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Seaside Cafe ~ 1193 Sea Street Houghs Neck Community Center

Monday's & Wednesday's at 11:00am ~ enjoy a homemade hot lunch, coffee, pastry and play Scrabble or Bingo (page 3 for community center events)

Mobile Food Pantry

2nd & 4th Wednesday's of the month at 3:00PM

Open to All - No paperwork - Free Bag of Food - arrive by 3PM

Quincy Yacht Club ~ Trivia Nights

Tuesdays at 7pm

Giant Indoor Yard Sale

Saturday, August 18th 2018 - Houghs Neck Congregational Church
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3rd Annual Walk for Victoria

Saturday, September 8th, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
at Nut Island in Houghs Neck page 7

14th Annual Houghs Neck ChowdaFest & Reunion

Saturday, September 8th 2018 - Houghs Neck Maritime Center,
136 Bayview Ave. 2 to 6PM ~ Flyer below

Houghs Neck Congregational Church

One Night Vacation Bible School, BBQ & Outdoor Movie
6:00PM - movie at 7PM bring your blanket ~ page 5

Houghs Neck Congregational Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL - RALLY DAY and sign-up ~10:00AM
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Holy Trinity Parish Faith Formation Registration

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Houghs Neck Community Council
presents the

14th Annual Houghs Neck

Chowdafest

Saturday, Sept 8, 2-6PM

Houghs Neck Maritime Center

Bay View Ave @ the Public Landing

Vote for Houghs Necks Best Chowda

Best Restaurant Recipe

To enter call Jim @ 617-285-8405
or email: HoughsNeckQuincy@gmail.com.

Best Home Made Recipe

To enter call Eileen @ 617-479-4107 or
617-481-9153 or email: etimcoe@yahoo.com

ADVANCE TICKETS RECOMMENDED

Stop by our ticket booth @ LaBreque Field
Friday, August 24th 4-6PM
Friday, August 31st 4-6PM

Chowdafest T-Shirts will be available

For additional info call Jim or Eileen. check our
web site www.houghsneck.org and on facebook
or use one of the emails listed above

ChowdaFest Tix \$5.00 per person

Houghs Neck Community Council 2018-19 Membership Drive

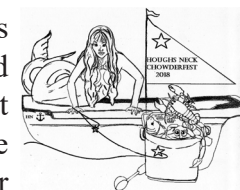
This issue of the **Houghs Neck Bulletin** marks the end of our 60th year serving our community. Starting in September we begin our new membership year. Sept. 1, 2018 thru August 31, 2019, we have included a reply envelope for your convenience for paying your membership. \$5.00 per family living in the neck, \$10.00 per address outside of the neck (This is because the postage cost more to mail the outside bulletins.)

Why should you pay \$5.00 to become a member of the Houghs Neck Community Council?

What will I get back?

The Houghs Neck Bulletin 12 Issues of the oldest community newspaper in Quincy. Free to all Houghs Neck residents informs you of community news, information, and photos on the events and activities, from all of the organizations, clubs, churches and scouting groups. We let you know of birth announcements, weddings, birthdays, the passing of loved ones, achievements of your youth and job promotions and more. Next month will begin the sixty second year of publication.

Houghs Neck Chowdafest, The \$5.00 admission lets you sample various chowders from local restaurants and individuals competing to be named Houghs Neck's Best Chowda. On Sept. 8th 2:00pm to 6:00pm we will host the fourteenth Annual ChowdaFest at the HN Maritime Center on Bay View Ave. This event grows each year, It is truly a community event. While the Community Council sponsors the event, Boy Scout Troop 6 has a tent with Hotdogs, Hamburgers and Soda, The Congregational Church holds a Bake Sale with the proceeds going to a local charity, Houghs Neck Scoops will also be there serving Ice Cream. Hope to see you all this year!



Fall Harvest Fest, a free outdoor children's event held in October to celebrate the autumn season at Brill Field with a bounce house, face painting, crafts, goodies and games and cider.

Good Neighbor Awards Banquet, a catered dinner and award ceremony where the community recognizes our special neighbors. This year the event will be held in October, at the St. Thomas Aquinas Hall on Darrow St. **2017 Good Neighbor Honorees: Rick & Linda Bythrow Good Neighbors, Kristin O'Brien Community Service, and our Centurion Paula Younie**



Sen. John Keenan, Kathy Shaw accepting for the Bythrows, Rep. Tacky Chan, Centurion; Paula Younie, Ward 1 Councilor; Margaret Laforest, Community Service; Kristin O'Brien, Community Council President; Dave BiBona,

Tree Lighting Ceremony, will be held on Sunday December 2nd. Ringing in the holiday season with a festive event where we light the tree at the HN Fire station, If everyone sings real loud, a visit from jolly old Santa. In past years the Congregational Church has invited everyone to their Hall for Hot Chocolate and goodies. Another great community event.

Bunny Fun Day, This free children's event in the spring, is held in the hall and on the lawn of the MBS church. The smaller kids look forward to a visit with the Easter Bunny, there's a huge egg hunt with crafts, games, lots and lots of fun.

