T bone of contention

Residents say proposed Waterworks stop doesn’t fit to a T

By Ben Phillips

Boston College officials found themselves under fire last week as angry residents of surrounding neighborhoods voiced their opposition to a BC proposal that would create a temporary MBTA mass transit stop as part of a plan to expand Alumni Stadium.

About 40 residents from Brighton, Brookline and Chestnut Hill faced off against BC officials last Thursday afternoon in a parking lot behind the Chestnut Hill pumping station, yards away from where the college has proposed building a temporary Green Line T stop.

During the meeting, BC officials said they thought a game-day-only MBTA stop would protect neighborhoods from crowds of spectators and traffic problems, while most of the residents said the proposed stop was at best

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The T stops where?: A-B residents are not too keen about BC’s proposal to create a temporary MBTA mass transit stop behind the Chestnut Hill pumping station.

Buy, buy Cenacle

Retreat may get new owner

By Sean Donovan

An international company has recently expressed its interest in purchasing the former Cenacle Retreat Center on Oak Square. The Cambridge-based Education Foundation International Language Schools, which operates language schools worldwide, is considering buying the property and turning it into a center for foreign language study, company development director Sarah MacEachern confirmed Monday.

The company currently operates three such schools in the Boston area and is seeking to merge them together at the old center site, she said.

The EF International Language Schools asked for a Monday night meeting with LUCK, a neighborhood civic group, to discuss the center’s possible impact on the area.

Details of the meeting were unavailable at press time.

“The neighborhood doesn’t really know much about this,” said LUCK president Marion Aford. “I don’t know what they have in mind, but this is the first time we’ve

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Don’t miss

Journal mayoral forum tonight

The Allston-Brighton Journal will host a mayoral candidates’ forum, tonight, Thursday, June 24, at 8 p.m., at the V.F.W. Post 2022 in Oak Square. Reporters from the Journal and representatives from neighborhood civic groups will make up a panel questioning the candidates on local and city issues. The public is invited.

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GASP tries to smoke out Palace Spa

By Ben Phillips

The Grim Reaper—actually, an anti-smoking advocate dressed as Death personified—and other Brighten residents marched outside the Palace Spa on Cambridge Street in Brighton Center last week, protesting the store owner’s decision to participate in a Marlboro cigarette promotion.

Edward Sweda, a Boston lawyer and member of the Group Against Smoking Pollution, said Friday that Philip Morris—Marlboro’s parent company—was aiming to convince teenagers to smoke by offering them free gifts in return for purchasing cigarettes.

A Philip Morris representative was distributing the free gifts from a Marlboro van parked behind the store. The representative declined to comment.

Dressed in black robes and holding a cardboard scythe, Sweda said Philip Morris slashed its cigarette prices in order to lure younger people into taking up smoking. “They’re making it more affordable for children. Some of them die up the street here at St. Elizabeth’s,” he said, pointing toward the nearby hospital.

Sweda said Philip Morris had cut the price of the cigarettes by 40 cents a pack nationwide and 50 cents a pack in Massachusetts in order to compensate for a 25 cent “sin tax” added in January as a result of a referendum approved by voters last year.

But Philip-Morris spokeswoman Karen Duragan denied that the new promotion targeted teenagers. “We don’t want these kids to smoke,” she said.

Duragan said anyone wishing to receive gifts as part of the promotion has to sign an card attesting that they are 21, three years above the minimum age to purchase cigarettes under Massachusetts law. “We’ve developed programs along with retailers to make sure these laws are enforced,” she added.

Palace Spa owner Steve Gonsalves said the protests had affected business—positively. “As you can see, everyone’s busy,” he said Friday.

Gonsalves said the protesters had a First Amendment right to picket. “I said [to the protesters], ‘You get thirsty, come on in,’” he said.

