

# CHARLESTOWN DA JUNE 38 NUMBER 28 CHARLESTOWN, MASS. PRICE 25¢ THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1996

# Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Seeks Community Support

The Charlestown Veterans/Bunker Hill Day Commemorative Committee is making plans for the annual Bunker Hill Day Parade both to honor our patriot forefathers who fought for freedom 221 years ago on the hills of Charlestown during the Battle of Bunker Hill. The 1996 parade is dedicated to the Boston Fire Department and all firefighters - active, retired and deceased.

The committee is seeking the financial support of the residents, merchants and local organizations for the 1996 celebration in order that the events will serve as a significant and meaningful tribute to the Boston Fire Department and all firefighters who daily put their lives on the line to protect us from the ravages of fire and smoke.

The highlight of the celebration will be the Bunker Hill Day Parade, which will be held on Sunday, June 16, commencing at 12:30 p.m. from the Hayes Square area of the town. This should be one of the largest and most outstanding parades in the Greater Boston area.

As you are most likely aware, due to the fiscal constraints imposed on the city of Boston, the funds available from the city to help underwrite parades are extremely limited, and the small reserve that the committee had built up in the parade fund in prior years is now non-existent. Thus, increased financial assistance must once again be sought from the community – from you the residents, local business people and community organizations – to make this, the 221st commemoration of the Battle of Bunker Hill – a success.

The fund raising for the parade and commemorative celebration again this year is being carried out by a small but dedicated group of residents. These people are giving many hours of their time to make this a truly memorable celebration for the community

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## Howie Remembered . . .



CHARLESTOWN Boys & Girls Club members, staff and friends gathered at the local clubhouse on April 6 to remember Howie Bunkley, the Chef's Club director for over 30 years who died on March 28. Where else would they meet but in Howie's favorite room... the club's kitchen. While the objective of the club was to learn to cook, young people came away with a lot more than just recipes. Howie instilled in them a sense of pride in their accomplishments, teamwork and responsibility. A committee is forming to plan an annual memorial to Howie and one suggestion is a cook book. Shown seated (l. to r.) Marc Duffy, Carolann Woods, Ryan Allen, Kolleen Hayes and Christine Mahan. Standing (l. to r.) Matt Ezekiel, Audrey Davis from the South Boston Clubhouse, Anthony Sorrentino, Sheila Gendrau, John Fabiano, David Evers, Joe Porter and Jackie Fabiano. (photo by Kathy Whitehouse)

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# Eighth Congressional Caucus For Clinton Delegates To Be Held April 13

The Democratic State Committee will be holding an open caucus on Saturday, April 13 at the Somerville High School Field House, 81 Highland Ave., Somerville to elect delegates from the Eighth Congressional District to nominate President Bill Clinton at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in August.

The Eighth Congressional District has been allowed four male delegates, three female delegates, and one male alternate. All participants must check in by 10 a.m. in order to qualify to vote at the caucus. The caucus will begin promptly at 10:15 a.m.

The caucus is being chaired by Senate President Thomas Birmingham and will be open to all registered Democrats from the Eighth Congressional District

The Eighth district includes Charlestown.

Charlestown native Jim Walsh of St. Martin Street will be seeking election as a delegate to the National Convention at this caucus. Walsh has arranged for buses to transport Charlestown democrats to the caucus. The bus will leave the K. of C. parking lot on Saturday morning at 9 a.m., 9:20 a.m. and 9:40 a.m., and will make three return trips starting at 12:30 p.m.

Somerville Mayor Mike Capuano, the host of this year's caucus, will hold a pre-caucus breakfast at the Colonial Room Restaurant at Somerville High School. All caucus participants are

## Boston Police Seeking Information On Charlestown Incidents

The Boston Police Department's Area A detectives issued a bulletin this week requesting information on an individual wanted in Charlestown.

On March 30 at approximately 10:10 p.m., a man was stabbed in the vicinity of 15 Old Landing Way during an attempted robbery. At approximately 11:30 p.m. on April 3, a man was robbed of a brown leather jacket on Dunstable Street. The victim of this robbery told

police that the suspect was armed with a black .45 automatic weapon and after the robbery he fled in the direction of Tibbetts Town Way.

Police are seeking the identity of the individual believed to be responsible for these robberies. He is described as a white male, 28 to 32 year, 5'10," 200 pounds, stocky/muscular build with blond or light brown short hair. He has been reported wearing a blue denim jacket with a

"Raiders" logo on the back, or a waist-length brown leather jacket.

In another incident, a woman was viciously beaten in an unprovoked attack just before 5 a.m. on April 8. She was walking her dog on Main Street and while in the vicinity of 112 Main St., she was jumped by a man who punched her several times and fled down Union Street. She ran to Store 24 where police were called.

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# SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS Thursdays

- 9 to 10:30 a.m. J.F. Kennedy Center's Goal Setting Group-Options Program, 55 Bunker Hill St. For more information, call Linda Hudson at 241-8866
- 10:30 a.m. to noon Women's Recovery Group session, Kennedy Center, Old Kent School, 23A Moulton St.

Fridays

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

First And Third Sundays

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

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. Note: Office Hours will not be held on Monday, April 15, the Patriots Day holiday. They will resume on Monday, April 22.
- 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous Beginners meeting, 55 Bunker Hill 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. - Next course begins on Wednesday, April 17th. To register, call 485-6400.

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Friday, April 26



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# CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

# this week at a glance

Thursday, April 11

- 3:30 p.m. Creative dramatics, improvisation and imaginative games - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 7 p.m. Charlestown Neighborhood Council Precinct 2 meeting on the Harvard-Kent School Playground Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.
- Friday, April 12

   10 a.m. Adult Discussion
  Group and Preschool Story Hour Charlestown Branch Library, 179
- 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.
- 8 p.m. Outlaw Style Theater
  & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn"
   Charlestown Working Theater,
  442 Bunker Hill St.
  Saturday, April 13

10 am to 2 am

• 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Charles-

town Little League Tryouts - Ryan Field, Sullivan Square

8 p.m. - Outlaw Style Theater
& Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn"
- Charlestown Working Theater,
442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, April 14

- Following 9 a.m. Mass Holy Name Society meeting, Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Charlestown Little League Tryouts - Ryan Field, Sullivan Square
- 1 p.m. Charlestown Softball League meeting - Old Sully's, Union Street
- 7 p.m. Outlaw Style Theater
  & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn"
   Charlestown Working Theater,
  442 Bunker Hill St.

Monday, April 15

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

Tuesday, April 16

 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. - Free Health Fair, sponsored by the Nurse Education Program - main lobby, second floor, Bunker Hill Community College, 250 New Rutherford Ave.

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

• 11 a.m. - "Secret Message" Day, sponsored by the Boston National Historical Park - Visitor Information Center, Building 5, Navy Yard

 5:30 p.m. - Healthy Charlestown Coalition meeting - Kennedy Center Drop-In Resource Center, 55 Bunker Hill St.

 6:30 p.m. - Boston Landmarks Commission meeting, sponsored by the Neighborhood Council and the Preservation Society - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Wednesday, April 17

6:30 p.m. - Homebase 101
 Classes - Charlestown Community
 Center, 255 Medford St.

# upcoming events

Thursday, April 18

- 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.
- 4 p.m. Performance by "Sonabo" and a RIF book give-away
   - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.
- 5:30 p.m. CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) meeting -Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St.
- 7 p.m. Charlestown Neighborhood Council meeting on plans for the Freedom Trail and the steamship SS Nobska Legion

Hall, 23 Adams St.

Friday, April 19

- 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.
- 7 p.m. Country & Western Night, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella No. 1 - K. of C. Upper Hall, 75 West School St.
- 8 p.m. Outlaw Style Theater
  & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn"
   Charlestown Working Theater,
  442 Bunker Hill St.
  Saturday, April 20
  - 2 p.m. Bunker Hill Day

Parade Committee meeting -American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

• 8 p.m. - Outlaw Style Theater & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, April 21

- 7 p.m. Outlaw Style Theater & Dance Co. presents "Slow Burn" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.
- 3 p.m. Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion monthly meeting followed by a past commanders reception - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Tuesday, April 23

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

# plan ahead

Friday, April 26

• 7 p.m. - Comedy Night to benefit the Bryan McGonagle Playground - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, April 27

- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rummage Sale - First Church in Charlestown, Green Street
- 7 p.m. Community Appreciation Awards Night K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Sunday, April 28

- 11 a.m. Mass followed by a Jubilee Celebration from 12:30 to 2:20 p.m. honoring Father Daniel Mahoney - St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.
- 3 p.m. Candlelight Vigil, sponsored by CHarlestown After Murder Program - St. Catherine's Church, Hayes Square

Saturday, May 4

 6 p.m. - The Impostor Bostonians - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Tuesday, May 7

7 p.m. - Super Bingo to benefit St. Catherine's Parish - St. Catherine's Parish Hall, 13 Tufts St.
 Thursday, May 9

6 p.m. - Old Charlestown
 Schoolboys' Association 83rd Reun-

ion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Friday, May 17

- 6:30 p.m. Candlelight House Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society (241-7500)
- 7 p.m. Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association Reunion -Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza 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.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - House & Trolley Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society (241-7500)

Friday, June 7

- 8 p.m. Charlestown Rose Contest, sponsored by the Charlestown-To-Charlestown Committee -K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. Sunday, 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

Saturday, June 22

• 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Flea Market - First Church in Charlestown, Green Street (To reserve a table for \$5, call Millie at 242-1112)

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## Charlestown Runners . . . It's A Matter Of Pride

by Lynn Peters

It seems that a pinch of springtime weather has unleashed scores of cabin-fevered walkers and runners all over Charlestown. For some that itch to exercise, to move some of that winter bulk around, is much more than that. Many of the racing reds, greens and purples, the lucky wore-torn sweats and ragged T-shirts belong to some serious runners.

