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## Globe article outrages community leaders

Menino, Van Meter, "upset" at article

By Joseph M. McHugh

Patrolman Al Terestre was a little surprised when he read Friday's edition of *The Boston Globe* and read a Cambridge Street resident quoted as saying he hadn't seen a Boston Police foot patrol in nearly 20 years in Allston.

"To say I was a little steamed is putting it mildly," Terestre said. Terestre walks a foot patrol five days a week in the Union Square area. He said the only time he's off the street is when he listens to concerns from residents and businesses at Twin Donuts early in the morning, or when he walks around in the Jackson Mann School or the West End House. "I like the kids to see someone they can look up to," he said.

Community leaders and business people expressed outrage at the *Globe* article, which painted a picture of Brighton Avenue as being sorely neglected by city officials and unsafe for the public.

Laura Li, owner of East Wind Restaurant on Brighton Avenue and whose complaints were featured prominently in the article, alleged that *Globe* reporter Don

Aucoin identified himself as a representative of Menino's office who was doing a survey in the area of how the \$5.6 million should be spent.

"I didn't know I was going to be in the newspaper until a photographer called from the *Globe* to say they were coming by to take my picture," she said.

Effie Anastasiadis is owner of Alexander's Pizza and Subs. She was also quoted in the article, but alleged Aucoin represented himself to her as being from Menino's office.

"He said 'I'm from Tom Menino's office and I want to know what the problems are,'" she said.

Anastasiadis also said that the complaint attributed to her in the article was something she did not say. "I don't know how he wrote that. 100 percent did not say what he wrote. I was very surprised to see that I was in the newspaper."

Don Messenger of Allston Auto Tops said Aucoin identified himself as a reporter, but seemed "surprised" when he had good things to say about Brighton Avenue.

"The reporter seemed surprised that I had

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## Everyone loves a parade!



The Greek Independence Day Parade was held last Sunday in Boston and a fine time was had by all. Floats, bands, and marchers from around New England were a part of the festivities, that ended at City Hall. See story, photos, page 10.



U.S. Representative Joe Kennedy speaks at a Brighton apartment complex last Monday. He was accompanied by several local politicians, including Mayor Menino.

## Five on the floor in race

By Dan Boylan

Last week, City Councilor Brian McLaughlin decided not to seek a seventh term, assuring a fiery political spring and summer as local candidates immediately began sizing up their chances for success.

The race, expected to grow in importance in this year of budgetary cutting, will determine who governs Boston in an era of decreased city revenue. With little money in the city's coffers right now and

Congressional Republicans and Governor Weld expected to cut more urban funding, solutions that once came from Beacon Hill and Washington will now have to be settled at City Hall.

Despite the daunting prospects, a group of prospective candidates has already emerged. The list thus far includes Brian Honan, Jerry McDermott, Cathi Campbell, Joe Hogan and Steve Montgomery.

• RACE

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## Domestic violence hits home in Allston-Brighton

By Stephanie Rosenlund

Janet Lynch, 43, was found beaten in the Brighton apartment she shared with boyfriend Philip D. Sales. Sales, 33, called 911 on Sunday, February 27th, and an ambulance arrived on a sick assist to take her to St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Lynch was unconscious when they reached the hospital emergency room.

The following Monday, Lynch was in a coma and Sales was in police custody after being arrested at the Red and White Cab Company in Charlestown, where he worked as a dispatcher. Bail was set at \$250,000 and Sales was charged with assault and battery. According to Boston Police Detective William Hartford, the case is still under investigation.

Contrary to the Boston *Globe* story, there was no restraining order in effect at the time of her death. The police had, according to Detective Hartford, been to Lynch and Sales' apartment two weeks prior in response to a domestic violence complaint but charges were not pursued.

The only restraining order on record in Brighton was an emergency temporary order last May which Lynch never pursued and was therefore never extended.

Relationship was stormy

Their three-year relationship was charac-

• DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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## TEEN QUEST opens at West End House this Thursday afternoon

TEEN QUEST, the Teen Center built in collaboration with the Jackson Mann Center and the West End House, is proud to announce their Opening Celebration on Thursday, April 6th from 3-6 p.m. at the West End House Boys and Girls Club at 105 Allston Street in Allston.

The Club brings a new teens only space under the direction of the "Teen Tsar," and the Jackson Mann brings three experienced youth outreach workers into the partnership.

"This is what our community is or should be all about," said Diane Joyce, administrative assistant of the Jackson Mann. "Collaboration, not competition, to ensure quality programs in the neighborhood."

For more information, call 787-4044.

dents received Honor Roll grades for their work at Boston Latin Academy in Term III:

Caroline Bernak, Jackson Chang, Li Ju Chen, Anna Chernova, Melissa Chin, Jenny Chou, Tanya Coppin, Nhat Dinh, Duong Do, Joshua Freeman, Huong Hoang, Antonia Goodwin, Alexandria Hui, Victor Lee, Wendy Lee, Aaron Leung, Judy Lui, Hoang Nguyen, Oanh Nguyen, Jonathan Parisi, Buttra Sann, Sanjeev Selvarajah, Judith Wong and Kristina Wong.

In other educational news, Allston's Abework Abay and Tina Willess were initiated into the Alpha Kappa Mu chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society (NHS) at a ceremony conducted at Bunker Hill Community College in Boston.

