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"Papayas" participate in the play "Where the Wild Things are" at the recent Jackson Mann Summer Camp Talent Show and dinner. See story, page 7.

## Galvin flip-flops on Lake Street parking

By Chris Price

A letter obtained by the *Citizen Journal* reveals that Massachusetts Secretary of State William Galvin was in favor of Boston College using St. John's Seminary for football parking as late as four months ago.

Galvin, a Brighton resident who lives on Lake Street, recently threatened to sue the city if Boston College was allowed to use St. John's Seminary for parking for foot-

ball home games

The letter, dated March 24, 1995, reads: "I am writing to confirm my support... for the proposed access mitigation of the use of the St. John's Seminary for parking during the upcoming football season."

These comments would seem to contradict Galvin's statements in a meeting last week saying that, under the agreement negotiated

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## BC parking mess heats up as season nears

By Chris Price

With the Boston College football season right around the corner, the furor between neighborhood residents and BC surrounding parking privileges has boiled over again. Neighbors charge that Boston College is attempting to go back on their agreement which they say would not let BC use St. John's Seminary as a parking lot during football home games this fall.

Among those who are upset is area resident and Massachusetts Secretary of State William Galvin, who allegedly threatened a lawsuit against the city. He stated that under the original agreement, Boston College is not allowed to use the lot this year. However, a recent letter showed that Galvin once felt otherwise (see accompanying story).

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## Beal battles continue

By Stephanie Rosenlund

About mid-meeting last Thursday night at the McNamara House, a community member asked a salient question. Peter Nichols, presenting the Beal Companies plan regarding the future development of the Western Avenue — Brighton Mills — site, has been speaking for about 45 minutes on how they plan to redesign the area.

It will be more convenient for the shopper and the retailer, Nichols said. Star

Market will be moved towards the back and will be given more space so that they may open more departments. A pharmacy and dry cleaning depot were mentioned as possibilities. With their site towards the back of the center (near the Litchfield Street entrance), this will also help decrease the number of truck accidents will decrease, since Star has the largest amount of delivery trucks arriving on a daily ba-

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## Newsreel

### Central Bank wants to help you get to the Fall Classic

With the Red Sox heading strong to the finish this year, it's a sure thing that people in Boston will have their eyes on the playoffs and World Series as the Red Sox look to end the Curse of the Bambino.

And Central Bank is giving you the chance to see the Fall Classic. From now until September 30th, the Central Bank Home Equity/Home Run sweepstakes is open to any resident. All you have to do to enter is visit any Central Bank branch office, fill out an entry form and drop it in the box.

The Grand Prize is a trip for two to Games 3 and 4 of the 1995 World Series. In addition, other winners will receive weekly Red Sox tickets good for this season, an autographed Roger Clemens baseball or a fall foliage trip to Stratton Mountain, Vermont.

Weekly Sox tickets will be awarded each Monday beginning August 8th and ending September 19th. Grand prize and runner-up winners will be awarded on October 2nd.

### St. E's offers CPR classes this September

St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton is offering two CPR courses this September.

The first, called "Heartsaver," is a four-hour class appropriate for laypersons who are just learning the basics of CPR. The cost of the course is \$25, and pre-registration is required.

The second is called "Basic Life Support," and is an eight-hour, two-session certification course for health professionals. The cost of the course is \$35, and pre-registration is required.

For more information on these courses, or any information on St. Elizabeth's, call 789-2430.

### Vinfen wins grant from Department of Education

Vinfen Corporation recently announced that its Employment Services Program is the recipient of a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, for a community based project in supported employment for people with mental retardation or psychiatric disabilities.

The grant is valued at \$115,565. This is the third straight year Vinfen has won the award.

"This project is very exciting because it will help persons with severe disabilities participate in the economic mainstream and be more integrated fully into our community," said Sheldon Bycoff, President of Vinfen.

### Brighton's Carter promoted at Coopers & Lybrand

Brighton's Kerry K. Carter has been promoted to senior associate in the business assurance/audit practice of the Boston office of Coopers & Lybrand, an accounting and consulting firm. She joined the firm in 1993.

Ms. Carter specializes in providing services to clients in the mutual fund and venture capital industries. In 1993, she graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of New Hampshire with a B.S. in Business Administration.

### Hogan needs volunteers for annual parade

Volunteers are need for the 12th annual Allston/Brighton parade. If you would like to help out Joe Hogan, please call 782-5152 and pledge your support. This is always one of the highlights of the year for the community, so please help make it special.



Brighton's Kerry Carter was recently promoted to senior associate at Coopers & Lybrand.

### Autumn Escape Bike Trek set to take place

Cyclists of all abilities are invited to join the Autumn Escape Bike Trek from Plymouth to Provincetown, set for September 15-17. The three-day, 160-mile trek takes hundreds of bicyclists along the back roads and bike paths of Cape Cod while helping local American Lung Associations across Massachusetts fight lung disease, the third leading cause of death in America.

For more information about the Autumn Escape Bike Trek, contact the American Lung Association of Massachusetts at 1-800-LUNG-USA or 787-5864.

### Allston's Cooper takes part in BU competition

Brian P. Cooper of Allston recently took part in a vehicle-designed competition sponsored by Boston University's College of Engineering.

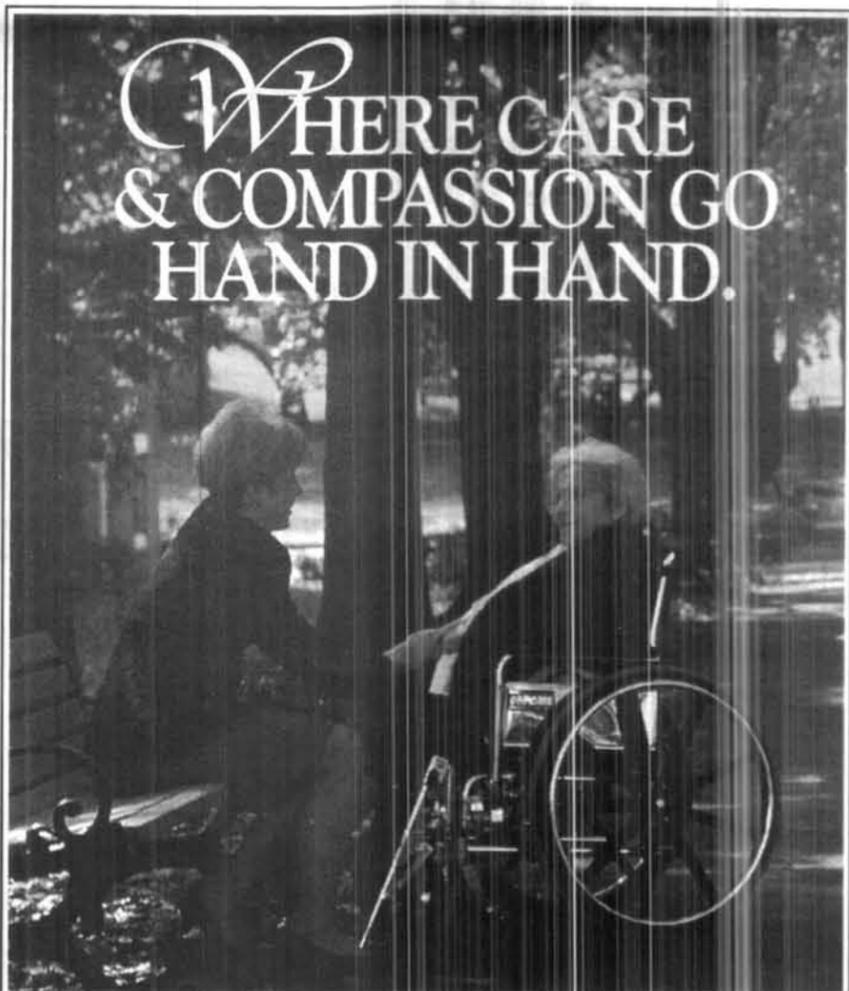
The "Peak Performance" competition required two-person teams to design and build a self-contained miniature vehicle that would climb a hill one meter high, stop at the summit, and then defend its position against another team's vehicle approaching from another side.

