

the AGASSIZ WHISTLER

January

Happy New Year!

1983

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING, Wednesday, Jan. 12, 8:00 p.m. in the Agassiz School library.

AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING GROUP MEETING, Wednesday, Jan. 19, 8:00 p.m. at the Agassiz Community Center.

4th-8th GRADE ACTIVITIES PROGRAM, WINTER TERM, Jan. 24-March 25 (8 weeks); REGISTRATION: Jan. 17-21, 2:30-6:00 p.m., at the Agassiz Community Center.

JANUARY RELEASE DAY - Wednesday, January 12. School closes at 12:30; no 4th-8th Grade Activities (all other programs open).

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AGASSIZ COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWS

4th-8th GRADE ACTIVITIES PROGRAM NEW TERM * NEW TERM * NEW TERM!

All classes will begin the week of January 24 and run for 8 weeks, through March 25th (with make-up classes the following week if necessary).

TO REGISTER, BRING THE FORM AT THE BACK OF THIS ISSUE OF THE WHISTLER (OR FROM THE FLYERS HANDED OUT THROUGH SCHOOL), TO JULIE OSHERSON IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER, BETWEEN JAN. 17-21, 2:30 to 6:00 p.m. Registrations must be accompanied by checks for the full amount of course costs, made out to Agassiz Community School.

Here's our schedule of courses:

MONDAYS

CIRCUS ARTS 2:30-3:30
Juggling, balancing, clowning, and more!
Teacher: Brian Kenet
Location: Agassiz Community Center
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 24
Limit: 10

TUESDAYS

CALLIGRAPHY 2:45-3:45
Teacher: Penny Kleespies
Location: Agassiz Science Room
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 25
Limit: 10

EMBROIDERY 3:45-4:45
Teacher: Penny Kleespies
Location: Agassiz Science Room
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 25
Limit: 10

WEDNESDAYS

IMPROVISATIONAL THEATER CLUB 2:30-3:30
Teacher: Geraldine Guardino 3:30
Location: Agassiz Community Center
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 26
Limit: 10

THURSDAYS

MIME (silent and beautiful!) 2:30-3:30
Teacher: Laura Sheppard 3:30
Location: Agassiz Community Center
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 27
Limit: 10

BEGINNING TYPING 4:00-5:00
Teacher: Nancy Murphy
Location: Agassiz Science Room
Cost: \$10.00
First Class: Jan. 27
Limit: 6 only (6th-8th grades only)

4th-8th GRADE ACTIVITIES, Cont.

FRIDAYS

"KNOW YOUR BODY" CLASS* 2:30-3:30

Learn how your body works: puberty, reproduction, pregnancy and family life, sex-roles, self-esteem.

Teacher: Kim DeAndrade

Location: Agassiz Community Center

Cost: \$10.00

Limit: 10 (5th & 6th Graders only)

*THERE WILL BE A MEETING TO FAMILIARIZE PARENTS WITH THE INSTRUCTOR AND THE CURRICULUM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 7:30 p.m. IN THE AGASSIZ COMMUNITY CENTER.

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER EARLY! We fill all classes on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more info, call Julie at 498-9056.

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FRIDAY GYMNASTICS PROGRAM

The next ten-week term of Friday Gymnastics will begin on Friday, Jan. 28 and run through April 8. There are 3 classes: 2:45-3:45, 3:45-4:45, and 4:45-5:45. These classes are sponsored by the Recreation Division of the Dept. of Human Services. The cost is \$10.00 for 10 weeks. Robin Morrison is the teacher.

REGISTRATION FOR NEWCOMERS AND 1st TERM LATECOMERS WILL BE FROM JAN. 17-21. Since all children registered during the first term have priority, there may be very few spaces available at this time of year. To register, come to the Agassiz Community Center, 20 Sacramento St., between 2:30 and 6:00 p.m. to fill out a form and pay the \$10.00 fee. For more information, call Julie Osherson at 498-9056 any weekday afternoon.

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MUSIC AND MOVEMENT CLASSES FOR ADULTS

This course will offer a variety of music and movement games based on the eurhythmics of Jacque Dalcroze: clapping, stepping, singing, dancing, and improvising.

MOVEMENT AND MUSIC, Cont.

