

the AGASSIZ WHISTLER

JANUARY

AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

1985

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AGASSIZ NEIGHBORHOOD
*** COUNCIL***
WILL MEET JANUARY 9 WEDNESDAY
7:30 P.M.
Agassiz School Library

* JANUARY 3 THURSDAY

Whistler Delivery 3:15
Meet at Community Center
in Gallery-20 Sacramento St.

* JANUARY 16 WEDNESDAY

Joint Parent Steering Committee
Agassiz Community Schools
6-7 P.M. Community Center
20 Sacramento St. Childcare and
Snacks provided. (The Steering
Committee invites any interested
parent to attend these meetings)

* JANUARY 15 TUESDAY

No School or Afterschool
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BIRTHDAY

* JANUARY 8 TUESDAY

Half day released time for Agas-
siz School. Afterschool begins
at school dismissal-12:45.

WAR MEMORIAL POOL SCHEDULE

Cambridge Rindge and Latin School
1640 Cambridge St.

Open Swim Schedule for Adults,
Children and Families:

Monday-Thursday 5:30-6:30
Friday 5:30-9:00
Saturday 1:00-5:00
Sunday 12:30-5:00
(Adults only! Mon-Thurs. 6:30-9 PM)

Cost: 75¢ Children, \$1.75 Adults
For Season Passes call 498-9028

COMMUNITY NEWS

* COUNCIL MEETING NOTES-DECEMBER

The Nominations for Officers
were made at the meeting on 12/12
for Agassiz Neighborhood Council:

- * President - Joel Bard
- * Vice President - Jody Garber
- * Secretary - Sebastian Lockwood
- * Treasurer - William Neukomm

Crimewatch, a citizens
crime prevention program was
presented by Lieutenant Donovan
and Officer DeLuise from the
Cambridge Police Department.

DID YOU KNOW THAT 7 BREAK-
INS WERE MADE ON HOMES IN OUR
NEIGHBORHOOD IN NOVEMBER? :

- * Two on Sacramento St.
- * One on Wendell St.
- * One on Hammond St.
- * One on Forest St.
- * One on Eustis St.
- * One on Frost St.

The police said that in
Cambridgeport, the house break-
ins were reduced by 50% after
this program went into effect.

The two basic aspects of
this program are: Get to know
your neighbors through regular
meetings (the police will pro-
vide crime statistics to the
group), and when you see any
suspicious activity around a
neighbors house you are watching,
(cont.)

JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA INCLUDES:

- *Election of Officers
- *Review of Crimewatch
- *Dog's Rights on
Sacramento Field

you should call the police immediately. The citizens only responsibility is to contact the police for investigation.

Another program that was mentioned by the police was that of Operation Identification. The Police Dept. will lend any resident an engraving tool to mark all valuables. You can contact Lieutenant Donovan at Police Headquarters.

Are you interested in joining a Crimewatch in the Agassiz Neighborhood? If so contact Terry DeLancey at 498-9056 or come to our next council meeting on 1/9 at 7:30 in the Agassiz School Library, and bring a neighbor!

The council approved purchase of a tree from the City of Cambridge for our neighborhood to be located on Sacramento St. near Oxford St. It is a Pagoda or Chinese Scholar Tree (*Sophora Japonica*).

This is the fourth tree in four years to be planted by the community. The others are located on Sacramento St. in front of the Community Center, on Howland St., on Wendell St., and on Hammond St.

The Agassiz Neighborhood Emergency Fund was established in keeping with the holiday season. This fund of \$100. will be kept until a resident is in need of immediate financial assistance. If the occasion should arise, contact Terry DeLancey who will verify the emergency and make immediate arrangements.

There was a general approval of the door to door Whistler delivery which we have been getting underway this fall, but we need volunteers for delivery. If you would like to cover your street, or if you have a teen who would like to deliver the Whistler (teen pizza party after delivery), please call Terry DeLancey at 498-9056.

The Agassiz Community Center

The community center is our building located at 20 Sacramento St. We use it now for a variety of services and programs. It houses offices for the Community Coordinator and Community Schools Staff. There are many counselors and therapists including a feminist counseling service. The Childcare Program is on the first floor and uses the outdoors every afternoon and on school vacations. Outback Summercamp is based in the backyard and barn.

There are rooms available on an hourly basis for meetings, lectures, discussions, or any gathering of interest to our community culturally, politically, or educationally.