“But everyone else has their rights too,” Gonsalves added. “We’re here to continue on page 9.
The Market Street Auto Parts Co. is not just notable for quality service or reasonable automotive part prices, owner John Maciel says. According to Maciel, it's also "the friendliest parts store in Allston and Brighton."

Friendliness and customer service are the cornerstones to Maciel's successful business, which opened its doors on June 8, 1991, and has kept moving upward since. "It's done nothing but climb since we opened," Maciel said. For Maciel, who placed an ad two years ago where he vowed that if a customer called the store and the employee didn't say "good morning" or "good afternoon," the customer would get a $5 rebate, this business attitude employees. "If someone came in and wanted a car battery installed, we'll install it for them. We try our best to serve customers," Maciel says, adding he feels other auto parts stores don't usually offer to do installations.

Market Street Auto has recently expanded and implemented a more efficient, computerized catalog system. But what really keeps the customers walking back through the doors is what Maciel calls "good attitude employees."

"It's business friendliness and customer service," Maciel said. "If you have a good attitude, how can you lose?"

June 8, 1991, and has kept moving upward since.

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Stay awake for Sleepless in Seattle

By Art Sindlinger

Nora Ephron, the screenwriter of that sweet-funny love story When Harry Met Sally, now brings us Sleepless in Seattle, another sweet-funny love story. The main differences between the two pictures are that Tom Hanks is more likable than Billy Crystal, and Bruno Kirby (thank God) does not appear in this time.

Having some fun at the expense of call-in radio shows, the title is also the name that Hank’s character, widower Sam Baldwin, is dubbed by love advisor/talk show host “Dr. Marcia,” who favors alliterative nomenclature. Hanks becomes an unwilling, very eligible bachelor, thanks to his son, played by a young actor who looks more than a little like Nicholas from “Eight is Enough.” Worried about his lonely dad, little Jonah Baldwin calls Dr. Marcia, who convinces the elder Baldwin to say a little something about himself on air, thus setting the hearts of female listeners across the country a-flutter. Well, Annie (Meg Ryan), the one leading lady of Hollywood who can look drop-dead beautiful in gray sweats, hears this radio romance in her car while (Bored in?) Baltimore and the plot is set in motion.

If this were the sole story of the film, the effort would be a little thin, but Ephron fills it out with touching looks at relationships of all kinds. There is Hanks and his surprisingly mature eight year old son supporting each other in the absence of the deceased wife/mother Maggie Baldwin; Ryan and best friend Rosie O’Donnell (much less grating than her gig as comedy hostess) philosophizing about love in the ’80s; Hanks and Rob Reiner (in a cameo appearance, uniting him with Ephron, whose script he directed in Harry Met Sally) trying to figure the current dating scene after a prolonged absence; and Jonah Baldwin and his young amour, played by cute-as-a-button Gary Hoffman, showing intuitive wisdom that the adults lack, pulling the whole fairy tale together.

Sleepless in Seattle balances laughs and storybook romance, classic New York City skyline footage and what should (you heard it here first) prove to be the smoothest dinner-in-and-a-video-on-the-couch soundtrack of the summer — all resulting in one dandy of a movie for both first dates and nights out for the silver anniversary set. Sure, it’s real close to When Harry Met Sally, but both movies are so good, who cares?

Coupla phonies?: Not really. It’s just that Tom Hanks, who plays Sam, and Rose Malling, who plays Sam’s son Jonah, just happen to get mixed up with a radio call-in show’s host — who just happens to be a psychologist. And, if you’re still with us, it leads to a budding romance with Annie (Meg Ryan) who just happens to hear Sam on the air with the radio shrink. It all adds up to Sleepless in Seattle.
Legend has it that Rip Van Winkle took a nap on a hill and woke up, much to his surprise, 20 years later in a startlingly different world.

