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around the town

★ **Catch Basin Need Cleaning?** . . . The city's catch basin truck is in Charlestown this week. Any problem with catch basins should be directed to Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, at 635-3485.

★ **Neighborhood Council Meetings . . .**

Public Safety Committee Meeting
Co-chairmen John Dillon and Bill McCabe announce that the Public Safety Committee will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12 at the American

Legion Hall, 23 Adams St. Officer Bill Smith of the Boston Police Department is scheduled to be present.

Basic Services Committee On LNG Cargo Ships

The Basic Services Committee, chaired by Bill Galvin, will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 18 at the Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

The meeting will focus on the LNG cargo ships that have raised concerns as they enter and leave the Little Mystic and off-load their cargo at Cabot Co. in Everett.

Scheduled to be present are R. Gordon Shearer, president of the Cabot Co., and representatives from the Boston and Everett Fire Departments.

Monthly Meeting

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

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

★ **Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting . . .**

The Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee will meet at noon on Saturday, May 9 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

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Recipients Honored At Community Appreciation Awards Banquet



NAMES of the 1998 Community Appreciation Awards recipients have been inscribed on the plaque in the lobby of the Knights of Columbus Hall as a permanent record of those who have been honored for their work on behalf of the Charlestown community. Mayor Thomas M. Menino congratulated the recipients at the recent banquet. Shown front row (l. to r.) Dan Doherty, accepting the unsung hero award for his uncle Gerard Doherty; Anne Hyde, chairman of the Board of Trustees, accepting the award for Bunker Hill Community College, recipient of the business award; Mary Wilkins, recipient of the elderly award; Kathleen Taormina, who, along with her husband Vince, received the new resident award; and Michelle Gorman, who accepted the organization award on behalf of the Charlestown Community Centers. Standing (l. to r.) Mayor Menino, Vince Taormina, new resident award recipient; Jerry Steimel, who received the public servant award; Neal Boyle, youth award recipient; and Tom Desmond, chairman of the Charlestown Community Centers Board, who accepted the organization award with Gorman.



THE DIFFICULT TASK of selecting recipients for the annual Community Appreciation Awards go to a committee that spends countless hours reviewing the nominations and selecting representatives in the seven award categories. Mayor Thomas M. Menino was on hand to commend the work of the group. Shown front row (l. to r.) are members Mel Stillman, Ruthellen Chardavoyne, Kay Whelan, Judy Evers and Cathy Giordano. Standing (l. to r.) Marty O'Brien Sr., Chairman Peter Looney, Mayor Menino, Tom Cunha, Jim Mansfield and Moe Gillen. Missing from the photograph are Bill McCabe, Stephen Collins and Bill Galvin.

Names To Be Drawn On Saturday For 'Salute To Charlestown' Cruise On Old Ironsides

The names of 150 residents and their guests will be drawn from the several hundred who registered for the opportunity to board USS Constitution on Saturday, June 13 for a "Salute to Charlestown" cruise of the Boston Harbor.

The drawing by CDR. Christopher Melhuish, USN, commanding officer of USS Constitution, will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 9 in the ship's administrative offices at the rear of Building 5 in the National Historical

Park section of the Charlestown Navy Yard.

Residents are welcome to come down to the Navy Yard to be present for the drawing.

The names of the 150 winners will be listed in the May 14 issue of the Patriot.

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SERVICES FOR CHARLESTOWN RESIDENTS

Monday

• **2 to 5 p.m.** - Mayor's Office Hours with Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** - Nicotine Anonymous support group meeting, Armed Services YMCA, 150 Second Ave., Charlestown Navy Yard

Monday And Friday

• **9 to 11 a.m.** - Charlestown Ecumenical Food Pantry open, Memorial Hall, 14 Green St.

Tuesday

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

Thursday

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

Friday

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

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CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

this week at a glance

Friday, May 8

• **7 p.m.** - Old Charlestown School-girls Annual Reunion - Holiday Inn, 30 Washington St., Somerville

• **8 p.m.** - "Anything Goes" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Saturday, May 9

• **10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - Bunker Hill Antiques Market, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - Bunker Hill Community College Field

• **10 a.m.** - Drawing of names of residents registered for the *USS Constitution* Bunker Hill Celebration Cruise - Constitution Offices, rear of Building 5, Charlestown Navy Yard

• **10:30 a.m.** - Tennis "Free For All," sponsored by USA Tennis - at the back of the Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

Thursday, May 14

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

• **7:30 p.m.** - Lynda Meyer performing "Abigail Adams: Remember The Ladies," sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

Saturday, May 16

• **9 a.m. to 1 p.m.** - Charlestown Lions Club Annual Breakfast - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Library - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **10 a.m.** - Historic House & Garden Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society - beginning at the School House, 30 Monument Square (for information, call

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

• **3 p.m.** - "The King's Noyse" In Concert - St. John's Church, 27 Devens St.

• **8 p.m.** - "Anything Goes" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Sunday, May 10

Happy Mother's Day

• **2 p.m.** - "Anything Goes" - Charlestown Working Theater, 442 Bunker Hill St.

Monday, May 11

• **6:30 p.m.** - ESL Conversation Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Informational Meeting

and Applications for Charlestown Rose of Tralee Contest - Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Tuesday, May 12

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

• **2:30 p.m.** - City Councillor Paul Scapicchio Office Hours - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee meeting - American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

Wednesday, May 13

• **3 p.m.** - Court St. Jude #1123, C.D.A. Meeting - St. Francis de Sales Convent, 325 Bunker Hill St.

• **5:30 p.m.** - Friends of City Square Park Directors meeting - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

upcoming events

242-4235)

• **10 a.m.** - Navy Yard Neighborhood Association annual Spring Cleanup and Cookout - meet at Store 24

• **10:30 a.m.** - Tennis "Free For All," sponsored by USA Tennis - at the back of the Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

• **1:30 p.m.** - Children and Teen Dance Concert presented by the Jeannette Neil Dancers - Charlestown High School Auditorium, 240 Medford St.

Monday, May 18

• **6:30 p.m.** - ESL Conversation Group - Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Rutherford Avenue Corridor Study meeting - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown Neighbor-

hood Council Basic Services Committee meeting on LNG tankers on the Little Mystic - Bishop Lawton Hall, St. Francis de Sales Church, 313 Bunker Hill St.

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

Tuesday, May 19

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

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

Wednesday, May 20

• **noon to 1 p.m.** - Sen. Thomas Birmingham Office Hours, Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

• **7 p.m.** - Meeting on the Mystic Power Plant - Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St.

plan ahead

Friday, June 5

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

Friday, June 12

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

Saturday, June 13

• **10 a.m.** - Annual Bunker Hill Day Doll Carriage Parade - Training Field

Sunday, June 14

• **12:30 p.m.** - Annual Bunker Hill Day Parade - through Charlestown

Friday, July 31

• **8 a.m.** - Annual Bunker Hill Council No. 62, K. of C. Golf Tournament - Green Meadow Country Club

Thursday, Oct. 15

• **7 p.m.** - Annual Auction to benefit Camp Bunker Hill - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Oct. 17

• **7 p.m.** - 50th Reunion for Charlestown High Classes of 1947, 1948 and 1949 - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Friday, Oct. 23

• **7 p.m.** - Life Focus Center of Charlestown 20th Anniversary Banquet - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St.

Saturday, Nov. 27, 1999

• **7 p.m.** - Charlestown High School Classes of 1958 and 1959 Reunion - K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. (contact: Carol [Lynch] McCarthy, 978-658-9855)

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Charlestown Site Of USA Tennis Free For All

Charlestown will host one of the USA Tennis Free for All events through the month of May, as part of the first-ever nationwide USA Tennis Month. Festivities begin on May 9, which has been designated as USA Tennis Day by the U.S. Tennis Association (USTA). These 90-minute festivals will introduce the game's basic skills to kids and adults through a variety of tennis-related activities.

The Charlestown event gets underway at 10:30 a.m. on the next four Saturdays at the tennis courts behind the Charlestown Community Center, 255 Medford St.

Beginning and returning players of all ages can head to the Charlestown tennis courts and become a part of the local tennis program, which is under the auspices of CHARlestown Against Drugs (CHAD). The best local teaching professionals will provide playing tips

designed to get everyone on the court and having fun in record time... no pre-registration is required and it is all for free. Also, there will be an opportunity to sign up for the 1-2-3 summer tennis program at the Free for All.

USTA/New England is spearheading the USA Tennis events in cooperation with the Boston Tennis Council (BTC), the umbrella organization for eight community tennis associations in Boston.

These activities are the initial thrust of a five-year, \$50 million commitment to increase tennis participation in communities all across America. The USA Tennis Plan for Growth is the most ambitious initiative ever proposed to promote and develop the growth of tennis in the U.S.

Boston is one of over 165 markets nationwide receiving funding to stage USA Tennis Free for All

events. A national phone number has been set up to provide the public with more information - 1-800-884-USTA, which will direct people to their local hotline.

"We've had success in the past working with the USTA/New England to implement community-based programs," said Tom Desmond of Charlestown, president of the BTC. "With support from the mayor's office, the BTC and USTA/New England we are now looking forward to implementing the USA Tennis initiative, the most significant initiative in the history of Boston tennis."

For information on the Charlestown event, call the Charlestown Community Center at 635-5169.

Bock Set To Ride For Breast Cancer Research

Sandie Bock, physician's assistant at the MGH*Charlestown HealthCare Center, will take to the roadways on Saturday, May 16 as she and fellow members of the Moving Violations Motorcycle Club continue their commitment to raise funds for the Susan Komen Foundation for Breast Cancer Research.

The May 16th ride, the first of two, will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. at the Fresh Pond Mall in Cambridge and from there, the motorcyclists will head out for a 40-mile ride with the destination being Look-Out Farm in Natick.

For women who are uninsured or underinsured, there will be a mobile mammography van in the parking lot of the Fresh Pond Mall on the morning of May 16 and women are encouraged to take advantage of this life-saving service.

Bock is collecting donations to the Komen Foundation and the Mobile Diagnostic Services of Mass., both of which are tax deductible organizations. Donations, made out to either organization, should be mailed to Bock at the MGH*Charlestown Health Care Center, 73 High St., Charlestown, MA 02129.

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Residents Register For 'Salute To Charlestown'



CREW MEMBERS of USS Constitution stand guard over the several hundred registration forms that were filled out by Charlestown registered voters to allow them and one guest to board Constitution for the "Salute to Charlestown" cruise of Boston Harbor on June 13. On Saturday, May 9 at 10 a.m., 150 names will be drawn by CDR. Christopher Melhuish, USN, commanding officer of Constitution, in the ship's quarters in Building 5 in the Charlestown Navy Yard. Shown (l. to r.) Commander Ron Taylor, Bunker Hill Post 26, The American Legion; Constitution crew members Seaman Apprentice Kevin Kane and Seaman Apprentice Mark O'Brien; and Jim Conway, Constitution lottery coordinator.



