he Don Orione nursing home on Orient Avenue is currently under investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) for possible employee immigration violations, the Community News learns last Friday.

According to Timothy Whelan, deputy regional director for the INS, the agency "paid a visit to Don Orione on February 11 for an informational lecture on the new Immigration Reform and Control Act."

While there, Whelan continued, the INS checked into the facility's employment records to see if Don Orione was complying with the I-9 section of the controversial law. That section requires an employer to confirm the legal status of each employee.

Whelan would not elaborate on the status of the records at Don Orione, but said the INS is currently forming an audit of the records. Because the case is still under investigation, the INS will not release any information on the specifics.

The Community News was unable to confirm the Don Orione home last Friday for comment. If the INS decides there is a violation, Whelan explained, the agency will issue a citation to the employer. Although the citation is only a warning, Whelan continued, it is issued in the hope that the employer will take "corrective measures." If the violation continues, the INS will issue a notice of intention to impose a fine.

The Don Orione investigation stems from the fact that under the new amnesty law employers are required to have proof that all their new employees are citizens of the United States or "legal immigrants."

Since November 6, 1986, every employer has been required to have each employee complete a I-9 form.

To complete the form, the employee must prove that he or she is either a United States citizen or a "legal alien." The bottom of the form is then signed by the employer, which states that he or she has seen identity papers or knows that the employer has a legal right to work in the U.S.

The INS investigation of Don Orione is only part of growing awareness among employers, advocacy groups and political leaders of the effects of the Immigration Reform and Control Act. A number of national and local figures, including Mayor Raymond Flynn, Cardinal Bernard Law and U.S. Representative Joseph P. Kennedy III, have been calling for additional reforms in the law.

The statute's provisions would be a stronger way to law enforcement officials in their fight against corrupt unions and other enterprises, drug dealers and hazardous waste producers.

At the same time, civil libertarians fear that the proposed legislation could cause more harm than good by also catching in the wide net those innocently associated with racketeers.

The Massachusetts Corrupt Organization Statute is sponsored by Sen. Lois G. Pines (D-Brookline-Norton), Mass. Attorney General James M. Shannon, Ronald A. Pina, president of the Mass. District Attorney Association and others. It is a state version of the 1970 federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act, to be used in criminal and civil cases. While courts nationwide are still busy defining what is or is not a racketeering suit, federal RICO has been used successfully in Massachusetts to prosecute the Angiulo brothers and the "Exumance" defendants.

Public hearings on the bill (Senate 1432) begin on April 6 before the Senate Judiciary Committee, chaired by LoPresti, at 12:30 p.m., Room 136, State House. LoPresti has chaired the Judiciary Committee since 1981.

In a recent interview with the Community News, LoPresti explained that he opposed similar legislation last year. He said his opinion caused LoPresti to redraft the statute, which should now be thought of as a completely different bill. Last year, LoPresti said, there were too many civil penalties in the bill, and a prosecor could go after law enforcement and private business. That provision was stricken. He was also opposed to allowing a private citizen to start a RICO suit. Under the new bill, the suit must start with the Attorney General or a district attorney.

The senator's legislative aide Susan Rozzi added that the prior bill seemed tenuous, too broad-based, and might have had constitutional problems. She says LoPresti "feels a lot of concerns have been addressed by revisions to the bill.

LoPresti, a defense attorney, also feels that RICO can be abused. A case against the Tupperware company was thrown out of federal court last month, he said. "Tupperware is not the type of thing I think we should be aiming at when using RICO," he explained.

Twenty-seven other states have RICO statutes, but the proposed Massachusetts law is the only one that would allow prosecution via RICO of those involved in hazardous waste dumping. The hazardous waste provision, LoPresti said, came about because Massachusetts is generally strong in dealing with such problems through the Attorney General's office and the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, both of which wield great power. The statute's provisions would be a natural extension of that power, he said.

LoPresti added that his co-chairman on the Judiciary Committee, Salvatore DiMasi (D-North End), has not yet taken a stand on the bill, nor has the Senate Law or the House Civil Liberties. He expects more changes in the bill before it is finally voted on.

However, Mackie McLeod, communications director of the Massachusetts Civil Liberties Union (CLU), says neither the American Civil Liberties Union nor the local union support either federal RICO or the proposed state legislation.

Both groups "have opposed the idea of these 'roundup' kinds of laws like federal RICO," that make "guilt by association."

"More broadly, it also creates an incentive for prosecutors to get involved," he added, because RICO cases "involve large amounts of money." RICO also takes away from the legal pool of prosecutors, leaving people with less lucrative cases at a disadvantage. McLeod says it puts
INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH YOUR EXTRA HOUR OF DAYLIGHT?

by JACQUI TAYLOR

Mary Keohane, Putnam Street: I have no idea. I’ll probably spend an extra hour cleaning the house.

Joe Lomonaco: Use it after the Celtics game to enjoy Easter a little longer.