Dot Laing Memorial Plant Sale a tradition that goes back to the 1980's. We bring the beauty of spring to the Neck. Held the Saturday between Mothers Day & Memorial Day, in the Church Parking Lot on Sea St. offering Annuals, Perennials and some vegetables. Happy planting.

Illumination Night Contest, A great HN Tradition brought back to life, July 2nd just before the big holiday celebration when most everyone has already decorated their home with lights, flags and buntings, we drive around and choose who has the most and best illuminated house in the neck. Who will win in 2019?

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Gifts to the Houghs Neck Community Council Scholarship Fund

**In Memory of
Frederick Kussman**

from
Joanne M. DeLuca
Cornelia DeLuca
Mary Ellen & Gary Pilato

**In Memory of
Tom Boussy**

on his 2nd August Anniversary
Love Barbara & Family

**In Memory of
Sheila Tordoff
Gail Freel**

Forever remembered by
Joanne Bythrow & Family

**In Honor of
Amy Jones**

On her August Birthday
from
Dave & Kathy DiBona

**In Honor of
Barbara Kemp**

on her 95th Birthday
from
Tom & Barbara Logan
& Family



**MASSACHUSETTS
PRIMARY
ELECTION DAY
Sept. 4 2018**

Sympathy and Condolences are extended to the friends & families of

Robert James Fish Gaura, died July 10th. Husband of wife Rosemary for 56 years. Father of Robyn Gaura-Stratton, Rosemarie Grady, Rachele Gaura, Renee Vangestel, Randi Bertoni and Rhonda Gaura. Proud grandfather of Jessica, Mark, Amanda, Samantha, Shaylen and Liam. He was a school teacher in the Boston Public schools

for 35 years spending his summers as a Lobsterman and clam digger. Member of the Quincy Yacht Club and Quincy Elks. He loved the ocean, playing keno and golfing with Barney. He treasured his Gaura girls, his grandchildren and especially his wife. He will truly be missed by all but never forgotten.

Presidents Message: Hough hot has it been? Half way thru August already, means ChowdaFest is coming. The Community Councils biggest event and we have been planning since last September, I hope to see you all there. Advance Ticket Sales Friday 8-24 and 8-31 at the corner of Sea and Rockland 4 to 6pm both days. Avoid the lines and purchase you ChowdaFest tickets in advance. Lots of other happenings around the Neck check the list on page 1 and the articles or advertisements inside this bulletin. About this issue of the Bulletin. 61 years we have been publishing the Houghs Neck Bulletin and distributed it free to every residence from the willows to Nut Island. Thanks to everyone that submits articles and contributes so we can provide you with Houghs Neck News. Also thanks to the many blood donors and volunteers that made the recent Blood Drive a success. I know it is as though I say the same thing, but there are openings for executive board members. If you would like to help continue to make Houghs Neck the great place to live work and play, consider joining the board. Our next meeting Sept. 4th starting at 6pm, stop by. Lastly this is our annual Membership drive issue. Enclosed is an envelope to easily pay your \$5.00. The least expensive community association's dues in the area. see you around;

Dave DiBona

U.S. Rep. Stephen Lynch to Speak at Manet Community Health Center

**In Honor of National Health Center Week 8-13 ~ 8-17
Monday, August 13, 2018 at 9:15 a.m.**

Manet Community Health Center, 110 West Squantum Street, No. Quincy The Kick-Off event will include special guests U.S. Rep. Stephen Lynch, Mayor Thomas Koch and other state and local elected officials. There will be blood pressure screening, voter registration, and a variety of health information, including prevention, wellness, navigation and nutrition services.

Visit : manetchc.org for complete list of the weeks events

HOUGHS NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

On Sunday, Sept 24th join us for "Rally Day" when we kick-off our Sunday School classes! Start the year with some fun crafts, songs, and as always, learning about God's LOVE
We hope to see you there!
Ages 2.9 - grade 8

Classes begin on 9.24.2018 |
Sundays | 10 AM - 11 AM

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Call us at (617) 479-8778 if you have any questions. You can also visit our website at www.hncong.org

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There are open seats if you are interested.

email hncbulletin@yahoo.com for additional information

Memorial or Honorary Donations

The In Honor Of or Memorials printed in the Bulletin each month are from your neighbors who give a donation. They may recognize a loved ones birthday, anniversary, wedding, birth, passing, letting a friend know you are thinking of them or any occasion. All donations are given to the Houghs Neck Scholarship Fund. On June 16th the Scholarship committee will present \$8300.00 to 3 High School Seniors and 8 College Students continuing there education. Since June, 1964 they have presented \$231,795 to brightest students from Houghs Neck. You may honor a loved one or friend by placing a memorial or in honor of, with a donation. Please send a request to David DiBona 45 Turner Street, Quincy MA 02169.

The scholarship committee also has for sale the "Houghs Neck History" book for \$10.00. Available at E & T Ceramics or by calling 617-479-4107.