IT WAS A TEAM EFFORT as volunteers checked off registered voters as they signed up for a chance to board "Old Ironsides" for a cruise of Boston Harbor, in conjunction with Bunker Hill Day activities. Shown seated (l. to r.) Gloria Conway, Edna Kelly and Gerry Sheehan. Standing (l. to r.) Jim Cushman, "Nipper" Harrigan, Elaine McCarthy and Leo Cullity.

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'Bring In 'Da Noise, Bring In 'Da Funk' Coming To The Shubert Theatre

"Bring In 'Da Noise, Bring In 'Da Funk," winner of four 1996 Tony Awards will begin a limited, four-week premiere engagement in Boston at The Shubert Theatre, May 19 through June 14.

This engagement promises to be a special homecoming for four of the company members who have strong ties to Boston. Derick K. Grant as 'da Beat, Thomas Silcott as 'da Voice and two understudies, Khalid Hill and Sean C. Fielder, all began the early years of their training in the Boston area.

Grant, a member of the world premiere company of Noise/Funk at the Public Theatre in New York, recreated Savion Glover's choreography for the first National tour. A native of Mattapan, Grant began his training at his Aunt Andrea Major's dance school, the Roxbury Center for the Performing Arts. By the age of 8, he had learned the hoofin' style of tapping

from Diane Walker. Grant furthered his training in L.A. under the tutelage of his uncle, Paul Kennedy, and his company, Universal Dance Designs. He spent three years dancing with the Jazz Tap Ensemble, during which time he traveled from Hong Kong to Los Angeles. He is the recipient of the Princess Grace Award for Upcoming Young Artist.

Silcott is a 1996 graduate of New York University's Tisch School for the Arts Graduate Acting program. He attended Salem State College for his undergraduate degree and Brookline High School. He is also the recipient of the Irene Ryan National Acting Scholarship, and the Black Achievers Hall of Fame, 1993 in Boston. Silcott has appeared in the regional production of *To Kill a Mockingbird* at the Alliance Theatre in Atlanta, as well as the New York productions of *The Broken Jug*, Lincoln Center, and *The Color of Justice*, New Victory Theatre.

"Bring In 'Da Noise, Bring In 'Da Funk" is the groundbreaking ensemble musical based on an idea by Savion Glover and George C. Wolfe. Conceived and directed by Wolfe, and choreographed by Glover, Noise/Funk utilizes the rhythms and energies of tap to celebrate the history of the beat by presenting text and songs which are comprised of Glover's tap; poetry by Reg E. Gaines; and music by Ann Duquesnay, Zane Mark and Daryl Waters.

"Bring In 'Da Noise, Bring In 'Da Funk" will open a limited four-week premiere engagement at The Shubert Theatre, 265 Tremont St., Boston, May 19 through June 14. Performances are: Tuesday through Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. Matinees: Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$20 to \$68.50 and are on sale now at The Shubert Theatre Box Office, 265 Tremont St., Boston. For group sales, call the box office at 350-6000.

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The Connolly Family

Rooney Children Win Contest Honoring Their Grandmother



THE ROONEY CHILDREN of Charlestown recently were winners of an essay contest honoring their dancing grandmother, Carol Scalli. The contest was held in conjunction with "A Salute to Grandparent's Day, held April 25 at the Blue Hill Avenue Boys & Girls Club in Dorchester. Peter Looney of Charlestown served as master of ceremonies. This event was held in cooperation with Boston Against Drugs and their teams, the Office of Community Partnerships and the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services. Shown front row (l. to r.) Gerard, Rachael, Hannah, Elizabeth and Rebecca Rooney. Back row (l. to r.) Peter Looney; Sarah Rooney; Marie Scapicchio, mother of Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio; Carol Scalli; Beth Rooney; and Judy Evers, regional coordinator, Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services.

Happy 11th Birthday

KASEY

on May 7th!

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



♣ **Happenings ...** The Old Charlestown School-girls' Association's 18th Annual Reunion will take place tomorrow night, **Friday, May 8th** at the Holiday Inn in Somerville ... The Old Charlestown School-boys' Association will host its 85th annual reunion on **Thursday, May 14th** at the Knights of Columbus Hall ... and The Artists' Exhibit in the Preble Room, Building 5, in the Charlestown Navy Yard, will be on display through **Saturday, May 16th**.

♣ **Swim Team Reunion Cancelled ...** The Swim Team Reunion in honor of Dinga Houlihan, scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, May 8th at the Knights of Columbus Hall, has been cancelled.

♣ **It's Birthday Time This Week ...** as Kasey Kelly Owens turns double popsicle sticks (11) on May 7th, a date also shared by Carolyn Whelan, who will be "Sweet 16" ... May 9th is the birthday of Andrew Whelan (9) and Danny Ring (older than 9) ... Kenny Guittarr will kick up his heels on May 10th, along with Jimmy Mansfield and Bobby Scalli ... Former Charlestown Rose Julie Treanor, Fran Maher and Ken Stone will celebrate their big day on May 13th ... Happy birthday wishes to all!

♣ **Happy Wedding Anniversary Wishes ...** to Mike and Donna Lane-Hickey who will celebrate their 13th wedding anniversary on May 11th ... Best wishes to you both!

♣ **Congratulations ...** to Tegan Leonard of Charlestown, a freshman at Syracuse University, who recorded six saves in the recent Syracuse-Cornell Lacrosse game. Leonard is a graduate of Buckingham Browne & Nichols in Cambridge.

♣ **Get Your Fresh Vegetables ...** Rudy Doenges announces that fresh vegetables will be available every Friday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall, 14 Green St. For just \$1, you can get a bag of potatoes, onions, carrots, squash and bread. Come on down ... It's a great program!

♣ **Reunion Time Again ...** Plans are being made for another combined 40th reunion of Charlestown High School classes of 1958 and 1959 ... The date has been set for Saturday, Nov. 27th, next year, at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. ... If you are interested or know of any graduates from those years, give Carol Lynch McCarthy a call at 978-658-9855 or e-mail her at gmccarthy@wordnet.att.net.

♣ **Boston's Biggest Outdoor Show ...** The Bunker Hill Antiques Market, that is, will be held on Saturday, May 9th, (rain or shine) on the grounds of Bunker Hill Community College. The show, proceeds of which will benefit the Charlestown Preservation Society, will feature more than 200 dealers. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the admission charge is \$6. Cut out the adv. from elsewhere in this paper for \$1 off.

♣ **The Annual Ducklings Day Parade ...** will take place on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10th at 1 p.m. Several thousand children are expected to march in this joyous springtime event. This Boston tradition celebrates Robert McCloskey's classic children's story "Make Way for Ducklings" and teaches children that Mr. and Mrs. Mallard's urban neighborhood is a wonderful place to raise a family. Children are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite character from the book. Registration on Ducklings Day begins at noon on Boston Common, across from the State House.

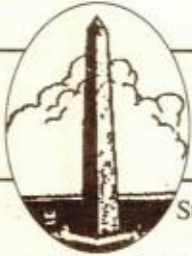
♣ **The Boston Parks And Recreation Department Park Rangers ...** invite everyone to the "Arboretum Spring Bloom" event on Sunday, May 10th ... Join them for a walk in Boston's own "tree museum" and expect to see dogwoods, azaleas, redbuds and lilacs among nature's colorful spring display at the Arnold Arboretum. Meet at the Hunnewell Administration Building at 1 p.m.

♣ **Cablevision Of Boston ...** will premiere its original documentary "Beyond Words - A Celebration of the Boston Public Library," to honor the library's sesquicentennial anniversary. It will be presented at 3 p.m. on Friday, May 15th, in the Rabb Lecture Hall at the main branch of the Boston Public Library in Copley Square.

♣ **Thought For All Time ...** A mother is a special blessing to cherish, either in person or in memory, one's whole life long. - Godfrey Poage

♣ **This Is A Very Special Sunday ...** and warm and loving wishes go out to all Moms, Nanas, Grandmas and all special ladies for a ...

♣ **Happy Mother's Day** ♣



★ Bunker Hill Day Parade Committee Meeting...

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Persons willing to assist with the planning and fund raising for the June 14, 1998 parade are welcome.

★ **Traffic Signal Adjustments** . . . On April 14, the Boston Transportation Department conducted a field investigation of the traffic signals at Essex and Main streets and at 325 Bunker Hill St. at the Doherty Playground.

Since that time, the signal system has been modified so that the pedestrian walk light is automatically activated every cycle between 7 to 10 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. This forces the signals to go into an all-red period until the total crossing time (walk and flashing don't walk) is serviced. The sequence is repeated automatically every cycle during the week day peak hours. At other times, the pedestrian push-button will need to be activated.

Residents with questions on the new adjustments should call Judy Evers, regional coordinator from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, at 635-3485.

★ **Community Office Hours** . . . Evers will hold office hours on Monday, May 11 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. She may also be reached at 635-3485.

★ **Swan Parade Coming** . . . The Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 10th annual Return of the Swans at the Boston Public Garden at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12.

Brought to the city from their winter quarters at the Saco Zoo in Saco, Maine, Castor, Pollux, Romeo and Juliet will once again make the Public Garden Lagoon their "vacation" home. The swans will be released following a parade which begins at the *Make Way for Ducklings* statue near the corner of Beacon and Charles streets at 11 a.m. For more information, call 635-4505.

★ **Councillor Scapicchio Office Hours** . . . District One Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio will hold office hours at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12. Constituents who are unable to attend the office hours may call Lesley at 635-3200.

★ **School Committee Meetings** . . . The Boston School Committee will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, May 13 and 20 in the Edward Winter Chamber, 26 Court

St., Boston.

★ **Rutherford Avenue Corridor Transportation Study** . . . The Boston Transportation Department (BTD) will host a public presentation of the revised design alternatives for Rutherford Avenue at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 18 at the K. of C. Hall, 75 West School St. All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

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

★ **Mystic Power Plant Meeting** . . . The Mystic Power Plant, located near Sullivan Square, has been named by MASSPIRG and The Clean Water Action Committee as one of the five dirtiest power plants in the state. These five plants are the largest single source of air pollution in the Commonwealth.

If the Mystic Power Plant was to be converted entirely to gas, rather than oil, it would be equivalent to removing 51,282 cars from the road. There are many cases of asthma and other respiratory ailments in this area and the pollution from this plant contributes to these serious health risks.

A meeting of concerned Charlestown residents will take place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20 at the Mary Colbert Apartments, 20 Devens St. to discuss the urgency of this serious health-related issue.

Citizens are urged to write or call Gov. Paul Cellucci at the State House to make him aware of the seriousness of these issues related to the power plant and how the pollution is impacting our neighborhood and our health. The people of South Boston worked hard and were successful in converting their polluting Edison plant from oil to gas and, with the cooperation of many residents, Charlestown should also be successful.