This class will meet for 8 weeks, January 17-March 7, from 7:15 - 8:30 p.m. in the Agassiz School gym. The teacher is Martha Rogers. The cost is \$40.00. TO REGISTER, come to the first class on Jan. 17th at 7:00 p.m. or pre-register by calling Martha at 776-7406.

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AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL NEWS

MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 8th COUNCIL MEETING:

A new Youth Specialist, Paulette Johnson, has been assigned to be Agassiz and Lincoln neighborhoods. She was introduced at the Council meeting. She is planning to meet with teachers and students at Agassiz School. Pauletter can be contacted through the Department of Human Services or through Julie Osherson, the Agassiz Coordinator.

Les Barber from the Community Development Department came to talk about the MBTA-owned Garfield Street construction site. It is possible that the MBTA might turn the site over to the City of Cambridge for a public purpose. At this time the City wants to know what the neighborhood thinking is on possible uses for the site.

A discussion took place about the future development of Mass. Avenue. General objections were voiced to the type of high-density condominium buildings erected near the Common. It was agreed that there is a need to lower the potential for development so that present buildings are maintained. Ways of doing this will be explored at the next Neighborhood Planning Group Meeting (on the third Wednesday of each month).

Julie Osherson presented a proposal for a 7-month maternity leave and partial job re-organization upon her return, effective February 4th of this year. The Council was

supportive of this proposal, but final approval rests with the Department of Human Service Programs.

Neighborhood Council elections will take place at the January Council meeting. Joel Bard proposed that the by-laws be amended to allow more than two consecutive terms in office for Council officers. Any person who has attended a Council meeting since September is eligible to vote and encouraged to come to the January meeting to vote on the change in the by-laws followed by the Council elections.

The Council is still seeking an individual who would like to run for Council Vice-Chairperson and represent the Agassiz Council at meetings of the Citywide Coordinating Committee (of Neighborhood Councils). Please notify Julie Osherson at 498-9056 if you would like to be nominated for this office at the January meeting.

Thanks to the efforts of the Mutual Aid Group at the North Congregation Church, there will be improved bus service on Mass. Ave. to the Brattle Station stop. The new schedule, featuring hourly Mass. Ave. stops, will be publicized as soon as it is available.

Ken Basler proposed to the Council that he rent the second floor of the barn behind the Community Center in exchange for repairs on the building. The ground floor would still be used for Community School activities. A formal lease will be worked out between Ken and the Executive Committee of the Council, after the Council Chairperson clears the proposal with Harvard Real Estate (owners of the Agassiz Community Center.).

THE NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12, 8:00 p.m. in the Agassiz School library. Items on the agenda will include:

- 1. Council vote on the proposed

amendment to the By-Laws concerning the limit on consecutive terms of office.

- 2. Council elections of new officers.
- 3. A review of a new program, called THE HELPING HAND, designed to help senior citizens in our neighborhood.

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AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING GROUP

Planning Group Meeting notes - 12/15

The Planning Group held its regularly scheduled meeting. Discussion focused around plans and agenda for future meetings. It was decided to:

- 1. Get information about the present zoning situation on Mass. Ave.
- 2. Explore the kinds of options that control development along Mass. Ave.
- 3. Plan for a large meeting in April of all neighborhood people interested in the development along Mass. Ave.

Two or three meetings will need to take place to plan for the April meeting. The next Planning Group meeting will be on Jan. 19, at 8:00 p.m. in the Agassiz Community Center, 20 Sacramento St., Cambridge. Please plan to attend!

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SACRAMENTO STREET GALLERY CLOSES

"As of January, 1983, the Sacramento Street Gallery is coming to a close. The Coordinating Committee of the Gallery feels that the original aims at the inception of the gallery have largely been achieved. The gallery has shown the work of many of the artists living in the neighborhood and has put together several exhibitions that dealt with the concerns and interests of the community, with the involvement of many. At this time, many members of the Committee feel the need to divert much of the energy and time necessary to run the gallery into other pursuits. So,

SACRAMENTO STREET GALLERY, Cont.

we have decided that it is time to discontinue the effort of organizing monthly exhibits as we have been doing for nearly two years.

The management of the space, the equipment, and the remaining funds of the gallery will revert to the Agassiz Neighborhood Council (and the Agassiz Coordinator). They will continue to be available for artists and members of the community to use for art shows, lectures, projects, etc. People with ideas or needing more information should contact: Julie Osher-son at 498-9056.

