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<p>18. Report on the formation of a Citizens Advisory Committee to make recommendations on fiscal responsibility and the achievement gaps. (Item appeared as Awaiting Report Number 02-110. See 04/18/2003 Appointments for the names of the members appointed to the committee. Committee was appointed by the Mayor Michael Sullivan and City Manager Robert W. Healy; notice of appointments conveyed via press release dated April 18, 2003) Councillor Maher and entire membership.  <i>&gt; Additional Attachments are available at the City Clerk's Office.</i>  <a href="#">PRINT PREVIEW: AGENDA</a>  <a href="#">PRINT PREVIEW: FINAL ACTIONS</a></p>	<p><b>18. ORDER</b>  <b>ADOPTED</b>  <b>AMENDEI</b></p>
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**From:** Tomeu, Ini  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 17, 2003 6:48 PM  
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**Subject:** PIO Update 4-18-03

# PIO Update

an internal bulletin for City of Cambridge employees  
Ini Tomeu, editor

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**April 18, 2003**

**City Hall/Most Municipal Offices Closed April 21 in Observance of Patriots' Day**

## **National Telecommunications Week April 13-19**

The Emergency Communications Department celebrated National Telecommunications Week acknowledging the dedication of our City employees who answer Emergency 911 Calls. The department operates the City's Combined Emergency Communications and 911 Center that receives over 55,000 emergency calls and alarms per year. It also manages the coordinated dispatch of police, fire and emergency medical service. The department will announce its Dispatcher of the Year award at the end of this week.

## **Patriots' Day Reenactment**

On Saturday, April 19, at 5 p.m. in Front Park, the King's Own Regiment, Light Infantry Company, and Glover's Marblehead Regiment will present a dramatic reenactment of the British retreat across the Charles River in the spring of 1775. For more info. see the City's Web Site.

## **Holiday Schedule for Rubbish, Recycling, and the Cambridge Cemetery**

In observance of the Patriots' Day Holiday on Monday, April 21, there will be no rubbish, recycling pickup or street cleaning in Cambridge. For revised schedule, see this item on the City's Web Site.

**Visit the City's Web Site for April Vacation Week Pre-teen and Teen Programs**

## **Patriots' Day Observance**

The Cambridge Veterans' Organization (CVO) and the City of Cambridge's Department of Veterans' Services will hold their annual Patriots' Day Observance on Monday, April 21, 10:45 a.m., at the Washington Memorial site, on Cambridge Common. Mr. Samuel W. Wilson, Jr., President, Cambridge Veterans' Organization will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Cambridge's Mayor Michael A. Sullivan will extend the City's greetings and deliver the keynote address. See the City's Web Site for more information.

## **Bridging the Gap in Housing Forum Thursday, April 24, 6 p.m.**

### **Central Square Library, 45 Pearl Street**

April is Fair Housing Month, the month the Nation celebrates the passing of the Federal Fair Housing Act. This forum provides an opportunity to dialog with representatives of Cambridge's Housing Advocates, City Departments and Fair Housing Agencies. It will highlight Cambridge's Affordable and Fair Housing Initiatives and address current and future housing issues. This program is being presented by the Cambridge Human Rights Commission/Fair Housing Committee, the Commission for Persons with Disabilities, Lead Safe Cambridge, Cambridge Community Development Department and the Cambridge Multi-Service Center. For more information, call x4396.

## **Bring Your Child to Work Day April 24**

We will be observing Bring Your Child to Work Day on Thursday, April 24. This is the same day as the Ms. Foundation's nationally sponsored Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day. Employees may bring a child, age 9-15, to work for the day, with their supervisor's and/or department head's permission. If you have a 7 or 8-year old child who you feel can benefit and learn from spending the day with you, this will also be allowed. Employees may bring in a child, grandchild, godchild or other type of close relation. Unfortunately, some occupations do not lend themselves to this kind of event. Specifically, public safety personnel, including Police, Fire and Emergency Communications, will not be able to participate. The Mayor's Office will host an Ice Cream Social from 3:00-4:00 p.m.

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### **Mayor Michael Sullivan Seeks Recipes for first-ever Mayor's Cookbook**

Mayor Michael A. Sullivan is seeking recipes from Cambridge residents and chefs for the first-ever Mayor's Cookbook to be released soon. Mayor Sullivan is also including a few of his own personal favorites as well. Proceeds from the sale of the Mayor's Cookbook will benefit the Agenda for Children's Share A Book Anytime-Anywhere, an initiative aimed towards promoting literacy throughout the city. Mayor Sullivan hopes to create a cookbook that will be reflective of the diversity of the Cambridge community. From pizza to seafood, Asian to Italian, soups to desserts, the cookbook should present the rich array of flavors that can be found in our fine city. Recipes should be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to the Mayor's Office by Friday, May 23. Please include your name, contact number, address, name of recipe, ingredients, number of servings, step-by-step preparation, and any comments. We will have an online submission form on the City's Web Site by the end of the day today. For more information, call x4321.

