



# WESTWOOD

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### Westwood Community Chest

## A Look Back at a Successful Year

As the fiscal year of the Westwood Community Chest (WCC) comes to a close on June 30, we reflect on all that we have accomplished with the help of so many in the community. The year that ends June 2012 can be considered very successful, not only because we have helped many more people with financial awards, extenuating circumstances and campership grants; but we have also partnered with businesses to raise more funds and increase community awareness of our mission. To top it all off, WCC was honored as one of the three recipients of the Roy London Humanitarian Award. None of this could have been accomplished without the support of the amazing people and businesses that make up the Westwood community.

### Who have we helped?

This past year, WCC granted 63 applicants financial assistance through our confidential temporary assistance program. The organization works with several town organizations such as Youth and Family Services, the Council on Aging, Westwood Public Schools, Westwood Police and other Town Departments to ensure that our community members receive the help that they need. The average award given was \$500 to meet basic needs, such as medical expenses, utility bills, and housing payments. In some cases, \$1,000 was awarded when serious conditions existed.

We have helped neighbors fill oil tanks and pay medical bills. We assisted others when unemployment checks ran out and utility bills piled up. Others asked for help with the mortgage when sickness prevented a primary income earner

from working. And we have also helped families with taking care of their children.

Camperships are another important part of the WCC mission. Camp is a treasured part of families' experiences and a child's learning experience. Unfortunately, for some families, when hard times hit, that experience becomes financially impossible. WCC offers help. Once again this year, we funded more than 35 camperships.

The funding of these financial grants and campership awards comes from donations to our annual appeal and from partnerships with businesses in the community. This year, our fall annual appeal was quite successful. Additionally, our first "Fill the Chest" campaign with High Street Market and Roche Brothers raised money, but also awareness of the WCC mission. Another local business, Décor & More, held a Holiday Shopping Event fundraiser and, of course, the annual Free Throw Contest and the Westwood Open continued to gather contributions for WCC. In January, "An Evening of International Food & Wine" at Chiara Bistro provided an opportunity to spread our message of temporary financial assistance for Westwood residents in need.

Finally, the WCC's year peaked with the Roy London Humanitarian Award Ceremony. The award is given to people or organizations who have taken action to make Westwood a better community. The Board of WCC is honored to know that WCC's mission is being appreciated and recognized. We are committed to continue the mission of "neighbors helping neighbors" and send a heartfelt *thank you* to all of our Westwood supporters.

*Contributed by Mary Beth Persons*

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# Did You Know...

- **Did You Know** the contractor for the new library project reached a completion mark of 75% on May 15, 2012. Most of the construction activity has moved inside the building. The exterior glass, masonry, and roof work is nearing completion. The parking area will be expanded by 12 spaces on the area where the Colburn School now sits. The plans were approved by the Planning and Zoning Boards.
- **Did You Know** that changes have been made to the Sharps collection program? The sharps collection box that was located at the Senior Center has been relocated to the front of Town Hall. The box at Islington Fire Station remains in place. The sharps collection boxes are available for resident use 24 hours a day, seven days a week to safely dispose of needles, lancets, syringes, and Epi-pens.  
To properly use the sharps collection box, you must use a red one-liter sharps disposal container which are provided free of charge and can be obtained at the Westwood Health Department, the Senior Center, and at Town Hall during regular business hours. Before placing containers into the collection box, the lid must be taped securely closed. Drop containers one at a time into the collection box. Do not put in paper or plastic bags, or loose needles. We encourage all residents to properly dispose of sharps to keep Westwood safe from the danger of sharps. If you have questions, please call the Westwood Health Department at 781-320-1027.
- **Did You Know** that Westwood now has a drug collection box? Residents are encouraged to clean out their medicine cabinets and dispose of all unused, expired prescriptions and over the counter medications. You can dispose of your medications in the drug collection box located inside Westwood Police Station; no questions asked. The box is accessible 24 hours a day, seven days a week. PLEASE do not flush your medications because these drugs end up in the groundwater, and do not dispose of your medication in the trash. Take advantage of this opportunity to keep your family and our community safe from harmful drugs. Dispose of personal medications, pet medications, liquids, pills, vitamins and prescription ointments. Don't delay, do it today. If you have questions about the drug collection program, please call the Westwood Health Department at 781-320-1027.