Cooper, the son of Daniel and Patricia Cooper of Raymond Street, is a student at Don Bosco Technical High.

### Citizen Journal staffer among those honored at Suffolk University

The following residents of Brighton have been named to the Dean's Honor List at Suffolk University for the Spring semester of the 1994-1995 academic year:

Brian Keane, Mohammed A. Faisal, Jason Flato, Georgia Medway, James McKeown, Silvia Mejia, Aaron St. Pierre, Lusine Yeremyan and Marisa Mogni. In addition, Mogni doubles as a *Citizen Journal* staff reporter.



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## Allston/Brighton Political Notebook

# Steve Montgomery sizzles at the Sunset Grill

City Council Candidate holds get-together in Allston for friends and volunteers

By Marisa C. Mogni

Candidate for City Council Steve Montgomery held his "Summer Sizzler" Monday, August 14 at the Sunset Bar and Grill in Allston. The event was a combination fundraiser and appreciation dinner for all the friends and neighbors who have supported and helped him throughout his campaign.

Present at the gathering were volunteers who assisted with sign displays and distribution and people he has helped as individuals within the community.

Also invited were members of various organizations he has been involved with, such as the Allston Civic Association, Allston/Brighton Healthy Boston Coalition, and Allston/Brighton Against Drugs, as well as all elected officials, such as Steven Tolman, who put in an appearance.

Montgomery organized the event with the help of his sister, Barb, who pitched in to keep a record of all those who appeared in order to send "thank you" notes as a token of appreciation for their support.

The dinner was arranged as an opportunity for Montgomery to speak with the individuals who have helped him together as a group. Throughout the campaign, he explained, "we're dealing with a lot of serious issues, and things can sometimes get too serious. It's a good chance for us to get together and enjoy ourselves."

Montgomery also perceived the gathering as a chance to give something back to those who have contributed so much, and to "get energized for the last few months of the campaign," he said.

As far as the campaign itself is concerned, Montgomery feels confident that it is going well, despite a lack of significant official endorsements. "I feel pretty good," he said. "I'm relatively new to the world of campaigning, as this is my first time running, but I'd like to think that in working with the mayor in Neighborhood Services I became well-versed in what it takes to be a public servant, and I'm hoping to continue that if I'm fortunate enough to be elected to City Council."

Montgomery believes that this past experience will enable him to be a strong representative who will work hard as an advocate for Allston/Brighton because "I know the system, how it works and how it doesn't work... I know which department responds to what approach and which people are the most responsive in those departments."

He is also aware of issues existing in the community, and believes his four years experience in the mayor's office has given him an insider's knowledge of the intricate operations taking place in city hall.

He also cites his efforts with the Resident Parking Program in Allston as an example of his dedication to the improvement of the neighborhood and his willingness to become directly involved in community issues. This familiarity with Allston/Brighton and its background makes him confident that he would have an advantage as City Councilor.



Sara F. Giffuni staff photo

Montgomery (second from left) takes time out to pose at his recent "Summer Sizzler."

## McDermott watches Vinfen

By Stephanie Abrams

City Council Candidate Jerry McDermott is concerned about a mental health group that may soon be filling an empty Brighton building with schizophrenic and manic depressive people is being watched closely. After a monthly BATA meeting that suggested they may consider doing away with 24-hour supervision, City Council candidate Jerry McDermott took his concerns to the state representatives and the state senators.

McDermott said that Tim Mize, a representative of Vinfen, had told him it would be a waste of money to pay someone to sit around if they weren't needed. "I thought it was better to have them sit there just in case one of the residents needs to see to

them during the day or if there's another incident in the neighborhood," McDermott.

After realizing that funding of the 24-hour supervision comes from the State Department of Mental Health (DMH) and not Vinfen, he took his concerns to the President of Vinfen, Sheldon Bycoff, and called on State Representatives Thomas Birmingham and Steven Tolman, and Senators Warren Tolman and Kevin Honan to secure funding at the state level so the DMH could allocate money for Vinfen to continue their plan for 24-hour supervision.

Meanwhile, Mize said that he misspoke about discontinuing the 24-hour supervision. "I was wrong when I attended the zoning board meeting. I made a surface error," Mize explained.

Although the brief battle has been settled, but McDermott still didn't seem satisfied. "I'm going to continue to keep an eye on Vinfen."



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- Meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Greater Boston office.
- **August 17** "Fundraising Committee." Help design and promote the 3rd annual Women in the Arts Festival.
- **August 21** "Public Relations/Media Committee." Help monitor media coverage of NOW's priority issues.
- **August 3** "Young Feminist Task Force." Participate in Voter Registration Drive from August 26-30, the final four days before the deadline.

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

20 Chestnut Hill Ave.; 254-6100

- The Senior Center is now accepting registrations for September 1st, 1995-August 31st, 1996. Registration places you on our mailing list to receive early notification of all parties, events, free health screenings, flu shots, classes, trips and much more. Registration also helps support all our services to seniors in Allston/Brighton. For more information, call 254-6100.
- **Weekly schedule: August 21-25**
- Monday:** 9-12:30 ESL; 9 a.m. Walking Group; 11 a.m. Tai-Chi classes; 12 p.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. Bowling.
- Tuesday:** 9 a.m. Exercise; 12 p.m. Lunch; 1-2 p.m. Senior Swim (YMCA); 1-3 p.m. Bingo.
- Wednesday:** 9-12:30 p.m. ESL; 12 p.m. Lunch; 10:30 a.m. Senior Citizen Town Meeting presented by the Elderly Commission; 7-10 p.m. Concert at City Hall Plaza, bus leaves at 5:45 p.m. from Senior Center.
- Thursday:** 9 a.m. exercise; 12 p.m. lunch; 1-2 p.m. Senior Swim (YMCA); 1-3 p.m., Venus' Bingo; 1-4 p.m. Bridge.
- Friday:** 9:00 a.m. Walking Group.
- **"Candidate Forum."** August 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the Center's auditorium.
- **"Rockingham Park."** Monday, September 11. \$25 pre-paid.

### Boston College Neighborhood Center

425 Washington St.; 552-0445

- **Boston College Entrepreneurial Development Program** needs host families for 20 small business entrepreneurs (ages 20-25) that will be visiting Boston College from Northern and Southern Ireland from September 1st through October 31st. They will study at BC and work at local places of interest. For information, contact Aideen Dolan and Boston College at 552-4503.
- **The Boston College Recreational Complex** will be open for all residents of the Allston/Brighton community this summer. If you would like to use the facility for swimming, basketball, tennis or sunbathing, call 552-4787 to sign up. All are welcome, but you must call and make a reservation.