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Chris & Trudy Peter Memorial BLOOD DRIVE,

On behalf of the American Red Cross on behalf of the American Red Cross I would like to thank you, the Houghs Neck Community Council, The Peter family, and the wonderful volunteers for your continued sponsorship and support of the Chris Peter Memorial Blood Drive. It always amazes me how your community comes together to support this memorial drive year after year. Each day the American Red Cross must collect approximately 13,000 blood donations in order to meet the needs of the hospitals. Without the support of hosts like you and the selfless donors that roll-up their sleeves we would be lost. You truly are lifesavers.

In total for the day we registered 36 donors, had 4 deferrals, and collected 35 donations. The 35 donations collected have the power to save up to 105 lives. As we currently have an Emergency Need for blood donors every donation is very helpful. I am also happy to report that we saw 9 first-time donors and had 3 donors complete the Power Red Cell donation.

Matt Belanger
American Red Cross

smegs-legs run 10-6-2018

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Beautiful, oceanside run route
and fun time honoring
LTJG Chris Smeglin



www.smegs-legs.org
The 10th annual Smegs-Legs 5 Mile Run is a relatively flat, scenic loop that swings through the area of Houghs Neck, Quincy with beautiful ocean and marsh views along the route. There are 3 water stops. The course is USATF certified. Finishing times by Spiliter Race Systems. New 2 Mile Run for Grades 5-8 students only! For those who don't wish to run, there is a 2 mile walk. Free t-shirts to first 300 participants. There will be pre and post-race refreshments, and many fun raffles. Race proceeds benefit 3 local charities.

Pre-Register on-line at:

<https://smegslegs.org/register/>
Event details and schedule

The Smegs-Legs 5 Mile Run and the 2 Mile Walk begin at 9:00 AM from the Broad Meadows Middle School in Quincy.

For grades 5-8 students only there will be a 2 mile run!

Registration opens at 7:30 am. Race starts at 9:00 am.

Race events end at 12:00pm.

Free parking on school grounds. Bring extra money for multiple raffles

HOUGHS NECK COMMUNITY CENTER

1193 Sea Street, Quincy, Ma
Tel. 617-376-1385
Cynthia Lewis, Director

August 2018

Adult Programs

SEASIDE CAFÉ serves a really good
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Monday & Wednesday at 11am. \$3.00
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Bingo every Monday & Wednesday 12:30-3pm.
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coffee \$1.00

Scrabble Monday & Wednesdays @ noon

Blood Pressure Clinic Free Every 2nd & 4th
Thursday 9:30-11am.

Book Group meets @ 7pm Wednesday All
welcome Discuss. Meet at the Quincy Yacht Club,

DID YOU KNOW ?

Monday & Wednesday = Senior Lunch
Do you know a lonely senior? Maybe
they lost their partner or just need
some social contact.

Please invite them to the
Houghs Neck Community Center

KIDS NIGHT OUT

Thursday Sept. 13th 4-8 pm.

Kids Night Out is really Parents Night Out!
Drop the kiddos off for a fun evening
with friends. During Kids Night Out,
Your children will enjoy 4 Hours of Activities,
board games, Movies, A Dinner Party
served about 5pm. \$10

Adult Art Classes

Resin Workshop Decorate a window with sea glass, china, shells and other found objects. We provide a vintage multi-paned window & all the supplies you'll need to create your masterpiece. Please bring anything special that you would like to add to your piece ex. starfish, blue sea glass, shells. *fee, \$45.*

Find Details on Adult Art on HNCC FB **Date TBA**

Children's dance class Ages 4 to 12 boys and girls

Saturday mornings

Eight weeks for \$50 Jessica 617-481-2624 call to register

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Youth Program

Every Month the Community Center offers a variety of drop off programs designed for youth in safe, supervised space. These skill building programs are free or low cost through support from CDBG funding and Volunteers Please Support our community center. Thank you

Painting Monday August 6th 3-5pm Painting with friends. All welcome. All ages. Dress for painting.

Candy Bingo Wednesday, August 8th at 3-5 age 5+ free Skill Building, bingo, learn and practice numbers. Everyone gets a chance to call the numbers.

Beach Walk Ice Cream social Monday August 13th 3-5pm A good day to explore our local beach. Check out the sea life & explore

Wacky Wednesday August 15th 3pm-5 Paint paper wood glue create all your choice

Playgroup Free Thursday August 16th 10am am Paint friendship rocks. Toddler Craft. All welcome.

Cooking Cupcakes Monday August 20th 3-5pm. Make some cool Cupcakes, cookies or whoopee pies. Tasty treats to eat with friends. for Age 5+.

FREE Movie & Legos Wednesday August 22 nd 3-5. Legos, a movie, Snacks & its a social. age 5+ drop off

Sea Glass Mirrors Monday, August 27th 3-5. Create a seahorse a crab or turtle with sea glass & shells. Messy Stuff, bring your ideas & Friends age 5+

Day of Beauty Wednesday August 29 3-5 pm Hair, Nails, make headbands & more. All welcome. Free

Wacky Wednesday September 5th 3-5 pm

Cooking for fun Monday September 10th 3-5pm. Make some cool tasty treats to eat with friends. Age 5+.