## News from the Town Clerk

- **Did You Know** per town bylaws, §184-10B. (1) all dogs should have been licensed on or before January 31, 2012. If you have not yet licensed your dog or dogs, please visit the Town Clerk's office or call 781 320-1013.
- **Did You Know** the last day to register to vote and change party enrollment for the State Primary is Friday, August 17, 2012. The Town Clerk's office will be open special hours on that date from 8:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.
- **Did You Know** the State Primary will take place on Thursday, September 6, 2012. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

## Westwood Youth & Family Services

- **Did You Know** there are Volunteer Opportunities for Westwood parents? Do you enjoy volunteering? Are you looking for a way to get more involved in the Thurston Middle School community? Look no further! Westwood Youth and Family Services is looking for a parent (or two) to volunteer to coordinate the Teen Center dances for middle school students. Minimal time is needed. It is a great opportunity to meet the kids!!  
If you are interested, please contact Denise Nagle at [denisenagle5@gmail.com](mailto:denisenagle5@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Did You Know** that Westwood Youth & Family Services will again be offering 'Girls Only' groups for Westwood girls in grades 4-6. These groups will focus on navigating friendships and cliques, avoiding peer pressure and improving body image, confidence and self-esteem.  
We will utilize art projects, video discussions and games to help reinforce these important topics in fun and creative ways! The groups will run for 12 weeks with one group beginning in October 2012 and the other in January 2013. The exact days of the week will be determined by participant availability and placement will be at the discretion of group leaders. Please contact Caroline Cohan at 781-320-1006 or [ccohan@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:ccohan@townhall.westwood.ma.us) for a registration form and/or if you have any questions. Registration forms are due by July 15th.

## Business In Westwood

After many conversations, meetings, and votes, Westwood residents can now purchase wine and beer from local food stores. Centrally situated High Street Market was awarded the first of three Section 15 licenses in accordance with a Town petition to the Legislature for licensing authority in 2009. Over the last two months, the three food store licenses have been granted to long standing businesses in Town.

High Street Market plans on carrying some selections based on customer suggestions and Roche Brothers will be renovating a section of the store to accommodate their beer and wine inventory. Lamberts will be adding a small wine and beer section to its store which will compliment its food offerings.

The Town has taken a very thoughtful and careful approach to alcohol licensing and given careful consideration to each aspect of alcohol service. Westwood's "Rules and Regulations Governing Alcoholic Beverages" are not only some of the most exacting in the state, but have been utilized extensively by other towns as a template for drafting their own regulations.

With the arrival of Off-Premises licensing, Westwood is helping keep its business community competitive with other towns while serving the convenience of the residents.

*Contributed by Louise Rossi*

## Westwood Community Blood Drive – Don't miss it!

**Bring a friend! Enjoy breakfast! Donate a laptop! Feel good!**



The Westwood Community Blood Drive will be held at the Westwood Masonic Building, 655 High Street across from the new library, on Saturday, August 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Breakfast will be served to all, so bring your family and friends; also, consider bringing your used laptop and donating it to LAPTOPS FOR KIDS, a new program sponsored by the Westwood Masons. Today, a computer is an essential educational tool, but not all children have access to one after school hours. If you have a Windows-based laptop that is “functional” and especially if it has a Pentium 4 or better processor, we can permanently remove all data, protecting everyone’s security, and reconfigure the machine with up-to-date software. The laptop will then be placed in the hands of a child in the Westwood school system at no cost. SAVE A LIFE and maybe just save a child at the same time.

The LAPTOPS FOR KIDS program is a recognized 501 3(c) charity, so your donation is tax deductible.

To make an appointment for a blood donation call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Walk-ins are always welcome – especially in the afternoon.

*Contributed by Jeff Jarvis*

## Westwood Senior Men's Club

The Westwood Senior Men's Club is a social organization that offers men from Westwood and surrounding towns the opportunity to socialize with each other. Established in the mid-1970s, the club meets at the First Parish hall on the third Thursday of each month from September to May. Please join us.

Club members enjoy coffee, pastries, and conversation starting at 9:30 a.m. After a short business meeting starting at 10:00, members are treated to a guest speaker for about an hour. Among the speakers have been Johnny Pesky and Joe Morgan of the Boston Red Sox; Milt Schmidt, former manager of the Boston Bruins; local town officials, including those from the fire and police departments; officials from the Massachusetts State Police; and college professors. The speakers are very informative and add to the club members' stock of knowledge.

For a community service project, the club has started to work with the South Norfolk County Association for Retarded Citizens (SNCARC). The public is invited to visit the club's and SNCARC's booths during Westwood Day, September 22, 2012, at Westwood High School.

*Contributed by Bob Smith*

## Westwood Lion's Club

### Community Calendar Competition

Since 1917, the association of Lions Clubs has provided millions of people with the opportunity to give back to their communities. Lions are an international network of 1.3 million men and women in 202 countries working together to end preventable blindness. The association's motto, “We Serve,” precisely explains its mission.

Lions also participate in a variety of projects important to their communities. For the Westwood Lions Club, these projects range from enhancing local parks (like the Westwood Tot Lot), raising funds for local safety entities, delivering Thanksgiving Day meals to local elderly – all the while sharing good company and a sense of altruism.

To fund these projects Westwood Lions conduct fund-raising activities throughout the year, including the annual Daddy-Daughter dance, comedy, music and magic shows, and most recently the Westwood Community Calendar.