In addition, David Sacchetti, a former Brighton Board of Trade and Order of the Elks National Scholarship recipient, was named to the President's List at Bentley College this past semester with a grade point average of 3.7.

His brother, Scott Sacchetti, was accepted at the Art Institute of Boston for the fall semester, where he will major in graphic arts.

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## Educational Update

Brighton's Jessica Paulino and Aurea Vazquez were two members of the Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at the John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics who received awards and promotions at a formal military ceremony in February.

In addition, the following Allston/Brighton stu-

## ALLBAD Scholarship Program available

There is a \$500 college scholarship currently available through the ALLBAD program.

The requirements for the scholarship are the following: you must be an A/B resident, you must be accepted at a University or College for this fall, you must be active in a community leadership program or any ALLBAD sponsored event, and the application must be completed by April 30 and returned to the West End House (Val May) or the A/B YMCA (Mark Johnson)

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by Charles P. Kelly  
B.S., R.PH.

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# Allston/Brighton Political Notebook

## Race heats up for council

**• RACE**

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Honan, perceived by some to be the early front-runner has a solid base in the community where his brother Kevin has already won five elections for State Representative. Honan had been in the running for City Council at-large until last week. Family ties with the McLaughlins had obliged Honan not to run for the A/B seat in the past.

McLaughlin's frustration with the conservative direction of the City Council does not scare Honan.

"During my run for councilor at large, I noticed that the council has become conservative. I'll still run, it doesn't worry me," Honan said.

Honan, a chief prosecutor at the Dorchester Municipal Court, also worked for the A/B Community Development Corporation in the 1980's.

Jerry McDermott, a veteran of the race for the A/B council seat, is one of the main reasons McLaughlin decided not to run this year. In the 1993 race for city council, McDermott came within a few hundred votes of beating McLaughlin.

McDermott looks to capitalize on the support that he has built in the community. He is the only candidate who shares name recognition, other than Honan.

"I think that I am capable of delivering long overdue services to the A/B neighborhood," McDermott said. "When it comes to the taxes the people of Allston/Brighton are sending to City Hall, we should be getting more for our money."

McDermott is the youngest of ten children. His parents emigrated to the United States from Ireland. A lifelong resident of Oak Square, the community activist is the president of the Our Lady of Presentation Alumni Committee.

Cathi Campbell, attorney for the Suffolk County Sheriff's department and seven-year veteran of the Ward 22 Democratic Committee, is the only woman expressing interest in the vacant seat.

Campbell praised the political strides that former State Representative Susan Tracy

made for female candidates in the A/B area.

"I would be honored to follow in her footsteps," Campbell said.

Campbell, who has never run for public office before, comes from a family that she says taught her the value of public service.

"My mother, Carol Campbell, was a Boston public schoolteacher for years, and my father, Alexander Campbell, was a lieutenant with the state police," Campbell said.

Increased policing, attention to senior services and developing better anti-substance abuse educational programs are all issues Campbell plans on campaigning for.

Joe Hogan, a private attorney and Brighton resident, jumped into the race last week. A longtime organizer of the Allston/Brighton parade, Hogan believes that community spirit is built by such gatherings.

"The parade is my pride and joy. It's the best thing ever to happen to A/B. Everybody sings in perfect harmony, and marches in perfect harmony as well," Hogan said.

Along with community spirit, Hogan plans to support Mayor Menino's residency requirement during his campaign.

"I'm very, very much in favor of residency requirements," Hogan said.

Hogan, who hails from Oak Square, says that his frequent trips out and about in the community have put him in touch with public opinion.

Steve Montgomery feels that his experience working with the mayor's office as the A/B neighborhood coordinator gives him a good idea as to the workings of city hall.

"I know how City Hall works," Montgomery said. "I know that this is a real chance to affect policy. I want to see that Allston/Brighton gets their fair share."

In addition to his work with the mayor's office, Montgomery was worked with A/B Healthy Boston, AllBAD, the BAIA and the ACA.

"I feel blessed to be a resident of the Allston/Brighton community," Montgomery said. "I hope that my many activities in the community can speak for themselves when it comes to looking at my record."



Cathleen Campbell



Brian Honan



Jerry McDermott



Joe Hogan

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# Calendar

## Announcements

The Brighton/Allston Historical Society presents Christopher Dailey, the President of the Pembroke Historical Society, speaking on the Sacco-Vanzetti Case. On the 75th anniversary of the infamous robbery and murder, Dailey will bring his presentation on the case to the historical society on **Thursday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m.**

A **Sunday Brunch Fundraiser for Polly Lui and her family** will be held on Sunday, April 30 from 12-3 p.m. at the Brighton Elks Lodge #2199, at 326 Washington Street in Brighton Center. Please RSVP to the Jackson Mann Community Center at 635-5153 by April 24th. Tickets are \$10 and \$25. All children 12 and under will be \$5 and must be accompanied by an adult.

**Allston/Brighton Mental Health Task Force** will hold their next meeting on April 12 at the Boston College Neighborhood Center. The public is invited.