Kids Night Out September 13th Thursday 4-8pm 4 Hours of Activities & a Dinner Party. Drop off \$10

Playgroup/Mothers group TBA



HOLY TRINITY PARISH
Fr. Martin Dzengeleski - Pastor
Fr.MartinHolyTrinityParish@gmail.com

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. 4:30pm MBS & 6:00pm OLGC ~ Sun. 8:30am MBS & 10:30am OLGC
www.holytrinityquincy.com ~ facebook: holytrinity quincy
Office Hours; Monday-Thursday 10:00 am ~ 5:00 pm.
Friday office is CLOSED, Saturday and Sunday by appointment
Confessions; Saturdays 3:00- 4:00 pm at Our Lady's and by Appointment

PARISH FELLOWSHIP ~ PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Will return in the fall

Parish Nurses

The monthly blood pressure clinic on the first Sunday each month will return in September, after the 8:30 am Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall.

Homebound Ministry

Visiting the Sick and Homebound Do you know anyone who is homebound and can't get to mass? Please let us know! We would be happy to bring them monthly Holy Communion and pray with them. If you would like to be part of the visiting the sick and homebound ministry, please contact Fr. Martin at the office. 617-479-9200

Meditation on the Holy Rosary

Meditation on the Holy Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary, hosted by Holy Name Society, with Adoration & Confessions available, at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wednesdays 7-8pm, *all welcome.*

Lady's Sodality


Lady's Sodality Meets the first Sat. of the Month after the 9:00am Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel church hall. Andrea Sault is the Prefect, for more information contact her at sault46@aol.com

Faith Formation 2018-2019

To register for faith formation classes for grades 1-10 for the 2018-2019 school year, visit <https://holytrinityquincy.com/>. Click on the "Faith Formation" tab and select 'Registration Form (2018-2019)'. Please complete the entire form even if you have submitted this information last year.
Note: First Holy Communion is a two-year program beginning in grade 1.
Confirmation is a two-year program beginning in grade 9

Help needed!


In an effort to expand our grade 1-5 program we are looking for more catechists to teach grades 1-5. The following openings are available: Grade 1 (MBS), Grade 2 (MBS), Grade 5 (MBS), and Grade 5 (OLGC). If you are a practicing Catholic who attends Mass each week, would like to share your faith with our youth, and serve as a role model and catechist, please prayerfully consider becoming a catechist. All teaching materials are provided.
hContact the Office of Faith Formation by calling 617.479.9200 x302 or emailing htpreled@gmail.com should you have any questions, or to express interest in teaching one of these grades.

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HOUGHS NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
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My wife, Jean, who is also a pastor, and I have been reading Cynthia Bourgaunts book, Wisdom Jesus. One of the sources of wisdom literature that Bourgaunt uses is the Nag Hammadi manuscripts found in 1945 in Upper Egypt in a place, yes, you guessed it, Nag Hammadi. Here was found another gospel, the Gospel of Thomas. Early on, the question inevitably posed by scholars was, "Why was this gospel not include in the biblical canon compiled in the fourth century, the collection of New Testament books we have today? The gospel of Thomas was initially categorized as a "Gnostic writing." Gnosticism was considered a heresy by many of the early church leaders and rightly so. Gnosticism promoted an exclusivism that in no way was a part of Jesus message. The greek work "gnosis" means wisdom and is a synonym of the more familiar word for wisdom, "sophia." The Gnostic sect claimed that the wisdom of Jesus was reserved for only a few insiders. Jesus was always about including others, particularly the ones that were dispossessed by their religion and culture because of their poverty and/or their health. But Thomas' gospel, while certainly categorized a gnostic writing (i.e a wisdom writing) does not spring from the Gnosticism that was so sectarian. Scholars more and more are agreed on this. I believe that the Gospel of Thomas is worthy of our reading and reflection.

Matthew 7:7 records the familiar words, "Seek and you shall find..." Thomas' gospel expands on what may be closer to the meaning Jesus had in mind when he spoke them in the Sermon on the Mount. According to Thomas Jesus elaborated when he said,

If you are searching, you must not stop until you find. When you find, however, you will become troubled. Your confusion will give way to wonder. In wonder you will reign over all things. Your sovereignty will be your rest.

My wife, believes that Thomas' remembered passage surely indicates that Jesus said additional things about seeking and finding. And these words resonate with us. They suggest something we already know deep down: that there's more to seeking and finding than just finding. Jean and I both agree that spiritual seeking is not a simple transaction with God, or a task done quickly and checked off the list. Matthew 7:7 is indeed a divine promise, but it is a promise embedded in process.

Searching for and finding "Christ," seeking to know what what is "really real" about life in its health and wholeness; following "your heart's true desire," responding to "God's call" – whatever terminology most captures the aim of the quest for you – searching and finding will inevitably usher in question marks and a degree of confusion before one reaches the next level. God's ways so often prove not to be our ways, that's always humbling. But when we wait upon the Lord, what we consider trouble amazingly becomes a door to our inner wisdom and authority. That's honest. Thank you, Jesus.

Seek and you will find... more than you dreamed.

