



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

August 2, 1993

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

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WHEREAS: Larry works with a youth minister and a small group of other volunteers, programs and leads discussion on relevant issues facing these youths in their daily lives; and

WHEREAS: Larry works as a dispatcher in the Cambridge Police Department and also volunteers on his Church's Finance Committee, teaches religion to eighth graders and works in the confirmation program; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record saluting Larry Silva for his dedication and commitment to the youth of the City of Cambridge; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Larry Silva on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council August 2, 1993.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

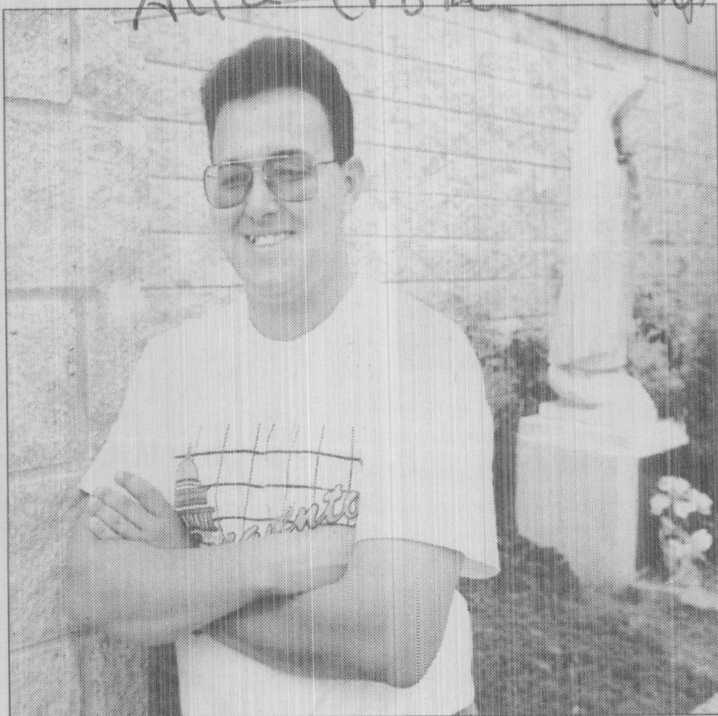
ATTEST:- *D. Margaret Drury*

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LARRY SILVA**Vocation:** Assistant youth coordinator, St. Anthony's Parish**Philosophy:** "I work with the kids to show them there's an alternative, positive lifestyle. If I can keep one kid away from getting into trouble — drugs or robberies or whatever — hey. It's a commitment."

Carrying on traditions

Once a week, every week, Larry Silva spends the evening with his kids, all 40 of them. They gather at St. Anthony's, the Portuguese church in East Cambridge, where Silva has been a parishioner all his life. Working with a youth minister and a small group of other volunteers, Silva programs and leads discussion at the St. Anthony's Youth Group.

"We choose some type of topic for discussion — life issues, substance abuse, domestic problems, AIDS — whatever they want to talk about," Silva says. "We try to tie it in with spirituality . . . how to handle problems in a certain 'tone of mind.' I'm not asking them to say rosaries. We talk about what's troubling them."

Silva, one of seven brothers and sisters, says he believes in carrying on the traditions of church and community. "I always saw my mother, who's bilingual, going with people to social service agencies. . . . I knew a man, Joe Tavares, who gave hours on end to help us through growing up. Now he sees me — a member of his former youth group — doing the same thing, the greatest payment he could receive."

Silva, 27, works as a dispatcher in the Cambridge Police Department. His "jack of all trades relationship" with St. Anthony's extends to the helping the finance committee, teaching religion to eighth graders and working in the confirmation program.

maining positions will be filled on a permanent basis by September.

Brook

basketball courts are not unique by any means to Coolidge Park.

"The neighborhood is working together to try to alleviate the problem. We're

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HAPPENING TODAY

Here are City Weekly's best bets for neighborhood events today in Boston, Brookline, Cambridge and Somerville. Listings for the rest of the week are included as space allows.

BOSTON

► **Fourth Annual Multicultural Family Festival** to celebrate the world's indigenous peoples takes place 1-5 p.m. at Roxbury Community College, Columbus Avenue, opposite ROXBURY CROSSING MBTA stop; features children's activities, music by Inca Son and Humano, craft vendors, food, Dario the Juggler and the Wampanoag Singers and Dancers; sponsored by numerous neighborhood groups. Free. Call 523-0555.

► **"Miss Saigon,"** the Cameron Mackintosh production, continues at the Wang Center, 270 Tremont St., through Sept. 21. Today's performance, 7



"Miss Saigon" logo

p.m. \$15-\$60. Call 931-2222.

► **The Feast of St. Rocco** continues noon-11 p.m. in the North End on Thacher and North Margin streets with food and music.

► **Watercolor demonstrations** by local artists 1-4 p.m. at the Museum of Fine Arts, 465 Huntington Ave. \$7, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 267-9300, ext. 448.

► **Cocktails and dancing** for single professionals begins at 7 p.m. at Zachary's at the Colonnade Hotel, 120 Huntington Ave.; complimentary wine for first 30 guests; jacket and tie required. Sponsored by Single Professional Men & Women. \$15. Call 742-4828.

► **French at the Fort**, a day of celebrating Boston Harbor's French history on Georges Island with reenactments by Le Regiment De Saintonge of camp life, including cooking, candlemaking, military drills and battle tactics, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Transportation by public ferry from Long Wharf. \$6, \$4 for children and seniors. Call 723-7800 for ferry information. Call 740-1605 about event.

► **Master prestidigitators**, a.k.a. magicians, Panapart and Jim Vetter perform at the

The flan

Fiery Spanish dance catches on at jazz club

By Sandy Coleman
GLOBE STAFF

CAMBRIDGE — Dick Nordlund, a mortgage broker from Allston, did not know a word of the Spanish that singer Fernando de Malaga used to mesmerize a roomful of people one recent Sunday at Ryles. But he could feel the gut-wrenching emotion.

And, watching two flamenco dancers sway their hips, float graceful arms and cast sensuous glances, Nordlund needed no translation to understand the passion and power of the evening.

"The music is really great. I don't understand a thing, but it's great," said Nordlund, 36, leaning against a wall with a glass of sangria in his hand. "And the dance. The women look so dignified. There's something about the dance that brings it out . . . They look very sexy . . . strong and feminine at the same time."

It was his first time at Juerga Flamenca, a popular weekly series featuring performances by fiery flamenco dancers, singers and guitarists. Each week, at least 150 people show up to take Sevillianas and rumba dance lessons, eat the food of Spain, drink sangria and bask in the cultural glow of a centuries-old art form.

Recently, the crowd was a mix of ages, with single men and women, couples, large gatherings of friends, first-timers and regulars. A cultural spirit swept through the second-floor room that was converted from a former conversational room. P

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