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Welcome to the Neighborhood!

SPECIAL
POINTS OF INTEREST:

BEST GARDEN
CONTEST WINNERS

COMMUNITY
PHOTOS

Fall is here and mums the word.

Fall is a pleasant break between summer's end, and the beginning of a long winter, to be filled with many activities.

Look for food drives and clothing drives, around the city, this fall, for those in need of assistance.

In this newsletter photos are displayed from different cultural events within the neighborhoods. Speaking

of cultural events, the Local Cultural Council Grant, due on Oct 15th, provides an opportunity for neighborhood groups and other organizations to receive funding for cultural programming. New Bedford has been awarded the status of a Cultural Destination.



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The City of New Bedford, (top rt.) paused to reflect on the 13 year commemoration of the tragic attacks on September 11th.



Basketball players from the city's summer league stopped and listened to Kristine Arsenault, Asst. Chief of Staff for Mayor Mitchell, and State Rep. Tony Cabral ,acknowledge Peter Britto for many years of mentoring and coaching young boys and girls within the city. The end of the summer tournament was held at Hazelwood Park.

Enjoy Fall,

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Neighborhood Spotlight

Congratulations to the winners of the 2014 Best Garden Contest

1stPlace- *The 21st Gomes School.*



Century Butterfly Garden at AJ

2nd Place –*Mr. Antone Simmons (resident)* **3rd Place**-*Maria Baptista (resident)*



National Night Out, The 100th Portuguese Feast,

See What's Going On in Your Neighborhood...

<p>Brooklawn Neighborhood Association</p> <p>This group is restructuring and the location and meeting day is subject to change. No meetings scheduled at this time.</p>	<p>Goulart Square Improvement Association</p> <p>Will not be meeting until further notice</p>
<p>Caroline St. Apts Neighborhood Watch</p> <p>Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 at the Caroline Community Center. The chair of this group is Henry Bousquet. For more info call (508)989-7487.</p>	<p>Bullard Street Neighborhood Association</p> <p>This group meets at St. Anthony's Church on the last Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM..The chair of this group is Ken Resendes and Joy Trudeau. For more info call 774-201-9357.</p>
<p>Acushnet Commons/Wamsutta Apts</p> <p>Meets as needed at the Wamsutta Apts. office at 6:30 PM. This group includes the Wamsutta apts and the surrounding area. For more info on upcoming meetings call 508-991-5239.</p>	<p>Rockdale Avenue Neighborhood Association</p> <p>No scheduled meetings at this time.</p>
<p>Mt Pleasant Neighborhood Association</p> <p>Meets the last Wednesday of the month at the Sacred Heart Church Community Center at 6:30PM. The chair of this group is Henry Bousquet. For more info call (508)989-7487</p>	<p>Neighborhood United</p> <p>Meets the 1st Thursday of the month at PACCA on Coggeshall St. at 6:30PM. Neighborhood United is a group of neighborhood chairs who meet once a week and support the work of each other. The chair of Neighborhood United is Gerry Pinto. For more info contact Gerry at 508-889-1752 or visit the webpage at neighborhood-united.info.</p>
<p>Clarks Point Neighborhood Association</p> <p>Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Waste Water Treatment Ctr. The chair of this group is Celeine Saraiva. For more information contact celeine1@comcast.net.</p>	<p>AJ Gomes Neighborhood Association</p> <p>Meets the last Tuesday of the month at the Gomes School at 6:30 PM. The chair of this group is Buddy Andrade For more information contact Buddy at obvdcbr@yahoo.com All are welcome.</p>
<p>Far North End Neighborhood Association</p> <p>Meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Pulaski School at 6:30 PM. The co chairs of this group are Bob and Peggy Souza. For more info call (508)998-8830</p>	<p>Cove St. Neighborhood Association</p> <p>Meets on the first Monday of each month at New England Demolition & Salvage, 73 Cove Street, New Bedford, MA. The chair of this group is Ms. Loretta Bourque. For more info, lorettasmil@earthlink.net Guest Presenter at the Oct mtg. On the Community Preservation Act.</p>

There is representation at neighborhood meetings from City Hall, the Police Department, the District Attorney's Community Service Liaison, city councilors and other concerned citizens. Attend a meeting, be heard, find solutions, and make a difference in you neighborhood.

Neighborhood Activities...

NOTICE- City extends warning period for violations of new trash and recycling program.

Community Discussion: The New Jim Crow; Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness. A six session, in depth conversation about the book and the impact of mass incarceration on us all. Begins **Nov. 4th**, 2014, 6:30-8:00PM.

Veteran's Day Parade at 11:00 AM. The parade route is east on Union and Left on Pleasant. Review stand in front of the New Bedford Main Library, Tuesday, Nov. 11th.