The following health programs will be conducted in Brighton during the month of April:

- **Hearing Screening Programs.** Thursday, April 6 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Veronica Smith Senior Center in Brighton.
- **Blood Pressure Screening Program.** Friday, April 7 from 9-11 a.m. at the Patricia White Apartments, 20 Washington Street in Brighton.
- **Free Eye and Ear Screenings at Boston City Hospital.** Call 635-4050 to schedule an appointment one of the following dates: April 12, April 19 and April 26 for eye exams, and April 13 for hearing tests.

### National Organization for Women

Greater Boston Chapter  
971 Comm. Ave., 782-1056  
All meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Greater Boston office.

- **"Racial and Ethnic Diversity Task Force."** April 6th. Helping deal with racism and sexism in the community.
- **Washington D.C. Rally.** April 9, 1995 in Washington, D.C. For more information about organizing meetings or transportation to Washington, call 782-1056.

### Veronica B. Smith Multi-Service Senior Center

20 Chestnut Hill Ave.; 254-6100

- **Weekly schedule:**  
Thursday— 9 a.m. Exercise (YMCA); 10-4 p.m. fix-it shop; 11 a.m. Long-term care presentation; 10-12 Blood pressure; 10:30 a.m. Choral group; Noon Lunch; 1-3 p.m. Venus' Bingo; 1-4 p.m. Bridge  
Friday— 8:45 a.m. Conversation class; 9 a.m. Exercise; 10 a.m. Walking  
Monday— 9 a.m. ESL; 10 a.m. walking; Noon Lunch; 1-2 p.m. Line Dancing; 1-2 p.m. Senior swim (YMCA).  
Tuesday— 9 a.m. Exercise; 9:30 a.m. Crochet; 10 a.m. Bowling 12 p.m. Lunch; 1-3 p.m. Bingo; 9-2 p.m. Tax Assistance.  
Wednesday— 8:30-11:30 a.m. Art Class; 9 a.m. ESL; 12 p.m. Lunch; 1 p.m. Senior Swim (YMCA); 1-3 p.m. Oak Square Seniors.
- **"Free" Hearing Screening.** Thursday, April 6 at 10 a.m. Sponsored by the the City of Boston Elderly Commission.
- **Free Presentations**  
Every Tuesday through April 11, an AARP Tax Consultant will be available to help you file your taxes for 1994. Call 254-6100 for details and an appointment.
- **Allston-Brighton Intergenerational Safety Day.** Friday, April 7, from 2-5 p.m. at the Smith Center. All ages welcome.

### Boston College Neighborhood Center

425 Washington St.,  
• **Immigration Counseling.** Held every Thursday from 5-8 p.m. The center provides counseling and advice on issues relating to asylum, naturalization, visas and rights for immigrants. Call 552-2956 for an appointment.

### Boston Public Library

**Brighton Branch**  
40 Academy Hill Rd.; 789-6032  
• **Creative drama with Meredith Harron.** Tuesdays at 4 p.m.

### Faneuil Branch

419 Faneuil St.; Brighton 782-6705  
• **Toddler Storytime—** Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. For children 2 and 3 years old accompanied by an adult. Theme-based stories followed by a craft.  
• **Preschool storytime—** Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Theme-

based stories followed by a craft. Pre-registration required for these programs.

**Boston Black Investment Club** holds monthly study groups on learning how to evaluate companies using fundamental investment principles. Free. For more information, call 738-6051.

**Kiwanis International of Allston/Brighton** meets Thursdays at noon at the Charles Grill (Days Inn) 1234 Soldiers Field Road, Brighton. For info, call John McSherry at 254-0334 or Bill Margolin at 782-6041.

### Jackson/Mann Community Center

500 Cambridge St., Allston. 635-5153.  
Open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Membership is \$5 for individuals and families. Senior citizen memberships are \$1. If there is a specific program you would like to see or are interested in teaching a course, call Jimmy Smith at 635-5153.

- **Open Gym Basketball.** Ages 17 and under meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Ages 18 and older meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
- **JMCC Floor Hockey League.** Open to boys and girls ages 9-12. League will begin Friday, February 24. For more information, please call 635-5153 or 783-5712 (after 3 pm). Mylec sticks only.
- **State Representative Kevin Honan Basketball League.** Open to Boys and Girls ages 9-12. League will begin Friday, February 24 at 6p.m. Registration begins in the second week of February. Cost is \$7.
- **Tae Kwon Do Program.** Ages 6 to 10 meet Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 to 5 p.m. Ages 11 to 17 meet Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 per month.
- **Community Tax Aid.** Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Any individual with an income level of less than \$20,000 is eligible to receive these services, as is any family with a total income of less than \$30,000.
- **Flea Market.** On Saturday, May 20th, the fifth annual Jackson Mann Flea Market will be taking place in the parking lot. For more information, or to rent space, call 635-5153.

**Allston-Brighton Against Drugs.** The neighborhood All-BAD team meets the second Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at the Jackson/Mann Community Center. Call 635-3283 for more information.

### The YMCA, Allston-Brighton Family Branch

470 Washington St., Brighton; 782-3535  
Open Monday through Friday, 5:45 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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### Mount Alvernia Academy

20 Manet Road, Chestnut Hill; 527-2481  
• **"April in Paris" Fashion Show.** April 7 at Mount Alvernia. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for children. Proceeds benefit The Principal's Endowment Fund. For further information, please call 527-7540 or 527-2481.