The Community Calendar comprises photographs relating to Westwood, submitted by local amateur photographers. Photos are chosen based on artistic value and the spirit of community. The grand prize is \$500 cash. To participate, photos must be submitted by August 8th. Photos may be emailed to [photocontest@westwoodlions.org](mailto:photocontest@westwoodlions.org). For more details see [www.westwoodlions.org](http://www.westwoodlions.org).

Join us in making our community and the world a better place to live. Membership is open to men and women of legal majority and good reputation in the community. Those interested should contact Paul or Pauline Sheehan at 781-326-2737 or email the Westwood Lions Club at: [info@westwoodlions.org](mailto:info@westwoodlions.org). The Westwood Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. every 4th Thursday of each month at the Norfolk Country Club in Westwood, from September to May.

*Contributed by Bob DeVoy*

## Where in Westwood...?



**...is this?**

**Answer is hidden elsewhere in this issue.**

More information can be found in the online issue.



## Westwood Cultural Council

### Cultural Council Accepting Grant Applications

The Westwood Cultural Council (WCC) is seeking applications for grants to fund local community cultural programs and PASS, a ticket subsidy program for school-age children. Applications forms may be obtained at [www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org).

All applications must be completed and postmarked by October 15, 2012. Please send completed application to the Westwood Cultural Council, Westwood Town Hall, 580 High Street, Westwood, MA 02090.

The Westwood Cultural Council is part of a grass-roots network of 329 local councils that serve every city and town in the state. The program is the largest, most decentralized one of it's kind in the United States. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council which then allocates funds to each local council.

Individuals and organizations may apply for projects such as workshops, lectures, exhibitions, festivals, science education and performing arts projects. PASS funding, which enables schools and youth groups to take students from pre-K to grade 12 to attend cultural performances outside of school, is also available.

Grants are awarded after consideration of the benefit to the community, the qualifications of the individuals and organizations, the planning process, community interest and the population segments served.

For more information please contact Carolyn Pope, WCC President via email at [cpope@aol.com](mailto:cpope@aol.com).

*Contributed by Jeanne Shapiro*

## Westwood Lodge

### Increased Security Measures Shared

Over the past year, Westwood Lodge senior administration has actively collaborated with Westwood public safety, town officials and community representatives to address concerns regarding security at the hospital. Westwood Lodge has undertaken a number of positive actions to minimize the risk of patient elopements. The hospital engaged a security management consulting firm to assess current conditions and identify any additional opportunities to increase security measures at the facility.

As part of both the hospital and consultant's efforts, there was a comprehensive review of practices and procedures to achieve the most effective overall security program. This included a physical survey of the facilities and reviews of security-related policies and procedures.



*Westwood Lodge Hospital has completed the installation of its security fencing and improvements to the locking system recommended in the Security Report.*

Changes to the physical environment have included new door lock technology, revised patient monitoring protocols, and enhanced staff training. Outdoor fencing was recently installed to provide further security while maintaining access to outdoor spaces for patients. The results of these changes have been very positive as evidenced by the substantial reduction in number of incidents.

The management at Westwood Lodge will continue the collaborative dialogue and planning with all state regulatory agencies, legislators, town public safety and town officials to ensure the safety and security of patients and the community. Westwood Lodge fills a vital role in the community by helping children, adolescents, and adults with mental illness get better through appropriate treatment. Westwood Lodge has been in operation for over 75 years and serves thousand of Massachusetts residents each year with needed care and treatment. The Hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission and fully licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health.

The hospital remains fully dedicated and committed to its mission of providing the highest quality of care for individuals with special, and sometimes difficult, mental health needs.

*Contributed by Gregory Brownstein*

## Dedham Savings

### Community Events!

Dedham Savings employees truly enjoy spending time in the community, from greeting people at town events to Bank-sponsored activities. We hope you will be able to join us at some or all of these upcoming events.

- June 16: The Neponset Valley Sunrise Rotary Club Duck Race (Riverdale Park, Charles River, Dedham)
- Summer 2012: Concerts on the Common (Endicott Estate, Dedham)
- September 15: Norwood Day (Norwood Center)
- September 22: Westwood Day (Westwood High School)

As these dates get closer, please check our website [[www.dedhamsavings.com](http://www.dedhamsavings.com)] and Facebook page often for additional details.

*See you around!*

## Westwood Little League

# Morrison Park Redevelopment Update

### Leadership Gifts Propel Project Forward

The Spring 2012 edition of the Community Newsletter described the ongoing work to revitalize Morrison Park. Since then, several developments have occurred that position the Park to become a beautiful center piece of the community for many generations to come. The project represents the successful culmination of a public/private partnership more than two years in the making. The Town will soon realize improvements valued at more than three times the amount of its limited financial investment. Set forth below is a brief summary of the project scope, the enhancement to community tennis made possible by the project, and news of significant leadership gifts made to Westwood Little League recently that will help the vision for the Park become reality.