Monday's 100th Boston Marathon has attracted 63 registered Charlestown residents among the 38,500 runners set to start the grueling 26.2-mile course. The largest in history, this year's century-old event will sport a record number of entrants from across the world . . and across Charlestown.

Never mind who can really run or who a lucky lottery pick is. There are 126 Charlestown feet ready to run in this historic athletic race.

A variety of residents

from all around Charlestown will be out there making history this Patriots Day. There'll be "Townies," long-timers, newcomers, the young, the older, men, women, the seasoned and the "I guess I have to go through with this now" folks.

Bruce Daniel, 46, of Common Street will be running his first marathon, and Shirley Foley of Allston Street has the dubious honor of being Charlestown's oldest runner at 65.

Twenty-eight-year-old Tommy Lynch from Washington Street is our top male runner, although Christopher Carter, 31, of Winthrop Street is noted to be very fast, Charlestown's top woman runner is Lynne Schuler, 31, of Monument Avenue.

Among the experienced runners are Marathon Tours husband and wife Thom and Sharon Gilligan of High Street. His 18th race, her 12th, the Gilligans are old "hands" at this

running game. They put together the April 9 meet-the-runners night at the Warren Tavern, receiving some 25 to 35 RSVPs from Charlestown marathoners and another dozen or so from other areas.

"This is really exciting," Gilligan says of the high turn-out of local registered entrants. "It's amazing. There are usually about 10 from Charlestown."

Billy Smith from Tibbetts Town Way is running his first Boston Marathon. At 39, Smith has participated in several half-marathons in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont and Rhode Island. He runs six days a week for a total of 60 miles in preparation for Monday's event. "They think I'm crazy," Smith says of his family of nonrunners. "I'm doing this for my kids, Shauna and Shane."

Smith describes his 5year-old daughter and 3year-old son as being thrilled and anxiously waiting for the day to finally arrive. "They keep asking if it's time yet," Smith says.

No matter what their experience, their time, their competitive standings, Charlestown will be cheering on its runners from beginning to end of their three-hour moment in history.

Charlestown runners, in alphabetical order, are: Mark Assad, Dianne Baribeault, Matthew Bergin, Jamie Blanks, Stephanie Blumenthal, Susan Brand, Karen Brennan, Robert Butler, John Caldwell, Christopher Carter, Dana Cashman, Alfred Cormier, Maria Cronin, Cheryl Curley and Hugh Curran.

Also, Bruce Daniel, Walter Doherty, Michael Doherty, Jeremiah Fitzgibbons, Paul Flynn, Shirley Foley, Thom Gilligan, Sharon Gilligan, Amy Gorham, Edward Grace, Stephen Healey, Brian Hill, Elizabeth Holland, Karl Hoyt and Amy Kennedy.

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MONUMENT PROPERTIES



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Boston National Historical Park will offer a free program for children entitled "Secret Message!" at the Charlestown Navy Yard's Visitor Information Center on Tuesday, April 16 at 11 a.m.

During World War II, secrecy in communications was vital to the war effort, as mistakes could mean lives. This hour-long program, intended for children 9 to 12, will show young people some of the ways that top secret messages were sent between ships and over the air by radio.

Participants will visit the World War II Destroyer USS Cassin Young to see three forms of visual communications used in the US Navy between ships. Then children will practice coding and decoding written messages to "save the troops" using Morse Code and other codes.

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#### McGinnis Inducted Into Honor Society

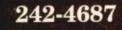
Susan McGinnis, of Charlestown, was inducted into the Golden Key National Honor Society at U-Mass Boston on April 3.

McGinnis was chosen based on her academic achievement which places her in the top 15% of her class. Golden Key National Honor Society membership is by inivitation to university juniors and seniors.



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#### It's A Boy . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Spacco Sr. are extremely excited to announce the birth of their first son, Joseph Thomas Spacco Jr., on March 14 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

He weighed 8 pounds 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Tom and Paula Jackson of Charlestown.

The paternal grandmother is Barbara Spacco-Osis, formerly of Dorchester.

Mrs. Spacco is the former Sherry Jackson of Charlestown.

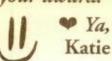
#### Softball Meeting

The Charlestown Softball League will hold a meeting on Sunday, April 14 at 1 p.m. at Old Sully's on Union Street. Players and coaches are needed for games to be played Monday through Thursday at 6:30 and 8 p.m.

For more information, call Gary Justice at 262-4040.

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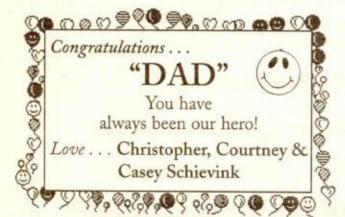
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Love...Ma

# Congratulations . . .

Charlestown Youth Hockey
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on winning the Bronze Medal
in Montreal, Canada!

Thank you to all our "Townie" supporters for helping us bring it home!

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



- It's That Time Again . . . when "Paul Revere" makes his annual ride through town. Activities will begin Monday, April 15 at 9:30 a.m. with a flag raising ceremony on City Hall Plaza. Participants will march from there to Hanover Street in the North End at 9:45, and the reenactment of Paul Revere's Ride will commence at 10:20, passing through Charlestown shortly thereafter . . . Hope it's not in a sleigh!
- \* Moments In Charlestown . . . a feature of Cablevision of Boston, and produced by Kevin Burke of Charlestown, will present the kick-off of Old Ironsides' Penny Campaign on Channels A3 and A23 on Sunday, April 14 at 12:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 21 at 1:30 p.m. This will mark the first cruise of the USS Constitution since 1992 when she sailed from her permanent berth into drydock for restoration. The campaign is being held to raise funds to purchase new sails in order for the ship to sail on her own power out into Boston Harbor in 1997, when she will celebrate her 200th anniversary.
- Raffle Winners . . . at the 27th annual Michael P. Quinn Scholarship Dinner were Dan Chambers \$300; Swanee's parents, Jake and Claire Lynch \$100; and Tracey Gordon \$75 . . . Congratulations everyone!
- Birthdays And Birthdays... will be celebrated this week as Mel Stillman's favorite gal Renie parties on April 15th... and Tricia Dunphy will be "Sweet 16" on the 16th, a date also shared by Courtney Burke who turns 14 and Matthew O'Connell who will be 9... The very best of birthdays to each and every one of you!
- A Belated Happy Birthday... to Mary Jane Dewey of the Charlestown Branch Post Office, who partied hearty on April 9th... her 26th, so we're told!
- Wedding Anniversary Wishes... go out this week to the new grandparents, Mae and Peter Looney, who will celebrate their 32nd on April 11th... and Gert and Joe Roche will mark 43 years of wedded bliss on April 12th. May you all have many more!
- A Tip Of The Cap... goes out to Eddie Lynch who found a wallet after the Boys & Girls Club Bingo at the K. of C. last week. He delivered the wallet personally to the owner, and his kind and honest deed did not go unnoticed. Thanks a million Eddie!
- Best Wishes And Thoughts... are being sent out to Rosemary Kverek, who is recuperating at home after a most unfortunate incident.
- A Rose Is A Rose Is A Rose... and you could be the 1996 Charlestown Rose at the annual contest to be held on Friday, June 7th at the K. of C. Hall. Stop by the Patriot Office, One Thompson Square to pick up your application, or give Carol McClellan a call at 242-1254.
- Faneuil Hall Marketplace . . . is looking for world class jugglers, clowns, mimes, acrobats, magicians, storytellers and musicians to audition on Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., for a spot in the Faneuil Hall Marketplace Street Performers program.
- Ford Hall Forum... Renowned journalist and author Elizabeth Drew will discuss the battle between President Clinton's White House and Speaker Gingrich's Congress at historic Faneuil Hall on Thursday, April 18 at 7 p.m. as part of the Ford Hall Forum lectures. For more information call 373-5800.
- Walk For Someone You Love . . . on Sunday, April 28, as the March of Dimes WalkAmerica fundraising campaign begins their 6.2 mile fund raiser at the Hatch Shell on the Esplanade. All proceeds will go to the Campaign for Healthier Babies, a nationwide effort to prevent birth defects, infant mortality and low birthweight. For more information, call 1-800-BIG-WALK.
- Is It Really Spring? ... couldn't prove it by us, but the 12th annual Spring Art & Craft Show will open at the Bayside Expo Center on Saturday, April 27th. There will be a vast array of arts and crafts from hand-knitted clothing to high quality hand-carved furniture. For show hours and admission information, call 1-508-359-6545.
- Need Some Exercise? . . . Try the Tour de Graves, a 25-mile bicycle tour through Boston's historic neighborhoods and several burying grounds on Sunday, May 19 beginning at 9:30 a.m. The registration deadline is Friday, May 10 and the fee is \$10. All riders should meet on Boston Common at the corner of Boylston and Tremont streets. Helmets are mandatory for all participants. For more information, call 635-4505, ext. 6516.
- Thought For The Week . . . Happiness often sneaks in through an open door you didn't know you left open. Anonymous



# around the town

by Gloria S. Conway

★ Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .

#### Precinct 2 Meeting -Harvard-Kent Playground

Chairman David Whelan will hold a meeting relative to the new Harvard-Kent School playground proposed by school officials and City Year. It will be held at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 11, at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St.

#### Committee Of The Whole -Freedom Trail Plans

Chairman Peter Looney will hold a meeting on new plans for the Freedom Trail at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 18 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. Also on hand for a brief presentation will be representatives of the steamship SS Nobska who want to bring the vessel into the Charlestown Navy Yard for repairs.

#### Monthly Meeting

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

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

**★ Boston Landmarks Commission Meet**ing . . . A meeting with members of the Boston Landmarks Commission will be held on Tuesday, April 16, at 6:30 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St., Charlestown.

A slide presentation of 19th and 20th century local history will be shown and there will be a discussion of current programs. This event will allow residents to get answers to their questions about city policy and to begin to establish a lasting relationship with the Boston Landmarks Commission staff. This will be the first of

several meetings and is sponsored in collaboration with the Charlestown Neighborhood Council and the Charlestown Preservation Society. Everyone is welcome to attend. For additional information call Ginger Leonard, meeting coordinator, at 242-4235.

- ★ CHarlestown Against Drugs . . . CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 18 at the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, 15 Green St. All interested persons are wel-
- \* Bunker Hill Day Parade ... The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 20 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.
- ★ Job Fair . . . Operation A.B.L.E. is holding a Job Fair for Mature Workers, 45 year of age and older, on Wednesday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at its headquarters, 119 Beach St., 4th floor, in Boston.

Companies from all different industries are participating and there will be jobs at different levels (clerical, administrative and professional). AARP is a co-sponsor with Operation A.B.L.E. There is no charge for job seekers. Bring plenty of resumes. For more information, call 542-4180, ext. 24.

\* American Red Cross Blood Drive . . . Please bring your family, friends and neighbors to donate blood at the Teamsters Local 25 Union Hall, 544 Main St., on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The #1 reason people do not donate blood is because they were never asked! We're

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For more information, call the American Red Cross at 1-800-258-0025, ext. 2098.

\* A Victory For The Neighborhood! . . . A petition was brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal on April 9 by Guilford Transportation, Boston & Maine Railroad (by Murray Outdoor Communications Inc.) seeking to erect a two-face monopole outdoor billboard advertising sign at 70 Cambridge St.

Judy Evers, regional coordinator for the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, told the board that as part of the rezoning process, the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC) had voted against any additional billboards being erected in this community. She went on to say that the CNC and community residents oppose this billboard because of the plans to revitalize and beautify the Sullivan Square gateway into the city. She noted that the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services joined the opposition because of the adverse impacts on the community.

A letter of opposition was presented to the board by the CNC. Boston City Councillor Diane Modica was opposed to the billboard while City Councillor Albert O'Neil spoke in favor.

The board denied the petition.

#### \* Central Artery Roadway Closure . . . HAYMARKET

For about the next three weeks, exit 25 (Haymarket) from the Southbound Central Artery will be closed Sunday through Thursday nights from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. To reach Haymarket during these times, southbound drivers should take exit 24 (Callahan Tunnel/Logan Airport), turn right on North Street and right again on Congress Street.

This change is required for work relating to the CA/T project and the MBTA's reconstruction of the Green and Orange line stations in the Haymarket/North Station area.

★ Lost Brewery Tour . . . The Tremont Ale Brewery is presenting a Lost Brewery Tour from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 20. One of the visits will be made to the Commercial Brewing Co. in Charlestown. Special guest speakers will include former brewery workers, historians and notable beer enthusiasts.

Seating is limited, so call 242-6464 for information, ticket prices and reservations.

★ Celebrating 25 Years ... The Charlestown Preservation Society is celebrating 25 years of Historic House Tours. On Friday, May 17, there will be a Candlelight House Tour from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., followed by a reception.

An Historic House and Trolley Tour will take place between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 18, with a reception following the tour.

From May 4 through 18 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., the 10th annual Charlestown Artists Exhibit will be held, free of charge, in the Preble Room, Building 5 in the Boston National Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

For House Tour ticket information and reservations, call 241-7500.

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# Public Safety Committee Votes 'No' To Removal Of Bunker Hill Street Traffic Light

Worried mothers and grandmothers gathered at Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, at the Charlestown Neighborhood Council (CNC) Public Safety Committee meeting on April 9. Word had reached these residents of the Bunker Hill/St. Martin streets area that Jack French, developer of the former St. Francis de Sales school, was asking that the overhead traffic light at the entrance to the Doherty Park be removed.

Committee co-chairmen John Dillon and Bill McCabe ran the meeting, with CNC members Edna Kelly, David Whelan, Don Haska, Jim Conway and Peter Looney in attendance.

There was no Boston Police Department Area A Community Service Officer in attendance as Officer Bill Smith told McCabe that he was on another assignment. Conway said that it should be on the record that the meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month with the exception of last month's meeting that collided with a snow storm.

Since neither French nor his representative was present at that point in the meeting to explain why he sought removal of the traffic light, McCabe asked the audience to express their feelings on the light.

Joanne Doherty, head of the Friends of the Clougherty Pool, stated that even though there is no longer a school across from the park, traffic continues to speed over the hill. Others commented on the children who have been taught to use the light to cross and how all the Bunker Hill Street stores are on the even side of the street. It was mentioned that with the change to a pole light at that location, it would be difficult, if not impossible, for drivers to see the light as they came over the hill.

As to the moving of the light to another area, the consensus was "no," as Looney spoke about the years of effort to install a light at Essex and Main streets. The general feeling was that if it went, it would be difficult, if not impossible, to replace.

Kelly Gouthro, age 9, voiced her sentiments that light not be moved as "kids who go to CCD used the light to cross the street."

The committee voted unanimously to retain the light in its present location. McCabe brought up that there is two months to the pool opening and the Boston Transportation Department should be notified to repair the light. This also passed unanimously. These two recommendations will be brought to the May 7 meeting of the full CNC membership.

French came in at the end of the meeting and stated that his request was not to remove the light but have it relocated to a side pole on each side of the street. McCabe said that he was about to close the meeting and was not going to reopen the topic. He suggested that private meetings be held with the residents after the public meeting closed.

McCabe spoke of two traffic patterns that cause problems for local drivers.

The first involves the traffic that comes up Rutherford Avenue to turn right onto the Gilmore Bridge, does not follow the traffic channel barrier and goes to the traffic light at Austin Street where the drivers take a right. McCabe pointed out that this results in gridlock and impairs emergency vehicles.

His suggestion is that a "no right turn" sign and arrow be installed and that a law-enforcement officer be stationed there, not to tie up traffic with tickets, but to direct vehicles straight across Austin Street down to City Square. He said that he is going to determine the ownership of this roadway and will bring a full report to the next CNC meeting.

The other area of concern is on the Warren Street extension by the Ironside Grille. Traffic has been forming a third lane going toward Chelsea Street and forcing traffic heading toward Thompson Square to the right. McCabe said that tickets could be issued in this area by the Boston Police Department and he will request that they do so.

Other issues discussed were the incidents reported in an article on page one.

Looney spoke about the May 14 meeting, co-sponsored by CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD), that would focus on the heroin problem in this town. He also told of a planned June 10 march on drug awareness.

#### Boston Police Seeking Information On Incidents

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She was later taken to Mass. General Hospital for treatment of abrasions, bruises and a broken nose.

Police have described the man as a white male about 6" tall, medium build and wearing a baseball cap.

Persons with information on any of these incidents or the possible identity of the individuals believed to be responsible, are asked to call the Area A detectives at 343-4248 or 343-4571.

#### Mass Processing Day At BHCC

Bunker Hill Community College will host a Mass Processing Day on Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the A-300 auditorium, Room B335 and adjacent areas.

The meeting is being hosted by the state Office for Refugees and Immigrants (ORI). The goal of the meeting is to help hundreds of legal permanent residents of Mass. through the process of becoming naturalized citizens. The Mass Processing Day will assist immigrants who are permanent legal residents and otherwise eligible to become citizens with the completion of the naturali-

zation application (N-400), supporting documents, photographs, fingerprinting and legal assistance for questions.