Theresa Jones, Roxbury: Hang around if I could, but I’d be at work.

Michelle Phillips, Brooks Street: Taking care of business.

Anthony Velasquez, Allston: Play more basketball.

John Sasso, Lamson Court: Spend an extra hour with Jane at the Maverick Liquor Store.

Leslie Natareno, Chelsea Street: Go for a walk.

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*Everything is cooked to order*  
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M embers of East Boston’s Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee (PZAC) burst into applause last week as "Pixie" McCarthy of the 21-member PZAC, also stressed the need for affordable housing, citing the Clipper Wharf developments as an unsuccessful example of how developers, when pressured by the community, create affordable housing into large condominium developments.

Flynn, who appointed the members of the PZAC that the first phase of the IPOD process, the development of this zoning amendment, has been completed through an open, community-based effort which represents many of the concerns of East Boston residents.

Peter Carnada, a member of the PZAC, also stressed the need for affordable housing, citing the Clipper Wharf developments as an unsuccessful example of how developers, when pressured by the community, create affordable housing into large condominium developments.

The temporary document also cites more specific goals — some close to the hearts of PZAC members and East Boston residents alike — including "to promote residential development that is affordable to all segments of the community ... to preserve, enhance and create open space... to promote the peaceable enjoyment of the city’s amenities by all residents." PZAC member and director of Community Development John McCarthy stressed the need for affordable housing in East Boston, especially in the face of a booming condominium market. "I commend the Affordable Housing Reserve District (in the IPOD). We have to stand behind this basic right for all people to have affordable housing."

One of the number of other neighborhoods have adopted map changes and made specific changes to current zoning codes. Flynn, who appointed the members of East Boston’s PZAC in 1986, went on to praise the committee and the document it produced. "This grass roots/bottom-up approach produced the visionary plan I submit today for your (BRA) approval," the East Boston Interim Planning Overlay District. Members of the PZAC and East Boston residents, after waiting nearly an hour for the BRA board to convene the 2 p.m. hearing, also threw their weight behind the IPOD, encouraging the BRA’s support.

By STEVE LeBLANC

The IPOD is true, a neighborhood document," PZAC member Elizabeth DeAngelis similarly praised the PZAC for its role in formulating the document to been bulldozed for even stricter parking regulations. Developers of large projects, however, are not to be left out as they seek to formulate a permanent policy making.

Logan Airport, Airports-related businesses will be prohibited from locating in the East Boston neighborhood (i.e. outside Logan’s boundary) during the two-year period. The IPOD, however, is not just from the community activist, however, see the language of the document. None, however, appeared at the meeting to speak in opposition to the IPOD — a rare event in the East Boston public process.

Controlling Growth

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COMMUNITY CATCH-UP

LOCAL HEROES

by STEVE LeBLANC

On Friday, February 26, a resident of the Maverick Housing Development stepped to the edge of the roof of one of the apartment buildings clutching a 11-month-old daughter in his arms.

"When I saw that man with the little baby I thought 'If he throws that baby I will scream.' I was really scared," said Marta Shostack, manager of the development. Working as a translator for police officer Joseph Gray, Shostack helped to talk the Spanish-speaking resident out of jumping from the roof of the Maverick Street building.

Last Friday, residents of the Maverick development, representatives from the Boston Housing Authority and a number of local officials gathered at the Maverick development to honor Shostack and Gray for their "quick thinking, courage and dedication." Administrator of the Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Doris Bunte praised the two for their fast thinking and presented each with a certificate of congratulations from the city as well, and more important, the community side of the issues.

"This is a very small token of our appreciation," she added, presenting the awards.

State Representative Emanuel "Gus" Serra was also on hand to present Shostack and Gray with an official citation from the House of Representatives, signed by Speaker of the House George Keverian and sponsored by Serra.

"All too often we see negative publicity of people in public life — police officers, public officials and those working in public housing," Serra stated. "Often we do not look at the fine print to see all the courageous things that these people do."

City Councillor Charles Yancey was also on hand to congratulate Shostack and Gray.

According to Shostack, she was unaware of the exact nature of the situation when she was told that an interpreter was needed on the roof of the building. Arriving on the scene, she began to translate for Gray, who was already attempting to talk down the 24-year-old man who was clutching his 11-month-old daughter in his arms.

"I was in my office when they told me they needed someone to translate. I went up to the roof. Then it hit me what was happening," Shostack told the small group of people gathered in the hall at the development.

According to reports, the man had just been involved in a serious argument with his girlfriend. When the woman threatened to leave, taking the baby with her, the man became violent and left the apartment with the baby in his arms. After he was spotted on the roof of the apartment building, team police officer Gray was alerted.

Arriving on the scene, Gray explained, his first action was to request a blanket for the baby, who was dressed only in a diaper at the time.

The father himself was without a shirt.

Once inside the building, when Gray was within speaking distance, he sent a neighbor to Shostack's office for further assistance.