Blessings and Peace ~ Pastor Steve



Giant Indoor Yard Sale
Saturday, August 18, 2018
9:00 – 1:00

Houghs Neck Congregational Church
310 Manet Avenue, Quincy

Snack bar will be available 

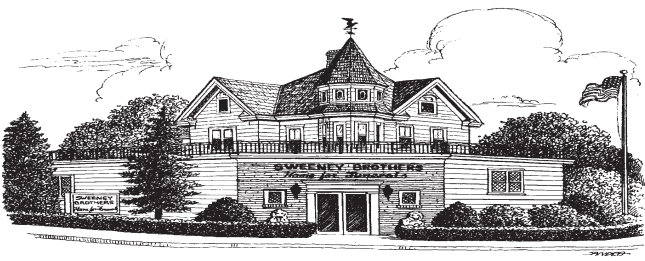
Donations may be dropped off any Sunday after church.
We will also be available to accept donations on
Thursday, 8/16 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm
or Friday, 8/17 from 9:00 – noon.

To have items to be picked up, call
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Book Award Scholarships, presented to our top graded students from the area, not only those graduating from high school but also those continuing their undergraduate education. In 2017 we presented \$9,250.00 to 3 High School Seniors and 8 College students continuing their education. Since 1964, 487 book awards have presented, to over 480 kids receiving from \$50.00 to \$1,250.00 for a grand total of \$249,325.00. Thanks to the generous donations from members of our community and beyond.

July 3rd Family Fun Day at Edgewater, Our largest free event of fun and games for the whole family, entertainment, beach games and a bike parade top this family tradition celebrating our nations birthday. Also, face painting, tydie shirts, bounces, and a dunk tank.

Annual Blood Drives, in July a memorial drive for Chris and Trudy Peter. Giving blood is one of the most rewarding ways to make difference to someone's life. We try to make it easier by sponsoring a blood drive here in the neck. Since the first Blood Drive in 1985 organized & sponsored by the Peter Family, this community has donated over 3000 pints in memory Chris and Trudy. In July 2016 we collected 45 units of blood, that have the potential to save up to 135 lives. There were 5 first time donors. A few years ago with the cooperation of the Peter family the community council took over the sponsorship of this wonderful community event. Thanks to everyone that has given over the years and invite you to join us next July.



February of 2017 the Red Cross contacted the council and requested we sponsor a winter Blood Drive. Together with the Holy Trinity Parish we collected 17 pints with 3 first timers and potentially saved 51 lives.

In addition to the events listed above, the council oversees the operation of the **Houghs Neck Community Center** and its activities. Host open meetings for the community, local and state candidate forums.

Not bad for a whole \$5.00 where can you get all of that for such a small amount? Please fill out the form on Page 8, shop our Houghs Neck merchandise and maybe even make donation to one of our special funds, but do it TODAY, while it is fresh!

That is why I pay \$5.00 to belong to the Houghs Neck Community Council. Your dues helps the council continue sponsoring these and other programs. Fill out the form on the back page TODAY!

Thank you in advance



YOU'RE INVITED!!

We had so much fun at Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School, we don't want it to end, so it doesn't have to!!!!

Please join us
Friday, September 21, 2018 at
Houghs Neck Congregational Church

6:00PM – BBQ & VBS Sing Along
7:00PM – Outdoor Movie Night "Camp Cool Kids"
Rated PG Length: 1 hr 44 minutes
Bring your blankets too!

**We will move the event indoors if rain is forecast.*

"The Houghs Neck Community Council was organized by a group of far-sighted citizens whose hopes and purpose are to unite every resident of Houghs Neck on a common resolve to improve our community, to make it a source of pride and pleasure both to ourselves and our children." *That statement is as suitable now as it was when written by Myra Kateon in March of 1956 ~ Sixty-one years ago! We are still working on that goal.*

The Houghs Neck Community Council, Inc. is a 100% volunteer, 501-c3 nonprofit organization. All of your tax-deductable donation & membership dues go directly back into the community.

Scholarship Fund

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Holiday Fund

During the holidays, there are families in our community that could use a little assistance. It is administered discreetly through the Community Center, and although the fund is small, it has assisted many families over the years. Gift Cards to a local supermarket or department store are distributed prior to Thanksgiving and Christmas. Don't wait for the holidays send your donation now!

Rainbow Fund

This fund was established after a tragic fire on Great Hill on Jan. 25, 1991. Members of our community raised funds to assist the family. Others assisted by donating their time and energy to rebuild the home. Many members of the Houghs Neck community came together for this family. When the renovations were complete, the family and volunteers chose to give back to the community any leftover monies, by establishing a fund that could assist other families with temporary relief from a similar situation.

On the back page of the bulletin is an order form for HN Merchandise, there are also spaces for making a donation to any of our fund raising programs. Over the years your generosity has given us the opportunity to offer gift cards during the holidays to families in need. To assist families forced out of their homes due to fire or other disasters. Given hundreds of kids financial assistance through the scholarship fund. Our community continues to act as a village, caring for our children and watching out for our neighbors. Thank you in advance for anything you can offer.