### Allston-Brighton City Roots Alternative High School

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### Brighton Avenue Baptist Church

30 Gordon St.; 782-8120  
• Worship every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. with Rev. Dr. Robison serving as interim minister.

### Marsh Chapel-Luncheon Series



Allston's Eric Quan stands next to one of his photograph's currently on display at Boston City Hall. Quan's photographs of China run through April 14th.

Sara F. Giffuni staff photo

"Food for Thought"  
735 Comm. Ave.; 353-6882  
• Fred Woerner, Gen., U.S. Army (Ret.) will be speaking on "U.S./Latin America Relations in the 21st century." 12-1 p.m.

### Congregation Kadimah-Toras Moshe

113 Washington St., Brighton; 254-1333  
• **The festival of Passover** will be ushered in on Friday, April 14, with services beginning at 7:00 p.m. Services for the two days of Passover will begin at 8:45 p.m. on April 15. All friends and members of the community are invited to attend.

### Church of the Holy Resurrection

64 Harvard Ave, Allston; 787-7625  
**Brighton Evangelical Congregational Church**  
404 Washington St., Brighton; 254-4046  
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• **Community Supper** — Wednesdays at 6 p.m. No cost.  
• **Thrift Shop** - Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
• **Teen Group** - Fridays at 7 p.m.  
• **Thrift Shop and Food Pantry** Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
• **Flea Markets** - starting May 6 - weather permitting. Call Shirley at 782-7519 to rent space.

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### The Samaritans

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## Police

### Class D arrest last Thursday on Harvard Avenue

Early Thursday morning, officers observed a car in front of a Harvard Ave. location which has had several break-ins. A suspect, sitting in the front seat, was allegedly looking nervous, much like a "lookout," according to police.

A check of the license plates revealed that the car was recently stolen. Officers detained the suspect, and, after a search, allegedly found the suspect in possession of two bags of marijuana and half-finished marijuana cigarette.

The suspect was transported to District 14 and charged with possession of a class D substance.

### Grenade found on Ashford St.

Last Tuesday morning police were called to an Ashford Street residence where a woman, while cleaning out her cellar, found a hand grenade in an abandoned dresser.

The grenade was removed to Moon Island for disposal.

### Pizza delivery man robbed at knifepoint

Late last Monday night a pizza delivery man was robbed at 246 North Beacon Street.

The victim reported he was approached at approximately 9:00 p.m., and the suspect displayed a knife. The suspect handed over the \$20 he possessed, and the suspect fled on foot. The victim reported that the hallway of the building was dark, and he did not see the suspect.

## Obituaries

**DONOVAN** - In Brighton, March 29, Margaret A. (Larkin). Wife of the late John F. Mother of Charles, George, Susan, Maureen, David and the late John. Also survived by grandchildren and great grandchildren. Funeral from the McNamara Funeral Home and St. Anthony's last Friday. Internment at Fairview Cemetery.

**LUI** - In Brighton, March 28, Polly (Lau). Beloved wife of Shui Lui. Devoted mother of Jenny and Judy Lui. Late daycare teacher at Jackson Mann School. In lieu of flowers, contributions in the memory of Mrs. Lui may be made to the Good Samaritan Hospice, 310 Allston Street, Brighton, 02146.

**PRIMPAS** - Of Brighton, March 29, Eugenia (Tingus) Primpas. Beloved wife of the late Nicholas Primpas and devoted mother of Despina Salmonte of Jacksonville Beach, FL., Elipis & her late husband John Tsicouleas of Wilmington, George Primpas of Weymouth and the late Diane Batchelder. Grandmother of five and great grandmother of two. Funeral from the Commonwealth Funeral Home and the Taxiarchae Church in Watertown last Saturday. Internment at the Mt. Hope Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Taxiarchae Church.

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**News**

**Globe story angers community**

• GLOBE STORY

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positive things to say about the area," Messenger said. Aucoin felt that there was miscommunication on the part of Li and Anastasiadis, and vociferously denied any sort of misrepresentation.

"I would never, in a million years misrepresent myself to someone I was interviewing," Aucoin said. "At no time did I say I was from City Hall."

Mayor Menino was also concerned about the article, concerned enough to make a personal visit to Brighton Avenue on Friday.

"This really frustrates progress. It throws a damper on it. I'm really agitated by the article," Menino said.

Community leaders felt the article's negative tone was unjustified given the amount of attention being given to the area by civic, political, and business leaders.

"We just announced \$5.6 million for the area and then to get hit with this is disappointing," Bill Meehan of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services complained.

"We're very disappointed that they took that tack with

the neighborhood," Bob Van Meter of the Allston-Brighton Community Development Corporation (CDC) said. The CDC has been involved with the Main Streets proposal to beautify and redevelop the triangle of Harvard Avenue, Brighton Avenue, and Cambridge Street.

Jerry Quinn, owner of the Kells restaurant on Brighton Avenue and has been involved with the Main Streets planning said he felt the article was very one sided. "I'm very disappointed," he said. "The Globe hasn't attended any of the meetings."

Theresa Hynes of the Brighton Allston Improvement Association (BAIA), who accompanied the Mayor, also described the article as "unbalanced."