### Project Scope

The basic project scope consists of:

- Construction of a regulation Little League field to replace the current non-conforming field located at Morrison.
- Roofed dugouts to provide children and volunteers protection from the sun
- Upgraded and relocated snack shack to keep children out of the parking lot and to allow volunteer workers to view the game while serving hungry spectators
- Construction of bathroom facilities and the permanent removal of the portable toilet as a fixture in Islington center
- Construction of a small playground area to entertain siblings
- Adjusting the location of home plate and the backstop at the softball field behind Roche Brothers and the possible addition of poles and netting to reduce softballs going onto the train tracks and the Roche Brothers roof
- Creation of open space at the Park, improved landscaping and overall aesthetics, with room for an additional park amenity if desired in the future

### Community Support

The support from the community to the news of the Morrison Park revitalization project has been outstanding. At the Annual Little League parade held in April, Little League announced that Roche Brothers and the Roche Family had combined to commit \$100,000 to the project. That significant and extremely generous leadership gift



*A three dimensional rendering helps present a vision of an updated Morrison Park.*

validated the revitalization vision. At a May 16th public meeting to provide an update on the Project to the community, Little League had more good news: Duncan and Ellen McFarland, who have supported many projects in town, also have chosen to commit \$100,000 to the project. Thus, in a matter of weeks, the Roche and McFarland families, through their exceedingly generous actions, have positioned Westwood Little League for success in completing the project by covering nearly half of the costs Little League expects to incur.

With these leadership gifts in hand, Westwood Little League is reaching out to additional sponsors willing to support the project at any level. Any area business or family interested in making a contribution can do so online by visiting [www.westwoodlittleleague.com](http://www.westwoodlittleleague.com) and clicking on the Revitalize Morrison tab at the top. Contributions from \$25 to \$5,000 can be processed from the site. In addition, any potential contributor can contact any one of the Little League board members listed under the Contacts tab of the website. The League has begun selling bricks on its website and hopes that individuals and families who currently participate or have participated in the past will consider purchasing a brick which can be inscribed and which will be located at the field once constructed. The leadership gifts obtained to date are terrific, but Little League knows that broad community support will be both necessary and appropriate for this community project.

The revitalized Morrison Park will improve the baseball experience in Westwood and also the overall aesthetics of the park. The project is scheduled to commence this summer with the goal of playing ball in the revitalized Morrison Park on Opening Day in 2013.

*Contributed by John Loughnane*



## RAINBOW PROFILES: Celebrating Cultural Diversity of Westwood

An offshoot of the mission of the Westwood Human Rights Committee, Rainbow Profiles has featured details on the lives of several of our town residents and organizations and shed light on how they enrich the diversity of our community.

### Not Just Fun in the Sun

By Barbara Shea

Most people in Westwood know that we are fortunate to have the 1,100 acre wonderland known as Hale Reservation as a year-round resource for outdoor enjoyment. And many also know that Hale is home to a very popular summer day camp. But did you know that, as part of its mission, Hale Reservation helps foster diversity in the town?

“We believe that the diversity of the natural environment must be reflected back in the diversity of the people who experience our programs and opportunities for people of any race, background, religion or economic status,” says Eric Arnold, Executive Director. That is a direct quote from Hale’s Mission Statement. Each summer over 4,400 children from urban and suburban Boston are given an opportunity to partake in fun and exciting experiences that help them develop a sense of responsibility toward themselves, their community and their environment.

Currently, there are ten agency partners and several generous individuals, foundations and other groups who make it possible for economically challenged children to go to camp. “We are very fortunate to have a wonderful Board of Directors and many incredibly generous area residents and local organizations that recognize the importance of fostering respect for our natural environment,” Arnold notes.

Hale Reservation has given generations of children a chance to appreciate the outdoors since its founding in 1918. Through partnerships with the YMCA, Massachusetts General Hospital’s Aspire program, Associated Grantmakers Summer Fund, the Bird Street Community Center, the Waltham, Watertown and South Shore Boys and Girls Clubs and the Jewish Community Center of Greater Boston, Hale Reservation’s well-trained and enthusiastic staff makes sure that campers have a chance to explore their talents, interests and values while having experiences they will carry with them throughout their lives.

Camp Grossman is the largest day camp and has a permanent site at Hale. The camp offers a caring Jewish environment for children ages 4.5 to 15 years of age. Children from 37 communities experience a wide variety of activities and an informal Jewish education through example, music and special programs. They also offer a unit for



Hale Reservation offers outdoor opportunities for several inner city camp groups during the summer months.

children with special needs. The other camps work closely with Hale’s staff to provide enrichment through sports and natural history. Crafts, swimming and boating, ropes courses, nature education and overnight camping are the backdrop for children to see that regardless of skin color, physical ability or economic status, it’s wonderful to be outdoors.

For more information, visit Hale Reservation’s website at [www.halereservation.org](http://www.halereservation.org).