Good Neighbor Nominations

It's time to recognize your Good Neighbor. Do you know a member of our community that goes above and beyond to help out. Someone that mows a neighbors lawn, shovels the snow or just checks in to make sure all is OK. Someone that coaches your child's team and has done so for many years or coaches different sports? A special leader of your group? A helper to veterans. Nominations are easy, just send a note with an explanation to: HNCC c/o E & T Ceramics, 367 Billings Road Wollaston MA 02170 or email hncbulletin@yahoo.com. the deadline for nominations is **Sept. 10th**. The annual banquet will be held in Oct. at St. Thomas Aquinas Hall, Darrow St. Contact Eileen Timcoe for more information. email; hncbulletin@yahoo.com

CHOWDAFEST

Bake Sale at the Chowdafest

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With the end of 2017-2018 formal sessions on July 31st, many important pieces of legislation were sent to the Governor for his review. We passed legislation authorizing over \$1 billion in economic development funds, passed a \$2.4 billion environmental bond authorization, created an automatic voter registration system, increased benefits to our veterans and their families, created a requirement to teach civic education in schools, increased the age to purchase tobacco products to 21, expanded the amount of renewable energy we all use, and balanced the state budget. I will detail this and other laws in subsequent bulletins.

The Governor signed into law the \$42 billion fiscal year 2019 state budget and he vetoed a number of items that directly affect Quincy. As a whole we were able to increase Chapter 70 education funding by 3.4% to a total of \$4.9 billion. Beyond Chapter 70 funding, we committed \$319.4 million to the special education circuit breaker. In substance abuse prevention and treatment, \$142 million was allocated for direct treatment assistance, \$1 million for Narcan used by first responders, \$5 million for community based treatment programs and \$4.9 million to step-down recovery services. We also funded the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program (MRVP) at \$100 million. The early childcare rate reserve will receive \$20 million. Additionally, we were able to increase the stabilization "rainy day" fund to over \$1.7 billion. This money helps the state's bond rating and creditworthiness and is a safety net for state services if our economy takes a downturn.

In terms of funding directed to Quincy, the city will receive \$27,395,085 in Chapter 70 education funding and \$19,743,316 in unrestricted funding. Of the \$310.8 million city budget, approximately 15% is directly from the state. Please refer to the list below of additional funds allocated to the City of Quincy in the FY19 Budget.

- Norfolk County Agricultural School: \$1,251,353 in education funds
- Manet Community Health Center: \$100,000 for their behavioral health program
- 400th anniversary celebration for the City of Quincy: \$30,000 for planning purposes

- Quincy's Department of Elder Affairs: \$25,000
- State Police seasonal overtime patrols of Quincy Shore Drive and Furnace Brook Parkway: \$95,000
- Quincy Fire Department Hazmat team: \$50,000
- Final resting places of John Adams and John Quincy Adams: \$30,000 for building safety improvements
- Germantown Neighborhood Center: \$50,000
- Quincy Asian Resources, Inc.: \$100,000
- Quincy Housing Authority: \$75,000 for upgrades to the senior housing security system
- Fore River Club House and Fore River Field: \$75,000 for continued upgrading and maintenance

In total, over \$47 million of direct funding is committed to the City of Quincy from the fiscal year 2019 state budget. The Governor vetoed a number of these line items that provide direct financial assistance to Quincy, including funding for public safety and local human services; however, the legislative delegation worked to achieve an overwhelming override of the Governor's vetoes.

This year's sales tax free weekend will be August 11th and 12th. The program is the same as in past years where it only applies to individual items priced at \$2,500 or less and does not include layaway items and products paid for prior to this weekend. Certain items such as motor vehicles, boats, meals, tobacco products, marijuana and marijuana products are not eligible for the sales tax free weekend. Additionally, utilities, including gas, steam, electric and telecommunication services, are also exempt from the sales tax holiday. The estimated lost revenue to the state is between \$25 and \$30 million.

The Quincy August Moon Festival will be on Sunday, August 19th this year from noon to 5 pm. It will once again be a street festival on Coddington Street in front of Quincy High School. I am looking forward to another fun family event and hope to see many of you there.

I wish you a happy and safe Labor Day!
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I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It's been a hot one so play it safe and stay cool. Try not to over-do-it in this weather. Be careful. That's an order.

The month of July began with the traditional 4th of July festivities in Hough's Neck. The Family Fun day on the 3rd of July, thank you HNCC and the fireworks watched from Edgewater Drive and other locations went off great. Well organized and respectful are three words that jump out this year. Crowds were well behaved and Public Safety personnel of all types were visible and proactively involved in the celebration as usual. Thanks to all.

Attended another great Eagle Scout ceremony on July 8th at the Houghs Neck Congregational Church. Jacob "Jake" Walsh was decorated with the Scout's top award. He and his family should be very proud of his accomplishments. Troop 6 does a wonderful job with all the scouts that make their way through the rigors of scouting. Great job guys!

The Berm Project aka Dike from Palmer Street to Rockland Street is still very much moving forward. The summer vacation juggling has been a challenge scheduling wise, but a final get-together with neighbors will still be scheduled in the near future. The extent of the restoration/cleaning will be to improve the pathway

along the dike, widen the pathway to a reasonable width and remove some brush that has overgrown in certain areas.

