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BUYOUT UPDATE...At press time, the closing on the Children's Museum purchase of the Museum of Transportation's share of Museum Wharf was set for November 5...John Bok chairs the Special Acquisition Committee...Members are Hamilton Coolidge, Susan Jackson and Jeptha Wade...To date, \$2,215,444 has been raised, putting us at 44.3% of the goal... .

OFFICERS ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING... New Chairman of the Board is John Bok; former President and Chairman Susan Jackson moves to the position of Trustee-at-Large... David Burnham remains as President... Vice Presidents are Benjamin Schore and Jeptha Wade; Treasurer is James Pitts; Secretary is Kyra Montagu; Assistant Treasurer and Secretary is Phyllis O'Connell...New Trustees include Yori Oda and Chester Pierce... New Corporation members include Vicky Barletta, Anne Gamble and Leonard Rudolfsky....

LEGO OPENS NOVEMBER 16... The Excitement is Building is an apt theme for this new exhibit with more than 1 million pieces of LEGO bricks presented in a special TCM-designed exhibit...DUPLO bricks for younger children will be housed in the new Playspace area... .

NOVEMBER 6 IS CONSTRUCTION DAY...Families can use their imaginations to build milk carton doll houses, drinking straw bridges and other imaginative structures in a day-long series of activities led by resident Bricoleur Bernie Zubrowski...And the Friday Night Performance Series continues with puppets, stories and clowns...See enclosed flyer... .

RECENT GRANTS...An Institute for Museum Services grant of \$35,000 will help cover operating costs for collections... Expo' Fund, a Japanese source, has made a \$34,400 grant for a Japanese Study Storage facility and a multi-purpose class/demonstration room...both opening to the public next spring... .

1st DIBS AND 2nd CRACK...There are now two chances to shop for the new-and-different and tried-and-true items at our popular adults only evenings...Laser gazers, bubble bears and flip books are among the many items awaiting your perusal at 1st Dibs on Monday, November 29 and at 2nd Crack, Monday, December 6...Both are from 7-10pm...See the enclosed invitation for details

GET IN THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT...with the "Remembering Christmases Past" workshop on December 5 from 1-3pm...Make gifts, cards and decorations for this year's holidays while recollecting important family memories of days gone by...Call 426-6500, Ext. 267 to register

KEEP IN THE SPIRIT WITH DECEMBERFEST... Every Saturday and Sunday in December... Celebrate Kwanza, sample a Scandinavian cookie, sing a Hannukah song, find out about holiday traditions in Greece, Armenia, Italy and six other cultures...Call 426-8855 for weekly listings...And don't forget to check out the December Vacation Week Specials on the enclosed flyer, too

START THE YEAR OF THE BOAR' OFF RIGHT...Join our annual Japanese New Year's celebration January 9, 10am-4pm and delight in a wide range of traditional Japanese activities and performances for the whole family...Call 426-8855 beginning January 3, 1983....

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