"I couldn't have just anyone translate the words. I wanted the caring to come through. We really did care what happened. I needed Marta so we could get the same inflections in the words," Gray explained.

"He started to go a couple of times," Gray continued. "I kept thinking, 'God, if he jumps, you're going to be talking to the air and it's going to be all over.'"

Eventually, however, Shostack and Gray managed to talk the man back into the building where he was subdued by a number of police officers. Shostack was slightly injured during the struggle.

"Her job is more than a job, it is a vocation," Gray explained. "The dedication of people working in public housing shows that they really do care."

Gray also praised the tenants of the development who assisted the police officers.

"Everyone pulled together," stated Gray, who works as a team officer in the project. "Sometimes we have our disagreements, but it's like a family. If someone has a problem you can't forget it because you're going to see that person tomorrow and the next day."

"Just being able to do that, to save a life — two lives — that makes it all worthwhile." •

"BIG DIG": CHANNEL 2 TAKES ON THE TUNNEL

COMMENTARY by STEVE LeBLANC

Most East Boston residents who tuned into Channel 2's "Will Boston Survive the Big Dig?" heard what they've been hearing for quite some time: the Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel project won't cause the disruption they fear, and in the end will help benefit the impacted neighborhoods by providing jobs and relieving traffic concerns.

This time, however, most of New England had the chance to listen in as well, and unfortunately had much less of an opportunity to hear the community side of the issues.

It's not that the producers of the live, three-hour show necessarily intended the imbalance. Blame the complexity on project itself (as one long-time tunnel watcher commented "A three hour show? Twenty-four hours, 48 hours wouldn't be enough time?" or the choice of guests — too many public officials, too few community activists. Whatever the cause, a number of important questions (including funding, legislation and community impacts) were left hanging, or unasked.

Ultimately, however, the real culprit is television itself. Bowing to the need to compress a number of extremely complex issues into a very brief time, producers of television programs — even comparatively in-depth shows like the "Big Dig" — are forced to break down everything to the simplest terms. This process necessarily tries to avoid the messy, confusing controversies that often crop up in such large projects.

The most obvious example of this during the "Big Dig" came toward the beginning of the show. After a brief, introductory video tape, moderator Charles Ogletree allowed
A NEW YEAR IN EAST BOSTON: A CELEBRATION FOR CAMBODIAN COMMUNITY

by NAN MARSHALL

With incense, dance, colored mats and food, East Boston welcomed in the Cambodian New Year last weekend. The basement of Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church on Paris Street was transformed into a place of celebration by many willing hands. In the kitchen, busy hands sliced meat, grated carrots and cooked rice, while in the main room other hands patiently folded paper into intriguing wing shapes, and used them to convert ordinary objects into lovely incense holders.

After Friday’s religious ceremony, the abundant food was shared by all. Dances followed Saturday’s meal. The dancers, who had been practicing for eight weeks, moved exquisitely through slow, sinuous motions. The Cambodian community has grown in East Boston over the past six years with the help of the Southeast Asian Task Force. There are now 500-600 Cambodians in the area, said Terry Thompson of the Task Force. They all have their own apartments and are doing well enough that they can send for their families and relatives still waiting in resettlement camps in Thailand.

There are 25,000 Cambodians still waiting in the official United Nations camps, said Pastor Jon Nanstead, while up to 250,000 still remain on the Cambodian border. Pastor Nanstead, who has visited the camps in Thailand, said they are liveable during the day, but at night conditions become extremely hazardous. Those in the border patrol who protect the people during the day, sometimes join in their harassment at night.

Once the Cambodians arrive in East Boston, they are helped by the Task Force and people like Bounthay Phath who, after arriving herself from Cambodia in 1983, now helps newcomers to adjust to American culture.

Phath helps them through a three-part training program where they learn how the American court system works and visit the police station to learn how to use the 911 emergency phone number. After a few years, the newcomers integrate into the community, attending school and joining local groups.

Phath is currently taking courses at Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, working towards a ministry degree while working and raising three children at the same time.

Throughout the New Year’s celebration, children played and entertained themselves. One, 10-year-old Thi Thuy Dinh, is attending the Bradley school and is in a special fourth class for gifted children. She arrived from Vietnam six years ago and now has a love of mythology and non-fiction books. She says she can answer most of the questions on Jeopardy. Maybe she will get a chance to appear on their teen-tournament in a few years.

Cambodians in East Boston seem to be carving out a space for themselves in their new home. They have worked out a compromise where they can enjoy their new life while still maintaining a balance with their own culture - a culture in which Americans are warmly invited to share. Hopefully their many friends and compatriots still waiting in Thailand will someday have a chance to join them.
UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ABOUT STADIUM

by STEVE LeBLANC

that is East Boston getting out of the Central Artery/Third Harbor Tunnel (CA/HTT) project? Aside from promises of less traffic and better access to downtown Boston, the possibility of an improved East Boston Memorial Stadium is one of the few tangible community benefits that has been offered to local residents. The subject of the stadium has been addressed at a number of recent meetings between East Boston residents and city planners. While many activists remain skeptical about the real possibility of a new and improved stadium, state officials insist that the tunnel project offers East Boston a genuine chance to add additional open space to the park.

