

the AGASSIZ WHISTLER

November 1, 1977

COMMUNITY EVENTS

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING, Wednesday, November 2, 8:00 p.m. in the Agassiz library.

AGASSIZ PLAYGROUPO RUMMAGE SALE, Saturday, November 5, 10 - 4, at the North Congregational Church.

ANNUAL AGASSIZ POT-LUCK THANKSGIVING FEAST, Tuesday, November 22, 6:30 p.m. in the Agassiz gym.

HOLIDAYS

VETERANS' DAY - Friday, November 11 - no school.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS - November 23 ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), 24, 25.

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWS

Our K through 3rd graders' program is humming along! If you can think of any activities or projects you'd like to see offered in the program, please feel free to let us know. Call Julie Snow any weekday afternoon with your suggestions (876-9268).

The 4th through 7th graders' program is now well underway too. The present schedule of activities looks like this:

MONDAY: Beading 2:30-4:30
Drop-In for Grades 4 & 5
2:30-4:30

TUESDAY: Gymnastics 2:30-3:45
In Agassiz gym
Drop-In for Grades 6 & 7
2:30-4:30

WEDNESDAY: Cooking 2:30-4:30
Karate 6:00-7:30
in Agassiz gym
Basketball 7:30-9:00
in Agassiz gym
Drop-In for Grades 4 & 5
2:30-4:30

THURSDAY: Skateboarding 2:30-4:00
Gym Hockey 6:30-8:00
in Agassiz gym
Drop-In for Grades 6 & 7
2:30-4:30

FRIDAY: Photography 2:30-4:30

The renovation of the basement space has taken longer than expected, but it is almost finished. Any old furniture (chairs, tables, couches) that you might like to get rid of can be put to good use in the drop-in center. We are also looking for a record player and board games. For information on the above program, or equipment we could use, contact Ken Basler at 876-9268 or leave a message and your call will be returned.

Our Evening Program looks like this:

MONDAY: Beginning Guitar 7-8
Intermediate Guitar 8-9
(spaces still available)

Rehearsal of the Little Orchestra 7:30-9:30
(Visitors always welcome!)

Evening Program, Cont.

WEDNESDAY: Karate 6:00-7:30
 in Agassiz gym
 Basketball. 7:30-9:00

THURSDAY: Gym Hockey 6:30-8:00
 Volley Ball for Adults
 8:00-10:00

There will be no evening program over the Thanksgiving holidays. If you have ideas for additional evening courses, again feel free to call Julie Snow weekday afternoons at 876-9268.

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

At the October 5th Council meeting, we again took steps to further implement the Whistle Program in the Agassiz neighborhood. More whistles have been bought and will be sold door to door by individuals who volunteer to cover their own streets. People who would like to help get this program going should call Lin Lazar at 354-7348 or Hyatt Mauch at 547-6876 for more information. Whistles can be purchased individually on weekday afternoons from Julie Snow in the Agassiz Community School program in the Agassiz School. We need everyone's interest and cooperation if this program is going to work. If we all have whistles and know when and how to use them, we can make our streets safer for all of us!

Next, Brenda Albee was introduced. She is a C.E.T.A. worker who has joined the K-3rd graders' after-school program and can be found in the library, doing "quieter" activities with the children on most afternoons.

The Council then turned its attention to ideas for neighborhood improvement which could be submitted to the Cambridge Community

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS, Cont.

Development Department for Block Grant proposals for the coming year. A proposal was drafted and later submitted requesting that street trees be planted along Oxford Street between Garfield and Wendell Streets, thus beautifying the street and sidewalk adjacent to the tot lot and the Agassiz School.

The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday, November 2nd at 8:00 p.m. in the Agassiz Library. The Agenda will include:

1. More about the WHISTLE PROGRAM!
2. Information and discussion about the re-routing of the Beacon St. bus over to Somerville Ave. (John Hixson from Cambridge Community Development Department will be present.)
3. Review of Council Voting procedures.

The NEW PARENTS AND CHILDREN'S GROUP - DROP-IN CENTER AT SANCTUARY

In the winter of 1975 three neighborhood parents with young children decided to see if there was a need for a regular weekly gathering of parents with children who were not in playgroup or day-care situations. Notices were put up in the local laundromats, drugstores, and food shops and there was considerable response.

After an initial meeting a group of between 10 and 20 parents and children began to meet on Monday mornings at someone's house. It became clear that there was an on-going need for such a group and we began to look for a more permanent space in the community. In the fall of 1977, with the help of the Agassiz Community School, we found space in the

PARENTS AND CHILDRENS GROUP, cont.

Sanctuary building at 20 Sacramento Street, and we are now meeting four mornings a week from 9:30 to 12. (Monday and Thursdays are for children from infancy to 20 months; Wednesdays and Fridays are for children 20 months and older.)

All those with preschool children who do not attend playgroup or daycare are welcome. Infants are welcome! Our drop-in center is a space for parents and children to meet together. Please feel welcome to come by.

For further information, call Jenny Fleming at 354-2385.

Our ANNUAL AGASSIZ POT-LUCK THANKSGIVING FEAST will be held again this year on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving (Nov. 22) at 6:30 in the school gym. EVERYONE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IS INVITED! To contribute you can either roast a turkey (ten will be bought by Community Schools and delivered to the doors of people who offer to cook them), or you can bring another dish, large enough to feed your group plus four more. Breads, vegetables, salads, and desserts are among the traditional offerings. Please bring serving utensils as well. We usually number over 100 and it's always great fun, so mark it on your calendar! AND if you'd like to roast a turkey, call Julie Snow at 876-9268 and sign up for one. (Also, bring anything you might like to drink besides cider or coffee.)

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PHONE:

876 - 9268

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP RUMMAGE SALE - SATURDAY, NOV. 5th

The Playgroup will hold a rummage sale on November 5th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the North Congregational Church on Mass. Ave. at Roseland St. (next to Sears and Roebuck). Admission is free.

Puppet presentations of "Ferdinand the Bull" and "The Gunniwolf" will be offered at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Three demonstrations on the recycling of used goods are also scheduled: "Old Clothes into New" at 10:30 a.m., "Brown Bags for Fun and Profit" at 12 noon, and "Old Fabric - New Quilts; Using the Small Scrap in the Log Cabin Quilt Block" at 2 p.m.

The Agassiz Community Children's School - Playgroup, a non-profit parent cooperative, celebrates its sixth anniversary this year. It was developed in response to the needs of the community for a preschool for children from 2 to 5 years. Partial funding comes from the Agassiz Community School. Proceeds from the rummage sale will be used for supplies and scholarships.

DON'T MISS IT!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

1974 VW BUS for sale; just over 26,000 miles, excellent condition, call Fran Brown, eves, 868-8548.

Apartment to Share - working mother with 9 year old son would like to share large Wendell Street apartment with another mother and child of same age. Call 354-3669 after 6:30 p.m.