### Boston Public Library Brighton Branch

40 Academy Hill Rd.; 789-6032

- **"Learn to Love to Play Chess."** Every Thursday afternoon from 3:30-6 p.m. through August 24, chess master David Greenberg will provide instruction in the fine art of chess. The instruction is free and open to the public.
- **"Preschool Stories come before the films."** Tuesdays through August 22nd at 10:15 a.m. Each half-hour program features stories and songs. Children may stay on for the 45-minute preschool film program that follows.
- **"Wednesday Fun for Older Kids."** Wednesdays through August 23rd at 10:30 a.m. Favorite films for school age children plus discussions of films and stories. "Luke Was There" and "The Bamboo Brush."
- **"Summer Films for Preschoolers."** August 22nd at 10:45 a.m. "Johnny Appleseed" and "Elephants and Hippos in Africa."

### BPL - Faneuil Branch

419 Faneuil St.; Brighton 782-6705

- **"A Bedtime Story in the Library."** August 24th from 7-7:30 p.m. Wear your pj's and bring your favorite teddy bear. Preregistration is required.
- **"Toddler Storytime"** Tuesdays through August 29th at 10:30 a.m. and again at 12 noon. Stories and a craft for children two to three years old, accompanied by an adult. Preregistration required. Regret groups cannot be accommodated.
- **"Preschool Storytime"** Wednesdays through August 30th at 10:30 a.m. and again at 12 noon.
- **"Summer Crafts Friday."** Fridays through August 25th at 10 a.m. Every Friday is craft day, during summer vacation. Come hear a story and then have fun making crafts. On August 18th: "What Grows Here? A Program About Plants." Stories followed by a craft using real vegetables.



As part of Boston's recent celebration of National Night Out, these award winners at the Jewish Community Center proudly display their Community Service Awards.

**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 4 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.
- **Essential Dog Manner and Maneuvers.** Cost \$60 (six weeks). Mondays from 6-7 p.m.
- **Fun-Damentals of playing the Drumset.** Cost \$60 for eight weeks. Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m.
- **Basic Obedience.** Cost \$50 for four weeks. Mondays from 6-7 p.m. beginning August 7 at Ringer Park.
- **Women's Self-Defense Course.** Cost \$30. In JMCC studio. Call for more info.
- **Music Theory.** (with basic melody and rhythm studies) Cost \$60 (eight weeks). In the JMCC studio. Call for more info.
- **The JMCC is in search of a gymnastics instructor** so that we may offer classes this fall. Please contact Jimmy Smith at 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

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formation, call the Rectory at 782-0775. Minimum enrollment required for program to take place.

### Allston Congregational Church

41 Quint Ave.; 782-5709

- Through Sunday, September 3rd, Bible Study will be held from 10-11 a.m. In addition, the monthly rummage sale will be postponed until Saturday, September 7th from 10-4 p.m.

### 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.

### Congregation Kadimah-Toras Moshe

113 Washington St., Brighton; 254-1333

### Church of the Holy Resurrection

64 Harvard Ave., Allston; 787-7625

### Brighton Evangelical Congregational Church

404 Washington St., Brighton; 254-4046

- **Worship service** every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
- **Community Supper** — Wednesdays at 6 p.m. No cost.
- **Thrift Shop** - Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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### Boston's United Pentecostal Church

73 Brooks St., Brighton; 782-8391

- **Family Worship Services** every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Midweek Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.
- **Portugese Worship Services** - Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 p.m.
- **Spanish Worship Service** - Saturday at 7:30 p.m.
- **Evening Prayer** - Friday from 9-10 p.m.
- **Youth Service, Fellowship and Fun** - Friday at 7:30 p.m.

### The Church of St. Luke & Margaret (Episcopal)

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- **Sunday Eucharist** - Sundays at 10 a.m.
- **ESL in rectory** - Fridays from 6-8 p.m.

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## Obituaries

**CHAMPAGNE** - Of Allston, August 7, Margaret M. (Goodwin) Champagne. Beloved wife of Joseph P. Champagne. Mother of Joseph P. Champagne, Jr. of Allston, James M. Champagne of Medway, Jeff Scott Champagne of Everett, sister of Robert Goodwin of Allston and William Goodwin of Allston. Funeral from the Donahue Funeral Home (Cambridge) and St. Anthony's Church last Thursday.

**COLEMAN** - In Allston, formerly of Killeagh County Cork, Ireland, August 10, Brigid Marie (Hickey). Beloved wife of the late David J., devoted mother of Mrs. Mary "Joan" Faherty of Waltham, Mrs. Marguerite "Peggy" Driscoll of Dorchester and John "Dave" Coleman of Canton. Sister of the late Catherine Coughlin. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral from the Lehman

and Reen Funeral Home and St. Anthony's Church last Saturday. Internment at Evergreen Cemetery.

**SELMAN** - Of Allston, Lance A., loving son of Joyce and Lionel. Brother of Trent Stewart and Karen and Tanya Selman. Survived by a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral was held last Saturday at the Twelfth Baptist Church in Roxbury, and the arrangements were made by the J.B. Johnson Funeral Home.

**WOOD** - Of Allston, August 10, E. Winifred Wood. Wife of the late Frederick A. Wood. Dear mother of Beverly E. Welch of Allston. Sister of Dorothy Knorr of Philadelphia, PA. and Harold Burden of Holbrook. Also survived by five grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were private.

## Police

### Bust on Mount Hood Road

As a result of information received, local detectives sought and obtained a search warrant for a local apartment on Mount Hood Road.

They executed the search warrant on July 28th, and they allegedly seized an 18-inch clay pot containing three marijuana plants, along with a plastic bag containing green herb cigarette wrapper with green herb tweezers with "roach" cigarette papers.

The items removed were taken to District 14 and logged in the drug log book. The two inhabitants of the apartment will be summonsed into Brighton District Court.

### No trespass on Faneuil Street

At approximately 10:30 p.m. on the night of July 30th, a Boston Municipal Housing officer was conducting a walk-through of the Faneuil Housing Development, when he allegedly observed Brian Tullos, 37, inside a posted "No Trespassing" area.

Mr. Tullos had been warned and was issued a no trespass notice by this officer as well as others. On this encounter, Mr. Tullos was placed into custody and transported to District 14 for booking.