"I'm really upset," she said. "I couldn't believe what I was reading."

One person who did stand by his quote was Hal Hague of Cambridge Street who said in the *Globe* that he hadn't seen a foot patrol in Allston for 19 years. When told that Terestre walks a beat five days a week Hague responded: "Give me a break. Al Terestre's in a car all day. I stand by what I said."

**VFW sells to Smith Center**

By Kurt Blumenau

After several months of negotiation, the Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center and the Allston Veterans of Foreign Wars post recently reached agreement on the center's purchase of a vacant lot next to the VFW building on Cambridge Street.

The center, which has been located on Stadium Way for more than 20 years, hopes to break ground by early summer on a new, expanded \$3.5 million facility at the lot, located at 396 Cambridge St.

"This will enable us to serve a larger number of people with more examination rooms," Smith Center director of operations and finance Kathleen Phenix said. "We'll also have additional specialists we're not able to have space for here."

The purchase ends the Smith Center's three-year search for a new location, which Phenix said was necessitated by a lack of space at the center's current location.

"We outgrew our space here, and we don't have enough examination rooms," she added. "Also, the space we have is on two different floors, which is not the most efficient way to deliver service."

According to a Smith Center press release, the planned new building will be triple the size of the current facility,

allowing the center to serve double the number of patients. The building will include twice as many medical exam rooms and dental operatories, as well as a community room for health education programs.

Bob Dunn, president of the board of directors of the post, said the Smith Center had approached the post's membership to express an interest in the vacant lot, which had not been placed on the market for sale.

When the members heard the Smith Center's plans and examined their past track record, they agreed to the deal, Dunn added.

"Their 20-year track record spoke for what they were talking about," he said.

Dunn praised the mayor's office for their approval of the project and predicted the new Smith Center would serve the Allston-Brighton community well.

"What's coming in will be there for years," he added. "We're proud to be part of it."

Phenix said community reaction to the move has been positive thus far.

"The people have truly been delighted that we've been able to secure a new place," she added.

According to Phenix, the Smith Center must have environmental assessments done, as well as obtaining approval from the Public Facilities Department and the BRA.

**A/B looks to prevent domestic abuse**

• DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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terized as volatile and progressively violent by both Lisa White and John Hill. Both White and Hill were friends and co-workers of Janet's at the Bay State Cab Company in Brookline.

"At first we didn't know it was going on. We believed her when she said she fell down the stairs," said White.

In the beginning he was beating her every few months, but then in the last year, according to White, it escalated to every week.

"She started taking more time off because she couldn't hide it," said White.

Eventually Janet confessed.

"I felt angry at him, angry at her for allowing him, and sorrow," said White.

Although they never discussed the abuse when others were around, there was one occasion the couple did acknowledge it. According to White "he started nit-picking." Sales tried to justify the abuse by saying she was a terrible housekeeper, but White stood her ground and told him that was not a reason to hit her.

"He is very insecure. He was brought up that way, that you put your woman in check," said White.

According to White, Lynch's daughter, Holly Butz, 18, lived with Lynch and Sales for awhile but then left because she "did not like the way he treated her mother."

A childhood friend of Sales, John Hill, said Sales had grown into a stranger over the past few years. "He didn't call that much, he stopped hanging out."

Also a friend of Lynch's, Hill tried to confront Sales about the abuse.

"I attempted to talk to him but he would evade me or change the subject," said Hill. "I don't think he intended on it ending in death."

**District Attorney, St. E's involved in prevention**

Unfortunately, death is a reality in many abusive relationships. According to the Massachusetts Coalition of Battered Women Service Groups, 22 women died last year in Massachusetts at the hands of a spouse or lover.

In 1994, 116,075 hotline calls were placed to the coalition. 12,301 women were assisted in receiving restraining orders, and 2,347 were sheltered.

Locally, Brighton is involved in the Suffolk County Domestic Roundtables. According to the district attorney's office, the roundtables were created so that representatives from police, human service providers, and other community organizations can discuss ways to combat the problems associated with domestic violence.

Education is also taking place at St. Elizabeth's Hospital where, according to Dr. Mark Perlmutter, the director of emergency services, they give out educational material and referrals.

The hospital has a social worker, Maryann Donaldson, on call 24 hours a day who is also involved in educating doctors and nurses about domestic violence.

"We are quite involved in identifying victims of abuse," said Dr. Perlmutter.

Despite all that is being done, more is needed. According to the National Organization for Women, there are three times as many shelters for animals as there are for battered women.

Lynch's friend Lisa White hopes that by speaking out about Janet's death she will promote a better awareness of domestic violence and move the community towards action against abusers.

"My biggest concern," said White, "is keeping it in people's minds to educate them. I am hoping that by this staying in the media it will keep the police active in prosecuting him."

News

# Job Fair is a smashing success

By Jeremy Pawloski

Local residents looking for employment opportunities flocked to the Third Annual A/B Job & Career Fair, held last Friday at the Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel.

The Fair was sponsored by the St. Elizabeth's Medical Center, and was attended by representatives from over 50 area businesses, including Genzyme, WGBH, and the Allston-Brighton Community Development Corporation.

"Our objective was to help local residents find jobs, or just give them job-searching skills that would get them into shape," said Frank Moy Jr., Director of Community Affairs at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. "We also wanted to encourage A/B employers to hire A/B residents."

