

# the Whistler

Newsletter of the Agassiz Neighborhood Council

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## ANC News

### NOTES FROM THE FEB 14 MEETING

#### Agassiz Neighborhood Crime Report

Jacquelyn Rose, Director of Outreach and Community Programs at the Cambridge Police Department (CPD), Neighborhood Police Sergeant Susan Kale, and Michael Logan of the Criminal Investigation Unit, reported on crime in the neighborhood and city.

Agassiz Crime Report - October 1, 2013 to February 6, 2014

- 3 reported auto thefts (Mellen St., Oxford St., Irving St.)
- 1 commercial robbery at the Bank of America (Mass. Ave.)
- 2 housebreaks, in one a laptop was stolen (Museum St., Wendell St.)
- 3 larcenies from motor vehicles
- 1 street robbery on November 28 at 8:21 PM, two suspects approached a victim

"People walk the neighborhoods and look to see what is left unattended," warned Sgt. Kale. "The first barrier is to lock your door. Also, if you see something suspicious, if you get that gut instinct, act on it and contact the police. Please don't feel embarrassed to call --the more people make us aware, the better off the community."

#### Recent Assaults

Responding to residents' concerns, the police reported on three indecent assault and battery incidents. These included:

- November 21 11:40 AM at Frost & Forest Sts.
- January 13 11:18 AM at Eustis & Oxford Sts.
- January 14 11:21 AM at Newport Road

Sgt. Kale noted, "Most of these incidents occurred during daytime hours, between 11:00 AM and 12:00 Noon. The suspect has not been located and isn't believed to be connected to incidents that occurred in Somerville."

#### Information and Resources

Sgt. Kale, Ms. Rose, and Sector Lieutenant John Lang can be contacted via the Cambridge Police website at: [bit.ly/CPD-neighborhood-sergeants](http://bit.ly/CPD-neighborhood-sergeants)

View crime statistics for a specific neighborhood or the entire city on Bridgestat at: [bit.ly/Cambridge-BridgeStat](http://bit.ly/Cambridge-BridgeStat)

For emergencies, dial 911. If you use a cell phone to call 911, be aware that you'll be

### NEXT ANC MONTHLY MEETING



**MAR 11 - 7:30 PM**

Maud Morgan Arts  
20A Sacramento Street  
2D Studio, 2nd Floor

#### Agenda:

Come hear from your **State Rep. Marjorie Decker**

- Learn about **legislative priorities** and the **state budget**
- Ask questions about **issues important to you**

connected to the State Police and must ask the operator specifically for the Cambridge Police, if that's who you seek.

For non-emergencies, call the Cambridge Police at (617) 349-3300. Visit the CPD website for more information:  
[www.cambridgema.gov/ec1/calling911.aspx](http://www.cambridgema.gov/ec1/calling911.aspx)

CPD offers personal safety presentations as well as self-defense class. Contact them to learn more.

Smartphone users can download the MyPD app for iPod and Android phones. Connect with CPD social media, anonymously submit tips, share feedback, and more:  
[www.cambridgema.gov/cpd/communityresources/mypdapp.aspx](http://www.cambridgema.gov/cpd/communityresources/mypdapp.aspx)

**State. Rep. Decker Visits Council**

MA State Representative Marjorie Decker visited the Council to discuss issues she sees as being important to the city. Rep. Decker offered to return to the Council at an upcoming meeting to explain the MA state budget.

**Cambridge City Council at ANC in April**

Fred Meyer, ANC Meeting Chair, and Phoebe Sinclair, Community Liaison, explained the background behind and interest in inviting Cambridge City Council to an upcoming ANC Meeting, including;

- Opportunity to meet and hear from both new and established City Council members
- Some Agassiz residents feel that income inequity is a big challenge for the city and want to learn how the Council is addressing this as well as other important social issues
- Agassiz Baldwin Community wishes to encourage Living Well Network members and participants to engage in civic action through taking part in ANC
- Ms. Sinclair, resident of the Jamaica Plain (JP) neighborhood in Boston, is interested in incorporating some of the elements of JP's

State of Our Neighborhood Forum, through which residents and Boston City Councilors discuss social issues important to the community

Please join us this April! Light refreshments will be served.

**What:** Meet the Cambridge City Council at ANC  
**When:** Tuesday, April 8, 7:30 PM  
**Where:** Maud Morgan Arts, 2nd Floor 2D Studio

**Correction from February Whistler**

In the article "Community Preservation Act Funds Reserved for Sacramento Field," we listed incorrect amounts for the funding the City requires to rehab the field.

The correct information is that Community Planning has \$240,000 of Community Preservation Act funding in place, and the Open Space Committee will be looking to secure an additional \$400,000 in the coming budget for FY15. Thank you to Stuart Dash, Director of Community Planning, for the correction.



# Community

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**ABC THANKS DONORS**

Agassiz Baldwin Community thanks our End of Year Fund supporters from 2013:

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Tax-deductible donations can be sent to:  
Agassiz Baldwin Community, 20 Sacramento Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.



## Agassiz Baldwin Children's Programs

### FRESH PHOTOS FROM ANNUAL HIP HOP FEST

New and favorite dance troupes and singers showcased the freshest additions to the hip hop dictionary, inspiring a new generation of dancers, rappers, choreographers, and culture-hounds to leap to their feet, sing along, shout, and boogie.

Missed the 18th Annual Hip Hop Festival?  
View photos online at:  
[bit.ly/hip-hop-photos-2014](http://bit.ly/hip-hop-photos-2014)



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# Community Calendar

## March 2014

Tuesday, March 11	7:30-9:00 PM	ANC Meeting (see page 1 for agenda) Maud Morgan Arts, 20A Sacramento St., 2D Studio All are welcome, please join us!
Wednesday, March 19	6:00-7:30 PM	ABC Board Meeting, 20 Sacramento St., 2nd Floor Public welcome

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