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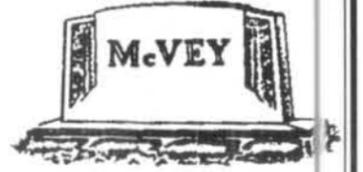
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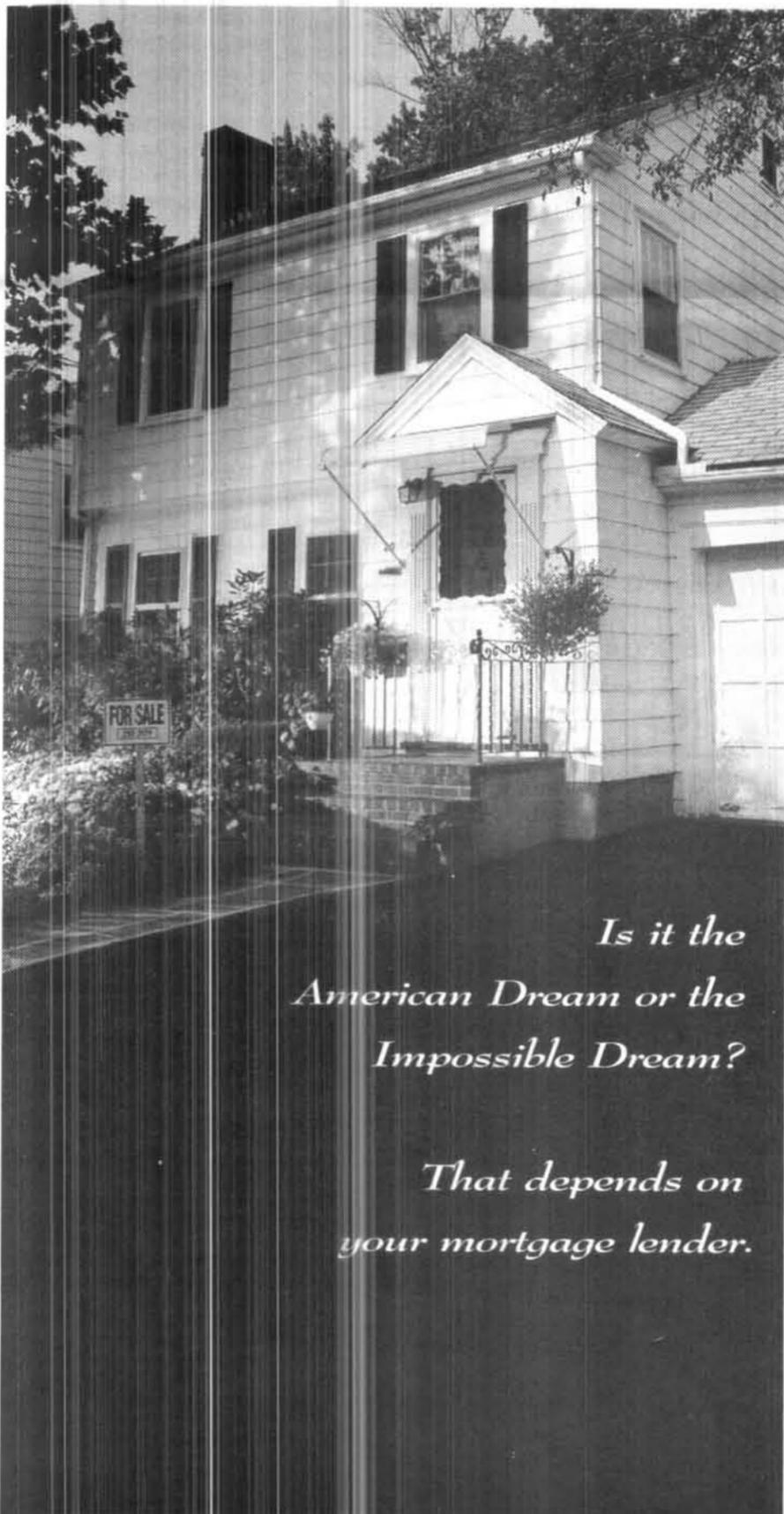
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# News

## Beal battles continue over Western Avenue site and houses

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"But what about the existing vacant buildings?" asks the community member.

"They will be torn down," responded Nichols.

And it is here that the community realizes what is between the Beal Companies desire to expand and the Landmark Commission's desire to save what community activist Tim McHale calls "valuable" landmarks, that the community feels would "have disastrous environmental, social and economic impact" on the area of they were destroyed.

McHale would like to see the buildings used for elderly housing, artists studios, a library and a community center. Beal wants to use the land for Star Market.

"If we do not provide this site for Star Market, they will either close their existing store or will let their lease run out and take their store elsewhere," said Bruce Beal, one of the owners.

According to Beal, Star Market's lease is up in three years and they have made it clear to him that if the project does not go forward, and their needs aren't met, they will have to leave.

Beal said they have purposely kept those buildings vacant over time as leases have run out in preparation for this project. Much careful planning has gone into making this site visually pleasing, convenient for the locals, and profitable for all businesses still residing there.

The only businesses that are not scheduled for a change in the immediate future are McDonald's and Caldors. As

far as the look of the Caldors building, Beal has let them know that he is displeased with their appearance.

"I don't like the way Caldors has looked, and they understood that," Beal said.

He promised the community that although he may not have much control over Caldors, since their lease is not up until 2025, he will "lean on them," and try to help change the outside of the building.

Although it is obvious that both sides still hold strong viewpoints as to how the development of this site should be handled, both seem to be committed to communicating with one another and coming to an agreement that will benefit everyone.

"What we really need is a win-win situation," Nichols said. "I think we can do that."

## Art Deco returns, courtesy of Star Market

By Ludmilla Panza

Allston's new Star Market is large, modern, and equipped with an underground parcel pickup area. It is also modest, tasteful and walled behind a facade of limestone and decoration typical of the historic Art Deco style.

The market, located at 1065 Commonwealth Avenue near the intersection of Commonwealth and Brighton Avenues, retains two adjacent walls from the original Art Deco building, one on Commonwealth and the other on the cross street, Alcorn.

Most recently, the building was a Chevrolet showroom, and originally it housed a Pierce Arrow Auto Dealership showroom built by architect Harold Field Kellogg in 1927. Unconfirmed rumors have it that another of Kellogg's Art Deco buildings, the Batterymarch (located in downtown Boston) is currently being evaluated for landmark status.

According to Tony Fusco of the Art Deco Society of Boston, distinctive features retained on the Star Market walls include a tall, stained-glass window, as well as etched spandrels and flowery, zig-zag designs on the limestone front. But the most classic Art Deco feature to be found on this

facade as noted by Fusco is above the door and in the corners, where "there are designs that echo what they call the skyscraper motif."

The skyscraper, or step-back patterns, evolved in the 30s. It allows construction on skyscrapers as "a way of allowing the building to be high without it being overwhelming. Simply put, the bottoms of very tall buildings are larger in area than the middles, which in turn have an area larger than the tops, a tradition in Art Deco style.

In fact, remnants of the Art Deco tradition are to be found all over the area. The Art Deco Society both catalogues total numbers of buildings and offers walking tours for those interested in viewing and learning more about these structures. A count is still being done in the Allston/Brighton area, but in Brookline, a dozen Art Deco buildings remain standing.

Today, those who appreciate this period in history take steps to preserve it, and applaud the fact that Star Market, under no prompting from anyone, chose to undertake the tricky and expensive project of restoring a period facade.

"I was kind of shocked," said project manager Bill Whall of Phoenix Bay State Construction. "Usually companies

need to have their feet held to the fire" before they'll spend so much money on projects as "epic" as this one. "I was very impressed. I managed to make money off a good piece of work, and they did it on their own.

Both Fusco and Whall noted that, although Star promises to have a modern and efficient interior, it is modest and unobtrusive enough on the outside to blend in nicely with the other buildings on the street.

Plainly, the restoration "keeps the character of the block and they've preserved the streetscape," Fusco said approvingly.

"As a Boston resident, to see the amount of money that went into it..." marveled Whall. "They get the white hats."

Star Market broke ground on this project in March of 1995, and has provided jobs to 100 local construction workers, according to Carole O'Connor Gates of Star Market.

One of the entrances to Star will open through the facade, while the main entrance near the parking lot will be on Gardner Street, the parallel road directly behind Commonwealth Avenue. The store will open to the public on October 16th at midnight, and will be open 24 hours.

