such as the fingers and toes) prevents heat loss through the skin and diverts heat to the internal organs. In older individuals, shivering often does not occur, and the vasoconstrictor response to cold is frequently diminished.

Certain diseases predispose to the development of hypothermia, many of which are especially common in the elderly. Hypothyroidism (an underactive thyroid gland) is one such disease. Dementia, arthritis, and stroke also predispose to hypothermia simply because tney are associated with inactivity

Some drugs lessen the body's ability to regulate the internal temperature, especially narcotic pain-killers, antidepressants. anti-anxiety drugs, and other drugs that affect mood. Alcohol also impairs the body's ability to protect itself from the cold.

Hypothermia usually occurs in the setting of prolonged exposure to temperatures of less than 60

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degrees. It may occur in very mildly cool environments, such as the home. In Britain, where thermostats are often kept quite low. 3.6% of all elderly patients who are admitted to the hospital in winter have been found to be hypothermic.

The symptoms of hypothermia include confusion, thick speech, and a staggering gait. Breathing may be very slow and, at body temperatures of below 80 degrees, coma results. The condition must be diagnosed with a special thermometer since most thermometers do not record temperatures below 95 degrees. True hypothermia is a medical emergency, usually requiring hospitalization and treatment with warmed oxygen and warmed intravenous fluids.

Far more common than hypothermia are local cold injuries. Frostnip affects the earlobes, nose, fingers, and toes. These are the areas that become cold because of the adaptive vasoconstriction that seeks to protect the internal organs at the expense of the extremities. Frostnip is best prevented with warm clothing, and is treated with rewarming (using warm, not hot water, and blankets). Frostbite is a more severe condition resulting from excessive exposure of the skin to cold. The tissues actually freeze, and the blood vessels that carry food and oxygen to the skin are damaged. Frostbite, in which pain, discoloration of the skin, and tissue breakdown are present, requires treatment by a doctor.

Cold weather does not cause colds, but it can injure exposed skin and, in more severe cases, cause hypothermia. Prevention by dressing warmly, taking care of medical illnesses, and avoiding alcohol and other depressants is the best strategy for staying well during the winter.

Muriel Gillick, M.D. Chairperson Geriatric Team Bunker Hill Health Center

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Graduate From Elder Advocates Training Program

Kitty Callahan and Edith Healy of Charlestown graduated from the Fall 1984 Elder Advocates Training Program sponsored by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

The completion of the program represents two full days of training taken at one of five sites across the state. Issues covered at each training session included Elder Consumer Rights; Pension Rights; Elderly Housing and Transportation Advocacy; and a two part series on Medigap Health Insurance Coverage. In addition, presentations were made on Health Insurance issues. Nursing Home Residents' rights as promoted by the Massachusetts Nursing Home Ombudsman Program, and an overview of the legislative process, how a Bill becomes Law, and the advocacy that can affect that

Secretary Richard Rowland offered keynote remarks at the training program. He said, "There are three sources of power to advocate successfully: money, people, and knowledge.

Senior citizen advocates don't have money on our side, but we do have people. The fastest growing age group is made up of people over the age of 75! Through the Elder Advocates program, we're making sure that we also have knowledge. When people know and understand the issues, they make great advocates, and they suc-

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On December 22, 1984 at 7:05 p.m., a police officer responded to Allston Street on a call of a person violating a restraining order. On arrival, the officer spoke to a woman who stated that her husband had entered her apartment, appearing to be drunk, and acting in an abusive manner. The woman reported that she had in her possession, a restraining order issued from Charlestown District Court. At this time, the man was placed under arrest for violating a restraining order, and then transported to Area A.

On December 24, 1984 at 2:03 a.m., a police officer responded to Store 24 at 140 Main Street. On arrival, the officer spoke to the store manager who stated that a 16 year old female had thrown bottles at the store, and then acted in a loud and abusive manner while in the store. When the officer escorted this female back to the store, she again, became abusive and violent. She was placed under arrest for being a disorderly person. At this time, two 17 year old females, in the company of the first suspect, also became loud and abusive, and attempted to release her. Obviously these females did not want to be separated from their friend, therefore the officer obliged and placed them under arrest for being disorderly. All three suspects were taken to Area A for booking.

Courses To Begin At Jesuit Center

The Jesuit Center in Sullivan Square, Charlestown will begin their third term of courses for 1984-1985 during the week of January 14, 1985

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Course A-1 - "A Journey of the Heart" with Alex P. Naglowsky will run for five Monday evenings beginning January 14th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Course B - "Jesus: A Gospel Portrait" with William Harmless, S.J. will run for five Tuesday evenings starting January 15th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Course B-1 - "Becoming Catholic Even If You Happen To Be One" with Carol A. Klein, M.A. will run for five Tuesday evenings beginning January 15th from 7:30 to 9:30

Course C - "Beyond War" with James Andrew, M.Div., M.A. will run for five Wednesday evenings beginning January 16th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Course C-1 - "Human Development" with Dr. Edward Jacobs. Ph.D. will run for five Wednesdays beginning January 16th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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On December 25, 1984, a female came into Area A to report that on this same date, she had been approached by a male suspect, whose identity is known to her. This suspect was wielding a baseball bat, and threatened to strike the victim. The victim was advised to seek complaints in Charlestown District Court. The incident will be further investigated by detectives of Area A.

The next community service meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Kent School on 50 Bunker Hill Street.

Report Drug Activity

Charlestown residents are being asked to assist the Boston Police Drug Control Unit in cracking down on the sale and distribution of illegal drugs in this community. Information is needed as to the locations of drug activities, the names of persons involved with the distribution of drugs, along with any and all other information on drug trafficking in the community.

Persons with such information, are asked to call the Drug Unit number, 247-4695, between 8:30 a.m. and midnight, seven days a week

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