Greater New Bedford Summit on Environmental Injustices. Residents discuss cumulative exposures to toxics and their work for justice, Sponsored by Clean, Hands Across the River and ACE-Alternatives for Community and Environment Waypoint Event Center, Fairfield Inn, 6-8PM, Wednesday, **November 12th**

Safety Alert— All motorized wheelchairs/scooters will be required to have a light in the front and back. Call the Dept of Community Services today at 508-979-1692. The lights will be available at a cost of \$5.00 At the time of installation residents will be offered a free reflective safety flag at no cost.

Cove St Neighborhood Assoc. Annual Halloween Parade— It steps off from Hazelwood Park at 7:00PM to Clegg Field. 50 prizes will be awarded to contest winners. All will receive treats too, **Oct. 31st**

Please donate instruments for students to NBPS. You can bring your gently used instrument to Symphony Music Shop at 94 Stat RD, North Dartmouth, MA or send a check to NBPS, C/O Kerri Anne Quinlan-Zhou, Fine Arts, 455 County Street, New Bedford, MA.

The Salvation Army is accepting Christmas Applications on Monday, Nov. 3rd through Friday November 21st and also on Monday Dec. 1st– through Friday Dec. 5th. Daily operation hours are 9:30AM-11:45AM. Anyone applying for food assistance and toys for their children (up to age 16), will need to bring a photo id, mass health card, and birth certificate for all children in the home, rent receipt or bill, with current name and address dated within the last two months.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop –off Day, 9AM –noon, Saturday, An id is required, includes oil based paints and thinners. NO LATEX PAINTS. Oct. 18th.

New Bedford Consumer Aid Programs– Two programs offered at City Hall, New Bedford Local Consumer Program and Face to Face Mediation Program. Both offer presentations customized to specific consumer needs. Call 508-979-1464 or 508-979-1693 for information.

City of New Bedford Travel Program-For all seniors 50+ years of age. For more info call (508)991-6171

BULLETIN BOARD

Question # 5 is on the back of the ballot. The **Community Preservation Act**, allows cities to create a million dollar fund for open space protection, historic preservation, affordable housing and outdoor recreation. The fund is provided through a surcharge amounting to approximately \$18 on a homeowners taxes.

Quote of the Day..*“If man is to survive, he will have learned to take a delight in the essential differences between men and between cultures. He will learn that differences in ideas and attitudes are a delight, part of life's exciting variety, not something to fear.”*

— [Gene Roddenberry](#)



Lt. Rezendes giving away bikes at NNO



National Night Out at riverside Park



Councilors Coelho and Martins at NNO



Latino Parade on Acushnet Ave.

Did You Know?

The magnificent Queen Anne home on One Washington Square, will forever be in the memories of the residents who grew up in the Washington Square area. Washington Square will soon be a wonderful gateway to the South End bringing new memories to a new generation of city residents. The land which the house occupied will be replaced with a lovely green space with shrubs, flowers, and a bronze statue of Tom Lopes former editor and general manager of the CVN newspaper. The CVN newspaper office was in the Washington Square area for a number of years. The CVN was the only Cape Verdean newspaper in the country.

Consumer Tip Corner

Many consumers have been pressured into switching their utilities provider by companies with overly aggressive sales pitches and tactics. You can call the New Bedford Energy Now office for information on energy home assessments and savings or call the New Bedford Local Consumer Program if you have any questions on specific companies that have appeared on your door step. Call 508-979-1693 for assistance.

If you know of a historical figure from any ethnic background that you want others to know about. Call 508-979-1464 or email me at marcelina.pina-christian@newbedford-ma.gov and we will include the information in this newsletter. Hopefully, it will enlighten and educate our readers with the pride that we should all have in our city and its people.

More Activities

If interested in joining or participating in the Annual 2014 Martin Luther King Planning meetings call the Human Relations Commission office at 508-979-1464.

Watch Neighborhood Update weekly on Tuesdays, Thursday's and Saturday's, 11:00 AM and 7:30PM on Channel 18. You can also stream on-line from the Cable Access webpage. Do you have a new program or upcoming event you want to promote? Do you know of positive activities going on within the community that you want to share? We want to hear from you, call 508-979-1464 to appear on Neighborhood Update.

Fort Taber Dance Series– Dance to live music from 1:00PM-4:00PM on selective Sunday afternoons, **November 2, Nov. 16th, & December 7th.**

Neighborhood United Monthly meetings-First Thursday of each month at PACCA, 360 Coggeshall St. the next meeting is **Nov. 6th.**

Human Relations Commission Meeting, The Public is welcome at all monthly meetings , Wednesdays **Nov. 19th, & Dec.17th**

Arnold Street Neighborhood Meetings– Meetings are held at the Unitarian Church on Union Street at 6:30 PM. This group meets the third Thursday of each month. The leader of this group is Erin Burke. You can contact her at arnold-streetnb@gmail.com. Next meeting is **Nov.20th.**

Taber Mills Resident Council. This group meets the third Tuesday of each month, 4PM at Taber Mills, the Coffin Ave entrance. For more information contact Bill Jennings at Wjennings1943@gmail.com. The next meeting is Nov. 18th.

Vote —Vote—Vote— November 4th Vote—Vote—Vote