We would like to thank former members of the Committee (Joanna Soltan, Robin Winter, J'Entendre of Wankaner, Jane Rokita, Ken Basler, and Ellen Pearlman) and other friends who have worked hard to make the gallery success-

ful. We also thank the Agassiz Community Center and the Cambridge City Arts Program for their support, both financial and otherwise. Above all, we appreciate the experience and the contacts that we have had with the people who participated in the gallery, both as viewers and as artists. Thank you all."

Deb Gould
Carolyn Krinsky
Gerry Phinisee
Carol Strickland
Wenti Tsen
Nella Waters

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ICE AND SNOW REMOVAL

Here, again, is a copy of the Cambridge law pertaining to ice and snow removal from city sidewalks. Please take the time to read this. Thank you.

(see below)

NOTICE

RESPONSIBILITY OF OWNER OR OCCUPANT FOR SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Sec. 17-79. Responsibilities of owners or occupants for snow and ice removal.

(a) Removal of snow from sidewalks. The owner or occupant of private property bordering on a street where there is a sidewalk or footway shall, within twelve (12) hours after snow ceases to fall in the daytime and before 1:00 P.M. after a fall of snow during the night, cause all snow that may be on such sidewalk or footway to be removed therefrom. In the event of an unusually heavy snowfall, the time limit shall be extended at the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works. The provisions of this Section shall apply to snow which falls from buildings as well as to that which falls from the clouds.

(b) Removal of ice from sidewalks. The owner or occupant of private property bordering on a street where there is a sidewalk or footway any portion of which is encumbered by ice shall within six (6) hours after the sidewalk or footway becomes encumbered with ice cause such sidewalk or footway to be made safe and convenient by removing the ice therefrom, or by keeping the same covered with sand or some other suitable substance.

Sec. 17-80. Penalty.

(b) Any person who violated Section 17-79 of this Article shall be subject to a fine not exceeding Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars. Each days violation shall constitute a separate offense.

You are requested forthwith to comply with the requirements of the Ordinance or a citation for violation will be sought in the Cambridge District Court.

**RUSSELL B. HIGLEY
CITY SOLICITOR**

AGASSIZ COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

WE NEED TYPEWRITERS!!! The Agassiz Community School needs to borrow 6 manual typewriters for our 6th through 8th grade typing course to be offered Jan. 24-March 25. We are looking for those old manual portables everyone took to college and has stashed somewhere, collecting dust. This would be an 8-week loan, and you would be helping 6 6th-8th graders get a headstart on a crucial skill. Please call Julie at 498-9056 if you have a typewriter to lend us. Thank you very much!

WANTED TO RENT - Do you have a spare room, attic, etc. in your house or apartment that you would like to rent as studio/office space? I am a sweater designer in need of space for yarn storage, a desk and a drafting table. Am

willing to pay \$100-\$125/month for a well-lighted space in the Agassiz area. Call Nan at 547-0909.

FOR SALE - SHELVES, SHELVES, AND MORE SHELVES - Three sets to choose from. To suit all of your or your child's needs. One set makes up a small desk. Wood and/or particle board. Cinder blocks included with one set. Bargain prices. Call Phyllis at 864-9081 for more information and prices.

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AGASSIZ COMMUNITY SCHOOL
498-9056
Office Hours: 2:30-6:00,
Mon-Fri.

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AGASSIZ COMMUNITY SCHOOL
4th-8th GRADE AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
REGISTRATION FORM

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ M. Wk. Phone _____ F. Wk. Phone _____

<u>COURSE: (check desired courses)</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Price</u>
____ CIRCUS ARTS	Mon. 2:30-3:30	\$10.00
____ CALLIGRAPHY	Tues. 2:45-3:45	\$10.00
____ EMBROIDERY	Tues. 3:45-4:45	\$10.00
____ IMPROV. THEATER CLUB	Weds. 2:30-3:30	\$10.00
____ MIME	Thurs. 2:30-3:30	\$10.00
____ BEGINNING TYPING	Thurs. 4:00-5:00	\$10.00
____ "KNOW YOUR BODY" CLASS	Fri. 2:30-3:30	\$10.00

Parent Signature _____ Amount enclosed _____

Date _____

Will you be coming to the Parent Meeting for the "Know Your Body" Class on Monday, January 24th at 7:30 in the Agassiz Community Center?

____ YES _____ NO

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