Music

David Crosby, of Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young fame, seems oblivious to the fact that he is now living in the 1990s, not the 1970s. Listening to his most recent release, Thousand Roads, is like stepping into a time-machine stuck on 1975, when songs like "Wildfire" and "A Horse with No Name" were all over the FM dial. Nine of the 10 songs on this disc would fit perfectly on your "Mellow Gold" compilation.

To be fair to Crosby,

those nine cuts were written, either in part or completely, by guest songwriters, including Phil Collins, Joni Mitchell and Marc Cohn (Walking in Memphis). The title track belongs to Crosby alone and is by far the best part of the album. It is the one oasis of musical life amidst the sleepy guitars and sappy lyrics that invade every other track. Crosby's voice is fantastic, but without decent material or music, the resulting effort is generic, mellow mush.

Making beautiful music?: David Crosby's voice still drips with passion, but on his latest album he gets little in the way of material to back it up

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Just plain folk: Robbie O'Connell's Never Learned to Dance will not appear anytime soon in the folk music hall of fame.
OPINION

I was just pondering...

Hey, it's no big deal, but...

Can someone explain to me why the Air Force bounced Maj. General Harold Campbell for allegedly calling President Clinton a draft dodger and womanizer? After all the prez's cabinet nominee statements and his recent Supreme Court nominee screw up, those would seem to be Clinton's good qualities.

And can someone tell me if Globie columnist Mike Barnicle and Harvard law prof Alan Dershowitz are still meeting in the Out of Town newspaper in Harvard Square for chats of the politically incorrect kind? And which of the two is submissive?

I hear Ted Kennedy didn't feel well and stayed in the other day and five Donuts went out of business.

And speaking of out of business, is BU proxy John Silber still multing a gubernatorial run? It's been a razing year for Silber, who's only sure gig for the future would appear to be pal, Sen. prez Billy Bulger's St. Patrick's Day brunch, next still meeting at the

qualities.

Mike Barnicle and Harvard law prof Alan Dershowitz are

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LETTERS

Prez Pines for homeless

Clinton sends kudos to Pine St. Inn for helping homeless

Allston needs more pots, say residents

To the editor:

About a month ago, Jean Woods, proprietor of L'ange's Beauty Salon, had a vision.

Not of creating world peace or discovering a cure for AIDS, but a simple vision of flowers, encased in wooden barrels, lining the sidewalks of Harvard Street and Brighton Commonwealth Avenues. "There's no reason this area can't look like Coolidge Corner," says the lifelong Allston-Brighton native. "All we need to do is care." Caring is exactly what Woods hoped to accomplish by organizing area businesses and state agencies and state offices to bring 37 flower pots to grace the streets in front of her shop and others along Harvard Avenue. With the help of Kells owner Jerry Quinn, Woods obtained the necessary permits from the Public Improvement Commission of the Public Works Department so that 37 Allston businesses could "adopt" one or more of the flower barrels.

Gay's Flowers gave the flowers at cost, Grossman's Bargain Outlet discounted the price of the barrels, the Massachusetts Turnpike provided the in and Leonard Wasserman of the W Group pitched in with metal

the other night after having a nightmare that she'd married an old, fat, above-minded not. The good news is that she didn't cause the sensor to drop any of his Pills on the silk bed sheets.

If Ted Kennedy were related to the Sibleybers, "Punch," the NY Times chairman, and "Pinch," the NY Times publisher, he'd be called, "French."

There's nothing better on a warm summer eve than to go into Harvard Sq. and not be able to cross a street for half an hour.

Even the pigeons are afraid to walk around Central Park now.

The mayor's race in Boston is so dull thus far that if comic/impresario Steve Sweeney, he of Kevin White impression fame, announced his candidacy, he'd be the frontrunner.

Tell me - has anyone ever seen Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg and former "Laugh In" comedienne Ruth Buzzi at the same time?

And, finally, President Clinton actually made up his mind the other day. He has decided he's not going to come to any decisions before he's absolutely ready or until news- castor Brian Hume has been reassigned to Somalia. Which ever comes first.