The 62nd legendary HN Veterans Day was on July 18th at the Quincy Yacht Club. Volunteers as in years past came out in droves to support and assist the Veterans that came for a day of fishing, fun/laughter, a great meal and a day to get out and relax.

To make the event possible, 20 lobster boats are provided by local lobstermen to ferry the veterans and more than 125 community volunteers step up to assist with the meals and provide the muscle power to help wheelchair-bound veterans get down the gangway and onto the boats.

Kudos to Harvey's Salt Water Fishing Club and all involved. Thanks to all.

Attended and played in the Danny Morrell Golf tournament on July 27th. The event held at President's Golf course is just another way Houghs Neck residents and long-time neighbors/friends come together for a great cause. The tournament brings in funding to support the Scholarship in Danny's name to assist a Quincy kid moving forward in life after High School. Thank you Morrell's, sponsors and all that participate in any way.

Have a great rest of the Summer, stay cool and safe!
Dave McCarthy
 Ward 1 Councillor

National Health Center Week August 17

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Join us for our 3rd Annual Walk for Victoria - Sept. 8th, 2018



The 2.5 mile 3rd Annual Walk for Victoria will be held on Saturday, September 8th, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Nut Island in Houghs Neck, 147 Sea Avenue, Quincy, MA. We will begin at 9:30 with a Prayer and Balloon Release in Memory of Sweet Victoria.

There will be a shuttle at Brill Field to drive people up to Nut Island since parking is limited. After Victoria's Walk, please join us at the Quincy Yacht Club.

Pre-register now for \$25 and receive a t-shirt by visiting <https://angelvictoria.net/Home> and clicking on the link. Your shirts will be given to you the day of the walk. Last day of online pre-registration is August 28th. There will be shirts available the day of the walk for \$30 with limited sizes.

We are also reaching out to the community for raffle donations. Visit <https://angelvictoria.net/Home> for the details if you are able to donate or help in any way.

Thank you so much to everyone for donating, helping and especially being a part of Victoria's Walk.

For any questions or more information please contact: Janice at 772-985-4524 or Mary at 857-939-3017

All proceeds raised from Victoria's Walk are donated to the Childhood Leukemia Research Fund at Boston Children's Hospital. Over the last two years, we were able to donate \$40,000. Thank you to EVERYONE!

To the Houghs Neck Community Council Scholarship Committee

I'd like to sincerely thank you for the book award this year. I greatly appreciate your dedication to education and our community. Thank you again *Samantha Reardon*

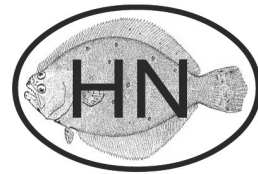
Thank you so much for the scholarship award. I really appreciate it because it will help with my expenses. Since I grew up in Houghs Neck it means a lot to receive a scholarship from here. *Kerin Coleman*

To all those at the Houghs Neck Community Council who make the scholarship fund a possibility every year. I wanted to say thank you. It's amazing what you do for our community, and I hope that one day I can give back to the people who helped throughout my life, even a fraction of the care and support they have given me. Thanks again *Ben Parrish*

Thank you for your generous scholarship. I appreciate it very much as it will help with my school finances for this year. *Alison Coleman*

Got Chowda? Saturday, September 8, 2018 from 2-6 PM marks the 14th ANNUAL HOUGHS NECK CHOWDAFEST, sponsored by The Houghs Neck Community. Event will be held oceanside at the Houghs Neck Maritime Center, 137 Bay View Avenue. \$5.00 admission includes a taste of each Chowda, live music by Danny Gallagher Band, and mobile gaming trailer by East Coast Gaming. Cash bar from Burke Distributors sponsored by Mark DiBona owner of Cagney's. Food & beverages available by the Boy Scouts Troop 6. The Houghs Neck Congregational Church bake sale available with all proceeds going to McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Program. Submit your Chowda today! Individual entries: Contact Eileen Timcoe at 617-479-4107 or 617-481-9153, etimcoe@yahoo.com. Restaurants or Businesses: Contact Jim McCarthy at (617) 285-8405, HoughsNeckQuincy@gmail.com. Sponsorships available: Band at \$500, Tent for \$100, or a Keg for \$50. This annual end of summer event boasts over 1,500 guests each year. With over two dozen recipes from local restaurants & individual contestants, live music, and cash bar, locals and guests alike look forward to a fun filled day. All proceeds raised from ChowdaFest will support local youth & family programs of the Houghs Neck Community Council. Congrats to local resident and proprietor of Houghs Neck Crafts, Eileen Burke for winning the logo contest this year! Eileen's mermaid logo will be featured on the back of the t-shirts and novelty cups Thank you to all our entries. Please arrive early with your guests to ensure you get to taste all the great local Chowda. And make sure to vote for your favorite!