#### Hale Reservation Agency partners include:

- Bird Street Community Center, Dorchester
- Boston Public Schools, Boston
- Charles River YMCA, Needham
- Cooper Community Center, Roxbury
- Jewish Community Centers, Newton
- Newton Community Service Centers, Newton
- South Shore Day Care Services, East Weymouth
- Waltham Boys and Girls Club, Waltham
- Watertown Boys and Girls Club, Watertown
- YouthCare, Charlestown

#### Your Feedback, Stories, Events, Suggestions, News Items Wanted!

The next quarterly newsletters are due to be delivered to homes on or about September 15, December 15, 2012 and March 15, 2013. Please submit articles for consideration 6 weeks prior to these expected delivery dates. Please send any submissions, suggestions, observations, or feedback of any kind to:

Diane Thornton, Editor

Westwood Community Newsletter, 580 High Street, Westwood, MA 02090  
or email: [newsletter@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:newsletter@townhall.westwood.ma.us)

## Westwood Young Women's Club

### Summer Band Concerts

All Ages Are Welcome  
 Monday Evenings in July  
 Westwood Senior Center  
 Front Lawn



July 9 Westwood Swing Band  
 6:30-8:30 Local Jazz Band

July 16 Tequila Amigos  
 6:30-8:30 Latin Jazz Mix

July 23 MackSeeDoodle  
 6:30-7:30 Children's Concert

*Westwood Pizza Available for Purchase*

July 30 Bubble Man  
 6:30-7:30 Children's Concert and Bubble Show

*Westwood Pizza Available for Purchase*

*This show sponsored by Needham Bank*



*Events Sponsored by*

Westwood Young Women's Club

## TOWN BULLETIN BOARD

Due to space constraints, this is a short list. Please refer to the town websites for more information.

- June 10 **PMC Kids Ride** (5th Annual)  
 9-11 Martha Jones School: *see*  
<http://www.kids.pmc.org/westwood.aspx>
- June 16 **Todd Schwartz Softball Classic** (10th Annual)  
 9:30-4 Council on Aging: *see JSchwartz@fortodd.org*
- July 11 **Fireman's Foam**  
 2-3 Sheehan School Field
- Sep 22 **Westwood Day**  
 All day Westwood High School: *see WestwoodDay.com*

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**WESTWOOD DAY**

**September 22, 2012**  
*Rain or Shine*

[www.WestwoodDay.com](http://www.WestwoodDay.com)



## 2012 John J. Cronin Public Service Award

### LOUIS RIZOLI

Each year, the John J. Cronin Public Service Award committee awards this high honor to an individual who has served the Town of Westwood. John J. Cronin, Town Treasurer, for many years selflessly gave of his time and expertise for the betterment of the community both as an elected official and in numerous volunteer activities. To recognize this same spirit of community involvement as illustrated by John Cronin's life, the committee has chosen Louis Rizoli as the tenth recipient of the John J. Cronin Public Service Award.

Louis Rizoli has displayed devoted service, dedication and commitment to the Town of Westwood. Through his service on numerous Town boards and organizations, Lou has made valuable contributions to the Westwood community and the Commonwealth.

Lou is a true leader; he has served on several boards and committees in Westwood since the late 1970's.

- Zoning Board of Appeals as an Associate Member in 1978 until 1979 when he became a full member in 1980. Lou remained on the Board of Appeals until 1982.
- In 1987, Lou was appointed to the newly created Housing Partnership as one of the founding members. In 1988, he assisted in the passage of a Home Rule Petition to form the Housing Authority to which he was subsequently elected and served as Chairman until 1998.
- In 1998, Lou was appointed to and subsequently elected to the Board of Assessors and remained on the board for fourteen years where he served as Chairman.

In his private life Lou taught CCD, was the President of the Clapboardtree Nursery School, sits on the Board of Trustees and Bank Audit Committee of Dedham Savings Bank, and is a Lector at the Paulist Center in Boston. Lou is truly a leader and honorable public servant and we are fortunate to have him in the Westwood community.

*Contributed by Town Hall*

## Department of Public Works

# Town of Westwood Announces a New Recycling and Trash Program!

The New Automated Trash and Recycling Collection including Single Stream Recycling is carefully designed to:

- Increase Westwood's recycling rate!
- Keep streets neater and cleaner!
- Improve the environment!
- Reduce solid waste collection costs!



**Coming  
Fall  
2012!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** 781-251-2587 or [www.westwoodma.gov](http://www.westwoodma.gov)

## Frequently Asked Questions

**When will the new recycling and trash program begin?**

Fall 2012.

**How will we contain our trash and recycling?** Each resident will receive one 64-gallon wheeled cart for trash and one 96-gallon wheeled cart for recycling, where you can combine all your recyclables! You will find the carts very easy to handle! If after trying the cart you need a smaller cart please contact the Westwood Department of Public Works at 781-251-2587.