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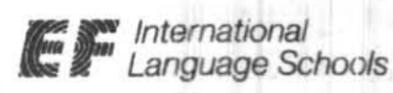
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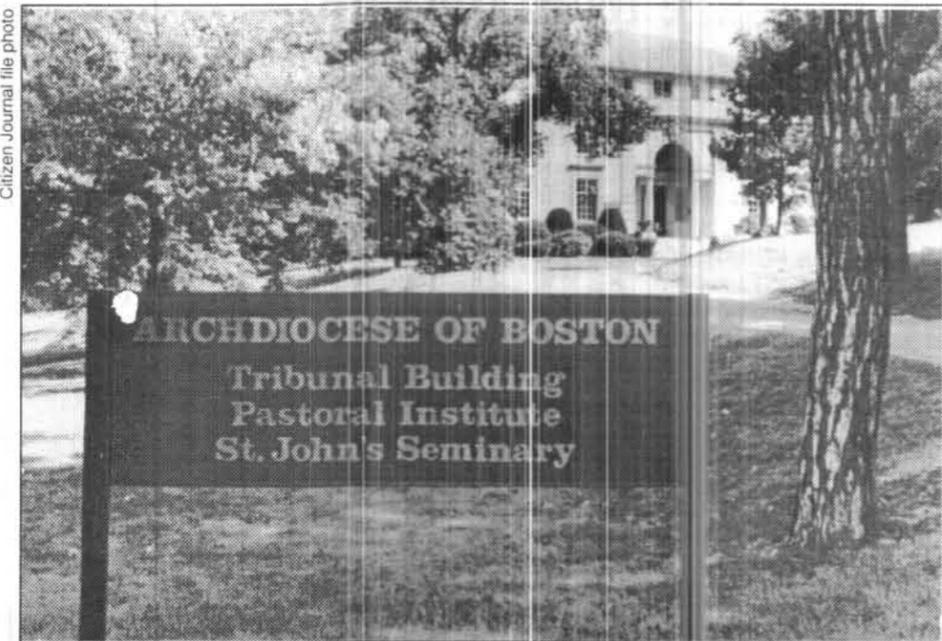
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News



St. John's Seminary is the latest battleground between the neighborhood and BC.

• FLIP-FLOP

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last year, the school is not allowed to use the lot. Galvin was unable for comment this week, but he did tell the *Globe* that the letter reflected "neighborhood consensus" at the time, and not necessarily his opinion. Brighton's Marion Alford, also mentioned in the letter as agreeing to the use of the lot for football parking, said that both she and Galvin trusted Boston College when the original deal was signed, but those opinions soon changed. "We trusted them, and acted in good faith," said Alford, who is the Chair of the Allston/Brighton

Boston College Community Relations Task Force. "Then they went and changed things around. They're the bad guys in this situation, not us." The parking disagreement has held up the approval from the city's Consumer Affairs and Licensing board for the school's 1995 entertainment license (see accompanying story). Without the license, the school cannot stage a home football game. Both sides are scheduled to meet this Thursday in the Community Room at District 14 to discuss the matter.



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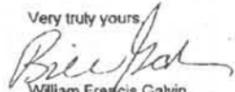
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Dear John,

I am writing to confirm my support and that of my neighbor, Marion Alford for the proposed access mitigation of the use of St. John's Seminary for parking during the upcoming football season.

It is my understanding that the proposal is that the Lake Street gate will remain closed at all times while the Seminary property is used for parking. My neighbor and I agree that this change in procedure is desirable and we support it as a means of reducing the impact of game day activity on our area.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,  
  
 William Francis Galvin  
 Secretary of the Commonwealth

Galvin's letter to Boston College, dated March 24th

BC parking problem

• PARKING PROBLEMS

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The two sides are scheduled to meet again this week before heading back to talk with the city's Office of Consumer Affairs and Licensing, which still has not granted Boston College's permit to play home games at Alumni Stadium. Because the matter is still pending, Consumer Affairs Commissioner Donna Mueller said that she could not comment extensively on the situation. She said that both sides had been given 10 days to work out an agreement. "We will meet on August 20th, either in a meeting or separately," Mueller said. "We will review all the information that we have at the time, and then make a decision." Despite the lack of an entertainment permit, BC doesn't seem concerned about the situation. Boston College athletic director Chet Gladchuk said that they are "open to compromise" on the parking plan. A BC spokesman feels hopeful that they can resolve the issue before the season starts. "Given the recent history, the parking plan has been working beautifully," said BC's Doug Whiting. "We are optimistic that we can resolve any issues that arise. We've got a positive frame of mind." In addition to that, City Hall has said that Boston College has permission to use the facility for the upcoming season. "As far as the city is concerned, Boston College has permission to park at St. John's Seminary this season," said Bill Meehan of the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services. The agreement was reached with help from the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) last year. According to a BRA spokesperson, the agreement did not require BC to stop using the parking lot after last year. Neighborhood activists have complained for many years that the use of the lot on Lake Street clogs traffic in the area, and rowdy fans disrupt the neighborhood.

Jackson Mann Summer Camp

The kids attending the Jackson Mann Community Center's annual Summer Camp had a great time entertaining parents, counselors and friends last Thursday night. The 7th annual Spaghetti Dinner, graciously provided by Denis O'Doherty of the Corrib Pub and Store 24, was a great success, raising money for the program and providing a fun end to the six-week, urban camp experience. Approximately 120 children sang, danced, acted out scenes from "Where the Wild Things Are" and strutted down the fashion-show runway. At the intermission, a plaque was presented to Camp Director Gayle Robinson for her 10 years of service. Prizes, donated by The Stockyard, The Green Briar and The Corrib Pub were also raffled off.

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## Editorial

### Stuck in the middle with the people from Star Market

Too often, we are a disposable society, content to throw away what has become old or passe. We have very little respect for the past; history is treated like a footnote as we race breathlessly to our next conquest.

That's not to say that people should hold on to the past with such firm resolve that they can't see clearly into the future. We all hate the old person who tells us that "in the good old days..." Sometimes, change is something that needs to be embraced.

But in an interesting symmetry this week, the people of Star Market are apparently caught in the middle of a struggle between the past and the future, with both fronts being fought exclusively in the Allston/Brighton community.

First, they are looking to expand their site on Western Avenue (with the help of the Beal Companies), possibly at the expense of some historical buildings that Landmark Commission is trying desperately to save.

But over on Commonwealth Avenue, they are looking to preserve a hallowed American architectural tradition. They are saving the Art Deco facade of a building (at their own cost) that will seamlessly blend the past and the present in an amazing architectural presentation that will not only give the people of the area a beautiful building, but give them a state-of-the-art shopping center at the same time.

Star Market is faced with an interesting dilemma. In one situation, they are the heavies, looking to boot out the underdogs who want to save the historical property. On the other hand, they are spending their own cash to renovate an old, historically significant building.

Can you have it both ways? No matter what happens, the present inhabitants of the community will most likely come out winners. But what of history? While future historians may forgive Star for pouring their own money into the renovation, will they be so kind as to say "Well, they needed the land for more market space. We understand."

## THESE ARE YOUR PAGES

The *Citizen Journal* encourages readers to submit letters to the editor as well as opinion articles for the newspaper's editorial pages. Submission should be no longer than 1,000 words in length and should contain the author's name, address and phone number. Send submissions in care of Letters to the Editor, the *Citizen Journal*, P.O. Box 659, Boston, MA 02258. Facsimile transmissions are also welcomed; the number is 254-5081. While the *Citizen Journal* attempts to print all submissions, space constraints may prevent us from doing so. The *Citizen Journal* reserves the right to edit all submissions.