- Rosemary Kverek

★ **Board Of Appeal Hearings** . . . Petitions will be brought before the city of Boston Board of Appeal in Room 801 at Boston City Hall:

Tuesday, May 12 at 9:30 a.m.

• Christine R.A. Wolff is seeking permission to erect first- and second-floor additions to a two-family dwelling at 80 Elm St. (BZC-19553)

• Robert and Kristi St. Laurent are seeking permission to erect a two-story addition at the side of a one-family dwelling at 7 Bunker Hill Court; also enlarge an existing second-floor dormer. (BZC-19512)

Tuesday, May 19 at 11:30 a.m.

around the town

• Mary A. Harrington is seeking to allow the premises at 29-31 Bartlett St. to be used for the parking of one vehicle for the dwelling resident. (BZC-19549)

• Mary C. Sanderson is seeking permission to construct a 7'4" x 8' headhouse on the roof of a one-family dwelling at 28 Soley St. (BZC-19539)

Tuesday, May 26 at 9:30 a.m.

• Thomas Celata is seeking permission to install front and rear full dormers on a three-family dwelling at 106 High St.; construct a three-story rear stairway and a third-floor rear deck; and allow the first-floor apartment to extend living area into the basement space. (BZC-19567)

• Paul F. McDonough Jr. is seeking permission to erect a two-family dwelling at 64-66 Walker St. (BZC-19594)

• Angela Mahoney is seeking permission to erect a three-story infill addition to 22 Mt. Vernon St. at the inside corner of the rear ell. She also asks to install rear stairs and allow the first-floor apartment to extend into basement space. (BZC-19631)

For further information, call the board at 635-4775.

★ **Problem Solving Day Offers Tax Assistance** . . . Mass. taxpayers are invited to an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Problem Solving Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 16 at the IRS office, located in the JFK Federal Building in Government Center, Boston.

Although the May 16 Problem Solving Day is targeted to all taxpayers with long-

standing problems, special attention will be paid to small business owners. Free small business tax publications and a schedule of free IRS small business workshops will be available, along with educational videos.

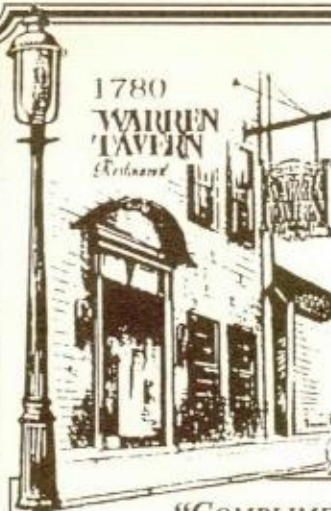
Taxpayers or their representatives can call a special telephone number, (617) 565-1550 to schedule an appointment for May 16. Taxpayers who can't attend can call the IRS toll-free line at 1-800-829-1040, Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

★ **Festival Of The Arts** . . . Mayor Thomas M. Menino will present the annual Boston Public School Festival of the Arts from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 16 at City Hall Plaza.

Nearly 1,000 Boston Public School students in grades K-12 are scheduled to participate on two stages as members of 36 dance groups, vocal and instrumental ensembles, and theater troupes perform selections of their ongoing work throughout the year. Among those scheduled to perform are the Shakespearean Players from the Warren Prescott Elementary School, directed by Tina Fabiano-Champagne and Patricia Simpson.

This event is free and open to the general public. For more information, contact Ralph Dart or Tom Formicola at 635-3245.

★ **FoodSource Hotline** . . . Are you having a hard time feeding your family? Call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline at 1-800-645-8333, Monday through Friday.



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Kevin Devine To Perform 'How Does Your Garden Grow?'

Quite contrary to the unpredictable weather in New England, spring will be in full bloom at a special rollicking and participatory "How Does Your Garden Grow?" children's concert with the master of musical antics and madcap shenanigans, Kevin Devine. It will be held at the Boston Public Library at Copley Square on Sunday, May 17, at 2 p.m. in the Rabb Lecture Hall.

Admission is free and the library is handicap accessible.

Devine will be joined by special guests saxophonist Cliff Tette and singer Ora Lee Wilson, and everyone is encouraged to wear a spring hat or sunglasses and join in the fun and songs about spring, gardens and sunshine!

For more information, call 536-5400, ext. 328.

Corporate Regatta At The Charlestown Navy Yard

The annual New England Funds American Cancer Society Corporate Regatta, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary, will be held at the Courageous Sailing Center on Pier 4 in the Charlestown Navy Yard on Thursday, June 18, from 6 to 11 p.m.

Competitive racing among amateur sailors from various Boston corporations, waterfront dining and dancing, spectator

sailboat rides, exciting raffle packages, silent auction and other activities with a nautical flair will add to the event.

Individual tickets are \$50 and include entrance to the event, food and beverages and entertainment. Boat sponsorship and promotional opportunities are also available.

For more information, call the American Cancer Society at 437-1900.

Pierce Honored With Two Prestigious Awards For Hockey

Boston Fire Commissioner Martin E. Pierce Jr., a Charlestown native and the long-time hockey coach of Matignon High School in Cambridge, was recently awarded two prestigious honors for coaching high school hockey.

On April 9, Pierce was inducted into the Mass. State Hockey Coaches Hall of Fame. On May 3, Pierce received the Coach John Mariucci Award, a national award, from the American Coaches Association.

Pierce has coached hockey at Matignon since the program began at the school 34 years ago. His coaching career actually began while he was a student at Boston College. He became involved with coaching a CYO team that led to becoming Matignon's head coach in 1964.

Pierce's firefighting career began in 1969. He rose through the ranks and has been Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department since 1991.

During his years at Matignon, his teams were Catholic League Champions 19 times. Matignon was also Eastern Mass. Champions in Division

One in 1975, 1977, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1993 and in Division Two in 1987 and 1988.

Pierce's teams were State Champions in Division One in 1975, 1977, 1980, 1981, 1984, 1993 and in Division Two in 1987 and 1988.

Matignon was also a state finalist in the years 1973, 1978 and 1979.

Pierce's teams have a combined record of 574 wins, 123 losses and 43 ties, a winning percentage of 87 percent. In tournament play they have amassed 86 wins and 24 losses. Between the Boston Garden and the FleetCenter, his teams have played there 56 times. Four of his players have had careers in the NHL or in Europe. Two are still playing in the NHL.

Pierce was honored four times as Coach of the Year by the Boston Globe and once by the Boston Herald.

At the Hall of Fame dinner, Pierce reflected on his years of coaching and his years as a firefighter. "The biggest difference is that in firefighting you always have inherent dangers."

High school hockey, he says, "is a personal sacrifice of a player giving up personal goals for the good of the team. I enjoy the competition and seeing the development of the student/athletes as they move on with their lives."

"The similarities are unselfishness, commitment, dedication and always the team concept in both professions."

Continued Pierce, "I am very fortunate to be involved with two professions that I truly love."

The Coach John Mariucci Award is named after the "Godfather of U.S. Hockey." Mariucci was coach of the University of Minnesota from 1952-1966 and coached the U.S. Olympic Silver Medal Hockey Team of 1956. He also enjoyed a pro career with the Chicago Blackhawks.

The American Hockey Coaches Association presents this national award "To the school coach who best exemplifies the spirit, dedication and enthusiasm of Coach Mariucci. This year's recipient is Coach Martin E. Pierce Jr."

Charlestown Branch Library Celebrates The BPL's Sesquicentennial With An Open House

The Charlestown Branch of the Boston Public Library (BPL), one of the BPL's 25 branch library locations throughout Boston, recently marked the BPL's Sesquicentennial Anniversary with an Open House celebration.

Local residents, business persons and elected officials attended the open house at the Charlestown Branch to help commemorate the BPL's 150th anniversary. The event provided an opportunity for library patrons to mingle and reflect on their personal experiences with the Charlestown Branch Library over the years.

Similar open houses were hosted at BPL branches across the city. Anniversary cakes, provided by Boston Edison, were baked by Montilio's Bakery, and delivered by UPS. In addition, various events were organized at each branch library location to mark the Sesquicentennial in a special way. The Charlestown Branch marked the 150th anniversary with a slide presentation by Erik Anderson.

"The library has done an amazing job of celebrating the sesquicentennial throughout the city. This open house and the events planned in our branch to mark the anniversary is our own special way of celebrating a very important aspect of the library system," stated Maureen Marx, Charlestown Branch librarian.

"Historically, the branch libraries have played a vital role in providing local residents the opportunity to access a wealth of information and cultural activities



IT WAS A GRAND BIRTHDAY PARTY as the Charlestown Branch of the Boston Public Library (BPL) joined with the main library at Copley Square and its 24 other branch libraries in marking the sesquicentennial anniversary of the BPL with an open house. Top row: At the left, Officer Mark Assad of the Boston Police Department, joins Maureen Marx, Charlestown branch librarian, in cutting the birthday cake . . . On the right are (l. to r.) Marilyn Hollinshead, member, Friends of the Library; Marx; Rosemary Kverek, member, Friends of the Library; and Carl Zellner, president, Friends of the Library. Bottom row: On the left is Casey Garr with her father, Bruce Garr . . . At the right are staff members of the local library. Shown (l. to r.) are Branch Librarian Maureen Marx, Children's Librarian Kimberly McCleary, and Library Assistants Catherine Davidson, and Jamie Lewis.

in the convenience of their own neighborhoods."

On April 3, 1848, the Boston City Council passed

a statute authorizing the establishment of a public library as a municipal institution supported by taxes

and, in doing so, founded the BPL and the public library movement in America.



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Roslindale And Charlestown Cooperative Bank Announce Plans To Merge

Dr. William J. O'Neill, chairman of the board of The Roslindale Cooperative Bank of Boston, and William D. McCarthy, president and chief executive officer of Charlestown Cooperative Bank, announced that the boards of both institutions have agreed to merge under the charter of The Roslindale Cooperative Bank of Boston. This brings together the assets of The Roslindale Cooperative Bank at \$108 million with the assets of the Charlestown Cooperative Bank at \$17.5 million to create a combined bank with assets over \$125 million.

The merged bank will operate under the name The Cooperative Bank, with its main office in Roslindale and branch offices in West Roxbury and Charlestown. McCarthy will become the president and

chief executive officer of The Co-operative Bank.

In announcing the merger, O'Neill stated, "We are pleased to join together with the Charlestown Co-operative Bank. This merger combines two strong and successful financial institutions with long records of service to their communities. Our shared resources and talents will enable The Cooperative Bank to provide a broad range of deposit and loan services to our current and prospective customers. We look forward to working with the Charlestown community in the same way as we have worked with the Roslindale, West Roxbury and surrounding communities for the past 100 years."

McCarthy added, "The board of directors, management and staff of Charlestown Cooperative Bank are

enthusiastic about becoming part of the newly merged bank. Our banks share the same community commitment and operating philosophies, with a focus on remaining in mutual form to best serve our customers, and this combination is a positive one for us all."