### **Mayor/City Manager Announce New Public Education Committee Members**

Mayor Michael A. Sullivan and City Manager Robert W. Healy announce their appointments to the newly formed Independent Advisory Committee on Public Education. This concept evolved from a day-long, feasibility goal-setting session between the City Council and the City Administration. The major topic was the goal of achieving excellence in education while adhering to fiscal responsibility. The work of this committee is envisioned as being intense, but with a report submitted in a short time frame of 4 to 6 months. The committee is as follows: Dr. Perdo Noguera, Professor Harvard Graduate School of Education; Dr. Mildred Collins Pierce, Director of The Principals' Center, Harvard Graduate School of Education; Paul Toner, President of Cambridge Teachers Association; Reverend Lorraine Thornhill, Pastor First Holiness Church; Steven J. Swanger, Director of Tenant Services, Cambridge Housing Authority; Dr. Carolyn Turk, Interim Superintendent of Cambridge Public Schools; William Dandridge, Dean of Lesley University's School of Education; William T. Stokes, Professor, Lesley University's School of Education; and Alan Steinert, Management Consultant.

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### **Easier Access to City Council/City Manager Agenda Items, Schedules & Reports**

This week we officially launched a new and easier way to access the City Council and City Manager Agenda, Hearing Schedules and reports on the City Web Site. Previously, the document was very large and required Adobe software and a high capacity connection to the Internet to download easily; and there was no search capability. Users had to know exactly where the information was located and the exact date or they had to read through document by document to find it. The new "search" feature enables users to custom search using a date range, keyword or a specific document or all three. The more information provided, the better the results. This new feature will reduce printing of whole documents allowing users to print only the page(s) they need. Each search provides a "printer friendly" version as an option on the results page. Looking ahead, all new meeting documents are being stored in a database that will strengthen search results as the database expands. Data from the past is still searchable but since it was more paper based, the search results will vary more.

### **Community Blood Drive**

Mount Auburn Hospital is committed to serving the City of Cambridge and its surrounding communities. In order to help support its patients and better serve the public, we are calling on the community to donate blood with the Hospital's own Donor Program. Donating blood directly to the Hospital may prevent us from having to purchase blood from costly outside sources.

#### ***Here is how you can help:***

Come donate blood! We are open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8am - 3:30pm; Tuesday 10am - 7pm and Friday 7am - 1:30pm. Donating blood takes only 30 minutes of your time. You can make an appointment or just drop in during those hours. Our direct phone number is 617.499.5735 and we are located on the Ground Floor of the Hospital's Wyman Building. All Volunteer Donors receive free parking in the Hospital's Garage as well as plenty of juice and cookies! Please consider participating in the Hospital's Donor Program as we are in critical need of Blood Donations and hope that we can continue to support Cambridge and its surrounding communities.

### **DPW Promotions**

Congratulations to Mike Stone of the Department of Public Works on his recent promotion to the position of Supervisor of Building Operations. Mike has been a dedicated member of the Public Works team for over 30 years, starting as a laborer in 1972, moving up through the ranks to become a Motor Equipment Operator in 1974, and a Public Works Supervisor in the Streets Division in 1990. An experienced supervisor and an unflappable one, we can all look forward to continued superior service from Building Operations under Mike's leadership.

### **DPW Performance Recognition Awards Sought**

The Department of Public Works (DPW) is seeking nominations for its eleventh annual Commissioner's Award Performance Recognition Program that honors four DPW employees who have met the highest standards of excellence in their work performance. Nominations can be made by any City employee or members of the community. For more information and a list of past recipients please see the DPW Commissioner's Award Information Page. If you know a DPW employee that you would like to nominate, submit a Nomination Form by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 23. Your involvement in this process is very much appreciated.

### **GoGreen Month Business Awards**

The Community Development and Public Works Departments urge you to submit a nomination for the GoGreen Business Awards which recognize Cambridge businesses and institutions for outstanding environmental efforts in Transportation and Recycling. This award is part of GoGreen Month, Cambridge's annual May celebration to promote environmental awareness and action. Winners will be honored at a special ceremony in May. For more information or to submit a nomination online, go to the City's Web Site, pg. 2 of City News & Information or call x4815. Nomination deadline is April 25.