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GUEST OPINION

To: Officers and Members of Merrymount Association, Adams Shore Association, Post Island Beach Association, Houghs Neck Community Council, Local and State Officials and Concerned Residents

Re: Seawall Proposal, Conservation Commission, Public Comment, FEMA Funding, Group Meetings & Cooperation

The historic and devastating flooding in our neighborhoods caused by Winter Storm Riley March 2nd and 3rd, 2018 adds to the undeniable evidence that climate change and sea level rise are real and must be addressed immediately and effectively for our own sake and for future residents. Part of the answer to protect our neighborhoods against future flooding is the replacement of the current crumbling and inadequate seawall built in the 1950's, approximately 8000 linear feet from Chickatabut Rd (Merrymount) to Babcock and Sea St. (Houghs Neck), slated to begin hopefully Summer 2019. This process needs to be a fully coordinated effort by City and State officials, Tighe and Bond Engineers (and the construction entity if different) with careful attention to resident input, especially from members of the Merrymount Association, Adams Shore Association, Post Island Beach Association and the Houghs Neck Community Council. While those living closest to Quincy Bay are often most effected we know that severe flooding extends well into each of these neighborhoods and across Sea St. to the "Dike".

to the proposed seawall project have seen the initial proposal and with due respect to the engineers feel that it is simply inadequate for the following reasons:

#1- After removing the existing seawall and replacing the pad beneath and blocks, it is simply inadequate to add the proposed 2 foot high and 1 foot thick reinforced concrete vertical addition. It is hard to imagine that measure could stand up to coming massive tidal surges, sometimes driving masses of pack ice against the seawall from the Bay.

#2- Drainage- There are no specifics on drainage. Some homes on higher elevation were actually flooded March 3rd on Post Island with the 2nd storm high tide, as water had not drained from the area. It has been noted that while a higher seawall is needed, the "bathtub effect" must be addressed - trapping higher levels of water in neighborhoods behind a higher seawall actually could cause more neighborhood flooding. Post Island residents Anh and Chung Nguyen have developed an innovative and potentially very effective and inexpensive "seawall drain system", which has been explained to City engineers and others, and needs

serious consideration in the new seawall design. Effective tide gates and other possible drains proposed by Post Islander Ken Kan and others must also be evaluated as part of the flood control/drainage strategy.

The Conservation Commission had on its agenda a "Notice of Intent" from the City regarding the seawall proposal and its effects at the Wednesday, August 1, 2018 meeting. This item has been rescheduled to the Wed. September 5th, meeting 7:30PM Old City Hall first floor meeting room 1305 Hancock St. pending neighborhood meetings with Councilor Dave McCarthy. You are encouraged to attend these meetings when publicized and voice your ideas and concerns.

Also - Anyone who wishes to comment on the Waterways License Application by the City of Quincy this seawall proposal and effects must be done so by August 24, 2018 to Susan You, Environmental Analyst, MassDEP Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter St. 5th floor, Boston, MA 02108 or via email to Susan.You@state.ma.us.

Further Notes

#1-Financing the Seawall- See the following - www.fema.gov/news-release/2018/06/25/presidentdonald-

j-trump-approves-major-disaster-declaration-massachusetts. It seems that Quincy should be eligible for funding for infra-structure such as the seawall proposal. The application process has started and specifically who represents Quincy in this effort needs to be determined and publicized.

#2- "Coastal Manager" -in addition to #1 Quincy needs a designated a Coastal Manager to coordinate the City's flooding prevention and response efforts.- Clear, accessible information needs to be available at all times, via the city emergency management website and texts, especially during and after devastating flooding.

#3- Future Neighborhood Group Meetings- moving forward we are hoping to meet to share information and suggestions. Please reply to postisland@gmail.com

Mike and Cyndy Cotter - Post Island Beach Association Members
(Please regard this as our attempt to provide as comprehensive an overview as we can; apologies for possible inaccuracies or omissions... this is a long and complicated process that needs much coordination and cooperation to benefit our communities.)

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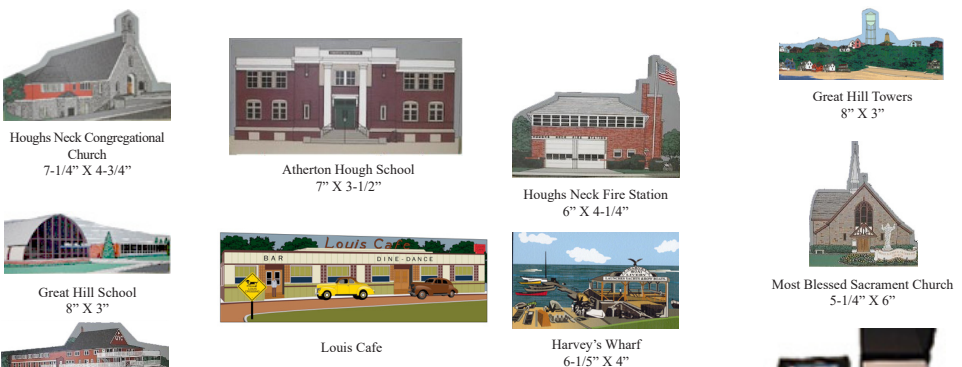
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