O'Neill and McCarthy added that the combined bank's new name, The Co-operative Bank, was selected after long consideration by both Boards. "We wanted to adopt a name that will reflect the strong heritage of each bank as well as carrying our new bank into the millennium. We look forward to introducing The Cooperative Bank, which combines the best of our past with a strong future, to our customers and communities."

The boards and executive managers of both

banks are enthusiastic about the merger and the expanded opportunities for continued in-market growth. There will be no reduction in staff as a result of this merger, as all employees will benefit from the expanded opportunities that result from the combined organization.

Peter Reilly, acting president of The Roslindale Co-operative Bank of Boston, expressed his pleasure at the expanded opportunities for the staffs of both banks, and the high quality of the resultant senior management team. Further, Reilly stated that the customers of each bank will have greater access to bank products and services as a result of the blended capacity of the organizations.

It is anticipated that the merger will be completed in late 1998.

Doherty Is Presented With A U.S. Savings Bond



SUFFOLK COUNTY SHERIFF Richard J. Rouse recently presented a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond to Patrick Doherty, a fourth-grade student at Charlestown Catholic Elementary School. Doherty was selected as a runner-up in Rouse's 16th annual Holiday Card Contest, open to all fourth- and fifth-grade students in Suffolk County. Since 1982, Rouse has sponsored this contest in which he uses the grand prize winning design on all his holiday cards. The 1997 theme was "A Safe Holiday." Shown (l. to r.) are Doherty's homeroom teacher Patricia Senior, Doherty, Rouse, Boston City Councillor Paul Scapicchio and Sister Maryellen O'Connell, principal of Charlestown Catholic.

Jeannette Neill Dance Studio Presents Children And Teen Dance Concert

The Jeannette Neill Dance Studio's Children's Program and the Jeanette Neill Dance Scholarship Teen Program will jointly present an afternoon of dance on Saturday, May 16 at 1:30 p.m., at the Charlestown High School Auditorium. This program is the culmination of a year-long dance curriculum of jazz, ballet, modern and tap.

The younger children in the program will demonstrate classroom exercises as well as a demonstration of dance movement performed at the ballet barre. Older children will perform short pieces of choreog-

raphy demonstrating skills they have learned throughout the year.

The teenage dancers of The Jeannette Neill Dance Scholarship Program will perform jazz and musical theatre choreography, including, "Quincy," a Boston premiere of choreography by Eva von Gencsy, founder and former artistic director of Les Ballets Jazz in Montreal. Works by Scholarship Program Artistic Directors Jim Viera and Jeannette Neill will also be presented.

The concert will begin at 2 p.m. at Charlestown High School Auditorium, 240 Medford St. The suggested donation is \$5.

TIARA To Meet On May 8

The Irish Ancestral Research Association, known as TIARA, will hold a business meeting followed by a program on Friday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 307, Higgins Hall at Boston College.

The topic for the evening is "Sources of Family History in the Coshe Mange Slieve Luchra Area of Cork and Kerry" and will feature Mary Foley

Taylor of Killorglin, County Kerry, who is the owner of a complete set of the "Casey Books." She will share her excitement and knowledge of its contents.

Her own family research began 26 years ago, adding to that initiated by her mother's first cousin, the late Bishop O'Sullivan of Kerry, who set up the Killamey Genealogical Centre. Taylor works at the

local history society in Killorglin and will begin computerizing local school records from 1914 in the next school year.

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.

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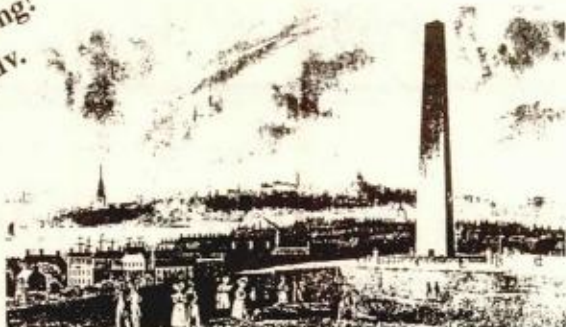
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Jillian & Monique*

*A Mother's Day
Remembrance*

Nana & Grammy

We love & miss you . . .

Jim, Gloria, Dorothy & Tim



TO MA . . .

*Our Mother Gave,
Our Mother Shared,
But most of all
Our Mother Cared.*

*Two years ago, we thought you were gone,
but you fought hard and still carried on.
Losing Tommy, it was the hardest thing,
but he sent down some joy to bring
three more grandchildren for you to love,
with thoughts of love, from up above.
Ma, you had more courage than anyone we knew,
fighting hard and always pulling through,
your fighting is over, it is time for peace,
your pain is gone, the battle has ceased.
It's LOVE, your constant everlasting gift of love,
that is part of all you do,
that lets us know how much it means to have a Mom like you.
It's LOVE. Your love that we have always counted on
and we want to let you know,
We are so glad you are our Mom, and we love you so.
Even though our hearts now feel empty and sad,
there is comfort to know you are with Tommy and Dad.
We miss you more than any words can say,
Goodbye - until we meet again some day.*

MA, WE LOVE YOU

From The Children of Frances Mansfield 01-13-1998

Happy Mother's Day

by Charlie McGonagle

There is no doubt in my mind that the most important, and the most sacred of all institutions devised by The Master of this Universe is the Institution of Motherhood. The responsibility He has placed in the hands of the women He has chosen to bring new life onto His earth is enormous, rather, it is more than enormous.

So that each of these special creations of The Master may cope with the responsibilities of this burden He has seen fit to hand them, He has blessed our mothers with the knowledge of a teacher, the healing powers of a doctor, the concern of a nurse, the wisdom of a lawyer, and a very special kind of love.

In His master plan, the Maker has created love, and to it He has attached an emotion without equal.

This particular emotion is felt with great intensity. It is so complex that poets throughout the ages have been attempting to define it. He has allowed that there be love of nature, a love of life, a love of our fellow man, but at the top of His list He has reserved a special love of a mother for her child.

He has found fit to combine the mother's feelings with the child's feelings to create a single network of emotions which acts as one upon the two. A child's pain reaches the mother's heart, a child's happiness brings bright lights to her eyes, a smile to her lips, and a joy to her heart.

She suffers in the child's setbacks, revels in its successes. She molds the boy into a man, the girl into a woman, and when the time comes, as it often must for the

child to leave, the mother's heart is able to stay with that child for as long as both of them share a piece of this earth.

A wise man it was, indeed, who established the tradition of Mother's Day, a fool it was who chose to celebrate it but once a year. Although we should salute you every day, we are sometimes remiss in our duty. Perhaps that man responsible for Mother's Day realized this and felt its annual celebration would serve as a reminder.

To all the mothers everywhere:

*"May all the flowers
of the day*

*Catch the breeze and
float your way.*

*May an 'I love you, Mom,'
be clearly heard
Above the sounds
of other words."*

Mother's Day Greetings

Happy Mother's Day!

NANA

We Love You . . .

*Jamie, Jeff, Ryan, Lindsay,
Derek, Kara, Neal,
Jacqueline, Craig, Brian &
our Moms & Dads, too!*

Happy Mother's Day

To The Greatest

Mother & Nana

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Love . . .

Paul, Brendan & Andrew



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Happy Mother's Day!

Thank you, "for always standing by our side!"

We love you . . .

Your two angels . . . Paul Jr. & Brian

*Happy
Mother's Day!*

from

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**GENE
O'FLAHERTY**

Happy Mother's Day!



PAUL & HIS MOTHER, MARIE

from

DISTRICT ONE

CITY COUNCILLOR

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The Rose Of Tralee . . . Help The Tradition Continue

What is the Rose of Tralee? The Rose of Tralee is the second largest festival in Europe, drawing contestants from all over the world. It is a way for a young woman to learn more about Irish culture, and this year, the Charlestown Rose Contest is proud to be a part of this historic tradition.

The Rose of Tralee Contest is unique in that it is not a beauty pageant that focuses on the superficial, but rather the way for intelligent women with poise and goals to gather in a celebration of their heritage.

The original rose was Mary O'Connor, and her story will tell you was a Rose exemplifies.

Mary O'Connor, a shoemaker's daughter, who lived in the aptly named Brogue Lane in Tralee, and William Pembroke (Willie) Mulchinock, the man who immortalized her, came in touch with each other when she was in the bloom of life.

Mary was in her late teens and working at the Mulchinock home in Ballyard as children's nurse. Maria Mulchinock was her employer at West Villa. She had worked as a dairy maid for the Mulchinock family at Cloghers House before going there at 17.

Willie Mulchinock was a frequent visitor to West Villa and became infatuated by the beauty of Mary O'Connor. He visited her at her home in Brogue Lane where she lived with her parents, two sisters, Bridget and Ellen and brother, Willie. The wealthy Mulchinocks disapproved of the friendship because of Mary's humble background but Willie asked Mary to marry him. She was deeply in love with him, too, but rejected his offer of marriage on the grounds that this would estrange him from his family and

friends.

Many months later he took Mary out one beautiful evening, just as the sun was setting on a blaze of glory beneath the sea, the young moon had just come above the mountain and all the valley was hushed. There for the first time he uttered the words that have now become world famous:

The pale moon was rising above the green mountain, the sun was declining beneath the blue sea; when I strayed with my love to the pure crystal fountain, that stands in the beautiful Vale of Tralee.

She was lovely and fair as the rose of the summer, yet 'twas not her beauty alone that won me. Oh no, 'twas the truth in her eyes ever dawning, that made me love Mary, the Rose of Tralee.

The cool shades of evening their mantle were spreading, and Mary all smiling was listening to me; the moon through the valley her pale rays was shedding, when I won the heart of the Rose of Tralee.

The following evening Daniel O'Connell, the famous Irish patriot, addressed a meeting in Denny Street, Tralee, and William Mulchinock led a contingent of supporters from all parts of Kerry. A man named Leggett the Nailer, who lived in The Mall, was also at the meeting and was involved in a scuffle with a rival group. He



was mortally wounded by a sword thrust and Willie was wrongfully accused of his murder.

The only course open to him was to flee the country and he headed at first for Slieve Mish, as the police expected he would, but then he quietly doubled back by way of Blennerville to the other side of the Bay, then

to Barrow Harbour and freedom.

Mulchinock, at length, made his way to India where he worked as a War Correspondent and 'midst the shot and shell, and blinding heat, Willie often found solace in remembering the happy days he spent wandering the little mountain roads around Tralee with Mary.

In the early spring of 1849 Willie Mulchinock, whose name had been cleared in connection with the killing of Leggett, returned to Tralee after six years in India. He called into The King's Arms to freshen up before calling on Mary's house. As he sipped a drink, the landlord of the inn closed the curtain as a funeral was passing by. Willie inquired who was dead and the landlord's reply were words that Willie would never forget: "Tis Mary O'Connor, sir, the Rose of Tralee."