### **First Passover Lunch and Learn a Great Success**

The first-ever Passover Lunch and Learn sponsored by the Employees' Diversity Committee and the Mayor's Office was a great success. The program, which highlighted the Jewish tradition of the seder, was enjoyable and informative for many attendees. Special thanks to the Planning Committee for all their hard work and to Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis who came up with the idea and chaired the event.

### **CAC Needs Your Help to Make its 25th Cambridge River Festival the Best Ever!!**

It's the 25th anniversary for the Cambridge River Festival and the Cambridge Arts Council is pulling out all the stops to Reflect on our past and celebrate the future. Many old favorites and new ideas are being featured in this milestone year. A parade through neighborhoods in Cambridge was always the kick-off to festival day in the past. After several years hiatus, the parade returns this year and City departments are welcome to propose pedestrian parade parties -- no vehicles or floats please! And children are a major focus this year with an expanded array of activities and performers. City employees can help by donating recycled materials needed for art-making activities. This week's request: CDs and buttons! Instead of throwing away those email boot disks you get in the mail, pass them on to the collection box. Purging your music collection or updating your computer software? Your old CDs can have new life as part of a performance art piece. And buttons of all shapes, sizes and colors are needed -- shirt buttons, coats buttons, pants buttons -- if it has two or more holes, CAC can use them. Collection boxes will be set up at 51 Inman and City Hall so you can drop by your donations -- or send them via interoffice mail to Cambridge Arts Council. For more information, call x4380.

### **GLBT Meets April 23**

GLBT employees will meet Wednesday, April 23, Noon, 119 Windsor Street (health clinic). For more information, call x4697 or x4364.

### **Webhood Donates Computers/Printers to Cambridge Youth Programs**

Webhood Inc. was recently awarded a major technology grant from the Oracle Help Us Help Foundation enabling the organization to distribute 30 new Apple iMac computers and six Kyocera Mita laser printers to 10 community technology centers for youth education, access and technical training. One of the centers benefiting from this donation was Cambridge Youth Programs, a division of the City's Department of Human Service Programs. In fact, over the past couple of years, Webhood has donated over 100 computers to Cambridge youth centers and provided pro-bono technical support. "It is critical to reach underprivileged youth with technology," Stephen Sillari, Webhood executive director and founder says, "In light of these turbulent economic times, we are proud to receive this generous support from an organization as prestigious as the Oracle Foundation. These assets will help us continue serving youth digital education and access."

### **Earth Day at Alewife: Mystic River Watershed Cleanup Volunteers Needed**

*Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (drizzle or shine - Raindate: May 3)*

Wear old clothes suitable for rough terrain. Tools, gloves, trash bags, drinking water, oranges, and power bars will be provided. Volunteers will meet at the Passenger Drop-off Area behind Alewife MBTA Station (Red Line). The Sign-in table will be next to the rotary parking garage. For more information, contact: [Dennis.carr@mwhglobal.com](mailto:Dennis.carr@mwhglobal.com). The Department of Public Works is one of the event's sponsors.

### **Keefe Named Alliance CEO**

Cambridge Health Alliance, a \$450M academic public health care system with three hospitals in Cambridge, Somerville and Everett, Massachusetts, has named Dennis Keefe, MBA, as Chief Executive Officer. Keefe will also serve as Commissioner of Health for the City of Cambridge. He replaces John G. O'Brien, who left in September 2002 after serving as CEO for 16 years. For full story see City's Web Site.

### **Estelle Paris Scholarship Fund Applications Sought**

The Estelle Paris Scholarship is a cash award given to Cambridge residents who are interested in pursuing careers in health care. Individuals who apply for scholarship funds are selected on the basis of academic and personal achievement and commitment to community service. To be eligible you must be: a Cambridge resident; currently enrolled or planning to matriculate in a program leading to a healthcare career; and have a strong academic record. Applicants must complete factual information and submit a personal statement by May 1, 2003. For more information or an application, contact Margaret Walther, Human Resources Specialist, Cambridge Health Alliance (781) 306-8762 or e-mail: [mwalther@challiance.org](mailto:mwalther@challiance.org).

### **Tennis Teams Needed**

Teams are needed for the Cambridge Recreation Adult Tennis League in both A and B Divisions. Team captains may pick up rules and rosters at the War Memorial at 1640 Cambridge St. during the following hours; M-F 5:50-8:30pm, Saturday 12-6:30p.m. and Sunday 12-4:30pm. The fee is 150 per team. The A League begins Monday, June 2 and B League begins Wednesday, June 4 at Rindge Field on Pemberton St. Rosters are due on Registration (by May 19) and payment must be made by May 13. For information,

contact Donna Cameron at x6237.