Bill Kelly is the legal editor.

Allston needs more pots, say residents

as the continuum of care offered at Pine Street enables homeless people to move out of emergency care, through transitional services and into permanent housing. Together, I know we can renew our communities and meet the chal­lenges of modern life.

While the problems this country faces are numerous, I believe we have the resources to overcome them. Your organization is a fine example of America's most powerful engine for change: people. Today, people are taking their responsibility for themselves, their families, their communi­ties and their country. With this dedication, we can make the world of the 21st century a better place for all and particu­larly for the most vulnerable among us.

Best wishes for a successful campaign and in all future endeavors.

Bill Clinton
President of the United States
Community Calendar

Announcements

Boston College computer camp
• The Allston-Brighton Computer Camp will be offered for the seventh year in July. The camp can accommodate 30 children, who will be taught the practical uses of computers by graduate students of B.C.’s School of Education, under the direction of Dr. Walter Haney.

The camp begins on Tuesday, July 20, and runs for two weeks — on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week — winding up Thursday, July 29. Registration will be held, today from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., at the Jackson Mann Community School, 300 Cambridge St., Allston. Jackson Mann’s Diane Joyce will oversee registration.

BC opens rec. complex to A-B
• The Boston College Recreation Complex will be open daily, from 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday, throughout the summer months to 35 Allston-Brighton residents. To reserve a spot for the following day, call the BC Office of Community Affairs at 552-4787. Identification must be presented at the Recreation Complex before gaining admission. Same day reservations will not be accepted.

Project Safe Baby donates to Franciscan
• Project Safe Baby, a nationwide program sponsored by Midas International to help decrease the number of child-related automobile accidents, donated 25 car seats to Franciscan Children’s Hospital & Rehabilitation Center recently to mark the program’s first anniversary. Franciscan nurses and physicians will be distributing the car seats to needy families, many of whom have recently immigrated to the U.S.

ESL classes at A-B Y
• Beginners, Monday and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-noon; $105 + text for 8 weeks (offered May 24-July 15);
• Advanced, Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-noon; $105 + text for 8 weeks (offered May 24-July 15)
• All classes begin the week of May 24 at the Allston-Brighton YMCA, 470 Washington St., Brighton. To register, stop by the Y or contact Ernesto or Claudia at the YMCA International Services Office in Boston at 536-7800, ext.

Jackson/Mann summer camp
• Registration has begun for the Jackson/Mann Community Center Summer Day Camp. The camp runs three, two-week sessions, beginning on July 6 and ending on Aug. 13. The camp is for children, ages 5-12; sliding fee scale. Boys and Girls Overnight Camp applications also available at the Jackson/Mann, 500 Cambridge St., Allston.

Oak Square V.F.W. Post 2022
• The Post 2022 and the Ladies Auxiliary are conducting a drive for non-perishable food and personal items for homeless vets. The items should be dropped off at the Post, 395 Faneuil St., Brighton, anytime.
• A flea market will be hosted by the V.F.W. Post 2022 every weekend throughout the summer, starting May 1 and May 2. Parking available across the street from the Post. Info: Call Cappy at 395-5195 to reserve space. Proceeds to benefit the homeless veterans.

Events

Brighton Branch Library (40 Academy Hill Rd.; tel. 782-6032)
• Sunset Films and Stories for Children — Mondays in June at 6:30 p.m.

Faneuil Branch Library (419 Faneuil St.; tel. 782-6705)
• Have a “Poem in Your Pocket!” — Come to the library with a poem in your pocket. Each day, the librarian will choose a child and if he or she has a poem, it will be read and the child will receive a prize!

Health

Hahnemann Hospital Eating Disorders Service
• A free support and discussion group offered every other month for those with anorexia or bulimia, their friends and family members. The group meets in the Hahnemann Hospital (1515 Comm. Ave., Brighton) Conference Room. Info: contact Marilyn Walter at (617) 254-1100, ext 606.