Willie disappeared for many months but finally married, after much pressure from his friends, an old girlfriend, Miss Alicia Keogh

from Ballinasloe. Alicia was both shrewd and calculating and in direct contrast to Mary's gentle ways. In the autumn of 1849, both set sail for America where he felt he could forget the memory of Mary O'Connor.

In 1855 they finally parted. She and the two children of the marriage, Alice and Bernadette, remained in America and he returned to Ireland. By now, Willie was a broken man and he began to find a great deal of comfort in alcohol. He was often seen walking the fields around Ballyard singing and muttering to himself the words of his song and of another verse which he had since added:

In the fields of India 'mid war's dreadful thunder, her voice was a solace and comfort to me; but the chill hand of death has now rent us asunder - I'm lonely tonight for the Rose of Tralee.

In 1864, he moved to a lodging house in Ashe Street and on Oct. 13 of that year he died. He was then 44. His last wish was that he be buried alongside Mary's lonely grave in Clogherbrien. There they rest in peace.

'Tis a wonderful story and one that is given new life every year in the famous, Rose of Tralee contest and young Charlestown women between the ages of 18 and 25 are urged to enter and help the tradition continue. Three young ladies have signed up and the committee would welcome others.

There will be an opportunity to receive more information and an application between 7 and 8 p.m. on Monday, May 11 at the American Legion Hall, 23 Adams St.

If you would like more information, call Lesley Borden at 635-3200 or Marty O'Brien Sr. at 242-1939.

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Seven Receive Community Appreciation Awards

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For the eighth year, several hundred people gathered for an evening at the Knights of Columbus to pay tribute to a select group of extraordinary Charlestown residents, organizations and business people. The April 24 Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Night featured this year's seven recipients, nominated by fellow community members and recognized publicly by the

special committee of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council. Chairman Peter Looney welcomed the gathering, making particular mention of the young people of the town and their accomplishments in Little League, Hockey and Color Guard and praised the residents, businesses and organizations that continue to support the town's people.

Looney spoke of the dedication of this year's award banquet to the memory of the late John Curtin and he introduced a delegation from Charlestown Little League. "Through John's efforts, hundreds of children were able to take part and enjoy Charlestown Little League," stated Looney. "John Curtin understood that the key to our future is our young people . . . His name is synonymous with baseball,

children and Charlestown. He will be remembered with fondness and gratitude." Looney praised Sandy Griffin Caterers for her outstanding meal, praised the music of DJ Dennis Moore and introduced a group of young men—"dedicated to preserving the Irish heritage," the Pipes and Drums of Bunker Hill, who entertained with a selection of toe-tapping, hand-clap-

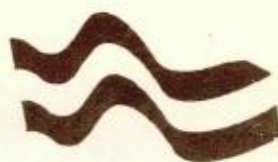
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ping favorites.

Before beginning the presentation ceremony, Looney spoke of the support of community efforts, such as those from Bunker Hill Council 62, Knights of Columbus and The Charlestown Patriot. The pastors of the three Catholic parishes in the town, Fathers James Canniff, James DiPerri and Daniel Mahoney, were on hand to offer their congratulations, and Mayor Thomas Menino was present to add his words of praise.

With great spirit and enthusiasm, committee members began their tributes to the seven award recipients and presented each with a pewter design of the Bunker Hill Monument mounted on an inscribed wood plaque, created by local artist Tom Gorsuch.

Receiving the 1998 Business Award was Bunker Hill Community College, which was presented by committee members Kathy Giordano and Tom Cunha. Giordano noted the college's celebration of its 25th anniversary. She said that "over this past quarter century, the college has used its resources, as well as the many talents of its employees, to work quietly behind the scenes with organizations, schools and individuals in Charlestown toward improving the quality of life in the community."

Giordano pointed out the outreach efforts by the college that have involved Charlestown High and the Edwards Middle schools, Friends of City Square Park, Healthy Charlestown Coalition, Austin Street Beautification Project, Charlestown Preservation Society and the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, to name a few. She also told of the "adoption" of Whelan Park in Thompson Square by college volunteers where bulbs have been planted.

Giordano expressed her pleasure in making the presentation to the college for its 25 years of "excellence in education" and "with hopeful anticipation that this 'sleeping giant' in our midst will continue to find ways of reaching out to the people of Charlestown - its home town."

Accepting the award on behalf of the college was Anne Hyde, chairman of the board of trustees, and Mon O'Shea, executive director, Corporate and Community Development.

Hyde stated that she was "honored to receive the award on behalf of the college" and hoped in the future, the institution "would be less of a sleeping giant and more of a participant." O'Shea extended the thanks and appreciation of BHCC President Mary Fifield as well as the students, faculty and staff.

Whether it be programs for children, teens or the elderly, the Charlestown Community Center is there and this year's Organization Award recognized the efforts of its staff and board. Judy Evers and Ruthellen Chardavoyne were the presenters.

It was noted that the center "has been a

beacon and a safe haven for people of all ages for 25 years." At the top of the list of programs, was the Golden Age Center, "a vital part of this community . . . with hundreds of seniors depending on the services of those who work in the center."

The Adult Education Program was cited as being "vital to many members of this community," providing help for adult learners and those motivated to return to their studies to obtain a GED. It was also noted that staff members are among the founders of the Charlestown Collaborative ESL Program.

Also noted was the outstanding pool and recreation staff that provide a wide-range of activities and outstanding programs. Other programs include Tiny Tots and The Teen Connection. The staff was praised for their hard work, enthusiasm and dedication.

Tom Desmond, chairman of the Community Center Council, and Michelle Gorman, long-time staff member, accepted the award on behalf of the center. They, in turn, introduced Executive Director Bob McGann. Desmond extended his praise to the staff for "the high level of service they provide to a diverse community."

Receiving the Public Service Award for going beyond the call of duty, was the director of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club, Jerry Steimel. Committee members Marty O'Brien and Peter Looney presented the award. Looney highlighted some of Steimel's involvement with the club and the community over the past decade.

Steimel took over as director of the club when programs and attendance were at an all-time low. He began instituting kid-oriented programs, adding new activities such as computer literacy, expanding the library, forming an education center and increasing the tutorial component. The club now focuses on educational as well as recreational activities - and even some of the most successful programs of the past are back in action. A real plus is Steimel's creation of The Teen Center and his guiding future space scientists as their leader in the Rocket Club.

Steimel has encouraged the members to become more active outside the club and he, himself has worked with other organizations, including the Kiwanis Club. Also, Looney stated, "Some seven years ago when Charlestown Against Drugs (CHAD) was founded, Steimel volunteered to co-chair the organization and, since then, the program has grown and developed. He is no longer an officer in CHAD, but there is now a strong CHAD team of interested, committed individuals - and this is due in large part to Steimel."

In making the presentation, Looney said that Steimel's "service to the youth of Charlestown goes far beyond his duties as director of the club."

Steimel told the gathering that he would like to share the award with the staff and volunteers "who give their time, energy and tal-

ent to the young people of Charlestown." He especially noted the work of the program director, John Killoran.

The New Resident Award went to Kathleen and Vince Taormina and was presented by Tom Cunha and Judy Evers.

The couple have lived in Charlestown only about three years, but during that time they "have contributed time, money and gifts to the many children of the Warren Prescott School."

They initiated a community based reading program which focused on one-to-one reading. Kathleen has spent "countless hours contacting local businesses and political leaders to get involved in this reading program and the response has been overwhelming." In addition, both of them read with the same child once a week and they have donated children's books to the library.

It was noted that the Taormina's helped build the playground at the Warren Prescott and even hung the wooden animals around the playground at night so as to surprise the children in the morning.

Other activities noted included hosting block parties so neighbors could meet and decorating their home for the holidays for the enjoyment of community residents.

Vince spoke for the couple in accepting the award. He said that being in Charlestown has been "fabulous," adding that "this is a wonderful place . . . it's the place to be."

Mary Wilkins received this year's "Elderly" Award from Mel Stillman and Kathy Giordano, who began her presentation by saying, "It is a given assumption that the recipient of the 1998 Elderly Award should not be eligible for this honor. Anyone who knows this year's winner can't imagine that she is old enough to be included in this category." She went on to say that "elderly is defined as those 55 years of age or older and this year's recipient - in all our hearts - just barely makes this distinction. So, for this year we'll call it the Outstanding Volunteer Award!"

Giordano took the audience back to 1973 when Wilkins started to teach CCD as a volunteer for St. Mary's Parish and how it would change the life of the parish and its parishioners. She was soon appointed coordinator of the CCD program and went on to teach the First Communion classes, which again led to her becoming the coordinator, a role she held over over 10 years. It was then onto the Confirmation classes.

In 1984, she took on the duties of secretary and worked in the rectory on Monument Square until her early retirement last fall. The donation of her time and talents went far above her duties as secretary and her involvement included Christmas bazaars, summer day camp, elderly retreats and the very special Bible School.

Holy Week brought the Passion Play, an original production written by her husband, Dick, and brought to fruition by Mary. This

thrilling performance is treasured in the hearts of many in the town.

Wilkins told of her reaction when Looney called to tell her she had been selected to receive the Elderly Award. She said that denial brought her to a mirror and, upon looking closely, she had to say, "I am elderly," and she graciously accepted the award.

The 1998 Youth Award went to Neal Boyle, who was recognized by committee members Moe Gillen and Jim Mansfield. Mansfield told of the involvement of this young man, a junior at Boston Latin School, where he has maintained honor roll or high honors every term. He has participated in chorus, clubs, the school newspaper, school literary magazine, community service projects, swim team member and was a founder of the school's Students Against Drunk Driving.

Boyle has been an active participant in St. Catherine's Parish, the Boys & Girls Club, Youth Voice Collaborative, WBZ's Kid Company, and has been a teen reporter for the Boston Globe, a writer for "Greenspeak" . . . to name just a few involvements.

Boyle expressed his thanks, noting there was "nothing left to say." However, he did introduce his family with pride.

The Unsung Hero Award went to Gerard Doherty, who was unable to attend the event, and his nephew, Dan Doherty, accepted the award from Looney and O'Brien on his behalf.

Looney outlined some of the involvements of Gerard Doherty, who served as campaign director for Sen. Robert Kennedy in Indiana in 1968, and in 1977, he held the same position in New York for Jimmy Carter. He was special U.S. delegate to the funeral of Pope John Paul I in 1977. Looney went on to say that Doherty "has done many things and traveled many places, but he has never forgotten the town he loves nor what he learned in Charlestown . . . take care of your own."

Looney spoke on a personal note of how, when he told his wife of Doherty's selection, she said he had helped her get her first job. That statement led him to think of how many people in the hall had been helped by Doherty, and he added that "we will never know how many lives he has touched . . . taking care of his own, being a good neighbor." Looney acknowledged the help Doherty has given in fund raising for Charlestown Catholic and credited him with the knack of getting people to do things to help and leave them thinking it was their idea.