The event at BHCC will consist of over 125 volunteers to assist at least 250 applicants in the citizenship process. Approximately 15 immigration attorneys will be on hand for quality control as well as working with more difficult applications.

There will be morning and afternoon sessions and the day is expected to conclude at 5 p.m.

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#### Fratalia Memorial Golf Tourney

The second annual Fratalia Memorial Charity Golf Tournament, remembering and celebrating the life of Gloria Fratalia, will be held starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 17 at the Marlboro Country Club in Marlboro. Registration will get underway at 8:30 a.m.

Gloria's family describes her as "a friend and mother to all who know her" who was "special and courageous." This year's tournament proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Foundation and Charlestown youth athletics.

For further information and registration forms, call Chris Fratalia at 461-0995.

## Marathon CNC Meeting Covers Myriad Of Issues

by Lynn Peters

Spring cleaning at the April 2 Charlestown Neighborhood Council meeting took more than three hours to straighten, sort and tie up the loose ends of winter snows that kept folks at home last month.

Seventeen of the 21 council members were in attendance at the Knights of Columbus Hall: Chairman Peter Looney, Vice-Chairman Tom Cunha, Second Vice-Chairman Mel Stillman, Treasurer Nancy Keyes, Ken Stone, Rusty Sergeant, Marty O'Brien, Don Haska, John Dillon, Jim Conway, Billy Galvin, John Iacoi, Judy Brennan, Bill McCabe, David Whelan, Edna Kelly and Kate McDonough.

The council swept through an initial six presentations before its monthly reports, assigning each to a proper committee for upcoming public reviews.

Bunker Hill Community College Interim President Mon O'Shea presented preliminary plans for a 20,000-square-foot sound stage on the Charlestown campus. The \$13.5 million facility would combine academic and commercial use, according to O'Shea, for the college's expanding Media Technology Program and would become the state's largest sound stage. The state's Division of Capital Planning and Operations will carry out the design and construction.

O'Shea said that the BHCC Sound Stage would attract business, capitalizing on creating jobs and growth within the film industry in Massachusetts. WGBH currently houses the largest sound stage at 7,500 square feet. BHCC is the only public college that offers an accredited associate degree program in Media Technology.

"The sound stage will take on a very important life of its own," O'Shea said. "It is the marriage of educational development and economic development."

Among the sites considered for the new Media Technology Center is where the school's tennis courts are currently located. At approximately \$140 per square foot, DCPO's most current cost estimate for con-

struction, O'Shea said the design will call for changes in existing renovation plans for the E Building and equipment features.

"We're nowhere near the approval stage," O'Shea added. "We only have authorization for the design." O'Shea said that the college will bring any design of the facility to the community for review.

The council will hold public meetings on the sound stage's development.

The comprehensive 18-month study of the Freedom Trail will cite recommendations next month for revitalizing the city's historic walkway. Charlestown residents have been among the 80 citizens representing four communities along the Boston National Historic Park attraction, and local recommendations will be included in the expected May 15 final report.

David Dixon of Goody Clancy consultants presented a slide show about the Freedom Trail, referring to it as "America's Foremost Pathway Through History."

Explaining that tourism in Massachusetts is the third largest industry after cars and food, Dixon said that the rate of visitors to the Freedom Trail has been flat since 1980. While the Navy Yard is holding visitor interest, many are not making the additional journey to the Bunker Hill Monument. The New England Aquarium and Museum of Science, however, have been gaining visitors. Revitalizing the Freedom Trail is an attempt at reinteresting people in American history to compete with the technology of tourism.

"The Freedom Trail is a piece of Boston's economy and an institution in its own right," Dixon said," and Charlestown is its grand finale."

BNHP spokesperson Peter Steele said that Charlestown upgrades could include sidewalk medallions, public art, watershuttle connections, Bunker Hill Museum improvements, a USS Constitution show and a change from the trail's red painted line to inlaid brick.

Looney referred the project to the Committee of the Whole, which will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 18 at the Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. to review the recommendations for the Freedom Trail before May 15.

The Harvard-Kent Elementary School is one of two sites selected in Boston for City Year's national service project. According to Robert Lewis Jr. of City Year, some 500 people, organized through the national youth service organization, will build a playground for the school in a single June day.

City Year's Annual National Convention will take place through June 12 and 15. Last year the organization built playgrounds in Ohio through, what it describes as, a high-impact barn-raising tradition.

Looney referred the project to Precinct 2 council member Whelan who will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, April 11 at the Kent Community Center, 50 Bunker Hill St. to review the details.

Ivey St. John of the Austin Street Beautification Committee asked for the council's unanimous support via letter to the Boston Transportation Department for the group's ongoing work to improve the area near the Bunker Hill Mall.

St. John said the group recommends reducing the width of the roadway by 15 feet to increase the greening of Austin Street. Plans include designing a gateway to Charlestown from the Gilmore Bridge, brick-based wrought-iron fences, sidewalks closer to the streetside along the residential area of Austin Street and additional pedestrian access to the mall.

St. John said the council has supported the group in the past and that another \$500,000 decision is expected to be made in October for the committee's ongoing beautification plan.

The council voted to unanimously endorse a support letter to the city.

Bill Rawls presented his alternative to area land-water tours, suggesting putting a trolley car on the East Boston Knott's Island Ferry Boat for access to the Navy Yard's Dry Dock 5. The ferrying trolley would be for fun and actually cost less to maintain than Boston Duck and Gloucester Lark land-water vehicles, he said.

His idea has been considered by the ferry and trolley companies, Rawls said. The Boston Redevelopment Authority also heard the pitch. "They didn't say yes, but they didn't say no," Rawls said.

The proposal was referred to the Basic Services Committee.

Looney also referred a request for a cordial and entertainment license at Gabriele's, a Navy Yard eatery, to the Basic Services Committee.

Cunha registered the only opposing vote to the council's decision to send a letter to the Historic Landmarks Commission asking for a waiver on its two-year moratorium policy for improperly demolished 50-year-old and older buildings. The council also voted that the developer of the now-demolished 51 Park St. make a \$5,000 voluntary contribution to the enhancing of the Training Field on a recommendation by Conway.

Local developer Vahid Nickpour explained to the council that he did not know about the requirement to report to the Commission before the Inspectional Services Department can issue permits for renovations on possible historic buildings when he took down the building at 51 Park St. last month. Local architect for the project and council member Rusty Sergeant said that he doubted the building held historical significance.

The circa 1806 original residence underwent three different building additions and had been moved to create Park Street. "The windows were improper, and the building was without any particular architectural style," Sergeant said.

The Commission's 1995 ordinance calls for no building on a site for two years when a building older than 50 years old is destroyed without the proper permits.

"The negative is to the community," Sergeant said. "Other than slapping a developer on the wrists, (leaving the site) wouldn't be worthwhile."

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# Mite A Team Brings Home The Bronze



CHARLESTOWN YOUTH HOCKEY'S Mite A Team brought home a bronze medal after capturing third place in the Dollard des Ormeaux Tournament in Montreal, Canada. They played three games in which they defeated the Metcalfe Jets 8-2, the Kanata Blue Blazers 7-2 and the South End Capitals 3-2. Making Charlestown proud again are front row (l. to r.) Tony Resendes, Matt O'Con-

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#### Bunker Hill Post Monthly Meeting And Past Commanders Reception

The monthly meeting of Bunker Hill Post No. 26, The American Legion will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 21 at the Legion Hall, 23 Adams St., at the corner of Chest-

nut Street.

The meeting will be followed by a reception for all past commanders.

Prospective members are welcome. All Post members are invited to attend.

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# Bargains Galore At The Charlestown Lions Club Indoor Flea Market

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#### Support Needed For The Bunker Hill Day Parade

(continued from page 1) and they need the support of every resident, whether a lifelong "Townie" or a newer resident of the town.

Money must be raised in order to pay the fee or expenses for each band, drum corps, color guard or other unit that takes part in the parade. Musical units charge from \$800 to \$2,500 for their participation in the parade if they are from Massachusetts and the cost is much more for those units that are being brought in from distant states - none of them comes for free.

There are several ways that you, the resident, local business person or representative of a community organization can help:

· Send in a donation to the parade using the coupon on this page. Once again this year, the Monument will be featured in the Patriot so the community can see the results of the fund-raising efforts. Contributions of \$25 or more will be acknowledged under the Monument, but all donations are welcome.

 Obtain a booster sticker for \$1 or more donation. The boosters

will be available shortly from members of the Parade Committee.

. Buy a raffle ticket at \$1 per chance (\$10 per book) on a number of prizes to be drawn on June 17th.

Information on when and where the boosters and raffle tickets will be sold will be announced in upcoming editions of the Patriot.

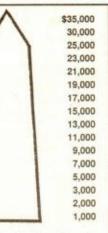
Organizations, businesses, clubs, elected officials and candidates for public office who are interested in sponsoring a band, drum corps or other unit for the parade, should contact the Parade General Chairman James W. Conway at 242-6187.