"This is a real opportunity for a community which is underparked," stated Martha Bailey, Massachusetts Department of Public Works (MDPW) manager of planning and environment for the project, at a March 14 workshop at the Harborside Community School.

According to Bailey, as a result of the new road system planned for the airport, the ramps that currently lead from the existing tunnels to the airport — and cut off the park from the community — will be removed. Once down, the state can work to expand the park into the community.

"It will be a number of years until this happens," Bailey cautioned. "We can't do anything until everything else is decided and is put in place." But "we do need to put together a conceptual plan with the community, the MBTA, Massport, the DPW and the city. Once a final road alignment is made and once the location of the Airport MBTA station is decided, we can start figuring out the final park boundaries," she added.

Jim Walsh of the Boston Park Department, however, was a bit more cautious. "We want to see what they (state/Massport) are giving us. We are trying to negotiate as much as possible. We want to know what they (state/Massport) need from the land, but I can't tell you what we want to do with it yet."

During the meeting however, a number of issues were raised that helped put the promise of a shiny new stadium in perspective. Before even a conceptual design can be agreed upon, residents discovered, several questions have to be answered.

Who owns what? In principle, the idea sounds easy enough — move the ramps and open the land beneath for the stadium. Unfortunately, that land is a maze of smaller lots, some owned by Massport, some by the city and some by the MBTA. To further complicate matters there is the question of "air rights" over some of the property. The planners themselves are still unsure who owns exactly what underneath the ramps.

"We need an ownership map," MDPW Manager of Engineering Len Barbieri added, promising to return to the community with a detailed list of owners.

Community activists, who have been attending workshops meetings with the MBTA, Massport and the DPW, however, felt discouraged at not being able to meet with all the parties involved at the same time. The question of ownership is also the latest example of the limitations that many residents feel are preventing them from making real progress.

"Someone from Massport, the city and the T should be here and hearing everything at the same time," local activist Fran Riley told Barbieri and Bailey.

Where do the buses go? — Although the new alignment at the airport has eliminated the ramps that lead to and from the Callahan and Sumner tunnels, the latest designs still show a bus road which loops from the airport station around the outer edge of the stadium. Residents have voiced opposition to the loop, arguing that it still cuts off the park from the community.

"We are working to eliminate the bus loop altogether," Bailey explained. The state agrees that removing the bus loop could add some land and enhance pedestrian accessibility to the stadium. She added, however, that the question of the bus loop is contingent on the uncertain future of the Airport station itself.

"Whether the T moves or not has a lot to say about the land around the stadium," Bailey stated.

What happens to the Airport T station? — Currently the T is debating three options for the Airport station. The first option leaves the station where it is, but redesigns it slightly to eliminate the need for an elevated bus loop. Although the loop is at street level, it still cuts off the park from the community.

The second option moves the station nearly 1000 feet in the direction of Wood Island and would allow buses to loop back into the airport without circling the stadium. The third option would move the station nearly 3000 feet onto airport property itself and eliminate the need for a bus loop altogether.

"That area is very, very dangerous," Riley commented, referring to the present location of the Airport station. "Take down the T and make it an airport station."

Who pays for what? The CA/HTT project is eligible for 90 percent federal funding. Although this funding can be applied to the removal of the ramps, any specific improvements to the stadium itself (i.e. improving the stands, designing a possible soccer field or additional play areas) may not be eligible for federal funding.

"Eventually we have to sit down and decide what goes where, and who pays for it. This should be decided on before the shovels start to dig," tunnel activist Gina Scalziene stated. "We have to get all these agreements in concrete."

What happens during construction? A number of residents raised concerns about how to protect the stadium and the people using it from noise and pollution during the lengthy construction of the tunnel. Bailey listed noise, vibrations, air pollution and staging areas as four types of impacts that had to be studied. Although residents suggested everything from a "Berlin wall" cutting off the stadium from the construction area to a giant bubble covering the stadium to shield against dust and pollution, no final decision was made.

