

the AGASSIZ WHISTLER

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AGASSIZ COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING, Wednesday, March 3rd, 7:30 p.m. in school library.

AGASSIZ COOPERATIVE KINDERGARTEN MEETING, Thursday, March 11th, 8:00 p.m. at Paula Phipps' house.

AGASSIZ PLAYGROUP MEETING, Wednesday, March 17th, 7:45 p.m. at North Congregational Church.

PTA MEETING, Wednesday, March 24th, 7:30 p.m. in school library.

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING, Wednesday, March 3rd:

- 1) 7:30-8:00 Election of new officers for Community Council.
- 2) 8:00 Discussion of crime, police-community relations in Agassiz neighborhood. Formation of police-community task force. Two representatives of Cambridge Police Force will be present.

REPORT OF COUNCIL MEETING on Wednesday, February 4th:

The February Council meeting opened with a discussion of the steps involved in setting up a police-community task force within the Agassiz neighborhood. Issues which might concern such a group would be 1) security for homes and businesses, 2) personal safety, 3) neighborhood cooperation, and any other problem areas brought to the attention of the group by members of the community lighting, parking, traffic control,

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etc.) It was decided to go ahead with the planning of such a group, and the next Council meeting will focus almost entirely on its formation.

Also discussed was the nomination of a slate of new officers for the Council (chairperson, vice-chairperson, treasurer, secretary). A nominating committee of three was approved by the Council to develop this slate for the next Council meeting.

Next, Brian Kullman gave a report on the last local meeting concerned with the Red Line Extension and the related zoning issues. A major concern of the group is developing a position on the zoning of residential and commercial buildings in Porter Square particularly to prevent the appearance of high-rise residential (or business) areas along Mass. Ave. or in the Porter Square area. The group would like to find more support for these concerns among neighborhood people and, ideally, among the business people already located in Porter Square. (There will be another meeting on these issues just as this newsletter goes "to press" so a report on that meeting will be delayed. However, people interested in attending a March meeting should call Brian Kullman at 864-8155 or the Community School number - 876-9268 to find out the time and location.)

The last issue discussed was the Community School budget, which was submitted last month with a request for an additional \$1,000.00 in program funds. The Cambridge Community Schools Commission has also recently recommended a \$2,000.00

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increase in the program funds for all the Community School programs, although the feasibility of these increases being realized this year is not clear.

At the March Council Meeting, we would like to see lots of you, teens included. The problems of crime and safety are important for everyone living in a neighborhood, and we need as much input as we can get to sort out the problems. So. We hope to see you there, Wednesday, March 3rd, 7:30 p.m. at school.

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWS

We seem to be going quite well with our new "tuition" plan for the afternoon program. For those of you whose children use the program regularly but who haven't paid, however, please try to do so in the near future. We need your support badly to keep the program staffed and supplied (our average daily population is between 50 and 60 kids). The next 12 week term begins on April 1st.

Our new, improved ADULT EXERCISE CLASS is underway and open to both men and women. Come on over and try it. You'll feel 100% better for it! (Wear leotards or baggy clothes.) The class meets every WEDNESDAY evening, 7:45 to 9:00 p.m.

THE PTA MADE \$400.00 AT ITS RECENT PLANT AND FOOD SALE. CONGRATULATIONS!