The next group meeting is scheduled, Saturday, June 19, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Featured speaker: Christine O’Connor, RD, who works as the nutritionist on the Eating Disorders Team in the Hahnemann program. The topic — “Eating Away From Home.”

— compiled by the Journal staff

The deadline for calendar listings is the Friday before publication and listings are included on a discretionary basis. The Allston-Brighton Journal is published on Thursdays.

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promote a legal business.”

Sweda said he often dresses as the Grim Reaper to protest at events sponsored by tobacco companies, singling out the Virginia Slims tennis tournament as an example.

Spike in bike heists

District 14 police have warned residents that bicycle theft is on the rise now that more people are pedaling around in the warm weather.

Detectives say residents should take time to properly secure their bicycles, bringing them inside whenever possible.

Residents who have lost their bicycles to theft are advised to call District 14 detectives at 343-4256 with a description, model and serial number of the bicycle.

Senate takes on the A-Line

The state Senate may order the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority to remove the abandoned “A-Line” tracks from Brighton Avenue and Cambridge Street.

The order, co-sponsored by Sen. Robert E. Travaglini (D-Allston-Brighton) and passed as part of a budget proposal approved by the Senate Ways and Means Committee, orders the MBTA to remove the tracks before June 30, 1994.

The provision allows the authority to remove the tracks concurrently with road improvements conducted by municipalities.

The House approved a similar order as part of its budget package. The final order is subject to approval by Gov. William F. Weld.

Hoe-down at K of C

For the second consecutive year, Brighton residents Elaine Buckley and Sissy Meier held a charity fund-raiser at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Brighton. This year’s fundraiser had a country-western theme and raised $1100 for the Good Samaritan Hospice.

Crisis management seminar held

St. Elizabeth’s Hospital sponsored a crisis management workshop, held Monday at the Guest Quarters Hotel in Allston.

Jane Bishoff and Helene Solomon of Allston-based Bishoff Solomon Communications joined WCVB-TV Channel 5 news producer Phil Levy and Dr. Larry Barton, a crisis management professor at the University of Nevada, in discussion about crisis stress and how to cope with it.

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Dustin the wind

Brighton Central LL's Dustin Montoya is a flamethrower extraordinaire, who makes batters swing at air

By Wendy Wyeth

Dustin Montoya’s reasoning for playing baseball is as all-American as the sport itself.

“I like it very much,” said Montoya.

The nine-year-old Brighton Central Little League (mi­ nors) veteran has been playing baseball for different teams since he was only five years old. He currently plays for the St. Elizabeth’s Angels, a team that boasts an 8-2 record for the season.

Montoya proves himself to be a versatile player in the field, playing everything from second baseman to shortstop and pitcher.

He liked talking about his pitching games and admits that he likes playing shortstop the least.

“One game I pitched the last inning and won the game,” Montoya said.

The third grader also plays basketball as a hobby but names baseball as his favorite pastime and admires the old baseball great Mickey Mantle. He loves playing Little League ball but has his sights firmly set on the future.

“Next year, I’m moving up to the majors,” said Montoya. It looks like the minors is losing a real team player.

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- Name: Dustin Montoya;
- Birthday: July 18, 1984;
- Parents: Anita and Roy;
- Siblings: An older brother, Roy Jr., 11;
- School: James Garfield School, where he attends the third grade;
- Team: St. Elizabeth’s Angels;
- Position: Second base, shortstop, and pitcher;
- LL Highlights: Pitching a winning last inning;
- LL Lewight: Playing shortstop;
- The one thing I do better than anyone else in LL is: Field;
- Favorite Athlete: Mickey Mantle;
- Favorite Hobby other than baseball: Basketball

IN THE NEWS

Terms of agreement

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representatives from the BAIA—said the Allston Village issue affects the entire neighborhood.

“If we don’t resolve this issue, there will be no money,” said ACA member Ray Malone.