"We're being used again," Scalziene added. "This tunnel is for the whole state and all we're getting is two ramps moved. When can you give me something that I can call East Boston?"
DIG...
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State Secretary of Transportation Frederick Salvucci several minutes to explain the nature of the project. Local activists, including East Bos­ton’s Fran Riley, however, were given far less time to raise commun­ity concerns. Even if raised, however, these com­munity concerns couldn’t have made sense without more in-depth cover­age of the history of the existing tun­nels. How can someone from the western part of the state — someone who doesn’t know how many homes were taken, how communities di­vided and promises broken by the Callahan and Sumner tunnels — muster any sympathy for protesters in East Boston?
Perhaps if Channel 2 had devoted more time before the live broadcast to educating viewers about the new object and the history of the com­munities directly affected by it, the panelists could have spent more time on substantive issues, rather than patting each other on the back. With­out that historical context, it’s very difficult to understand the commun­ity opposition in East Boston, the North End and South Boston.
Looking at the project in a vac­uum was only one problem with the “Big Dig.” A larger problem was the fact that the tunnel and the Central Artery just don’t make for good tele­vision. The “drama” is often so tech­nical or involved, it is lost on the casual watcher. (In a desperate search for a provocative subject, it seemed, the producers kept raising the specter of millions of displaced rats swarming over the city — one of the most graphic images raised during the tunnel/artery discussion.)
Not to say that some interesting points weren’t raised. As one “ex­pert” noted, you could never build enough roads or tunnels or airports to meet the future traffic demands of Boston. Instead the city must work to change the attitude of people. Pub­lic transportation, instead of autom­obiles, must be made more reli­able, efficient and inexpensive. If not, the new Central Artery, much like the present one, might indeed be obsolete the day it opens.
Whatever its faults, however, the intent of the “Big Dig” was noble — educating the wider public about a number of major construction pro­jects that will significantly change the face of the city over the next 10­20 years. Unfortunately, by avoiding the really tough questions, the well­orchestrated television show turned out to be a much sweeter pill to swal­low than it should have been.  

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I have come home! No matter how wonderful a vacation may be and how you wish you could stay longer it is always good to come home. I have just about recovered from jet lag, the trauma of opening 16 days mail and updating myself on what has been happening since I was away and now can settle down to a routine again. Let me just say that for a short period of time I did not think about problems that we must face daily and totally relaxed in 85 degree temperature and Pacific waters that were in the 78 degree range. Not hard to take at all while the temp here was in the 20's. That is why we need to get away isn't it?

My thanks to Ron Catena for filling in for me and getting a taste of it.

ALOHA EXPLAINED

Over a period of time I have been asked why aloha is like this. I would be willing to bet that behind each and every one of the men is a good woman, pushing. In any event thanks again for pinch hitting for me.

FIRE RELIEF FUND HAS RAFFLE

The East Boston Fire Relief Fund held a drawing for their Easter raffle at Mangini's. The following were the lucky winners and took home chocolates, liquor, a tape recorder, wine glasses, ham or a ceramic Easter bunny. T.D. Bartolo, Roberta Gross, Judy Lyons, Bill Abbott, C.M. Broderick, Bill Barry, O'Connor, Dot Simonini, George Barker, Kathy Morani, Kenny Mills, Michelle Daley, J. Kenzer and Dom Amara.

A big thank you to all who purchased tickets to help this fund. Also thanks to Buddy Mangini for allowing us the use of his facilities and for serving a collation. You are always there when we need you, Buddy.

ALOHA MEANING

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Aloha in all its meanings also means hello, I love you, and goodbye. An extremely versatile word to say the very least.

Again it's good to be back and now I must be off to that desk that sits in the corner and is groaning under the weight of unanswered mail, bills to be paid and, alas, taxes to be made out. If you are in the same position then we only have until April 15 and that is not very far away.

Did you remember to turn your clock ahead on Sunday? Happy birthday to our editor, Steve LeBlanc.

Orchids to: those of you who park on the wrong side of the streets now that street cleaning has begun again.

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ANSWERING THE "CALL OF THE WILD"

(Readers with news from Jeffries Point or the Mt. Carmel area may call Eleanor Welch at 567-1042)

by ELEANOR K. WELCH

O nce warm day last week, I answered the call of the wild. The "wild" was the backyard. Early that morning the call was barely perceptible. Then the sun became stronger, the air balmy and the desire to break loose from three month bondage uncontrollable.

Good senses, the little I have left, struggled to surface. An inner voice out in my backyard although it was cast. You'll be free of that dead one more day and you'll be out of that car

stronger, the air balmier and difficult to recognize it. Where was the walk? Buried, I discovered, under the desire to break loose from a three month bondage uncontrollable.

The brief venture into the yard on this pleasant day was all the spring tonic necessary to bolster winter weariness. Eventually in the weeks to come the accumulated debris, the bits and pieces of wind-tossed papers snagged in evergreens, garden space and trees will be removed. No need to keep pace with seasons by a calendar. As sure as weather changes, I know by the 19th of April miniscule leaves appear on all three lilac bushes, new growth becomes visible on the yews and the maple tree products of winter can be seen in the early mornings. The foundation of the flagstones in the seating area and walk have no choice now but wait two more months when the window boxes bloom and all the other garden areas will present a colorful picture as only nature provides. Hope springs eternal. Perhaps that is why we call it spring!

by ERNESTE & TOLKIE

RICO... (Continued from page 1)

too much discretion in the hands of the prosecution, putting on pressure to convict.