He concluded by stating that "Gerard Doherty loves Charlestown and we want him to know that Charlestown loves Gerard Doherty."

A brass nameplate for each recipient has been added to the Charlestown Community Appreciation Award winners large plaque in the lobby of the K. of C., joining an impressive and extraordinary eight-year lineup of fellow winners.

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The paternal grandparents are Ernie and Betty Maylor of Winthrop.

Vanessa was welcomed home by her big sisters, Marina and Tiana.

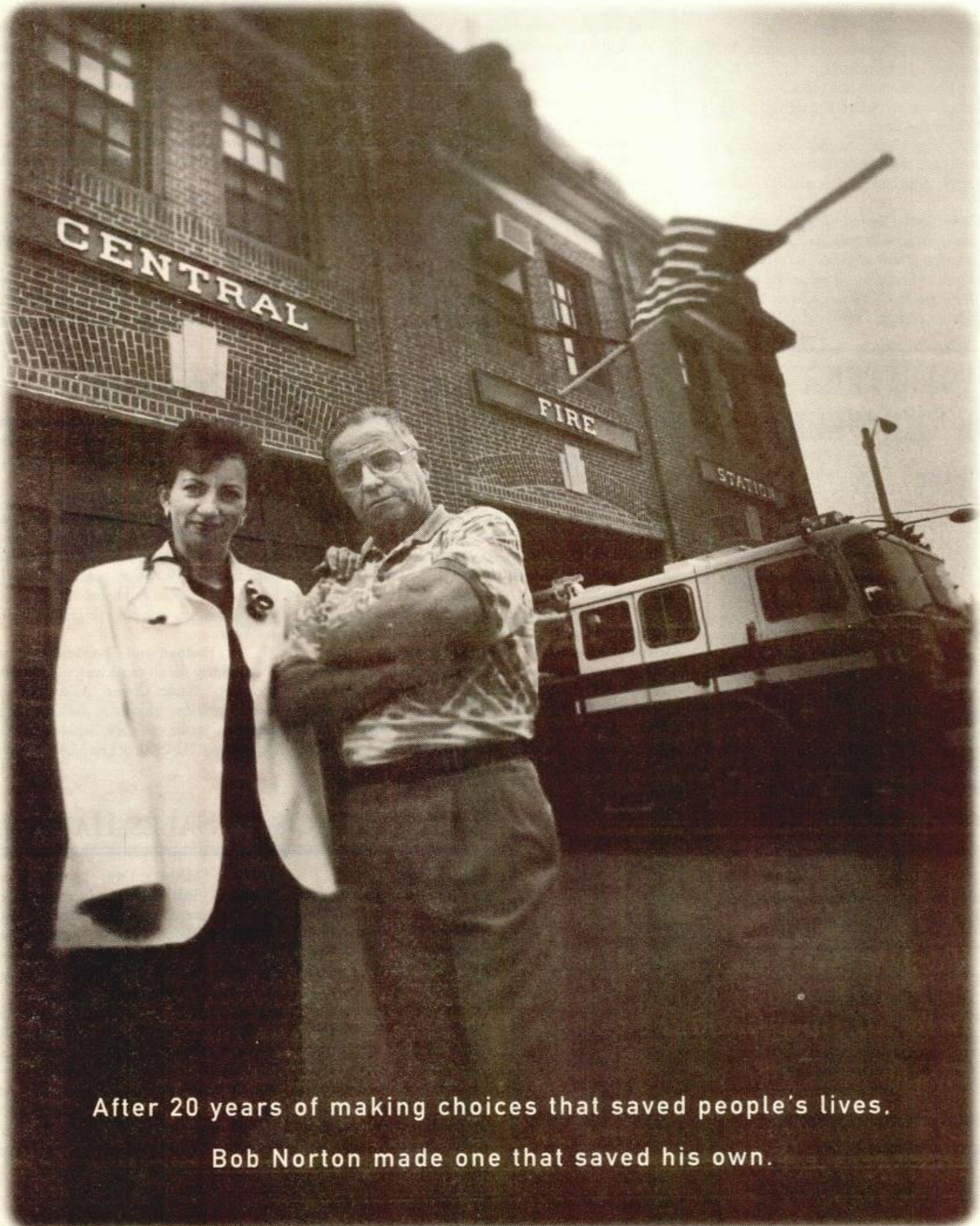
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CHARLESTOWN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB NEWS

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★ TEEN CENTER NEWS

Attention - All Charlestown Boys & Girls Club teen members! The new Teen Center is now located in the Green Street building! We have all the amenities - lounge, pool tables, large screen TV, etc.

Upcoming Trips - Stop by the Teen Center now to sign up for trips taking place in May and June. The schedule is: May 9 - Riverside; May 15 - Omni Theatre; May 22 - Mini Golf; May 23 - Roger Williams Zoo; May 29 - Joey & Maria's Wedding; June 6 - Whale Watch; and June 12 - Movies. See Sharon for sign-ups. Space is limited.

Spring Sports Leagues - Basketball - 17 & under; 14 & under; and Ball Hockey - 16 & under.

Teen Golf - See Derek for dates and times.

Sewing Classes - See Jenny Atkinson to sign up for sewing classes during May and June.

Bookmaking/Writing Class - Anyone interested in a bookmaking/writing class should talk to Jenny.

For information on these and all club activities, call the club at 242-1775.

Friendship Club News - During vacation week, there were a lot of activities going on including a trip to the bowling alley and the movies. There was also a 40-40 contest, a jump rope contest and swim relays. Congratulations to the winners of the 40-40 contest: Brian Callahan and Alex Gaudette; the jump rope contest: Good - Alex Gaudette and

From Jerry's Desk...



RENOVATIONS HAVE BEGUN!

Finally this week, work has begun on the renovation of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club. Dating back to 1980, the club realized it had a problem with its buildings and has struggled to find a solution that would serve our members well into the next century.

Our hope all along was to find a way to consolidate into one building and minimize the club's facility costs. In the end, this was not possible due to the opposition of a few neighbors.

We do feel, however, that our second option, the complete renovation of both buildings, is not a bad one and we are relieved that the work has finally begun and an end is in sight. While the renovation will temporarily displace some of our programs, we do know that the end product will be well worth the inconvenience. We will have a facility that is thoroughly modern, yet retains much of its history and charm and, most importantly, it will be much more inviting to the young people of Charlestown.

We appreciate the support we have received from the community and we hope you share our excitement in finally seeing the work underway!

Thank You

On another note, I would like to thank the Community Appreciation Award Committee of the Charlestown Neighborhood Council for the Public Servant Award which I received recently. People's comments have been very generous and I appreciate that. I am wise enough to know, however, that this award was in recognition of all the good things that happen at the Boys & Girls Club, which are the result of the efforts of many people. This award is therefore shared with everyone who works at the club and all the volunteers who make it such a special place for kids.

Golf Tournament

The club's annual Golf Tournament, scheduled for Friday, May 22, is rapidly filling up. If you would like to support the club and participate in the fun, please call Jerry Steimel at 242-1775.

Laura Flaherty; Medium - Nicole Callahan and Allison Christopher; First Time Jumpers - Janaia Boone and Eliza-

beth Morton. Swim relay: Madeline Bonilla, Laura Flaherty, Brian Callahan, Alex Gaudette and Courtney Ferreira.

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Once again, Charlestown Pop Warner is able to keep registration fees at an affordable level of \$50 per player or cheerleader, and \$10 per each additional family member. Compare Charlestown's fees to registration fees of \$100 in the South Boston and Dorchester programs, and registration fees in excess of \$200 in Natick and Weymouth.

Players and cheerleaders must have a parent or guardian present, a birth certificate and deposit at the registration. If a parent is not present, and if you do not have your birth certificate or a deposit, you will not be able to register. Also, any outstanding balances must be paid prior to registering your child for the 1998 football season.

The Board of Directors will be available throughout the day to answer any questions or concerns that you may have. See you all on Saturday, May 16!

Season Opener

An exciting year is on tap for the locals as they open the season in Braintree on Sunday, Sept. 13, and then battle the South Boston Fighting Irish in their season home opener on Saturday, Sept. 19. We are planning to play home games on Saturday afternoons and hopefully early Saturday evening, to avoid conflicts with other programs on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Football And Cheerleading Coaches

A meeting for all candidates will be announced in next week's Pop Warner Corner. All football and cheerleading coaches positions are open at this time. If anyone has any questions, please call Jack Schievink at 241-7767, John Tagliatela at 242-2997, or Lisa McGoff Collins at 242-3907.

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Holy Name Society

The Holy Name Society will meet this Sunday, May 10 in the rectory after the 9 a.m. Mass.

New Altar Servers

On Monday, May 11 at 3 p.m., all youngsters in the

parish interested in becoming altar servers should meet in the rectory. We extend a special invitation to all members of the First Holy Communion Class to become an altar server in St. Francis de Sales.

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The Film Program for Children will be presented at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St. on Tuesday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

"The Tortoise and the Hare" is Aesop's fable about an overconfident hare who loses a race to a "slow but sure" tortoise... After moving to a new neighborhood, Louie adjusts to leaving his old friends and making new ones in "The

Trip"... and the wind inspires two young sisters to daydream in "Windy Day."

"Winnie the Pooh and Tigger Too" is the tale of how Rabbit and Pooh plot revenge against Tigger only to have their plan backfire. It will be shown only at 3:30 p.m.

Suggested good books to read are **The Tortoise and the Hare** by Janet Stevens and **The Trip** by Ezra Jack Keats.



BOB D'S BEAT BY BOB DeCRISTOFORO

♣ **A Mid Spring Night's Dream** . . . Even John Harvard must have been proud. His mall was the perfect setting for the weekend performance of the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company's production of *Romeo and Juliet*. To rephrase a line of the Bard of Avon, it was truly a "Mid Spring Night's Dream." The smiles on everyone's faces, especially our kids, the stars, lit up the mall to a special brilliance.

Shakespeare, Charlestown kids! Unbelievable! Amazing! How else to describe this experience. Once again, high expectations have been set, and our kids rose to new heights. There is a plaque in the North End dedicated to Andy Puopolo and on it is the line - "Some people dream dreams and ask why - Others dream dreams and ask why not?" This is what the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company production of *Romeo and Juliet* is all about.

To Jerry Steimel, Steven Maler, Pat Simpson, Tina Champagne, Doug MacDonald, Derek Bevil and the cast - Steven Awbrey, David Bryson, Emily Bryson, Erin Burke, Jennifer DeMille, Lauren DeMille, Denise Devlin, Nicole Ed- dy, Caitlin Gallarelli, Meaghann Gallarelli, Bryan Leonard, Michele Marino, Danny McGoff, Meaghan McGoff, Shauna O'Neil, Steven O'Neil, Caitlin Rodriguez, Stephanie Saccardo, Pedro Santana, Chelsea Simpson and Erin Walsh - Thank you for dreaming dreams and asking why not!