**When will I receive my new trash and recycling carts?** The carts will be delivered by Waste Management in the 2-3 weeks prior to implementation.

**Will my collection day or frequency change?** No. There will be no change in the collection schedule. Please continue to place containers curbside by 7:00 a.m. Trash will be picked up weekly and recycling will be picked up bi-weekly.

**Should I continue to bag my trash?** Yes, bagging your trash will help keep the cart clean and sanitary and prevent litter on windy days. All bags must be placed in your cart.

**If I have more trash than I can fit in the large cart, what do I do?** Experience in a range of communities has shown that the 64-gallon cart is more than adequate for most homes, presuming you remove all paper, plastic, glass and other recyclable materials from your trash. If not, overflow bags will be available for \$3 each at local stores. If after recycling everything possible, you find you

consistently have more trash than the cart will hold, you may request a second cart from Westwood Department of Public Works for \$150 per year.

**What if I find I need an extra recycling cart?** If after trying the 96-gallon cart you find it to be insufficient, you may contact the Westwood Department of Public Works at 781-251-2587 for an additional recycling cart.

**How will I deal with my leaves and yard waste?** Leaves and brush will continue to be collected curbside on days specified on Page 2 of your Recycling and Trash Guide or on line.

**What if I am moving or cleaning out the garage and have a lot of trash to get rid of?** For large projects you will be able to contact Waste Management for information at 800-972-4545. "Bagsters" (Bagster.com or 877-789-2247) provide a cost effective way for residents to deal with large cleanups or moving.

**What if I have an appliance, grill, TV or other large metal or bulk item to be picked up?** Call Waste Management (800-972-4545). There will continue to be a charge for collection of white appliances and bulk items at \$30 and \$25 respectively. The charge will be paid directly to Waste Management.

**What should I do with old barrels?** Residents are encouraged to keep and reuse their old barrels for setting out yard waste on special collection days, or for other household uses. A collection day will be held at Carby Street after the implementation of the new system.

*Contributed by Vicki Quiram*

## Westwood Recreation Department – Fireman's Foam

### It's wet, wild and sudsy.

It's the summer event you do not want to miss!

Come and cool off in piles of suds. Footwear is recommended.

**Who:** All ages welcome. **Fee:** Free!

**Where:** Sheehan School **When:** July 11, 2-3 pm  
Field

*This piece of artwork sits proudly in the front hall of the Town Hall. It sits on a small table right near the information window. The artist is J. Schiavo and it has a copyright date of 1993. When inquiries of its history were fielded, a collaborative effort of current and retired town employees began to piece together some background. Edie McCracken, the former Town Clerk, brought it in - back in 1993. Ms. Schiavo, the artist, is a town resident. Almost 20 years since it was created -- and a sentiment that hasn't aged a bit!*

*Where In Westwood...? Answer*



## Rotary Club of Westwood

The Rotary Club had a very busy spring. They held a Pancake Breakfast, assisted with the Annual Rabies Clinic, celebrated the ninetieth birthday of one of its members, and held a Recycle Event. Joseph Federico will be completing his year, 2011-2012, as President on June 30th. On July 1st, Suzanne Comer will become President for the upcoming 2012-2013 year.

The Rotary Club of Westwood recently honored John Markarian, former Music Director for the Westwood Schools, on his ninetieth birthday. John was joined by his wife, Helen, his son and daughter, his daughter-in-law, and his grandson for a special celebration luncheon followed by a cake adorned with a piano. The Rotary Club also presented John with a bronze plaque that will be attached to the gazebo that is located in front of the Westwood Senior Center.

The plaque reads,

In Honor of  
John Markarian  
Westwood Schools' Music Director  
1948-1984  
Proud Rotarian

The gazebo was given to the Town of Westwood to celebrate 100 years of Rotary. John has been a very active member of Rotary since 1984. He and his wife, Helen, volunteered and supported many Rotary events. Helen was presented with a bouquet of flowers and was made an Honorary Member of the Rotary Club of Westwood.

On April 28, 2012, the Rotary Club of Westwood emptied 87 cars and trucks of their worldly treasures to be recycled by Northeast Recycling. Washing machines to lawnmowers, computers to bicycles to children's play yard furniture were collected filling two large containers all at \$30.00 per vehicle. Everything is broken down and recycled. Televisions were also collected at \$.50 per pound as televisions are recycled at a cost to the company.



John Markarian, holding the plaque that will be installed on the gazebo at the Westwood Senior Center in his honor. He and his wife, Helen (left), were presented with the plaque at a recent luncheon celebrating their support of Rotary.

The Rotary Club of Westwood is a group of business men and women that meet weekly at the Holiday Inn in Dedham on Tuesdays for lunch at 12:15. The Rotary Club offers scholarships and leadership programs locally and works with other Rotary Clubs, including some internationally, on water projects in various countries. The main task of Rotary is to eradicate polio worldwide and is currently working with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to reach that goal. Polio only remains in three countries (Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan) (WHO, 2012).