## The Price is Right

### A message from the editor

I once explained to a friend the role of a community journalist. It is akin to that of a professional athlete. You are in front of a large group of people who evaluate your every performance. You are scrutinized by everyone in the area. If you slip up, you'll get angry mail and threatening

#### Chris Price

calls from people who will hide behind the anonymity of the phone, just like a ballplayer who will hear catcalls from the stands but never get the chance to confront the person who is taunting him.

Here at the *Citizen Journal*, I have received several angry call and harsh letters. Most of the hostile ones prefer to remain anonymous, even after I have explained to them why we did what we did. But they still go away hating me and my profession.

Journalism is a tough business, one that demands a thicker skin and stronger stomach than many others have. I've been called more names than Courtney Love, and gotten into more shouting matches than Morton Downey, Jr.

But it has its' sweet and tender moments as well. While working for my college paper, I once wrote a piece on the swim team that was so fluffy and light that you could bounce a cloud on it. It was a harmless story saying that, while they had done very well over the year, they had come up just a little bit short. In the 1,000-word story, maybe two sentences were derogatory.

I was confronted by the coach the next day, who proceeded to tell me that stories like mine were hurting his team, and I should do a more upbeat story on "my" college team.

From that experience I learned one important journalistic lesson: People will quite often expect a pleasant story because you are part of the same community, even if the team stinks and bad guys are running the show.

And the same holds true for community journalism. While a lot of community journalism is cheerleading, there are bad guys out there. Those bad guys should know that this newspaper won't go easy on them just because they live in the community. And hopefully, we'll get to them before they get to you.

## Bottom Line

### A prognosis from Dr. Clyde

Cathi Campbell and I did the 8 p.m. cable show, *The Clyde Whalen Experience*, last Thursday, and after the show she gave me a lift to a meeting at the McNamara House, where a

#### Clyde Whalen

room full of concerned citizens were participating in what seemed to be a bull session concerning the Star Market lot.

After listening for a few minutes, I got the impression that the protagonists were the locals, seemingly desperate to protect the historic integrity of some grungy industrial buildings.

On the other hand, Beal Companies (owners of the lot), were well organized. The speaker declared simply that if the outdated mill construction was left standing, it would not be feasible economically or structurally to attempt to adapt it to modern business needs. Also, it was noted that, in light of the contraction of available space, created by keeping the old buildings intact, changes would have to be made.

It was charged that one of the changes could be Star's moving to another area. However, many felt that this was an idle threat because no representative from Star was present.

The meeting ended rather abruptly, on a jarring note, when the speaker for Beal indicated that he had to get up at 5 o'clock in the morning, that the meeting had been scheduled to end at 9 pm, and that it was now 10 pm and time to say "goodnight,"

and off he went to some groans from the crowd at what they seemed to consider a blatant display of arrogance.

This meeting convinced me that public forums are a waste of time and energy. We vote people into office to speak for us. Why then do we have to go to meetings to speak for ourselves? Bear with me on this. Let's say you vote for Campbell or Honan or McDermott or Montgomery, to take them alphabetically: why can't they open a store-front office in Allston or Brighton and staff it with someone on duty five days a week to converse with the people? Knowing what the people want is the councilor's problem. That's what we pay him/shim \$54,500.00 for (as of January, 1995). Then, when it comes time for he/she to speak up, we have someone who can do it without the emotion that creates chaos at public meetings.

If councilors would call meetings once a month with their neighborhood people and explain what's going on, folks who wished to participate in government could do so without depending on the influence peddling activist groups that sometimes cause rifts in neighborhoods, with one section fighting another, such as has happened in Brighton vs Boston College.

A new regime will be moving into office later on this year. I hope the new council will try to make proper contact with the people instead of allowing them to continue these public psychiatric sessions where so many act out their delusions to no advantage.

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**Commentary**

**The Bridges of Boston**

We recognize the beauty of famous bridges like London Bridge, Brooklyn Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge — however, all bridges are unique, a creative synthesis of the landscape and architecture of their times.

Familiar to Boston residents, four bridges between the Science Museum and Harvard University connect Cambridge and Boston over the Charles River. Each provides a different experience, whether seen from the shore or, as I sometimes feel when on a bridge, “in the middle of it all.”

**Kathy MacLeod** The picturesque Longfellow, or “salt and pepper bridge,” named for its double set of stone towers, rises above the river near the Science Museum, perfectly enhancing the beauty of the inner basin. If you watch it from shore for a minute or so, two Red Line trains going in opposite directions often pass each other at its midpoint, the red and white trains bright against the slate-gray stone towers.

The brick and concrete Massachusetts Avenue bridge is a low, flat bridge, widened and straightened in recent years. Today, it is a serviceable, multi-use structure for commuting between the MIT end of Mass. Ave. and Boston for school or work. Walking across it, keeping to the outside of the busy pavement, I can see the water close by, feel the pounding of runners’ feet on the concrete, and sense the swiftness of bicycles passing. I come away energized and reassured knowing that so many people are traveling lightly, without care.

Next is the BU Bridge, which I usually cross by bicycle

or car. On my bike, I sometimes stop to gaze downriver to the east. Under a wide expanse of sky, the river curves broadly between the stone towers of the Boston University School of Religion and the banks of Cambridge. Beyond, the skyscrapers of the financial district catch and reflect the light. This view of Boston in its entirety reminds me of the city’s meaning to me — beauty, art, learning. From this

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small bridge imparts an unexpectedly pastoral mood. Looking out from it, an idyllic scene — cupolas in red, azure and green accent red-bricked dormitories; a rowing shell slowly drifts closer, its eight men hunched over motionless, and disappears under the bridge.

To me, bridges are connectors. Wherever I’ve lived in Boston, whether within the city limits or in a nearby town, I’ve always thought of Boston as home.

But I’ve recently come across an interesting piece of Boston lore. It seems that for some residents, the bridges don’t connect the proud cities of Cambridge and Boston, but separate them. For some reason, these people prefer to stay off the bridges.

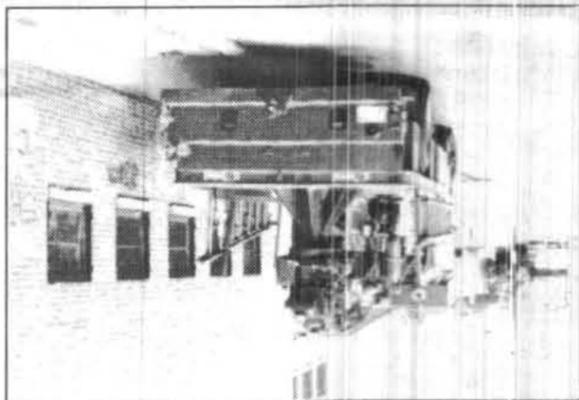
Myself, I’ve never hesitated to cross the BU bridge from the Cambridge side in order to get to somewhere interesting like the MFA, or Brookline, or the used furniture store and nightclubs of Allston. Likewise, when I lived in Jamaica Plain, I often crossed bridges for a movie or lecture in Cambridge.

So I have made good use of the bridges. And sometimes, getting there is the most rewarding part. With interesting cloud and light conditions, the arrangement of skyline, river, and sky seen from a Red Line train as it traverses the Longfellow Bridge is one of the more sublime experiences Boston provides. More than once, I’ve seen an entire row of passengers turn around in the seats so as not to miss the spectacle.