The Chief Marshal of this year's Bunker Hill Day Parade is Francis W. "Nipper" Harrigan, a World War II veteran of the U. S. Army. He resides on Bunker Hill Street.

The next Parade Committee meeting will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 20 at the Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion Hall, 23 Adams Street, at the corner of Chestnut.

All persons willing to help on planning and fund raising for the parade are welcome to attend.

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# Charlestown Boys & Girls Club News



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Essay Contest - The winners of the March Essay Contest are: K-2 - Nina Santana, runner-up - Jillian Goldberg; 3rd and 4th grades - Jessica Grace, runner-up - Vanessa Vilfranc; 5th and 6th grades - Manuel Aguilar, runner-up - Elisa Santos. Congratulations to all!

Tutoring Sleepover - The Girls Tutoring Sleepover is tomorrow night. All who are in the tutoring program are invited and should have turned in their permission slips by now. Bring a bathing suit, towel, sleeping bag/blanket and pillow.

Thank You, Chris And Friends - On April 3, a wonderful group of people came and spoke to our 6 to 9 year olds about the harmful effects of Angel Dust and Heroin.

Charlestown's own Chris Rizzo was among them and spoke of personal experiences which had a profound effect on the young members. Another program is being scheduled for 10 to 12 year old members.

Walking Tour - There will be a Walking Tour of Charlestown on Saturday, April 13 for the Photography Class. If you are interested, sign up with Christine.

Science Fair - The Science Fair will be held on Tuesday, April 30 at 4 p.m. Sign up and start working!

Chess Club - The Chess Club will host the Somerville Library team in a tournament on Friday, April 26. Charlestown players are Jack Doherty, Derek Garceau, Chris Connors, Andrew Southern, Zara Doyle and Xaymara Saez.

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## Marathon CNC Meeting Covers Myriad Of Issues

(continued from page 7)

The majority of council members said they did not believe that the community should have to live with an abandoned site for two years because of a developer's mistake.

"I feel hurt by the whole incident," Iacoi said, "but I guess I have no choice but to endorse a new plan." Whelan said that he felt forced to vote against the moratorium too. "I feel like I have no choice, that this is being shoved down my throat," he said.

McCabe said that the city should be held just as responsible for providing the permits without regard to historic requirements. "The Licensing Board should be communicating when issuing permits," he said. "It has more responsibility than to just take fees."

Cunha, in his single vote of opposition, said: "A law is law. We rarely send endorsement letters after a law is broken. The neighborhood shouldn't have to suffer, but going against the Commission that works in our best interest does not seem right."

The issue was referred to the Basic Services Committee for ongoing design review.

Public Safety Committee: Co-chairman John Dillon reported that there were 136 calls to the police in February. There were 34 arrests, 10 of which were drug-related. A total of 89 traffic citations were written.

Co-chairman Bill McCabe reported that a request was being made to remove the traffic light on Bunker Hill Street at the Doherty Playground and former St. Francis de Sales school. The issue will be looked at and discussed at the next committee meeting.

Looney said that CHarlestown Against Drugs would also like to be added to the agenda of the May 14 Public Safety Committee meeting to talk about the serious heroin problem in town.

Basic Services Committee: Chairman Bill Galvin reported that the committee voted to recommend endorsing the Duckworth Lane licensing request at 73 Main St. contingent on ongoing community input and a pre-9 a.m. trash pick up. The Executive Committee acted in accordance.

Galvin stated that the BFI trash transfer facility causing air-quality concerns in Charlestown will be moving closer to Lechmere Station. "This basically moves it away further from the Charlestown community," Galvin said.

According to BFI representatives, Galvin said that the relocation includes an education center on site and would be completely enclosed, releasing no odors and attracting no birds.

Galvin also reported that on March 12 the committee voted to support the Chow Thai Cafe in its request for a beer and wine license. The CNC Executive Committee added its approval.

Development Committee: Chairman Tom Cunha reported that the committee recommended that MJC Realty Trust redevelop the Muster House in the Navy Yard. The Hull Lifesaving Museum had not secured financing, and a third proposal did not include nonprofit space as the MJC plan did. The Executive Committee acted on the committee's Feb. 26 decision, and the BRA

has since then accepted the MJC bid.

Cunha reported that the committee recommended Boston Aging Concern's proposal to develop the old JJ McCarthy's building on Main Street into permanent housing for the formerly homeless. The Feb. 29 decision carried stipulations that potential tenants undergo C.O.R.I. record checks and that the community have ongoing input in any public safety issues that should arise. The Executive Committee supported the vote.

Cunha also reported that the state's Division of Capital Planning and Operations Commissioner Lark Palermo recently met with a CNC delegation on the decision-making process concerning the development of the City Square parcels. Palermo said she welcomed the continuing input of the Charlestown community, according to Cunha.

Arts and Cultural Committee: Chairman Don Haska reported that the committee needs local involvement in the Artery Arts design plan. He said that he had New Rutherford Avenue access concerns for the sole design presented and supported by the Mass. Cultural and Arts Commission.

Billboard Committee: Chairman Ken Stone reported on a Murray Communications proposal to place a billboard at 70 Cambridge St., near the B&M Railroad yard and Spice Street. Stone said he drafted a letter to the company citing that new billboards are forbidden under community zoning requirements. The council supported Stone's letter and approved sending a letter to city agencies asking for support of the no-billboard rule.

Environmental Committee: Chairperson Judy Brennan asked that her report be tabled until the May council meeting.

In other business, Whelan expressed concern that the city has been inconsistent in monitoring and enforcing its building permits. "They seem to put some people through hell and ignore others," Whelan said. Resident Dan Kovacevic suggested use of the confidential telephone number for the city building inspection office: 635-5300.

The council noted that rumors surrounding a possible Charlestown site for a new baseball stadium were being actively investigated.

Massport Community Liaison Dorothy Steele reported that a busy public meeting process was being put together for abutters to the Tobin Bridge as the repainting project nears. She also said that the Request for Proposals for the former Revere Sugar site were forthcoming, and that the Optimization Maritime Zoning updates under the Seaport plan were ready for finalization.

Dillon sought the council's support on organizing a meeting with the Boston Housing Authority to see its "blueprint for the future of the housing development." Dillon said he was concerned that the authority's integration efforts of several years ago may be keeping Charlestown families from access to housing in the neighborhood.

The next monthly meeting of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council will be held on Tuesday, May 7 at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 75 W. School St.

#### HAIL MARY

Pray 9 Hail Marys for 9 days. Ask for 3 wishes, 1 involving business and 2 impossible. On the 9th day, publish this article and your wishes will be answered, even though you may not believe it. K. W.

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#### R.I.F. Concert At The Library



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# Healthy Charlestown Coalition 15 Green Street • 241-3756

#### 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.

#### 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.

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.

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   All infants must wear a diaper.
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- INSTRUCTOR: Ed Hurley is a certified swim instructor who is trained in first aid and CPR.
- REGISTRATION: Call the Control Desk, Armed Services YMCA, at 617-241-8400, ext. 3020, for further information.

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# BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

- ♦ Spring Break, Spring Responsibility . . . This weekend many will be on their way to spring vacation destinations. Plans have been finalized, and after much saving and anticipation, the week is finally here. For some, it will be another annual rite of spring, but for many it will be a first "Away Alone" experience. Whatever the case, spring vacation always means spring responsibilities. This is a great experience. Enjoy yourself, have a great time, and come back home with great memories of fun times. Be safe and be happy!
- ◆ "T" Time ... Kudos to the MBTA on their recent community meeting held in Charlestown. For many, the T is a primary means of transportation, and to be able to voice concerns on a person-to-person basis is great. Even better was the quick follow-up letter and phone call by MBTA Community Affairs Manager David Flanagan. The MBTA has shown where the real priorities are.
- ♦ All Scholastic Honors... Congratulations to Matthew Chardavoyne of Boston Latin who was named to the Boston Globe All Scholastic Boys Swimming Team. Matt is also a three-time Dual County All Star. Also, congrats to Scott Collins of Charlestown High, who was named to the Boston Globe All Scholastic Basketball Team.

Hockey League All Stars saw Charlestown's Jamie Hutchins named to the Boston North City League Team.

Congratulations to a good Charlestown friend, Niko Dimitrakos of Matignon, who was named to the Boston Globe All Scholastic Hockey Team.

Named to the Boston City League Basketball All Stars

were Hugh Coleman, Anthony Walker and Scott Clark.

♦ Pro Line... Keith Tkachuk scored his 49th goal of the season as Winnipeg edged Calgary 4-3. This goal plus 47 assists gives him 96 points for the season, and with five games to go, he just might hit the 100-point mark!

Winnipeg is holding on to the last Western Division playoff spot with 75 points.

Florida begins the week tied with Washington for fifth place in the Eastern Conference. Both teams have 87 points.