To find out more about Rotary or to attend a meeting, please contact Michael Razza at stxx@aol.com.

Contributed by Laura Macs



The crew at the hugely successful Recycle Event last April.



Laura Macs, Suzanne Comer, Bob Eiben, and Bob Folsom assist with the Annual Rabies Clinic.



Some of the characters that visitors to the Rotary Club of Westwood's Annual Pancake Breakfast met. The club served 350 people on April 1st.

## Westwood Recreation Department – Kayaking: Walk-On Adventure

### Register and take advantage of this spectacular opportunity.

**Who:** Ages 8 and older. Ages 8-14 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Where:** Buckmaster Pond

**Inst:** L.L.Bean Certified Instructors

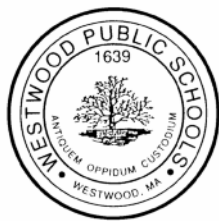
**Fee:** Free! — Max: 14 per time slot

<b>When:</b> June 20	11:00-12:00	12:30-1:30	2:00-3:00	3:30-4:30
July 25	11:00-12:00	12:30-1:30	2:00-3:00	3:30-4:30
August 15	11:00-12:00	12:30-1:30	2:00-3:00	3:30-4:30

More details available on the town website: [www.activityreg.com/selectactivity.wcs](http://www.activityreg.com/selectactivity.wcs)

Register at Westwood Recreation or on-line. Participants will be asked to sign a L.L.Bean program agreement form the day of the event. No one will be allowed to participate without this signed agreement. *Reminder:* Ages 8-14 must be accompanied by an adult. Programs will run rain or shine with the exception of thunderstorms.

**Kayaking Programs Sponsored by L.L.Bean**



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Dear Westwood Residents,

*It is hard to believe the 2011-2012 school year is coming to an end, and by all accounts, it has been exceptional. Westwood students continue to excel no matter what their endeavor. Our faculty and staff are talented, dedicated, and committed to excellence. They are, without question, among the finest in the Commonwealth. In addition, the entire Westwood community stands behind its public schools. For those reasons, and many more, I feel fortunate to be the superintendent of the Westwood Public Schools. Thank you all for your continued support—have a great summer!*



*John Attomei*

## Thurston's World Organization Study Club


Thurston Middle School's 8<sup>th</sup> graders hit the road for the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual WOSC (World Organization Study Club) trip to New York during the first weekend in May, and by all accounts it was a fantastic trip. Students visited Liberty Island and the United Nations, took in a Broadway show (Anything Goes), and got an up-close tour of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

WOSC started out as the United Nations Club back in 1950, a small group of students who met after school at the home of teacher and World War I veteran Ruth Hulbert for cocoa and political discourse. When the group took their inaugural trip to New York City, the United Nations was a fledgling organization without a permanent home. WOSC students visited the temporary location in Lake

Success, New York (Great Neck, Long Island) at the headquarters of the Sperry Gyroscope Company.

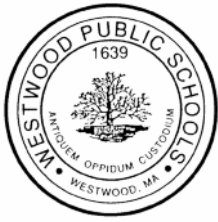
In 1964, Miss Hulbert retired and Eugene Tinory took over as advisor. He expanded the organization's mission to include community service and leadership opportunities along with the study of current

affairs. The group researched the actions of member nations of the United Nations, and gave an award annually to the nation or nations that promoted peaceful resolution of international conflict. WOSC members met with three different secretaries-general and had the chance to talk with former President George H. W. Bush when he was the U.S.

Ambassador to the U.N. WOSC was nominated for a Nobel Prize in 1989. The WOSC of 2011-2012 continues to do good work. This year, members did service projects and learned about the political, economic, environmental, and humanitarian issues that the U.N. is grappling with today. 



*Thurston Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> graders pose during their tour of the United States Military Academy at West Point*



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## Students at WHS Are Off to Work!

by *Abigail Hanscom, Director of Student Services*


As the year comes to a close, many positive developments have occurred at Westwood High School related to supporting students with disabilities in accessing and maintaining work experiences as part of their transition plan from high school. Transition Aide *extraordinaire* **Paula Lawless** and Westwood High School's Special Education Department Head **Robert Fanning** have collaborated throughout the school year to develop a spectrum of work and career options for students.

*Highlights include:*

- ❖ Partnership with the **Westwood Recreation Department** to develop work opportunities for students at the Westwood pool complex
- ❖ Collaboration with **New Bridge on the Charles** in Dedham to develop three job placements for students working in a variety of office, health care and social settings

- ❖ Paid employment at **Boch Honda** for a student and a plan to develop another work opportunity in the parts department
- ❖ Relationships and networking with a variety of local businesses to create a variety of job placement options to match student skills and interests. Thanks to **Pier One Imports, Home Depot, Clay Chevrolet, Clarke House, TJ Maxx in Norwood, Shaw's in Medfield and Marshall's in Medfield** for being partners with Westwood Public Schools so that when we have a student interested in one of their locations, the placement is already familiar with and welcoming to students.