It never occurred to me that one side of the Charles River is better than the other, they are so different — the bridges are an invitation to explore.

**Around Town**

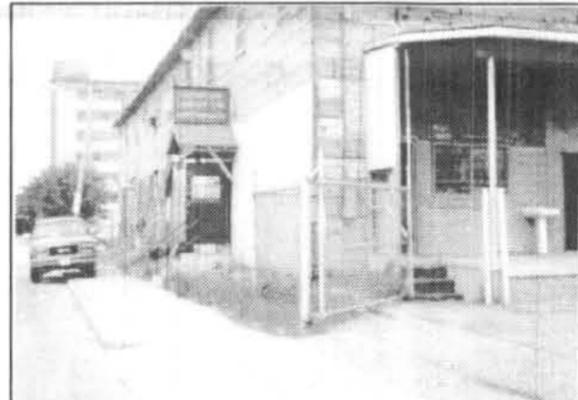
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Here a heavy industrial truck engages in a neighborly “share the sidewalk” routine. Given enough weight and enough times, the sidewalk usually cooperates by caving in, which results in bumps and bruises on some poor working stiff staggering home after a couple of quick ones at the local pub.



Do you remember this scene, following the fire at Marty’s at Harvard and Comm? The fence was a great communications center for all the bill posters in Boston and surrounding areas. Now that the new Marty’s is standing in all its glory, graffitiists have been relegated to the alley and the back of the building.



Have you noticed how automobiles have pushed people off the sidewalks? In the wintertime people shovel their cars out of the snow and throw it on the walk. Here, on a narrow street this vehicle throws a wheel on the walkway to keep a passing truck from scraping his paint job.



Here a taxi sits on a pedestrian walkway. Remember when taxi drivers were real pros? Well, dearie, you’re much older than I. Maybe this winner just got his license and thinks the pretty white lines are a safety zone for taxis?



Those were the days, my friend. Mack Truck, tore everything down and built it up anew and then when it was all finished they up and moved out of the area. Sold out to Volvo.



How’d you like to have these two faces on a coin? That’s John Nucci in the background and Hold ‘em Joe Hogan in the foreground. Nucci changed forever the time on Wednesday that the council meets. Hogan is responsible for the big Allston/Brighton Parade.

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## Boost for Harvard Avenue

### Plan for New P.O. Weighed

The Harvard-Brighton avenue business district may be in for not one, but two badly needed shots in the arm, according to the Allston Civic Association.

In a survey of merchants published in The Citizen last month, the ACA said that 97 per cent of the businessmen feel the return of a supermarket to a shopping area would help their business, and 80 per cent feel that relocation of the Allston Post Office would "greatly aid the area."

This week the ACA received correspondence from Congressman Thomas P. O'Neil that the group's request for new postal facilities is receiving immediate attention.

In a letter replying to Martin's report, the ACA revealed that the city has already assigned planners to determine the feasibility of off-street parking in the area, a need which 100 per cent of the merchants pinpointed

as the area's main problem.

ACA chairman Joseph Smith said he had spoken this week to an A&P official, who revealed that they have been negotiating for the lease on the building formerly occupied by the First National at the corner of Glenville Terrace and Harvard avenue. A final decision can be expected within the next two weeks, said Smith.

Additional points brought out by the ACA survey include the following:

85 per cent of the merchants rely on local trade for their profits, 90 per cent suffer because of "vacant and unkept stores in the area," 97 per cent consider their business "a vital part of the Allston community," 100 per cent are willing to meet with the ACA and discuss plans for rehabilitating the district, 60 per cent of the merchants live outside the area but all are "sincere in their desire to aid in upgrading the area."

## On Pedestrian Bridge

### Pike Boss Orders Speedup

Massachusetts Turnpike Authority Chairman John Driscoll has assured the Allston Civic Association that he has given orders "that every means be used to speed up construction on the overpass from Lincoln street to Cambridge street and every available safety precaution be used until construction is completed."

The ACA told the turnpike chief that to date their group, the Authority, and Perini Corporation have enjoyed an excellent working relationship. Regardless of the Sept. 1 deadline for completion of the Weston-to-Allston turnpike construction, the group insisted, maximum safety standards must prevail.

Driscoll agreed with the group, but added, "When a multi-million dollar highway is built and runs through a community, there has to be some inconvenience. Although, because of the vastness of this operation, I am not familiar with much of the construction detail, I do believe that this inconvenience has been kept to a minimum."

The day after they registered their request with Driscoll, the ACA heard from project engineer Edgar Kumpel, who asked for a full report from the group so he could comply with Driscoll's orders and the ACA's requests wherever possible.

The ACA pointed out danger spots on the Cambridge street stairway, which has been without a protective barrier fencing off the 50-foot drop. The stairway has no lighting, and mothers with strollers or car-

riages must make a detour of almost ¼ mile. Kumpel told the group he would investigate and correct the lighting situation. He pointed out that a temporary ramp for strollers would be impractical, since the permanent overpass would be completed almost as soon as the ramp could be constructed.

According to Kumpel, a holdup in the overpass construction was due to indecision about where to place final pilings for the structure on the Cambridge street end of the ramp. The decision has now been made, and the completion date for the permanent overpass has been set for the second week in September.

The Citizen last week was assured by Commissioner Driscoll that the overpass would be open by September 1 at the latest. Some sources report that Allston mothers are planning a baby-carriage barricade the day the turnpike extension opens, (September 1) to protest the overpass delay, although it is not clear how they plan to gain access to the turnpike on foot.

The ACA urges residents to accept responsibility for the safety of children in the construction area. "Any construction site is a lure for young people. Heavy equipment and traffic in the Cambridge street-Lincoln street area is and will be a danger spot during construction, and residents, especially our young people, should use extreme caution while in the area."



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FAMOUS SIGN HAS OFFSPRING — "To Hell with Urban Renewal" sign on North Harvard street adjacent to the variety store owned by Mrs. Marjorie Redgate was joined this week by a smaller sign urging the support of Senator Barry Goldwater. Mrs. Redgate, whose name appears at the bottom of

the new sign, says she urges all who come into her store to vote for Goldwater. Many of the North Harvard street citizens who object to the Boston Redevelopment Authority's moving into the neighborhood are staunch Goldwater fans, Mrs. Redgate says.

### Council Hearing Demanded

The Allston Civic Assn. has written to the City Council offering aid and requesting information on recent developments in the Boston Redevelopment Authority Waverly street project.

Michael Pizziferri, volunteer legal counsel for the North Brighton Civic Association, spoke this week to City Councilor Peter Hines. Pizziferri revealed his plans to request a hearing from the council based on 1,000 petitions which will be circulated throughout Boston, and most heavily in Brighton.

Hines assured Pizziferri and his group that they would receive a fair and impartial hearing.

The letter from the ACA, sent to City Council President John J. Tierney, reads in part as follows:

"Please be informed that the Allston Civic Assn., Inc. was the prime mover of this development and has been involved, to some degree, in all plans to date.

"Our Association . . . would like to be assured of notification of such a hearing as the ACA feels this development is to date the most encouraging step toward rehabilitating the Allston community yet taken.

"Our group feels that if the City is going to consider any action it should be aware that portions of land under consideration for this development are presently being used illegally against a zoning regulation, have

been the subject of law suits, have been manipulated for industrial sale and involve parties now running political campaigns in the Allston-Brighton area.