In addition to meeting recruiters, participants got a chance to have their resumes typed up on Macintosh computers at the Resume Lab coordinated by Brighton High

School and Apple Teaching Fellow Claire Introini. Students from the Northeastern School of Broadcasting offered a program which let attendees have mock job interviews filmed on videotape, which were subsequently reviewed for tips and coaching.

Dawn LaFontaine, President of the Business Wordsmith gave a lecture entitled "How to Write a Resume That Will Be Read," and offered free advice for resume assistance.

"The biggest problem with the resumes I see is that instead of accentuating their accomplishments, people merely list their responsibilities," said LaFontaine.

Representatives from the St. Elizabeth School of Nursing and Boston College were also on hand to discuss opportunities for full-tuition scholarships for Allston-Brighton residents. BC currently offers A/B residents five full-tuition scholarships for full time students, and ten full tuition scholarships for part-time evening school students.



BC's Bernie O'Kane informs Wenona Russ of possible job opportunities at BC at last weekend's Job Fair.

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# Editorial

## A race to remember in Allston-Brighton

Allston-Brighton may be known for many things, but after this year's city council race, the city will be known for its incredible involvement in the area of Boston politics.

This year's city council race possibly brings back the days of political giants in Boston like James Michael Curly.

Allston-Brighton residents should be proud that four candidates are currently slugging it out in an effort to earn the noble title of city councilman.

Residents should relish in this year's campaign season, get involved, and gather up everything about each candidate they can to be an informed voter.

People like Cathleen Campbell, Brian Honan, Joe Hogan and Jerry McCermott are people who Allston-Brighton should be proud of for their efforts in creating the current political climate.

Although each candidate has a different approach at what being the next city councilman should be, each add substance to a race that truly should be recognized by every single A/B voter.

Allston-Brighton voters can only hope a debate between the four candidates will be in the making. Debates truly give the voter an added perspective at who they may vote for and a chance for voters to get a glimpse of candidates they know nothing about.

Local residents should also be enthused and encouraged that there are still men and women out there who are still very much interested in the everyday on-goings in the Allston-Brighton community.

So interested they are driven towards politics to make the part of Boston they favor most a little bit more special. So interested they risk their own reputations, put it all on the line and get involved in one of the toughest arenas known to man "Boston politics".



## The Boston (City Council) Marathon begins

### Bottom line

## Consumers created at an early age

Pretty soon there'll be an Easter Egg Hunt up behind St. E's. Doting mothers will trot out their offspring for the annual "train 'em to be consumers" process. I recall standing with my camera in front of the barriers, ready to snap the moment when all the tiny shoppers are turned loose on the environment. The magic moment when hundreds of fortune seekers stampede their moorings, searching for goodies. This kind of child play sows the seed of greed early.

Another "consumer ceremony" for kids takes place at Christmas. More psychology in this one. As the season draws near the emphasis is on "good behavior." Communities have tree lightings. Kids gather; their little eyes gleaming with avarice.

Today's Santa Claus is tomorrow's credit card, guaranteeing delivery of things one can't afford. How well we prepare our little ones to feed the economy, to utilize the products of our civilization.

Much of what we do in life is based on what we want out of life. Children are always looking up to parents for direction. So you take the child to a fair and you buy him a balloon, which is a mistake because, inevitably, he loses the balloon and calls for you to fly up in the sky to get it for him. You can't, so he loses faith in your ability to care for him. Because of this factor, buying a kid a balloon is a lot more serious than it seems. If I were you, when he asks for a balloon, I'd tout him off it.

In fact I'd seriously consider steering the kid away from Easter Egg Hunts and Christmas Tree Lightings. Tell him early that there is no Santa, and when all the other kids are joining together in greedy pursuits he can stay home and study, thereby topping the others at tests, enabling him to glom onto a top education and to be assigned to the biggest and best paid occupation from which position of power he will marry a woman who as a child never missed an egg hunt or a tree lighting and she will divorce him, take all his money and live happily ever after.

### CORRECTION

Last week, the Citizen Journal incorrectly identified Steve Wasserman as Dan Wasserman. We regret any inconvenience that this error may have caused.

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Opinion

Ripken is one of the best things about the game of baseball

After a home run, he circles the bases with his head down. After a great catch, he doesn't pop up and stroke himself, demanding adulation. He doesn't hold out and he doesn't complain to the media about management or his teammates.

**Chris Price**



He doesn't own any flashy jewelry, and will probably never record a rap album (Maybe the gaudiest thing he does is wear those fancy Oakley, Robocop-style wrap around shades). He runs out his pop flies, and pats his teammates on the butt after they do

something great. This is a guy whose biggest endorsement deal in the last few years was for milk.

But perhaps the most important thing he does is just show up for work, day after day, without exception. It is a testament to his work ethic, instilled in him by his father, a crusty old baseball lifer who went to the ballpark day after day.

He'll never beg out of a game with a hangnail, or because he might not be feeling well. If they're facing a tough righthander, or maybe it's a little too cold outside, or the field is a little sloppy, another play might ask to sit out. But not Baltimore's Cal Ripken, Jr.