♣ **A Columbus Memory** . . . Twenty years ago, junior first baseman/outfielder Jack Delaney of Charlestown, boasted a .520 batting average after a 7-for-10 week. He was

4 for 4 in a victory over Dom Savio and added three hits and three RBIs while pitching a 4-hit shutout over Don Bosco.

Many more such memories will be rediscovered tomorrow night, Friday, May 8, at the Christopher Columbus High School Grand Reunion, which will be held at Florian Hall in Dorchester.

Could this be the start of something new?

♣ **Bay State Games** . . . Hockey information - Athletes must be in the 9th, 10th or 11th grade as of the 97/98 academic year, and under 19 years of age as of June 1, 1998.

Tryouts for the Metro Boys Team will take place at Hockeytown, USA in Saugus on Sunday, May 31, from 11:50 a.m. to 3:10 p.m., under the direction of Coach Mark McHale.

Tryouts for the Metro Girls Team will take place at Hockeytown, USA in Saugus on Sunday, May 31, from 6:50 to 9 p.m., under the direction of Coach Lou Bello.

The try-out fee is \$35, and for those who qualify a finalist fee of \$90 is needed.

The application deadline is Friday, May 22.

♣ **Don't Forget Mom!** - Sunday, May 10 is Mother's Day. What more can be said? Everyday is Mother's Day, but on Sunday, we do it up in a special way! To all the great ladies, who have the most beautiful title, "MOM," especially mine, have a great day and we do love you! Happy Mother's Day!

♣ **Pro Line** - Over and Out! Detroit sent Keith Tkachuk and his Phoenix teammates to the golf course by defeating the Coyotes



SUMMER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER as seen here at "Camp Leonard." Shown (l. to r.) Pat Doe, Corey Hollien, Matt Monaco, Frank McPherson, Bart Rosher, Jon Castro and Mike Leonard.

5-2 to win the series four games to one.

And the stunner - Edmonton shocked Tommy Fitzgerald's Colorado team by defeating the Avalanche 4-0 at Colorado in game seven! Edmonton had trailed the series three games to one.

♣ **Last Call** - The final date for the 98 Hopeline Red Shirts summer jobs phone call is Saturday, May 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You must call and register. If you expect to be a CBO in the program, you must call this number! I know that many Charlestown kids have not called yet - come July, it will be too late - call 635-4673 now!

♣ **Roller Blade Tournament** . . . Registration for the fourth annual Mayor's Cup

Youth Roller Blade Hockey Tournament is now open. The series features three age divisions: 6-8, 9-11 and 12-14. Elimination rounds will take place on Saturday, May 16 at "The Neck" (Ryan Field). Preregistration is required. Call 635-4505, ext. 6209. Lisa McGoff Collins also has some information.

♣ **Tidbits** . . . Birthday best to Peggy Lynch - "Sweet 16" Plus, Plus?? . . . Another candidate, Linda Buhay! Vote May 13 CYHA Board (this message brought to you by the CHS cafeteria staff!) . . . Greg Staples, how do you do the wave? . . . Dave, shave! . . . Shiner, welcome to Charlestown . . . Hello to the crew - we're thinking of you.

Smile!

CHARLESTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

Major League Schedule

Thursday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. - Jenny's Pizza vs. Nick Pino's
Friday, May 8 - Rain Date
Saturday, May 9 at 10 a.m. - Cronin Club vs. Nick Pino's
Saturday, May 9 at 10 a.m. - Jenny's Pizza vs. McKeon Club
Saturday, May 9 at 12:30 p.m. - Boys & Girls Club vs. The 99
Saturday, May 9 at 12:30 p.m. - Century 21 vs. Teamsters
Monday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m. - Cronin Club vs. McKeon Club
Tuesday, May 12 at 5:30 p.m. - Jenny's Pizza vs. The 99
Wednesday, May 13 at 5:30 p.m. - Century 21 vs. Nick Pino's
Thursday, May 14 at 5:30 p.m. - Boys & Girls Club vs. Teamsters

Minor League Schedule

Thursday, May 7 at 5:30 p.m. - Albany Auto vs. Curtin Club
Saturday, May 9 at 9 a.m. - American Legion vs. Curtin Club
Saturday, May 9 at 11 a.m. - The Comets vs. Patriot
Saturday, May 9 at 1 p.m. - Albany Auto vs. Pa's Gang
Monday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m. - Albany Auto vs. Patriot
Tuesday, May 12 at 5:30 p.m. - Curtin Club vs. Pa's Gang
Thursday, May 14 at 5:30 p.m. - American Legion vs. The Comets

The Charlestown Little League Board of Directors would like to welcome two new sponsors to the minor league program - Mary's Angels and

Universal Screening.

There are still a few spots open on the minor league level. Sign up down at the field.

Just a reminder that all registration fees are due.

We now have eight minor, eight major and four senior league teams.

Currently, there is a heated race going on between the Boys & Girls Club and the 99 Restaurant. Both teams are 3-0.

Watch for the Little Leaguers who will be out and about selling boosters for \$2 each. All booster money must be turned in to your coach as soon as you sell them.

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Thank You All

Dear Gloria and the Charlestown Community Appreciation Awards Committee:

Your customary presence at and professional reporting, both journalistically and pictorially, of noteworthy local events is appreciated and applauded.

I would like to thank Chairman Peter Looney and the Charlestown Community Awards Committee for selecting me as one of the recipients for 1998. It is always rewarding to be recognized with a "hello," or a "how do you do?" but to be singled out for distinction is an awesome experience. My humble reaction would be to say, "Lord, I am not worthy!" The expedient expression is gratitude to you and Dotty Duffy for placing my name in nomination.

The awards banquet was truly an evening of joy, sororal fidelity, family union and friendship. The resounding accolades for Charlestown residents of stature was the heart of the evening. The community support is a reward in itself.

Sincerely,
Mary Wilkins

An Open Letter To All Those Involved In The Teen Shakespeare Project

Bravissimo! Thank you many times over to all those involved in the Teen Shakespeare Project for giving the community a veritable moveable feast last weekend: a feast for both the eyes and ears as the audience moved from scene to scene of Romeo and Juliet in the Harvard Mall. All the actors and actresses deserve high praise for their skills and believability, nailing their lines, their gestures and their emotions precisely. I admit my eyes misted during the balcony and tomb scenes, so touching were the lines and their delivery. The enthusiasm of all the players was much in evidence, (particularly in the sword fight scenes). Finally, we will not forget the lovely musical strains provided by the two violinists which added so much to the play's prelude and transitions.

Much credit for the production's success goes also to those behind the scenes. Scenery and costuming were just right and set the atmosphere of the play beautifully. The use of the mall and the moving of the audience from scene to scene was a stroke of genius and put us all into the action. The experience was probably reminiscent of the visits of traveling mummerys to country towns in Shakespeare's time with performances in the town square. (It is said that just such visits inspired Shakespeare to follow one such group to London and take up acting and, eventually, playwriting, to our inestimable benefit.)

Kudos to all those involved in the play's production who

brought us all this magical evening, especially Derek Bevil, the director, whose expertise was much in evidence; executive producers Steven Maler of the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company and Jerry Steimel of the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club whose support made the production possible; and producers, Pat Simpson, Doug MacDonald and Tina Champagne whose vision, leadership and hard work pulled it all together. Special congratulations and thanks are due also to all the behind-the-scenes workers whose labors, long hours and creativity underpinned the play's success.

Finally, it was wonderful to finally see Harvard Mall, the town's long dormant and hidden asset, brought to life. One hopes that this will be only the first and not the last time it is vivified by a community event. The spirit of John Harvard, whose home and grave once occupied the site, must have been smiling at its use for a Shakespeare play if the legend is true that his parents were introduced by the bard. (How else can be explained the union of a London butcher whose shop was near the Globe Theater and a Stratford-upon-Avon lass?)

In the words of Shakespeare, "Our revels now are ended. These our actors, as I foretold you, were all spirits, and are melted into air; We are such stuff as dreams are made on." What actors! What dreams! What an evening!

Sincerely,
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On behalf of General Neal and all Marines, I would like to express my appreciation in allowing me to participate in your annual scholarship dinner. I would also like to personally thank all the people of Charlestown who provided me with such a warm welcome and who made my first trip to the Boston area so memorable.

It is inspiring to witness such a close knit community paying tribute to its young men and women through this worthwhile benefit. The memory of Lt. Michael P. Quinn will live on forever through the lives of all those who have benefitted from your continued hard work and dedication. I include myself as one of that group.

Although I know that I can never be a real "Townie," I wear my hat with pride because it represents the best in America.

Thank you again for your great hospitality and your kind gift of the blue and white pitcher depicting a valuable part of Charlestown's heritage.

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Health Awareness Day, the MGH*Charlestown HealthCare Center-sponsored health fair, will be held on Thursday, May 28 at Johnnie's Foodmaster in the Bunker Hill Mall from 1 to 7 p.m. This year's theme is "Healthy Foods, Healthy Families and Healthy Lifestyles," and promises to bring lots of new information to Charlestown families.

The focus is to show people how healthy eating, which really starts in the grocery store, impacts so many areas of a family's health and well-being. Here are some of the activities and what participants will learn.

Cholesterol Screening: High cholesterol is a major risk factor for heart disease, so it is important that all adults get screened. A heart healthy diet is the first treatment for high cholesterol and involves choosing foods low in saturated fat and cholesterol.

Blood Pressure Screening: High blood pressure is another factor that increases heart disease and other health-related problems. Since a person may have high blood pressure and not know it, it is also an important but quick and easy test. New diet treatments to control blood pressure are being discovered and there will be information on these at Health Awareness Day!

Body Fat Analysis: The percentage of fat that an individual has in his or her body is a much better indicator of fitness than a person's body weight. A simple, painless procedure will test percentage of body fat and tips on how to improve your level will be available.

Much more information will be available on how a healthy lifestyle and healthy eating help families of all ages. Displays on cancer prevention, healthy pregnancy, child health, eating disorders, exercise and osteoporosis and how to put it all together will also be at the health fair.

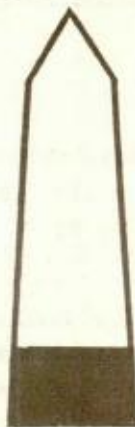
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Members of "The King's Noyse," under the direction of

David Douglas, include Robert Mealy, Margriet Hindemans, Scott Metcalfe, Emily Walhout, all playing various sizes of the violin consort, and Daniel O'Dette, playing the lute and cittern. They will be recording the pieces in this concert in the coming week for CD release early in 1999.

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From the desk of Capt. Ronald X. Conway,
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Sunday, April 26

A Charlestown man reported that between 8 a.m. on April 25 and 2:30 a.m. on this date, the tire of his auto had been slashed while it was parked on Bunker Hill Street.

Tuesday, April 28

A Charlestown man stated that between June 1997 and this

date, the front license plate of his auto had been stolen. The license plate number is Mass. 843 WYB.