Although some members abstained from voting, no association member voted against the proposal.

Nightclub mogul to purchase Bunratty’s

Pat Lyons, Boston night club mogul, received the ACA’s endorsement to purchase Bunratty’s, located on Harvard Avenue in Allston.

The ACA voted to support Lyons on the condition that he present both the club’s new name and floor plans to the ACA before the association’s September meeting.

Lyons promised “an entire new staff, mainstream music as opposed to hard rock,” and when it came to security, “first quality control.”

Residents expressed concern about floor plans for the new club and possible expansion. Lyons and his representative, Carolyn Cowley, assured members that there were no plans to expand the club.

“There is no intention of moving the Paradise to Bunratty’s,” Lyons said. The Paradise is a Boston night club located on Commonwealth Avenue that features local as well as national and international bands.

Beer OK mixed for Sully’s

The association also declined to grant a beer and wine license to Sully’s Billiards on Cambridge Street.

The ACA voted him down, claiming that there were too many young children who went to the club to play pool.

Sully’s owner Mike Salamone said granting the pool hall a beer and wine license would not turn his business into a bar.

“[Customers] are not going to spend $8 an hour to stand around and drink beer,” he said, urging ACA members to support him in what he claimed to be an attempt to save his business.

Salamone agreed to revise his proposal and present it again at the next meeting.
Nursing a dispute

Union Sq. Nursing Home workers picket, blame new owner for firings

By Sean Dovovan

About 50 workers and union members at the Union Square Nursing Center picketed against new owner Michael Konig last Wednesday in an effort to bring attention to what they are calling unfair labor practices.

According to Service Employees International Union Local 285 spokesman Handel Lundy, Konig, a New Jersey businessman who owns 22 nursing homes, has engaged in "union busting" activities and illegal health care insurance changes at the center.

Konig did not return repeated phone calls.

After purchasing the nursing home, Konig subcontractedConfidence Management Systems to run the laundry and housekeeping services, Lundy said, adding that the subcontractor subsequently fired 11 of the 18 employees in those departments after they joined SEIU.

SEIU staff director Enkol Eckstein said that the departments had not previously had union representation, and that their efforts to achieve it led to the employee firings. "Michael Konig says that's OK to run the business for profit, which sends a message to our union members that if you stand up for your rights, you may be fired," he said.

Hector Noreiga, who said he worked at the nursing home for four years, accused the company of firing him last month for "nothing," when he signed a union card. He said the problems here lie with the new company. "They won't give us the benefits we used to have," he said.

Although the remainder of the nursing home's workers are unionized, Eckstein said Konig chose to ignore this fact when he changed their health insurance benefits without union bargaining. Such action is considered an unfair labor practice under federal law.

"Everything he's done is illegal," Lundy said.

National Labor Relations Board spokesman Joseph Kane confirmed Monday that the SEIU had filed two unfair labor practice complaints against the nursing home. He said the NLRB investigation is continuing.

City Councilor Brian J. McLaughlin, who represents Allston-Brighton, attended the rally and voiced his support for the union.

"The issues that concern me are that a new owner has tampered with health care benefits," which is a touchy issue," he said. "We don't like it, and we want to make sure the benefits stay the same."

"It's a violation of the labor law," said Michael Travaligni, an at-large candidate for City Council. "The National Labor Relations Board has filed a complaint."

Lundy said that since Konig and Confidence Management Systems have taken over, the quality of patient care has declined. "A lot of the patients are suffering," he said. "There has been a shortage of supplies, late food service and other problems with patients. People didn't have any real problems before Konig. It's only now that the problems have become flagrant."

"In hard economic times like these it's usually the worker who bears the burden," said Travaligni. "It's good to see these people get out and voice their opinion because then we can find appropriate answers to these issues."

The union is calling for the reinstatement of the fired workers and health plan as well as Konig's dismissal.