Cal Ripken, Jr., ss. That is why I am so happy that the baseball strike has been resolved. And this September, Ripken, will stand on top of the baseball world. Barring injury, he will break Lou Gehrig's record for consecutive

games played, shattering a record that many thought would stand forever.

In a blue-collar, punch-the-clock town like Baltimore, this record defines the essence that is Cal Ripken, Jr. Baltimore is a working-class town where a man who does an honest days work is the best kind of person you can meet, and Ripken grew up right outside the city limits.

This is the kind of sports hero that deserves to be idolized, that deserves to have his face splashed all over the 500-channel universe. This is the kind of athlete that the American public can identify with. Just like the average Joe: you put in a good day at work, you keep yourself

clean, and you will be rewarded with a gold watch, a nice pension and a big retirement dinner.

This is not to suggest that Ripken is near the end of his career. Far from it. Barring any more intergalactically stupid work stoppages, and if Ripken stays moderately healthy, he could hit 2,500 consecutive games played in the next three years.

In an era where sports heroism has been reduced to ESPN2 banana-boy Jim Rome telling Dennis Rodman he's extra-hyped, athletes jumping into the stands and attacking fans (and vice-versa), Ripken is one of the best things that sports has right now.

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Around Town by Clyde Whalen



No question that Legal Seafood over on Everett Street has a first class product. Also, I have heard through the years that seafood is good for the brain. However, as this photo testifies, some of the people who abandon their vehicles for the short time it takes to enter and eat, or buy and take out, aren't profiting from this exchange as much as they should. Despite posted signs reading, "Parallel Parking", if this is as close as they can come to directions maybe they should double up on their seafood intake?



Apparently the careless indifference to pedestrian traffic has spread from Allston to Brighton. Here a huge truck bullies the cross walk at Oak Square while being unloaded. You've got to hand it to motor vehicle operators though. They do respect each other. Given a narrow street they will always pull up on the sidewalk to reduce the risk of someone scraping their paint job.



Here's a shot I took behind the Brighton courthouse on a special Law Day celebration some years back. To the best of my memory the lady is Ann Flaherty and the priest is Father Dan Hegarty. The girls are probably young women by now. Oh, yes. They're from St. Anthony's Parish.



This is the first destination of all the trash they pick up once a week in Allston, Brighton. Here the castoff stuff is transferred from the compactors to giant vehicles to be carried yet further away from our area. Do you see what I see? I see no litter on the ground. Have you ever seen the Harvard Avenue triangle this neat? Maybe we should invite these two guys to one of our neighborhood meetings to tell us how they do it?



This is one of those pictures that should be titled "In Happier Times". Note that everyone is smiling. What are the odds of having that happen today with all six people? Maybe it's because in those times, "say cheese" didn't have the cholesterol threat that exists in the public psyche today. The place is Chandler's Pond. The cast, who have just captured what looks like a German tank, includes Brian McLaughlin and Judy Bracken standing plus Marian Alford and Paul McCaffrey on the tank. I can't remember the names of the two in the middle. Blame it on my youth.



This bus from Vermont had been parked here on Lugg Road near Braintree for so long that moss was growing up the wheels. Not that it's that big a deal but there is a law, probably legislated by party-poopers, that any vehicle parked on a public way for more than 72 hours without being moved, is legally considered abandoned and should be dragged off to the crusher. Perhaps Steve Law of 14's Community Police, who took over from retired Joe Parker, arranged a hit on this eyesore to the everlasting thanks of the stressed out natives of Allston's Bermuda Triangle. Whatever the reason, it's gone.

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## In the Day of the 'Bull's Head' ...

*(In the following article, and in another to appear in next week's Citizen, Thomas H. McVey, Sr., known to many as "Mr. Brighton", presents an 87-year perspective on Brighton's colorful beginning. The articles will amuse and interest all our readers, but we hope it will also jog a few memories into adding to this colorful record of Brighton's past. — Editor)*

by THOMAS H. McVEY, Sr.

You who are of the younger generation may be interested to know some of the goings-on in the old days in Brighton which are within the memory of some of us old timers.

Many changes have taken place, but some old places that can be referred to are still standing. Probably the only tavern left standing of the 20 or 30 places in Old Brighton where one would get overnight accommodation in is what was known as the Bull's Head Tavern on Washington street opposite Shepard street.

Probably the most important and largest of these taverns was the Cattle Fair Hotel on the corner of Market and Washington streets. Another one known

as the Wilson House, set on land where Police Station 14 is now located.

### SLEIGH PARTIES

This old place was noted for the many sleigh ride parties held there after horse and sleigh races on the old Mill Dam, a stretch of road about opposite Braves Field (now B.U. Field). Several of these old buildings were situated on Market street and as the first one was on the corner of Faneuil street, it was known as the Eldorado. This hotel was made remarkable by a high fence built to keep peekers from looking in their windows.

The next one down Market street was at the corner of North Beacon street and was known as the St. Julian. Many sporting events were arranged here and the great John L. Sullivan was one of their most popular guests.

Another smaller place, known as the Market House, was set on the corner of what is now known as Sife street.

One of the largest and most prominent hostleries on this street was the Charles River Hotel. This place was where a bet was made by a man who said his horse would start from this hotel at sunrise and be at Portland Me., at sunset. The horse reached Saco, Me., a few

corner of Saunders and Cambridge streets, owned and operated by a character known only as Centennial Walsh. This man had a son who resembled Jim Corbett, the prize fighter.