He also doesn’t like the provision allowing for the attachment of assets before a person is convicted or found innocent.

McLeod said that Civil Liberties Union attorneys have been frequently meeting with District Attorney Shannon to discuss CLU’s point of view and make sure that the bill is constitutional.

"We oppose almost any legislation which is fashioned in a climate of fear and hysteria," as with most crime-related legislation, McLeod said. That includes drug testing, AIDS, and organized crime. He dislikes the "wide dragnet" RICO allows so that prosecutors can "violate a lot of peoples' rights to search and detain a few individuals." THE RICO BILL

According to the current wording of the bill, "Racketeering activity to the Commonwealth is highly diversified and widespread and annually diverts millions of dollars from the Commonwealth's legitimate market through the illicit use of force, fraud, and corruption. The violence, power and energy generated by racketeering activity are increasingly being used to legitimate legitimate businesses and labor organizations, to invest in real estate and personal property through trusts, alien corporations, and fictitious names, and to subvert democratic law enforcement processes in the Commonwealth."

The bill continues, "Traditional enforcement strategies and techniques that concentrate on bringing criminal penalties to bear on individual offenders for the commission of specific offenses and that do not focus on offenders involved in racketeering activity and their influence on various illegal and legal organizations and patterns of such racketeering activity and that do not enlisting the assistance of private enforcement and use civil sanctions are inappropriate to control such racketeering activity. Comprehensive strategies must be developed ... criminal enterprises and civil sanctions must be enforced."

Unlike state laws, RICO allows prosecutors to follow a paper trail showing a pattern of corrupt activities over a period of time, if two or more acts have been committed that fall within "organized crime" categories. Prosecutors would be allowed to inform judges of past criminal activities of defendants.

Also under the statute, before or after indictment, the Attorney General or district attorney, for good cause, can file a temporary restraining order on property assets may be frozen under a racketeering activity lien notice in favor of the Commonwealth for a period of seven years as soon as any criminal or civil proceeding begins, although the accused may have access of up to $100,000 for living expenses and legal and other fees.

The bill provides that the proceeds of all forfeitures, fines, and civil penalties will be transmitted to the State Treasurer's Office and placed in a "Racketeering Activity Investigating and Prosecution Fund." The fund will be used for the expenses of investigation and prosecution.

It also provides that each February the Attorney General and each district attorney must submit a report to the office of the Chief Administrative Justice of the Trial Court, summarizing the money and the disposition of the report. The bill will be a public record except for indictments sealed by order of the court. LoPresti says that about a week after the April 6 public hearing there will be an executive session on the bill, and probably in May, the Judiciary Committee will issue a favorable vote. He feels the legislation will pass this year.

However, the bill also has to pass the Legislature, one-quarter of which is out of town. The Legislature historically has given little power to prosecutors.

Also under consideration in the Legislature is a bill filed by Senator Michael LoPresti to increase the number of assistant clerks in the East Boston District Court. LoPresti told the Commonwealth News that several attorneys, and for renovating rooms, subject to funds being made available. If the renovations are performed, with the end of the year, East Boston Court may hold six-person jury sessions.

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A BIRTHDAY UNDER THE BIG TOP

(Readers with news from the Orient Heights, Harborview and Bayswater areas can call Ms. Tex at 666-2669.)

by MAXINE TASSINARI TEIXEIRA

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ast week, my nephew Stephen Joseph Tassinari celebrated his first birthday. His party was held at a place called Circus Playhouse. Personally, I am of two minds about this first. I think kids parties should be held at home. Second, I think that only because there was no place like that to have kids parties when mine were little and I went nuts doing parties and maybe I'm jealous that my sisters-in-law don't have to go nuts.

Anyway, we went to the birthday party. Someone did ask me if it wasn't kind of soon after my mother's or grandparent enter with a warning on the door. Circus... the risk of finding her in the living room doing parties and maybe I'm wrong.

When mine were little and I went nuts doing parties, I would advise at least four aspirin by MAXINE TASSINARI TEIXEIRA

Further in is a birthday room. This room has a large stage set up in front with large animal figures on it, and approximately twenty long tables. You can reverse as many of these tables as you need. However, figuring that each table holds twenty kids, there are approximately twenty separate birthday 'parties' going on at any given time in this room. In addition to the sounds of children enjoying themselves and parents telling them to 'stop it', 'every twenty minutes or so the animals on the stage light up and start to sing!!'

The children are served whatever candies you bring and pizza and soda. When they are all finished eating, your hostess brings out the birthday cake which is provided by the parents. Along with the cake comes a robot. This robot sings 'Happy Birthday' to the birthday child along with the other kids and then takes all the kids to have their picture taken with it. Then each child is given tokens and tickets to go play on the rides and things in the other room.

It was wonderful time for the kids. My head took a long time to recover and the birthday boy was happy as long as he was sitting on his grandfather's lap.