The main issue in the neighborhood's struggle against the BRA, says NBCC president Jack Barr, is that "this is not a blighted area." Construction of the 100 units proposed by the BRA would depreciate property value by 60 per cent and, according to present plans, lop off all or part of nine privately owned lots.

A prominent Brookline developer has recently offered the neighborhood a new hope by indicating interest in the land. His two apartment buildings would, according to Barr, "give us room to breathe."

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Arts

# The Marx Brothers Make Hay at the Regent

By Beverly Creasey

What better place to see a play about the movies than an old movie theater which has been reclaimed! The Regent movie house in Arlington Center is now the home of the Theatre Unlimited Stage Company. Turn-

about is fair play, after all. It's even sweeter when you recall how many legit theaters were turned into movie houses in the '50s and '60s.

The Regent, built in 1908 as a vaudeville house, was converted into

a movie theater like so many others. The good news is the restoration by the Regent's new owner, Richard Sacco. Earlier this year Sacco and general manager, Richard Stavros, invited Theatre Unlimited to occupy the space and the rest, as they say, is history. This week they opened the musical spoof, *A Day in Hollywood, A Night in the Ukraine*.

The Lazarus/Vosburgh musical (with additional songs by Jerry Herman and a treasure of oldies from classic film) is divided into two parts: The first is a smart sendup of celluloid lore and the second half is a faux Marx Brothers romp. The first act is best in the "tribute" section when director Dan

Dowling's spunky cast delivers beauties like *Japanese San'aman*, *Thanks for the Memory* and *Too Marvelous for Words*. Unfortunately Vosburgh/Lazarus' own compositions pale in comparison to the classics, one of the show's major flaws. The other sticking point, which is not insurmountable, mind you, is the mini-Marx Brothers production,

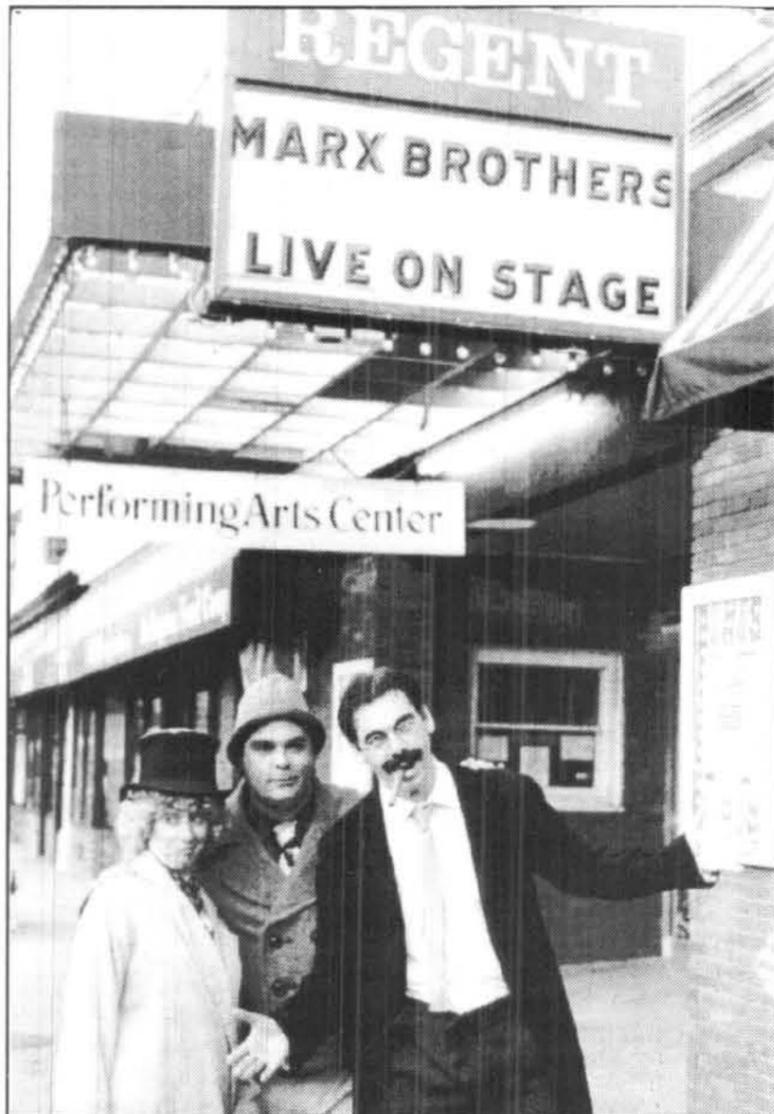
which requires crack comic timing to pull off those deliciously dumb jokes.

The performers are mostly game, with adorable impersonations of Margaret Dumont (Becky Biegelsen), Harpo (Cheryl Salatino), Chico (Russ Greene) and Groucho (Jerry Bisantz). High-

lights of the production include Amy Rivenbark's sparkling performances (in a number of roles), Russ Greene's amusing antics, Britton White's dreamy tenor, Sharon Bisantz's snappy choreography (especially in the *Production Code* number) and Jerry Bisantz's marvelous, rubber-legged performance as Groucho. Rounding out the cast are Judi Ann Mavon as the sweet ingenue and Bill McLaughlin dancing up a storm.

Bisantz's zany rendition of *Natasha*, to the tune of *Amapola*, will leave you giggling and dreaming of *Lydia, the Tattooed Lady*... because Groucho could bring a smile to any face.

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# Sports

## Where to go for your share of blood and guts

Tyson-McNeeley battle will be featured on big screens throughout Allston/Brighton

By Michael J. Woods

Ever see the crowd that comes out when a building is demolished? People are fascinated by destruction. Have a wrecking ball? They'll travel to see it in use. Have a pound of plastique? They'll come.

Even more compelling when the weaponry is a human being. Folks will pay hefty portions of their weekly wages to witness one man pummel another into unconsciousness. It may be sub-human, a hopelessly barbaric tradition that further blurs the line between animal and man, but the art of prizefighting will always survive.

If you are a follower of the not-so-sweet science, then the August 19th contest between boxing's premier Demolition Man, Mike Tyson and Boston-area heavyweight Peter McNeeley should be of interest.

In the Allston/Brighton area, fight fans can call Cablevision at 1-800-597-4061 to watch the fight at home on pay-per-view.

John Hauenstein, Cablevision's Director of Sales and Marketing, said the bout will be the biggest local pay-per-

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view event of the year. He is resisting the suggestion of Showtime Event/Kingvision honchos, who recommend a \$45.95 viewing fee if a consumer wishes to order the event less than two days before.

Cablevision, he says, will profit less on the deal, but conscience, and the customers, prevailed. Subscribers will pay \$39.95.

In addition, Hauenstein warns descrambler owners that his company will use several methods during the broadcast to discourage piracy of the transmission.

If your television or checkbook aren't cable-ready and you still want to view the action, some sports bars will be showing Tyson-McNeeley.

The Allston Sports Depot, which features most of the larger pay-per-view boxing events, will televise the action. General manager Sheldon Cohen said tickets will probably be \$12. Four bouts, starting at 9 p.m., are scheduled prior to the main event.

The Dockside (State Street, Boston) will offer the spectacle. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

In Somerville, Good Times Billiards (Sturtevant Street, Assembly Sq.) presents a free buffet to go with your serving of blood and guts. Admission is \$12, or \$17 on the day of the show.

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