The boy said he was the greatest and prettiest but a local fellow named Arthur U. took his measure and got peanuts instead of a million bucks like pretty Cassius did.

Over on Harvard avenue was the Hawthorne House. Here many barge or tallyho rides, mostly to the old Brocktain Fair, were arranged. Many card games were played here and for high stakes. A local character named Patsy S. claimed he was cheated out of \$3,000, but who knows.

These old places and many more were used for overnight accommodations for the many drovers and cattlemen who came to this old trading town and stopped over, sometimes for days, to dispose of the many animals to be traded or sold to local dealers.

**DROVER NAMED SWIFT**  
Probably the most prominent of these old time drov-

ers of stock traders was Augustus Swift of the famous Swift Packing Co. Mr. Swift would start out from down on the Cape with a few head of stock and trade in the towns on the way up to Brighton.

This enterprising youth's thrift developed an argument here in Brighton, and it prompted him to leave here and go to Chicago. This was the start of the great Swift Packing Co., probably the largest in the world.

The Brighton abattoir, located in North Brighton, was occasioned by the fact that so many head of stock were handled here that it was unsafe to be on the streets, so much so, that on Wednesday the children did not attend school.

This fact prompted the State Board of Health to notify the local stock dealers that a suitable place would be selected where under the name of The Butchers' Slaughtering and Rendering Co., the slaughtering was to be performed.

## Greek Independence Day Parade

### Greek Independence Day parade turns downtown Boston into Greece for a day

The annual Greek Independence Day parade was held last Sunday, and the streets of Boston turned a festive blue and white to celebrate the afternoon.

Kicking off at 2 p.m., it began on Cambridge Street in front of Boston City Hall to Tremont Street, Park, Beacon, Bowdoin, Cambridge, Sudbury, Congress, State, ending at City Hall plaza.

Boston Mayor Thomas Menino was the honorary marshal for the parade that wound its way through the streets and ended up at City Hall plaza. The gala festivities included Greek organizations from all around New England.

Local colleges were also represented. Harvard, Boston College and Boston University sent hellenic organizations. In addition, several floats, marching bands and festive costumes highlighted the parade.

The parade was sponsored by the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England, in cooperation with the Greek Orthodox diocese of Boston, the Greek General Consul and the Mayor's office of special events and tourism.



Greek pride was in abundance last Sunday afternoon in Boston.



These dancers enjoy themselves as they kick down Beacon Street.



Several floats highlighted the afternoon's festivities.

Sara F. Giffuni staff photos

News

# On-line AIDS information to be available to public

By Sarah Fulmer

The Brighton Branch Library will soon be able to provide computer on-line AIDS information for the community, heightening public awareness and helping AIDS victims to locate vital information about the disease, said Sarah Ennis, generalist librarian of the Academy Hill Rd. library.

The National Library of Medicine contributed grant money to the Boston Public Library system and to Harvard University's Countway Library of Medicine in order to enable them to work together to access the information, Ennis said. "The grant is to enable us to access our patrons to Harvard on-line information," she added.

The grant provides money for training, public access

computer terminals, as well as inter-library loans of AIDS related material. "What I did last month was I demonstrated to the public librarians how to find this (the AIDS information) on the internet," said John Carper, a librarian at the Countway Library of Medicine.

An upcoming training session will explain how to search AIDS line, he added, which is a database indexing journal and magazine articles that are AIDS related. "The National Library of Medicine has decided to make AIDS line free," Carper said, in an effort to make the information more readily available to the average citizen.

All AIDS related internet information will also be free of charge, Carper said. Through the component of the grant reserved for inter-library loan, a patron would be able to

fill out a request for a copy of a certain article, and it would be sent over from Harvard, he added. "A lot of it would be very useful for either someone who has AIDS, or someone who is researching AIDS."

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# On-line AIDS information to be available to public

By Sarah Fulmer

The Brighton Branch Library will soon be able to provide computer on-line AIDS information for the community, heightening public awareness and helping AIDS victims to locate vital information about the disease, said Sarah Ennis, generalist librarian of the Academy Hill Rd. library.

The National Library of Medicine contributed grant money to the Boston Public Library system and to Harvard University's Countway Library of Medicine in order to enable them to work together to access the information, Ennis said. "The grant is to enable us to access our patrons to Harvard on-line information," she added.

The grant provides money for training, public access

computer terminals, as well as inter-library loans of AIDS related material. "What I did last month was I demonstrated to the public librarians how to find this (the AIDS information) on the internet," said John Carper, a librarian at the Countway Library of Medicine.

An upcoming training session will explain how to search AIDS line, he added, which is a database indexing journal and magazine articles that are AIDS related. "The National Library of Medicine has decided to make AIDS line free," Carper said, in an effort to make the information more readily available to the average citizen.

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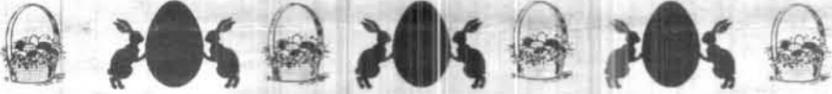
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