We have a small gallery space on the first floor. Although the gallery is no longer an ongoing program, there is space available for any interested artist to display work. This space has also been used for small dance workshops for children, and it would be good space for a small chamber music group.

If you are interested in using the space for your group, or if you would like more information on our community center, please contact Steven Winter at 498-9056.

The community center would like to purchase second hand (or have donated as a contribution):

- *Old cameras for our photography courses
- *A computer for our office and for the use of children for a club
- *A 16 mm projector for all programs and meetings
- *Table lamps for our meeting rooms
- *A few comfortable chairs for our meeting rooms
- *An electric wheel for pottery and ceramics

FREE PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAM
FOR TEENS

ArtiCulture Youth Players are looking for teens interested in the Performing Arts. The program is free for any Cambridge resident, and the age range is 13-21.

The ArtiCulture Youth Players are a group of youth who are provided training in theatre, music, dance and performing arts. The performances are all original musical theatre pieces.

This program, sponsored by the Cambridge Multicultural Art Center, will begin in early February and culminate in May with a production.

This highly successful program is entering its 11th year and has provided 275 youth with performing arts skills. Several past participants have gone on to work in a professional arts setting. All teens are welcome.

Those interested should contact Geraldine Guardino at 547-6091 or 623-5510 for further information.

BABIES NEEDED

Julie Osherson, who has just completed a course in babysitting for prospective babysitters from the neighborhood, needs some live models. In her babysitting course the children have learned to play with babies, to feed babies, and to diaper babies. The course includes care and safety for all aged children, but the baby, of course is the babysitters challenge.

If you have a baby that you would like to be a model for Julie's babysitters, please contact her, or if you know of someone interested in her course, contact her. Julie P. Osherson - 876-9832. The course is set to begin the first week in February (registration material on page 4)

CLASSIFIED ADS

Do you have something to sell or a job opening? We will run it if appropriate for the Whistler.

AFTERSCHOOL NEWS

The Joint Parent Steering Committee has approved a new sliding fee scale for the tuitions in the Activities Program. The new fee scale will go into effect for Term III which will begin the last week in January. For information on the new fees, contact Terry DeLancey. The decision was made after all parents who currently have children in the Activities Program had a chance to review and respond to the new fee scale.

As most of the Swimming Program parents know, the last two classes of the program were postponed due to the YWCA pool's filtering problems. In those two weeks they installed a new filter system. There will be two weeks (Jan 9, Jan 16) which will make up the old session. January 23 will begin the new term. Look in your parent mailboxes for the registration material.

If you wish to enroll your child for the first time, please contact Terry DeLancey for information and registration material, 498-9056.

Gymnastics registration is now in progress. If we have not received your check for \$12. by the first class, we will assume you do not wish to keep your child's space, and we will place a new student in the program. Carlo Rizzo, the gymnastics teacher should have given your child the necessary information. If you do not have it contact Terry DeLancey 498-9056.

The Ballet Classes for the Childcare Program given in the gallery are also registering, contact Tracy Winn, Head Teacher Childcare Program for more details.

Registration material for 5-8th grade programming is on page 4. Check it out for interesting ideas.

5th-8th Grade Registration

5th-8th Grade Afterschool Course Offerings for Term II

There will be ten sessions beginning the week of February 4th-April 8th (make-ups as scheduled with individual teachers). The cost will be \$20. per course.

For a more detailed flyer, contact Terry DeLancey 498-9056.

BABYSITTING- Tuesday 3-4 Community Center- Teacher-Julie Osherson. Learn the ropes of babysitting with real live babies and small children.

PHOTOGRAPHY- Wednesday 3-4 Continuing
Wednesday 4-5 Beginning
Teacher-Lorenzo Dietch in Community Center Basement Dark Room. Shoot and develop your own film. Bring a camera if you have one.

CALLIGRAPHY- Friday 3-4 Agassiz School Science Room Teacher Cindy Hu
Learn to letter like the monks!

Illustration-Thursday 3-4
Teacher-Marjory Wunsch
Science Room Agassiz School
Illustrate your own poem or story- or someone else's! We will talk about how pictures and texts go together as we lay out a dummy book. Pencils and markers available.

Whistler Delivery- One afternoon per month, Absolutely free, and you get pizza and coke when you're done!

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE (home) _____ (work) _____
and PARENT WORK PHONE _____
PARENTS NAME _____

COURSES WANTED:

RETURN THIS FORM TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER BY 1/25, REMEMBER PAYMENT!!

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20 SACRAMENTO STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA. 02138