This week, it is Max Joseph Tassinari's second birthday. It will be held at Papa Gino's. I better get some popcorn and earplugs. Little Folks Day Care Center is getting ready for its Fifteenth Birthday Celebration. There will be a sit-down dinner on June 10. For tickets, call the Center at 560-0294.

Happy Birthday to Joey Lawrence, Tim McEachern and Brian McEachern.

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Initially praised, it soon became apparent that the law would fall far short of its goal. After six months, only 73,000 eligible immigrants out of an estimated 3.9 million had applied for legal status. May 4 is the current deadline for applications. Last November the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy (MIRA) Coalition, composed of over 60 area advocacy groups, released a study highlighting what they considered to be the major flaws in the law. Many of the same arguments are being repeated by an increasing number of social and political leaders calling for an extended deadline and a loosener interpretation of the law.

Chief among the fears of many undocumented persons is the possibility that families might be broken up. (Often one family member precedes, sometimes by years, the arrival of the rest of the family) Although the INS has stated that it is "not in the business of breaking up families," the law is vague enough to discourage many from applying.

MIRA cites a number of other causes for the law's limited success, however. Included in these is the INS's requirement that persons seeking legal status prove that they have lives and worked in the United States continuously for the full five years. People who have spent years trying to destroy any record of their existence in the U.S., MIRA notes, often have trouble proving they were here.

The group also points to a number of other causes, including lack of significa

nicent publicity among immigrant populations, a strict interpretation of the law, and the inherent mistrust that undocumented persons feel toward the law. The investigation at Don Orione also illustrates the bind in which many employers of undocumented persons now find themselves. Traditionally, these employers have drawn on this resource of labor to fill menial jobs that most "legal" citizens shy away from. Sometimes this results in workers being paid far below the minimum wage. In other cases, however, it can provide one of the only means of income available. A booming economy and low unemployment only aggravates the situation for employers, advocates for undocumented immigrants explain. If McDonald's is offering $5 hour (well over the current minimum wage), employers find it difficult to entice "legal" employees into even less glamorous jobs, for less money.

As the May 4 deadline approaches, however, the call is increasing for Congress to extend the amnesty period, drop the qualification period from five to three years, and loosen the requirements. Last Thursday, a number of undocumented immigrants gathered at the Bei at a Boston City Council hearing which included representatives from several groups as well as politicians.

Although the City Council cannot dictate U.S. Immigration policy, organizers of the hearing hope to send a message to Congress that many in Massachusetts feel that the law as it stands must be amended to include more of the nation's undocumented immigrant population. •

"Prevention of Heart Disease and Cancer: Recent Advances and Ongoing Research"

Dr. Charles H. Hennekens
Associate Professor of Medicine
Brigham and Women's Hospital
Director of the Physicians Health Study

The East Boston Community Health Committee cordially invites all East Boston residents to join them at their April meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, April 20, 1988 at 7:30 p.m. in the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, Carmela Ciccione Community Meeting Room, 10 Cove Street.

Dr. Charles H. Hennekens will be the guest speaker. Dr. Hennekens achieved national prominence in January of this year when the preliminary results of the Physicians Health Study were published in the New England Journal of Medicine. This is the study showing an aspirin every other day reduced the risk of heart attack by almost one half. •

April 5, 1988
CALLS TO ACTION

SUMMER STAFF NEEDED
Summer staff applications are now available for Camp Joy, Boston's only and longest-running all-children's camp. Staff members must be special needs children and adults. This summer's program is scheduled to run from July 6th to August 17th, and summer staff members will serve in any of its 42nd year, Camp Joy services more than 6,000 participants at various locations throughout the City of Boston. Interested staff candidates are encouraged to call or write Camp Joy for a staff application and job specifications. New candidates are required to participate in a screening interview. Interview dates will be scheduled while calling or writing for an application. Information may be obtained by calling or writing Joan Wald dictatorship, 451-6145 or Robert Marchi at 567-4697.

EAGLE HILL CIVIC ASSOCIATION
An ongoing four-part history series sponsored by the East Boston Eagle Hill Civic Association continued this spring. Much like to be part of this new emerging group as they present historical preservation. For more information please call Tom Weikle at 455-5328 (day) or 567-1134 (evening).

COMMUNITY MEETING
A drug expert will speak at a community meeting on April 5 at the District Police Station. By attending this meeting you may be helpful to someone you love by learning the early signs of drug abuse.

EDUCATION
BUG
Another weekly, vacant lot in Boston will be chosen in 1988 for the Boston Urban Gardener's Landscape Skills Job Training Program. Students in the program will work Thursday's to turn an blissy, vacant lot into a community garden, landscaped seating area, flower border, and tot-lot, during the 14-week session.

Easton residents over the age of 18 who want a career in landscaping should apply to the free program by calling BUG at 423-7497. The program is funded by the Mayor's Office of Jobs and Community Services.