Finally, a big "thank you" goes to the **Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce**, which has welcomed the Westwood Public Schools as a member and included us in their trainings and networking opportunities.

If you or someone you know has a business or work opportunity that might welcome a student, please contact the Student Services Department at (781) 326-7500. We will be happy to work with you to develop another great option for a student. 



## BUS TRANSPORTATION DEADLINE APPROACHING!

*All applications with payment are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>!*

Sign up online for next fall! visit the Westwood Public Schools' website at [www.westwood.k12.ma.us](http://www.westwood.k12.ma.us) and click on the "Bus Transportation" button. Transportation rates have not increased for the 2012-2013 year.

If you have any questions about registration, please contact the Business Office at [businessoffice@westwood.k12.ma.us](mailto:businessoffice@westwood.k12.ma.us) or at (781) 326-7500 x1343



# WESTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Programs – Summer 2012

**PLEASE NOTE:** Due to the library building project, all children's programming will be held at the *Islington Branch Library*. Registration is not required unless noted.



### 2012 Statewide Summer Reading Program

Sign up for summer reading begins on June 18th at the Main or Islington Branch Libraries!

Presented and funded by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Westwood Public Library.

### Islington Branch Programs for Children

**THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN** – All ages

*MUSIC WITH ED MORGAN*

July 9, 16, 23, 30 Mondays 9:30 a.m.

Aug 6, 13, 20, 27

*Sponsored through the Friends of the Westwood Public Library, the Community & Family Engagement Grant from the MA Department of Early Education and Care, and the Westwood Early Childhood Council*

**STORYTIME** – Ages 3 and up

*Stories, songs and more!*

July 10, 17, 24, 31 Tuesdays, 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Aug 7, 14

**TALES AND TUNES** – Recommended for ages 5-99

*Folktales, songs, and more from our favorite storytellers!*

July 10, 17, 24, 31 Tuesdays, 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Aug 7, 14

**A SERIES OF FORTUNATE SERIES LIBRARY EVENTS** –

*How well do you know your favorite series? Find out! Join us for book discussion, trivia, prizes and more!*

Wednesdays

July 11 My Weird School 4:00-4:45 p.m.

July 18 A to Z Mysteries 4:00-4:45 p.m.

July 25 39 Clues 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Aug 1 Percy Jackson and the Olympians 7:00-7:45 p.m.

Aug 8 Harry Potter 7:00-7:45 p.m.

Aug 15 The Hunger Games 7:00-7:45 p.m.



*Dream Big Read! is an applicable title for this summer's reading program...considering that the new library is finally nearing completion after years of it being a dream!*

*Pictured: A High Street view of the new library, with the windows almost complete and a welcoming front porch.*



*A view of the outside – from the inside! The man in the picture is cleaning the exterior masonry of the new library.*

**LEGO MANIA** – Grades K and up  
Design creations using the library's LEGOs!

July 12, 19, 26 Thursdays,

Aug 2, 9, 16 3:45-4:30 p.m.

**Registration is required, please call Branch @ 781-326-5914**

**BABIES & BOOKS** – 2 years & under with caregiver

Stories, songs, dance for the little ones!

July 13, 20, 27 Fridays, 9:30-9:50 a.m.

Aug 3, 10, 17

### Islington Branch Programs for Adults

**SUMMER BOOKTALKS AND BOOKSHARES – TBA**

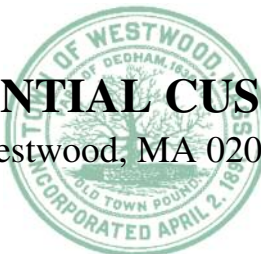
For further information, please call the Main Library at 781-326-7562 or the Islington Branch Library at 781-326-5914 or visit the web site at [www.westwoodlibrary.org](http://www.westwoodlibrary.org)

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# WHERE IN WESTWOOD

## Summer 2012

From page 3 of the Summer 2012 printed edition

### Where in Westwood...?



**...is this?**

**Answer is hidden elsewhere in this issue.**

More information can be found in the online issue.

### Where In Westwood...? Answer

*This piece of artwork sits proudly in the front hall of the Town Hall. It sits on a small table right near the information window. The artist is J. Schiavo and it has a copyright date of 1993.*

*When inquiries of its history were fielded, a collaborative effort of current and retired town employees began to piece together some back-ground. Edie McCracken, the former Town Clerk, brought it in - back in 1993. Ms. Schiavo, the artist, is a town resident.*

*Almost 20 years since it was created -- and a sentiment that hasn't aged a bit!*





# FISHING

## DERBY Moments

May 12, 2012