College Board . . . Greg McNeil is a member of the Curry College Baseball Team, and Mark Saitta continues to have a decent career at Bunker Hill Community College. Both are looking forward to the upcoming Yawkey

- ◆ Charlestown High Lights... The Charlestown High Softball Team is off to a good start, and there are many familiar local names on the roster. Softball players, under the direction of Coach Mike Meagher, are: Samantha Salmons, Jennifer Zarrella, Rachel Britton, Sharon Wallace, Diane Ferreira, Kerri Singleton, Monique Matarazzo, Jennifer Rosher, Vanessa Jose, Erin Bussell, Christine Scadding, Jackie Nazario, Sujey Bernardino, Gina Mendez and Nicole Matson.
- ♦ Spring BNBL... Opening week for the Charlestown Spring BNBL aka Bob's Neighborhood Basketball League was a great success. Six teams have already played their "openers," and already a couple of strong contenders have emerged. More important, our Charlestown "new blood" basketball enthusiasts now have an extra opportu-

nity to polish up their basketball skills one or two nights a week, prior to the regular Summer City BNBL Season. The league is another combined effort between the Boston Police Athletic League (PAL), and my Andy Puopolo-Charlestown Pride program together bringing positive activities and opportunities for all our young people. My special thanks to our Boston Police Youth Officer Teddy Boyle, and to young Russell Grogett for their help in getting teams together, and their assistance in the operation of the league.

Standings: Neverminds - 2-0; Toga - 2-0; MacAttack - 1-1; Underdogs - 0-1; Bombers - 0-1; and Shenan Fans 0-2.

Top Ten Scorers: Russell Grogett 23.0; Dave Evers 22.5; Joe Tallent 18.0; John Shea 18.0; Greg LaValle 15.5; Jeff Fidler 14.5; Francis MacDougall 14.5; Rafael Viera 11.5; Cesar Calderon 8.0; and Ryan Evers 8.0.

- ◆ Fight Night . . . Steven Linnane is scheduled to fight at Northeastern tomorrow night, Friday, April 12 at 7 p.m. This boxing show will raise money for the university and is an annual event. Good luck to Steve as he continues his amateur career. Call the university for further information.
- ◆ Tidbits . . . Congratulations to Chachi for his recordsetting performance in the spring BNBL opener . . . Dom Tamburello, don't forget your shirt . . . Club kids are learning the words to "O Canada" . . . Timmy Warren, don't forget to send Coach Sheeran a postcard . . . Hugh Coleman is searching for a prom date . . . Joe Lawler's favorite TV show is "90210" . . . Less than 48 hours to go!

Smile!

#### TIARA To Meet On April 12

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a brief business meeting followed by a program on Friday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall, at Boston College.

The speaker will be Frank Faulkner, a professor at Holyoke Community College, and the publisher of Hungry Hill Magazine, a magazine that stems from an Irish neighborhood in Springfield. He is also the author of "The Irish Citizenship Handbook, published by Hungry Hill Press. Faulkner will speak on "Obtaining Irish Cit-

izenship."

TIARA is an organization of amateur, family and professional researchers who meet to exchange information about Irish family history.

There is no admission charge and the public is welcome.

## Learn 'Salty Skills' At The USS Constitution Museum During School Vacation Week

Create your own compass with just a foam cup, a paper clip and water on Sunday April 14; learn to tie a square knot on Wednesday, April 17; and design hand puppets of traditionally garbed sailors on Thursday, April 18. Acquire these "Salty Skills" and more at the USS Constitution Museum during April school vacation.

Young tars ages 8 and up will have fun learning the indispensable skills that sailors have been practicing since they first went to sea. And, after adding their personal touch to each of their efforts, kids can take their compasses, knotboards and "Jack Tar" puppets home with them.

"Salty Skills" is a joint presentation of the USS Constitution Museum and the National Park Service/ Charlestown Navy Yard. This hands-on program will be offered in the museum's Figgie Theatre. Young people 16 and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult during school vacation weeks and every weekend.

Among the experienced demonstrators will be James F. Keating, who is known as the marlinspike sailor of Marblehead, and who has presented his work to Queen Elizabeth II. Marlinspike seamanship is the art of fashioning rope and canvas for either fancy or functional uses. Keating does all his work by hand and employs the same tools used aboard ship in the 19th century.

The USS Constitution Museum is located in the historic Charlestown Navy Yard.

For more information, call 426-1812.

## 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 lea-

gue 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

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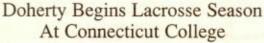
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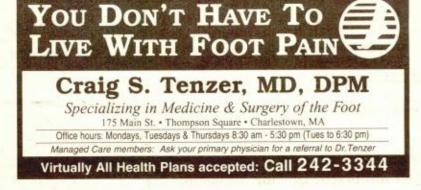


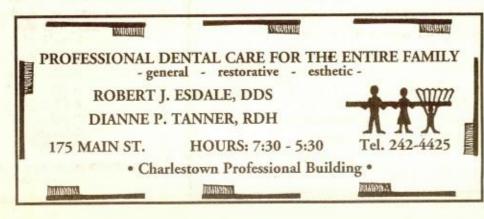
Siobhan Doherty, a junior attacker on the women's lacrosse team at Connecticut College in New London, Conn., recently began her third season for the Camels.

Doherty continues to play a decisive role in the Camel line-up. The Charlestown native has tallied six goals and one assist in the young 1996 season.

Under the direction of Head Coach Anne Parmenter, the Connecticut College Camels maintain a perfect early season record of 5-0. The team traveled to Hilton Head, S.C. to begin the season with wins over Allegheny and Bowdoin. Conn. then returned to its home field in New London to down Springfield and Middlebury. The Camels traveled to Wellesley to earn their most recent victory.

Doherty, a 1993 graduate of Concord-Carlisle, is an anthropology major with a minor in sociology. She is the daughter of Millicent and Hugh Doherty of Charlestown.





- ▲ In-House Softball League For Girls 8 to 12 The In-House Softball League season will begin on Saturday, April 13. For more information, call Father Coyne or Susan Essex at 242-1750.
- ▲ 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 at West Roxbury High School on Tuesday, April 16. A bus will leave St. Catherine's Church at 8:30 a.m. and return around 6 p.m. Lunch is included and 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 for a skating party at Roller World in Saugus on Wednesday, April 17 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. Tickets are now on sale at St. Catherine's Rectory.
- ▲ CHAMP Annual Vigil The annual vigil, sponsored by CHAMP (CHarlestown After Murder Program), will be held on Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. at St. Catherine's Church. The vigil is celebrated each year in memory of those members of our community whose lives have been lost in tragic ways. All families and friends who have experienced this pain are invited to join together to remember their deceased loved ones and to offer support to one another. The vigil consists of music, scripture readings, speakers and the reading of all the names of the deceased. All of our

residents are encouraged to be present to show support for one another. Following the vigil, all are invited to St. Catherine's Hall for refreshments.

- ▲ 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.
- ▲ Altar Servers Bike-A-Thon- In order to help our altar servers (and many other young people interested in our trip to Washington, D.C.) to raise funds for the trip, we will hold a 20-mile bike-a-thon along the Charles River on Saturday, May 11 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Each child will be asked to fill a sponsor sheet with family, friends and neighbors willing to support them by offering them, for example, 25¢ per mile, which would equal \$5 for 20 miles. Each child must have his/her own bike. There will be check points along the way. Altar servers will receive their sponsor sheet at the altar servers meeting on Tuesday, April 23.
- ▲ Christina Poole Community Sober Softball Tournament - The friends of Christina Poole are organizing a softball tournament in her memory during the weekend of May 18-19 at the Neck. It will be a double elimination tournament with 10-15 players per team. Each game will be five innings. The cost to enter is \$10 per player for ages

14 and up with co-ed teams. For more information, call Kathleen Murray at 241-5012, Lauren Hickey at 242-2618 or Erin Blaikie at 241-7345.

- ▲ Summer Trip To Washington, D.C. We are planning to take St. Catherine's altar servers and any other children, teenagers or families on a 5-day trip to Washington, D.C., Sunday through Thursday, July 7 to 11. Included will be a Red Sox vs. Orioles game at Camden Yards, two full days in D.C. touring the monuments, Air & Space Museum, F.B.I. Building, National Zoo, Arlington National Cemetery, Annapolis Naval Academy, and a full day at Six Flags Amusement Park in New Jersey. Also included are four nights lodging, four breakfasts, three dinners, plus motor coach throughout. The cost is \$329 per person, based on four to a room. A deposit of \$50 is now due at the rectory.
- ▲ Congratulations To Danny O'Brien St. Catherine's CYO congratulates D.J. O'Brien who was recently named a runner-up for the annual Bill Mullen Award. The award is presented to outstanding Catholic youth of the Archdiocese of Boston for their involvement in the church, their school and their community. CYO has been privileged to have Danny play CYO baseball and basketball during his high school years. He is a positive role model to his peers. He will graduate this year from Malden Catholic and continue to influence those he meets in healthy ways. He has a wonderful family who deserve our praise for their support of one another; his parents Sid and Joan O'Brien, sister Charlene and brother Dave.