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MacElcher said that she understands the concerns of the local residents, but claimed that her company would not create any of the problems that they are worried about.

"The school was originally built as a retreat center. What we're doing matches the historical trend of the building," she said. "Also, a large part of our program is for professionals, so the problems college-age students may cause isn't a big issue."

MacElcher said that if the EP International Language Schools purchases the center, it will leave it as is. She said that no new construction is planned for the property.

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that college officials wanted to build a trolley stop behind the pumping station in order to increase public transit ridership to the stadium, thus mitigating traffic problems which result during the Eagles’ home football games.

“What we’re trying to do is essentially reduce traffic flow,” Gladchuk said, at times forced to shoot over D Line trolley cars which run behind the pumping station.

“We’re going to promote the t stop ridership on the T.”

Gladchuk said college officials had been discussing the proposed stop with Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority officials for “six or seven months.”

MBTA spokesman Jim Ball confirmed that “preliminary” discussions have taken place over the past few months, but added that the authority had made no decision about building the stop. “Basically, the issues [during talks] have been more around getting people from existing points and less focused on the new stop,” Ball said.

BC officials have said their traffic consultants determined that adding a T stop near the pumping station could increase from 12 to 18 percent the number of football spectators using public transit.

Residents also pointed out that the pumping station was on the National Register of Historic Places and protected by city, state and national statutes.

Otis, who is also president of the Friends of the Waterworks, said alterations to the pumping station property would be in violation of a memorandum of understanding approved by the MWRA and neighborhood groups.

MWRA spokesman woman Sheila McGann said authority officials had not yet taken a position on either the suggested trolley stop or the proposed station expansion.

City Councilor Brian J. McLaughlin, who represents Allston-Brighton, reminded city officials that the pumping station was a Boston city landmark.

“Any kind of alteration on this parcel will be met with severe opposition,” he said, describing the pumping station as a “jewel in Allston-Brighton.”

City councilors are scheduled to hold a public hearing about the BC stadium expansion on June 30. At press time, BC officials had not yet confirmed that they would attend the meeting.

Van Scoyoc speculated that BC may not intend to follow through on the trolley stop proposal. “Many of us sort of thought that this isn’t to be taken seriously,” he said. “If they can’t come up with a better reason, than they must not intend to create it.”

No one told us, say some

Many residents at the meeting also complained that they found out about the meeting secondhand, adding that they felt BC should have notified them.

“The original notification did not go to very many abutters,” said Claire Waldman, a Brookline resident and expansion opponent who said BC never contacted her about the meeting. “More than half the people there found out indirectly.”

BC community affairs director Jean McKeigue said the original intent of the meeting was only to speak to those close to the pumping station property. “There wasn’t any intention to exclude anybody,” she said.
Alleged thief tries to kill self

A Mattapan man was arrested last Friday night while allegedly robbing an apartment on Basinview Road.

Police said when they responded to a call of a breaking and entering in progress, they found Barry Dean, 31, of 430 River St., ransacking the victim’s apartment.

Police said when they were attempting to handcuff Dean, he began to struggle violently, kicking and punching the arresting officers. Dean also stated that he wanted to die violently.

Police are searching for Pelligrini, a white male, five feet, five inches tall, with brown hair and a three letter tattoo on his left arm.

Mugger strikes on Father’s Day

Police said an early morning robbery on Father’s Day resulted in the theft of $220 cash from a Brighton man.

The victim told police that after finishing work at 3:15 a.m. Sunday, he was approached by the suspect while walking to his car on Gardner Street.

The victim told police that the suspect pointed a gun at him and said, “I know you just left work. Hand over the money or I’ll blow your head off.” After taking the money, the suspect fled on foot towards Linden Street.

The suspect is described as a black male in his mid-20s, five feet, seven inches tall with two missing front teeth. At the time of the robbery, he was wearing a pink and orange striped shirt and beige pants, police said.