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## **PRESS RELEASE – MAYOR/CITY MANAGER**

Mayor Michael A. Sullivan and City Manager Robert W. Healy have invited interested citizens to serve on a very important Independent Advisory Committee on Public Education.

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Interested persons should send their letters of interest and resume (if available) to Mayor Michael A. Sullivan and City Manger Robert W. Healy, Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139, by December 24, 2002.

# Office of the Mayor

*From the desk of Michael A. Sullivan*  
Mayor

**To:** Robert Healy, City Manager  
**From:** Mayor Michael Sullivan  
**Date:** 4/15/2003  
**Re:** Cambridge Independent Advisory Committee on Public Education

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Here is a list of community members that I have selected to be part of the Independent Advisory Committee on Public Education.

Dr. Pedro Noguera, Professor Harvard Graduate School of Education  
Mildred Collins Pierce, Director of The Principals' Center Harvard Graduate School of Education  
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Rev. Lorraine Thornhill, Pastor First Holiness Church  
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Alan Steinert, Management Consultant  
Mary Lou Dymski, Vice President Finance & Operations, Lesley University

Please forward to me as soon as possible those names you have selected from your list of candidates. We can then prepare a joint release.

Thank you,

Michael

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### Chronicle staff change

Robert Greene, Cambridge Chronicle editor for the past two-and-a-half years, has taken a job in Albany, N.Y. with the Institute for Humanist Studies.

The IHS is a nonprofit group concerned with the promotion of secular humanism and the elimination of the consideration of religion from public policy making.

Greene, of Waltham, became editor of the Chronicle in December 2000. His last day on the job here is April 25.

Filling Greene's shoes until a new editor is hired will be assistant editor Deborah Eisner. Her phone number is 617-629-3382; her e-mail is deisner@cnc.com.

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November 7, 2002

Dear Members of the School Committee:

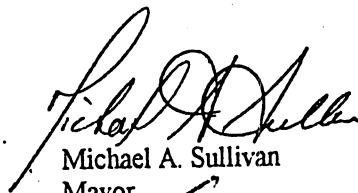
The City Council's Government Operations and Rules Committee (at a meeting attended by the entire membership of the City Council) today discussed our goals for FY 04. Collectively, we agreed to establish a goal of achieving excellence in education while promoting fiscal responsibility.

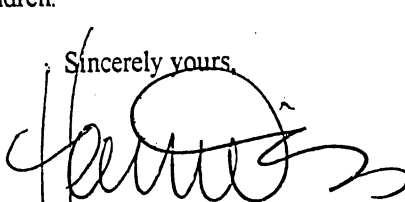
We also agreed to steadfastly support the City Manager's recommendations regarding the upcoming School Department's budget issues. Additionally, the committee members agreed to recommend that the City Council establish an Independent Advisory Committee charged with reviewing fiscal responsibility and achievement gaps.


It was agreed that the Independent Advisory Committee would be appointed by the Mayor and City Manager and report back to the City Council.

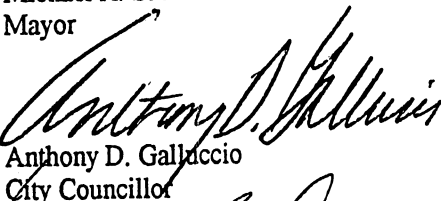
We look forward to working with members of the School Committee and school administration to enhance the educational opportunities for all children.

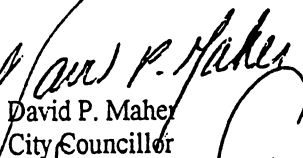
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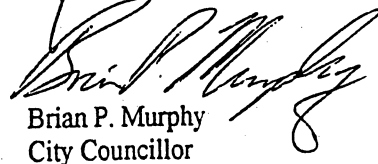
  
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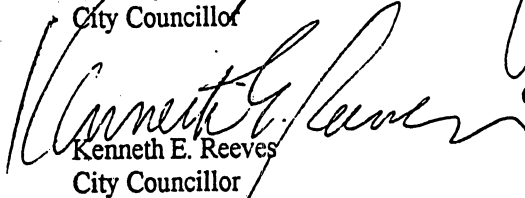
  
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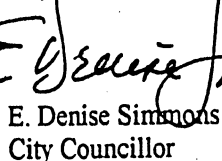
  
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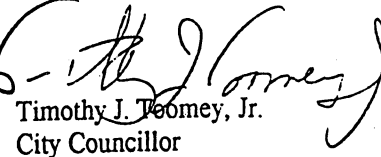
  
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