# CHAD Junior Bowling League News

#### by John Dillon

In the first match of the day in the CHarlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) Junior Bowling League, the Red Store defeated the Charlestown Patriot 6-2. Top bowler for the Red Store was Jean Wall with 258. Runner-up was Brendan Grace with 173. Top bowler for the Patriot was John Harrington with 244.

The American Legion kept up the pace by defeating Jenny's 5-3. Top bowler for the American Legion was Craig Gaudette with 226 and Michelle Williams was runner-up with 158. Top bowler for Jenny's was Mike Shackford with 248 and Jessica Grace was runner-up with 176.

The Shamrocks defeated Diane Modica's team 6-Top bowler for the Shamrocks was Jimmy Kissane with 272. Runnerup was Danny Kissane with 188. Top bowler for Modica's team was Stephen Wall with 234. Runner-up was Alex Gaudette with 131.

There was a 4-4 split between the Kennedy Center and Cricket's team. Top bowler for the Kennedy Center was Shawn Burke with 199 and Brent Awbrey was runner-up with 130. Top bowler for Cricket's team was Matt Paley with

240 and runner-up was Padraic Locke with 196.

Bunker Hill Real Estate defeated McCarthy Brothers 6-2. Top bowler for BHRE was Chris Chiampa with 245 and Mark Dillon was runner-up with 208. Top bowler for the Mc-Carthy Brothers was Marianne Kissane with 218 and Sheilann Williams was runner-up with 203.

Bowlers of the week are: Jim Kissane 272, Jean Wall 258, Mike Shackford 248, Chris Chiampa 245, John Harrington 244, Matt Paley 240, Stephen Wall 234, Craig Gaudette 226, Mark Dillon 208 and Sheilann Williams 203.

Bowlers who tried the hardest are: Brent Awbrey 130, Joe Awbrey 162, Katy Locke 163, David Grace 163, Jessica Grace 176, Jared Silva 195 and Casey Durham 196.

We bowl every Saturday at 11:30 a.m. sharp. See you there.

Standings	W	L
American Legion	73	7
Red Store	54	26
B.H. Real Estate	47	33
Shamrocks	46	34
McCarthy Bros.	46	34
Kennedy Center	46	34
Cricket's	32	48
Diane Modica	30	50
Chas'n. Patriot	16	64
Jenny's	14	66

#### Scholarship Applications Available

#### OLD CHARLESTOWN SCHOOLBOYS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are 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.

#### MICHAEL P. QUINN SCHOLARSHIP

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.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square, by calling 242-5493, 242-5445 or by writing to Charlestown Post Office Box 216.

#### WINIFRED TALBOT DUFFY SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is given annually by the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls' Association through a contribution by James Duffy in memory of his wife. The \$500 award is presented to a young woman who has been a permanent resident of Charlestown for at least 10 years and who has completed her freshman year at a four-year college.

Applications are available at the Patriot office, One Thompson Square or by writing to the OCSGA Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 276, Charlestown, Mass. 02129.

The deadline for the submission of completed applications is May 6. The winner will be selected in a random drawing at the Schoolgirls' reunion on May 17.

#### PRAYER TO THE **BLESSED VIRGIN**

(never known to fail)
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Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands 3 times. Say this prayer 3 consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted for you. Grateful thanks.

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#### Thank You

Dear Gloria,

Please send our thanks to Kerrigan's Florist for the flowers they sent to the Senior Lounge. Our clients really enjoyed them.

Sincerely,

Bobbie DeCarlo Phyllis Bryant

#### Thank You

To Jim Conway and the Killilea Fund,

The seniors at the Golden Age Center sincerely thank you for your kind and considerate thought to purchase them a VCR in place of the one that was stolen.

It is through your generosity and the Killilea Fund of the American Legion Post 26 that the seniors will be able to enjoy the use of a VCR.

Thanks again, Beverly Gibbons, elderly service director Golden Age Service Center

#### Your Support Is Greatly Appreciated

I would like to thank the following for their financial support on behalf of Habitat for Humanity: Bunker Hill Council #62 Knights of Columbus, The Bunker Hill Associates, Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society, and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Phelan, executive vice president of Meredith & Grew Inc.

Through your kindness and commitment to the Christian mission of helping those in need, I was able to take part in a very worthwhile endeavor. Thank you again.

Gratefully,

Lisa M. Pierce

#### Thank You, Everyone!

Dear Friends, Neighbors and Family,

First off, I think congratulations are in order to Frankie Stillman on his mayoral victory. It was a good race and I had a great time "campaigning." I enjoyed every minute of it!

Secondly, many, many thanks to Dodie Boyle and Barbie Gillis for all of their time and hard work on my behalf, and the many others who supported me.

Last, but not least, I would be remiss if I didn't publicly thank my mother and father who supported me all the way, and did a lot of the leg work for me. I couldn't have done it without them. Thanks, Ma and Dad!

I'm looking forward to my trip to Ireland with "The Mayor" and know that it will be an unforgettable experience. Again, thank you all very much for your support.

Sincerely, Chris Rizzo

#### Thank You

The Christina Poole Fund Committee would like to thank Camp Bunker Hill, Woburn Printing, Mathew's Salad House, the Knights of Columbus, it's members at the bar, and the Charlestown Patriot for their generous donations.

Also we would like to thank Ann McCarron, Linda Donovan, Marian Ring, Peter Looney, all the family, friends and neighbors who came to the meat raffle. It was a great success.

A special note of thanks to Terry Ring for her caring and dedicated support. The lady was the backbone of this event, and so many other events in the town . . . thank you.

Congratulations to the raffle winners: Christin Poole, Eleanor Chisholm and Elena Lavale.

The money raised at this event will go toward erecting a living memorial park in Christina's name.

Thank you, Florence Poole and family

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#### Thank You, Mr. Voke (D-Charlestown)

To Charlestown Democrats and

Members of the Charlestown Community:

As the current chairman of the Ward Two Democratic Committee, I would be remiss in my duty if I did not comment and make the community aware of the outrageous actions of some people at the State House.

As you are probably aware, the Speaker of the House pled guilty to tax evasion, and because of this plea, the speakership was vacant, and was filled by another member of the House of Representatives.

Because the majority of the representatives are members of the democratic party, the speaker's job should be filled by a democrat. In the contest between Rep. Thomas Finneran and our own Rep. Richard Voke, Finneran broke with tradition and took on the leadership of the house. Outrageous deals have been made with the minority party republicans to give them the ability to power broke the speakership with their votes. This is a treacherous and despicable thing to do to the democratics and to our own Rep. Voke. This will split the party and make the republicans a power to be courted, a power that is not earned by the votes of the majority of the people of this state.

Our own representative could have done the same

outrageous move. But instead, he sees himself as the standard bearer for the working men and women of this community and the state democratic party.

Anyone who has met Mr. Voke can easily see his leadership quality and all the good things that he has done for the people of this town and the state. He shows that he is a true representative of the people of Charlestown, Boston and Massachusetts.

If you have been reading the daily newspapers lately, every time Mr. Voke is referred to, it always says "D-Charlestown." This means that he is one of our own, now that he lives here in Charlestown. He has always stood up for us on all the important issues that have affected this town!

My comment on this treachery is that Mr. Voke should be speaker of the house, because he has character, integrity and compassion to fairly represent the House of Representatives as its speaker. And let me close with this, "Rich, keep your head up, watch your back, and give them hell, because you are a leader of principle. Thank you Mr. Richard Voke (D-Charlestown)."

> Thomas S. Cunha, chairman Ward Two Democratic Committee

#### Thank You, One And All

A big thank you to the people of Charlestown who have stopped me to ask about my daughter Tish and my new beautiful granddaughter Elizabeth. Because of your prayers, rosarys and remembrances at Mass, miracles are happening.

There is a new song out and the name of the song is "Wonder." The words to the song reflect the things that are happening with my granddaughter.

On behalf of my daughter Tish, Carlos, myself, and most importantly, Elizabeth, thank you and God bless everyone. Sincerely,

Mary MacInnes

#### WONDER

Doctors have come from distant cities just to see me Stand over my bed, disbelieving what they're seeing. They say I must be one of the wonders of God's own creation And as far as they can see, they can offer no explanation. Newspapers ask intimate questions, want confessions They reach into my head to steal the glory of my story. They say I must be one of the wonders of God's own creation And as far as they can see, they can offer no explanation. I believe fate smiled and destiny laughed as she came to my cradle

"Know this child will be able" laughed as my body she lifted "Know this child will be gifted with love, with patience and with faith, she'll make her way."

People see me, I'm a challenge to your balance,

I'm over your heads, how I confound you and astound you to know I must be one of the wonders of God's own creation And as far as you can see, you can offer me no explanation. I believe fate smiled and destiny laughed as she came to my cradle

"Know this child will be able" laughed as she came to my mother

"Know this child will not suffer" laughed as my body she lifted

"Know this child will be gifted with love, patience and with faith, she'll make her way."