Obituaries

Expression of gratitude

The family of Carol (Pia) Johnson wishes to express its heartfelt gratitude to the members of St. Columbikille’s Class of 1957. The expressions of generosity and profound kindness bestowed upon our family during our time of sorrow will always be remembered.

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**HOME IMPROVEMENT / SERVICE DIRECTORY**
By Bob Sikorsky

The 1993 Geo Prizm will catch your eye in more ways than one.

For starters, the new sheet-metal on the outside is slick and easy to look at. The window-sticker base prices of the standard Prizm ($9,995) and the top-of-the-line LS1 ($10,630) — the only Prizm models offered for '93 — are also easy on the eye — and the pocketbook.

The interior is very attractive and neatly and cleanly laid out. Analog gauges and rotary A/C/heater switches dominate the curved and smooth-flowing lines of the dash.

With the addition of an extra 7 cubic feet of interior room for the '93 model, Prizm makes the jump form the subcompact class to the larger compact. It’s readily noticeable, as front and rear head, leg and shoulder room are improved.

Two engines are available on the Prizm: a 1.6-litre, 1,600 cc, 5-cylinder, 8-valve DOHC engine and a 4-cylinder, 1.8-litre, 1,798 cc, 16-valve DOHC engine.

Albeit not a powerhouse, if strictly counted against a Toyota, the 4-cylinder, 1.8-litre, DOHC, 4-cylinder engine seems available for most driving situations. Both engines are made by Toyota in Japan.

Our '92 $11,950 base price just for options!

EPA estimated fuel economy for the optional 1.8-litre with the four-speed automatic transmission is 26 mpg/city and 33 mpg/highway with a combined rating of 29 mpg. We averaged slightly under the combined average at 27.8 mpg in mostly city driving.

The four-wheel independent suspension gives the Prizm a sports-car feel both in handling and ride. The seats are superb. They are roomy, solid and supportive like I like ’em.

A driver’s-side air bag is standard and our tester also had four-wheel ABS brakes, a Sikorsky-recommended option at a reasonable $505.

Nice thing about this air bag is that the center of the steering wheel still operates the horn. No tiny thumb horn buttons here.

Geo has added new sound-deadening material all around and additional improvements to reduce wind and road noise. Prizm has been the best-selling model in the Geo line since it was introduced in 1988.

Indeed, the one-millionth Geo was sold in September of last year and, according to Ron Daniels, Chevrolet’s area marketing manager, West, that makes Geo “the most successful line of new cars and trucks ever introduced by any manufacturer.”

The Prizm is part of a joint venture between GM and Toyota and is built in Fremont, Calif.

Out this year is a car that makes a lot of sense in tough economic times — if you can stay away from too many options. The $10,630 base price of our Prizm tester calculated to $11,940 as tested when options were factored in. That’s more than a 50 percent increase over the base price just for options!

Be judicious about your options and you can get solid value here.

At their base prices both Prizm models offer super solid value.
SPORTS

Master Jeff

Oak Sq. LL's Jeffrey Icuss is always in position

By Chris O'Leary

Jeffrey Icuss is a renaissance player for his Oak Square team. "I play third base, shortstop, second base, catch and pitch," the Allston native said. Icuss added that he enjoyed pitching most of all, aping his favorite athlete Roger Clemens. "I like pitching the most," he said. "I just like to see how well I pitch and to watch my progress."

The Party Stop (570 Washington St., Brighton; Tel. 254-6400) Presents the Oak Sq. LL Player of the Week

- Name: Jeffrey Icuss;
- Birthdate: July 29, 1981;
- Parent: Judy Icuss;
- Position: Pitcher, Cardinals;
- Favorite athlete: Roger Clemens;
- Siblings: None;
- School: Farragut Elementary School;
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- Little League Lowlight: I was the last batter up and struck out on a bad pitch;
- Thé one thing I do better than anyone else in little league is: Throw curveballs;
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