BOSTON SCHOOL REGISTRATION
The application period for students intending to enroll in the Boston Public Schools will run from Monday, April 4 through Monday, April 25. Applications will be distributed to students enrolled cur- rently in the schools during the two-week period. Parents and guardians who wish to enroll their children born 1988-1989 may do so at this time. Application and student assignment books can be obtained at a district office or School Headquarters at 26 Court Street, Boston near Government Center.

Information about the application process can be obtained by calling the School Information Center at 726-6000 which is located in the External Liason Unit of the Department of Implementation, 26 Court Street, Boston.

GED CLASS
The East Boston Harborside Community School, 312 Border Street, is offering a 12-week comprehensive course to prepare for the GED Tests. The course runs on April 11 and will run until June 30. Classes meet Monday, Wednesday, Thursday evening's from 6:30 p.m. and cover all core subjects as well as career counseling and writing workshops. Registration for the course takes place April 1, 4 and 7 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The cost is $250 and covers all costs. Full fee is $250. To register, call 567-6800 between the hours of 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

LEARN TO TYPE
The Harborside Community School, 312 Border Street is offering a Beginner's Typing Class for individuals who have one hour study time a week. Study time begins Wednesday, beginning April 20. Register at the Harborside from April 4-April 15.

ELDERLY
DENTAL ACCESS
Massachusetts Dental Society offers a special dental health program for seniors on a limited income who are not covered by prepaid dental insurance or Medicaid-dental treatment. This program offers needed care with reduced fees to be negotiated privately between patient and dentist. The available dentures reduced fees to people of all ages is a limited income who are not covered by prepaid dental insurance, Medicaid, and information on local de- signated barrier free offices for those who are trained and equipped to treat developmentally disabled or handicapped patients. For a list of local dentists who participate in this program potential patients can call 1-800-342-4747 Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
The next meeting of the Alzheimer's Support Group will take place on Wednesday, April 6 at the Post Office Building, 600 Broadway, Revere. For further information call Debra Whitaker, RN, of the Revere Community Counseling Center at 289-8331.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT
METROPARKS
The Metropolitan District Commission's Reservation and Historic Sites Unit is offering two free activities in April at Belle Isle Marsh Reservation in East Boston. Each program will offer those interested a chance to see the reservation in a unique manner. The first program "Belle Isle Night" will be held on Sat., April 16 at 7 p.m., where participants will look at the reserve up close after the sun sets. The second program, a slide presentation on Sat., April 30 at 2 p.m., will be held at Winthrop Public Library.

For more information call 272-5550.

NEIGHBORHOOD STREET CLEANING
The City of Boston will resume its street cleaning program the week of April 23 in some areas of the city. Municipal sweepers will sweep streets that are included in the program. To make the sweeping operation effective, it has the posted special parking regulations so that sweepers can do their jobs effectively. The city asks that residents comply with posted regulations. Residents who do not comply will receive warning tickets the week of April 3. Actual fines will be issued starting the week of April 10 and tickets will be used.

The program runs through the end of November. If you have any questions regarding this or if you think that your streets are still filthy, even when you're getting parking tickets, call 725-4000 and ask for the DPW.

LAW AND ORDER HOTLINE
The number, 567-6711, should be known to all East Boston residents who may know about drugs, drug trafficking and other crimes. Any information that can be kept strictly confidential.

FREE INCOME TAX HELP
Community Tax Aid of Boston, Inc. will offer free tax aid at the Harrison Community School, 312 Border St. on Tuesday, April 19, 1988 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., through April 12. Individuals with an income of less than $12,000 or families with an income of less than $19,000 are eligible. For more information call 567-6800 from 2 to 10 p.m.

TAX DEADLINE
If you need help with your income tax return, contact the Volunteers Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Boston Harbor Community College Accounting students are participating in the VITA program as volunteers. In East Boston VITA services are offered at the East Boston Area Planning Action Council, 21 Mer­ i­ dian Street by appointment only: Mon­ day (11:30-5:00 p.m.), Tuesday (11:30-5:00 p.m.), Wednesday (11:30-5:00 p.m.) and Friday (12:30-5:00 p.m.).

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MYSTERY PHOTO !

PHOTO BY STEVE LEIBLAND

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THE RENT EQUITY BOARD
In an effort to control rental costs, the rent equity property owners against rent control laws, the Bos­ ton Housing Authority set aside small property owners' workshops during the month of April. The workshops will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Board of Directors, Dorsebruck but the time and place most convenient for East Boston property owners is 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 27 at Room 801, Boston City Hall. All work­ shops are free. A complete set of Boston Rent Equity Board regulations will be given to those who call in advance. For more information call Jackson Hall, Rent Equity Eombudman at 725-4271.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

FOR COMMUNITY CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT
The Coalition for Community Control of Development, a volunteer group interested in a var­ iety of social issues in East Boston, is holding a community meeting on April 8 at the District 7 Police Station. By attending this meeting you may be able to help someone you love by learning the early signs of drug abuse.

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