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# THE CHARLESTOWN POLICE LINE

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

#### Monday, April 1

At 2:50 a.m., officers arrested a white female resident in City Square for assault with intent to murder.

At 3:30 a.m., officers, along with members of the Boston Fire Department, responded to several dumpster fires and a car fire in the area of 25 Walford Way. The Arson Squad will investigate further.

A man reported that during the night, person(s) unknown ripped a piece of paneling from his house on Lyndeboro Street.

A woman reported that during the day, person(s) unknown broke into her car, which was parked on Union Street, and stole 10 dress shirts and a walkman radio.

A man reported that while his car was parked on Main Street, it was struck by another vehicle which resulted in damage to the front driver's side of his car.

#### Tuesday, April 2

A woman reported that person(s) unknown broke into her house while she was at work. It was not known if anything was taken.

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke into his car which was parked on First Avenue and stole his cellular phone.

The window of CVS in the Bunker Hill Mall was broken at approximately 8:45 p.m.

A man reported that person(s) unknown broke a window of his hallway on Washington Street.

#### Wednesday, April 3

At 11:45 a.m., officers arrested a black male in City Square for larceny of a mountain bike.

At 11:30 p.m., a man reported that he was robbed of his leather jacket at gunpoint by a white male in his late 20s. The robbery occurred on Dunstable Street. Area A detectives will investigate.

#### Thursday, April 4

163 Glen St.

A woman reported that while she was waiting for

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the bus at Bunker Hill and Vine streets, a black male in

his teens stole her handbag, got on an M.B.T.A. bus

and fled the area. Area A detectives will investigate

eral greeting cards from the CVS in the Bunker Hill Mall.

First Avenue, person(s) unknown broke into the car and

Old Ironsides Way to the track at the high school, an

unknown Spanish male in his late teens jumped her and

stole her wallet. Area A detectives will investigate further.

while it was at 201 Main St. and caused damage to the dri-

A woman reported that person(s) unknown hit her car

At 10 p.m., officers from the Boston Housing Police

Officers arrested a white male on O'Meara Court on

At 4:30 a.m., officers arrested two white males at

A man reported that while he was waiting for a bus on

Bunker Hill Street, he was chased by three white males,

one with a hockey stick, into the Bunker Hill Housing

Development. The Community Disorders Unit was noti-

Alford Street for operating under the influence.

asked to call Area A detectives at 343-4571.

At 10:30 p.m., officers arrested an Hispanic male on

At 4:45 a.m., a woman reported that she was walking her

two dogs when a white male, 6-feet tall, medium build, wear-

ing a baseball cap, punched the victim several times and then

fled down Union Street. Area A detectives are investigating.

Anyone with information regarding this vicious attack is

A man reported that sometime during the day, per-

Dunstable and Main streets for possession of cocaine.

arrested an Hispanic male on Tufts Street for operating

stole a gym bag.

ver's side door.

Friday, April 5

without a license.

Sunday, April 7

Monday, April 8

fied.

several outstanding warrants.

It was reported that a white female in her 20s stole sev-

A woman reported that while her car was parked on

A woman reported that while she was walking from

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

son(s) unknown stole a wedding ring and a gold rope chain from his locker.

At 2 p.m., a woman reported that a white male in his

At 2 p.m., a woman reported that a white male in his 50s, heavy set and operating an older-model maroon van, exposed himself to her and then drove off down Sullivan Street

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

#### Thursdays

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

#### Fridays

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

The confidential drug line number is: 343-4627 The confidential mailing address is:

Boston Police Department Area A-1 P.O. Box 5894 Boston, Mass. 02114

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

#### YMCA Presentation At The Charlestown Branch Library

Carl Burgess, fitness director at the Armed Forces YMCA in Charlestown, will be the guest speaker at the weekly adult discussion group meeting at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St., at 10 a.m. on Friday, April

He will talk about the facility which houses weight equipment, a pool and gymnasium.

The Armed Forces YMCA has memberships for adults and in addition, there are special programs available for families.

A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 242-1248.

#### Hall Of Fame Induction At Don Bosco

Don Bosco School of Technology will hold its 1996 Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Social in the school gym on Saturday, April 27.

Seven athletes, three coaches, two championship teams and an honorary member will be inducted. In addition, the numbers of two athletes will be retired.

New England Patriot Steve D'Orsi, class of 1980, will be the master of ceremonies for the inductions and will present the honorary member for induction.

Tom Cullity of Charlestown, a member of the class of 1975, will be inducted into the hall of fame for hockey.

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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 16 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The features will be "The Long and Short of Shadows," a tale in which Fingermouse and Flash take pictures of shadows . . . fears rule young Tommy's life in "My Brother is Afraid of Just

About Everything" . . . and "The Napping House" is the story of how a grandmother is joined in her sagging bed by a host of creatures.

A Scottish boy must decide what he

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Suggested good books to read are Shadow Magic by Seymour Simon and Peace at Last by Jill Murphy.

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## Pierce Participates In Habitat For Humanity Project

While most of her classmates at Providence College were sunning themselves and enjoying their spring break this year, Lisa M. Pierce participated in Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge in Chesapeake, Md.

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world.

Habitat builds and rehabilitates simple, decent houses with the help of the homeowner (partner) families and other volunteers. The houses are sold to partner families at no profit and financed with affordable, no-interest loans.

The homeowners' monthly mortgage payments go into a revolving Fund for Humanity that is used to build more houses. Habitat is currently building in more than 40 countries around the world.

Collegiate Challenge was started in 1990 as an alternative spring break program and has since become one of the largest school break work programs in the country.

Lisa, who will be graduating in May, is the President of Campus Ministries at Providence College. She is the daughter of Jack and Jackie Pierce of Braintree, and the granddaughter of Mary Geswell Pierce, formerly of Char-



LISA M. PIERCE

lestown, and the late Martin E. Pierce Sr.

## Free Health Fair At BHCC On April 16

A Health Fair will be conducted on Tuesday, April 16 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Bunker Hill Community College by members of the Class of 1996 in the Nurse Education Program. The fair is free and open to the public. It will be held in the main lobby on the second floor.

Attendees may visit various booths for health screening ranging from blood pressure testing to eye exams and weight. Information will be available on stress reduction, substance abuse, domestic violence, nutrition, exercise, CPR and other areas of interest. The BHCC student nurses will evaluate the

screenings and make recommendations for referral, if necessary.

According to Prof. Ruth M. Westwater R.N., the coordinator of the health fair, "The Health Fair allows the nursing students an opportunity to offer an educational service to the community and meet the objectives of the fourth semester curriculum."

The BHCC Nurse Education Program,, which is accredited by the National League of Nursing, is designed to prepare men and women to become registered nurses.

For more information on the fair, call 228-2302.

#### Allied Health Certificate Programs Offered At BHCC

The Allied Health Certificate Program of Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC) has scheduled Information Sessions for the following programs for September 1996:

Charlestown campus -Patient Care Assistant. English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) Patient Care Assistant, Medical Care Assistant, Phlebotomy Technician, Medical Lab Assistant and Health Careers Preparation; Chelsea campus - ESL Patient Care Assistant.

Information sessions will be held at the Charlestown campus in Room B-337 at 10 a.m. Fridays, April 12, 26, May 3, 10, 17, June 7 and 14. No ap-

#### Old Schoolgirls Reunion

The Old Charlestown Schoolgirls Association will hold its annual reunion on Friday, May 17 at Barrett's on Boston Harbour restaurant, Constitution Plaza. There will be a social hour from 7 to 8 p.m. with dinner at 8

Women who attended Charlestown schools up to and including 1950 are eligible for membership in the association. For a membership application, write to OCSA, P.O. Box 276, Charlestown, Mass. 02129, or pick one up at the Patriot office.

pointment is necessary. Candidates should plan to spend two hours at the session.

These entry-level health care programs prepare both native English and limited English speakers for a variety of positions in health care while also allowing them to achieve college credits toward health degree programs. All students are crosstrained as multi-skilled workers to meet the changing needs of hospitals and clinics. All successful completers achieve a BHCC Certificate. State Nurse Aide, CPR and Home Health Aide Training are included in some programs and optional in others.

Programs begin in September and will meet through May 1997. Classes are scheduled during the day, Monday through Friday, 8:25 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Requirements are a high school diploma or GED and attendance at one of the Information Sessions listed.

For information, call 228-2465.

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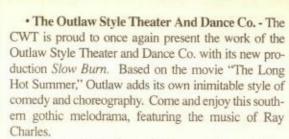
The day will begin with a Mass of

Thanksgiving at 11 a.m. and a collation will follow in the Bishop Lawton Hall from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

No gifts please, your presence and your prayers are a gift.

Please sign up with the ushers at Mass. The final count must be returned by Sunday, April 21.

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



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· Take advantage of purchase discounts. It is usually advantageous to pay a bill within the discount period, even if you have to borrow to do so. You should track the discounts in a separate account to give you a clear picture of how much cash you're saving.

Also, if a vendor doesn't offer early payment discounts, don't be afraid to ask up front for better payment terms.

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