Wednesday, April 29

At 7:55 a.m., an officer observed a fire in a dumpster at the rear of 177 Bunker Hill St. Engine 50 of the Boston Fire Department was called to extinguish the fire.

A Dorchester student stated that about 8:25 a.m. while she was walking up the back stairs of Charlestown High School, someone approached her from behind, put their hand over her eyes and around her neck, and snatched a gold-colored neck-

Young Adult Happenings

From The Desk Of Father McCarthy/St. Mary's

Thank You - Many thanks to the young adults who helped out serving the meal at the Long Island Shelter on Saturday night. Over 310 people were served. Beyond helping people who are in need, you send a very forceful message that young people do care. I cannot express my gratitude enough for all the good work you have done during this past year for the poor and needy at the shelter. May God be good to you all.

Young Adult Appreciation Day - On Sunday, May 17 from 2 to 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Rectory, an appreciation day for all the young adults in the community will be held. Please drop in, even for a short visit, and feel free to bring your children.

This day is for you, for all the support and encouragement that you have given during the past year, and I would like to express my gratitude to each and every one of you personally.

Board Meeting - The young adult board will meet on Wednesday, May 20 in St. Mary's Hall. Agendas will be mailed out to board members ahead of time.

Father Paul McCarthy,
241-9014

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Proposals are to be submitted to Harry R. Collings, secretary, BRA, Room 910, City Hall, Boston, MA by June 1, 1998 at 12:00 noon at which time and place all proposals will be brought to Room 900, and will be opened publicly.

Developer kits are available to be picked up at the main office of the BRA, Room 910, and by making out a check payable to the Boston Redevelopment Authority, in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). BRA staff will be available to assist.
Harry Collings, secretary

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lace. Her walkman was broken during the assault. As she turned around, she noted a male and female running down the stairs. At about 10:45 a.m., a female brought the necklace to an officer. She said she had gotten it from a male, but did not know his name.

At 2 p.m., a 24-year-old Charlestown man was arrested at City Square on an outstanding warrant from Suffolk Superior Court for assault with the intent to murder.

At 9:15 p.m., officers arrested a 15-year-old Charlestown youth on a Boston Juvenile Court CHINS (Child in Need of Service) warrant.

Thursday, April 30

An Andover man stated that between 7 and 9 a.m., someone attempted to break into his auto while it was parked in Sullivan Square.

At 10:15 p.m., a Jamaica Plain man reported that a U-Haul truck struck his motor vehicle causing damage to the driver's side and the mirror.

At 11:15 p.m., officers were called to Monument Square and Pleasant Street on the report of a breaking and entering of a motor vehicle. When the officers arrived, they found a 16-year-old Charlestown teen being held by a Park Ranger. A window of the auto, belonging to a South Boston man, had been broken and the suspect had been chased by two witnesses. The suspect's moped was towed back to Area A and was released to his father.

Friday, May 1

Police responded to Medford Street on the report of a man breaking into an auto. A woman stated that she looked out of her apartment window and saw an unknown man smash the driver's side window and set off the alarm. Nothing was reported taken.

At 9:30 a.m., a Charlestown woman reported that while walking in the parking lot of the Bunker Hill Mall, she was nearly struck by an auto being driven at a high rate of speed.

At 7 p.m., a Charlestown man reported that someone had gained entrance into his motor vehicle while it was parked unattended in the vicinity of 405 Main St. Taken were Yamaha speakers, a suitcase and a tool box, with a total value of \$750. The dashboard was also damaged in an attempt to remove his stereo.

An officer was in the vicinity of the John Harvard Mall during a performance of "Romeo and Juliet" when he saw a bottle rocket land in the center of the crowd that was watching the performance. The bottle rocket struck a 10-year-old Charlestown girl on the arm causing her arm to be red and swollen and giving her minor pain. Her father stated that he had seen three youngsters shoot the bottle rocket and run down Main Street. He gave the officers a description of the three and they were all spotted at Thompson Square. All three were stopped and one was found to have a disposable lighter in his hand and was pulling a bottle rocket out of his pants. The lighter was turned over to the officers as were three dozen bottle rockets from each of two of the youths and two dozen from the third. The three were returned to the event and were positively identified by the father of the girl and three men who had been narrowly missed by the rocket. The three youngsters were released to their parents, who were made aware of the incident. The fireworks and the lighter were held for evidence. They were charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Saturday, May 2

At 8:30 p.m., officers went to Alford Street on the report of a hit and run with property damage. A Groton woman stated that she was stopped at a red light on Route 99 northbound when her van was struck in the rear. The man who struck her car and refused to identify himself was later identified as a Malden resident.

At 10 p.m., a Mattapan man was arrested on First Avenue at Fifth Street on an outstanding warrant from the Dedham District Court from July 30, 1997.

Monday, May 4

A Charlestown man stated that while his auto was parked on Mt. Vernon Street between midnight and 8 a.m., someone broke the window of his auto, popped the trunk lock and stole two pair of rollerblades, valued at \$400, and two pair of rollerblade wrist guards, valued at \$400.

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The Board of Directors of the Charlestown Youth Hockey Association Inc., is pleased to announce the Bryan J. McGonagle Scholarship which is dedicated to the memory of Bryan J. McGonagle and is available to members and others who have been associated with Charlestown Youth Hockey. Applications, with more detailed information about eligibility and award criteria, are available at the Law Office of John L. Tobin, 142 Main St., Charlestown. The deadline for filing is May 15 at 5 p.m., with the award being presented at the end of May.

BUNKER HILL COUNCIL NO. 62 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship are now available at the **Patriot** office, One Thompson Square.

The applicant must be a high school senior who is a resident of Charlestown or the child of a paid-up member of the Bunker Hill Council. He or she must complete a scholarship application and enclose a copy of his or her high school transcript along with three letters of recommendation and copies of letters of acceptance.

Completed applications must be mailed or delivered to K. of C. Council 62 Scholarship Committee, 75 West School St., Charlestown, Mass. 02129 by May 29.

MATTY O'NEIL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now being accepted for the Matty O'Neil Scholarship which is awarded annually to a qualified Charlestown youth. The applicant must be a resident of Charlestown for 10 years, graduate with his or her high school class of 1998 and have applied and plan to attend college in the fall of 1998.

The scholarship is for \$2,000 and there is no gender restriction. The money is a one-time award to be used by the student to help defray any college expenses, including tuition, room and board or books.

Applications are available at the **Patriot** office, One Thompson Square or the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

If you have any questions, please call Sis O'Neil at 241-9282. Completed applications must be returned to the scholarship committee at 23 Cross St., Charlestown, Mass. 02129 by May 30.

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Did you know that Abigail Adams is the only woman to be both wife to one president and mother to another? But Abigail was far more than a quiet helper to famous men. Her keen mind and sharp-witted pen influenced the actions of key players in the American Revolution.

Meet this remarkable and witty woman at a performance of *Abigail Adams: Remember the Ladies* at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 14 at the Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main St.

This one-woman play is written and performed by Boston actress Linda Myer. Experience Abigail's journey from loyal subject of King George III to ardent revolutionary, from modest housewife to shrewd businesswoman, from farmer to First Lady. A passionate participant, Abigail Adams was the most politically astute woman of her time.

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Abigail's letters. Through them, we meet Adams, Washington, Jefferson, Hamilton, Franklin, King George and others. They reveal Abigail's strengths, passions, heartaches and

humor. *Abigail Adams: Remember the Ladies* transports us through one of America's most difficult, daunting and inspiring times.

This play is produced by

History-Making Productions, a non-profit touring theater company. This organization is funded in part by the Mass. Cultural Council, a state agency. Other support for this performance comes from The Friends of the Charlestown Library and is featured as part of the Charlestown Preservation Society's celebration of Preservation Week.

Actress/playwright Linda Myer is well-known for her captivating portrayal of Amelia Earhart. She has also performed in commercials, feature films, Boston-area theaters, and has toured nationally. She has published many articles, reviews and poems, and is the founder/director of History-Making Productions.

Abigail Adams: Remember the Ladies is her newest play. Myer sees theater as an ideal vehicle for bringing history to life for audiences of all ages.

Charlestown Preservation Society's House Tour Set For May 16

The highlight of Charlestown Preservation Week is the House and Garden Tour, sponsored by the Charlestown Preservation Society. This is the 26th anniversary of the tour which begins at The Schoolhouse on Monument Square, 30 Monument Square, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 16. The tour will present a variety of homes showing many styles of city living.

The Historic House and Garden Tour provides you with the opportunity to meander through historic Charlestown, Boston's earliest village and one of the oldest towns in the country. Once a Puritan community and home to some of this country's foremost leaders, Charlestown's brick and tree-lined sidewalks, winding gas-lit streets, hidden gardens and graveyards, some dating back to 1648, boast the largest collection of Federal and Greek Rev-

ival homes in the United States.

The House and Garden Tour takes you from the streets steeped in history into gracious homes to witness first-hand the recent renaissance of careful architectural and historical restoration. These homes are representative of the preservation of the city's Colonial and Revolutionary history, while retaining its place as a picturesque New England neighborhood in the midst of a major city.

Don't miss this day! Tickets for the tour are \$24 per person (\$10 for seniors), \$20 per person if purchased in advance.

Also, the 11th annual Charlestown Artists' Exhibit is being held in Building 5 in the Charlestown Navy Yard through May 16.

For more information, please call the Charlestown Preservation Society at 241-7500 or 242-4235.

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NEW TAX CHANGES AFFECT ALL BUSINESSES

Although most coverage of the *Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997* has focused on individuals, the new law also includes changes for businesses. Most are favorable, a few are unfavorable, and nearly all carry the cost of added complexity. Here are some of the more widely applicable changes:

- Long-term capital gains rates will drop for business sole proprietors and owners of pass-through entities, such as partnerships, S corporations and limited liability companies. For most taxpayers, the maximum rate is reduced from 28% to 20%. To qualify for the lower rates, capital assets must be held for more than 18 months rather than the former 12-month holding period.

The changes in rates and holding periods became effective on different dates during 1997, so each 1997 sale should be reviewed with a professional. The reductions are not available to regular "C" corporations.

- Under the old law, net operating losses could be carried back three years and forward fifteen. The new law generally changes these periods to two years back and twenty years forward.

- Beginning in 1998, the alternative minimum tax (AMT) is repealed for businesses averaging \$5 million or less in gross receipts. The AMT, a required parallel tax computation, often resulted in additional tax liability for companies taking large depreciation deductions or net operating losses to reduce their regular taxable income.

The 1997 Act is broad enough to affect nearly every business in one way or another. Retirement plans, estimated tax requirement, home office deductions, corporate reorganizations, and estate tax exclusions for family businesses are some of the other areas changed by the new law. Especially this year, an extended visit with your accountant could turn out to be one of your best business investments. Contact our office if you would like assistance.

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