



# Houghs Neck BULLETIN



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**Presidents Message:** Happy New Year, I hope everyone had a enjoyable Holiday Season. January is a time for new things. Last January the Houghs Neck Community Center sponsored the first Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day. It was well attended and this year on January 18th, we are hosting a warm weather clothing drive (Coat Drive), we'll write letters to our Troops, create Valentines Day Cards for our Senior Citizens, build a Herb Garden, and make goody bags for the homeless children. Zoe Antonopoulos is again chairing the event with many other sponsors. Hope to see you there on the 18th from Noon to 3:00pm. We have been fortunate with the weather that included the evening of our annual tree lighting ceremony at the Fire Station on December 6th. Thanks to the Quincy Fire and Police Departments for their assistance and the Parks Department for providing the stage. The members of the Houghs Neck Congregational Church were wonderful hosts after the tree lighting with hot chocolate and tasty cookies and brownies we cannot thank you enough. It is so wonderful how the various groups and organizations work together to make Houghs Neck the special community we live in. The Community Council will be hosting William P. O'Donnell, Registrar of Deeds for Norfolk County on March 15th at the community center. Mr. O'Donnell will discuss the Homestead Act and how to protect your property. He will also talk about the revised computer system that you can go to their website and check your property information. The meeting will start at 7:00pm. The last time we had the registrar here it was well attended so get there early for a good seat.

Talk to you soon, Dave

## City of Quincy 2015-2016 Winter Parking Rules



Don't let this be your car this winter

### During A Snow Emergency;

No parking is allowed on either side of Emergency Arteries.

(For a complete list of Emergency Arteries go to the DPW web site at [www.quincyma.gov](http://www.quincyma.gov))

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Overnight parking on the street is prohibited without a residential parking permit which is available at the Quincy Police Department, 617-479-1212.

The average tow fee is \$125.00, plus cost of storage.

To find out if a snow emergency has been declared call 617-770-7669, Log onto [www.quincyma.gov](http://www.quincyma.gov) or tune into QATV channels 8 and 10.

For other snow information call the SNOW HOTLINE 617-376-1927.

John Sullivan  
Director of Waste  
and Recycling  
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## Houghs Neck Community Center and the HN Community Council to Co-sponsor the 2nd Annual Martin Luther King Community Service Day

The Second Annual Martin Luther King Community Service Day will be held at the Houghs Neck Community Center on Monday, January 18, 2016, 12:00 Noon till 3:00pm. Zoe Antonopoulos is the event chairperson and has planned various programs that will help attendees send letters to our troops overseas, create valentines cards for seniors. A winter Apparel Drive to collect warm clothes for families in need and create Birthday Goodie Bags for Homeless Children, The City of Quincy Planning Department, Corporation for National & Community Service, Birthday Wishes, Massachusetts Service Alliance, US Department of Housing and Urban Development, First Congregational Church and Care Packs Inc. are all sponsoring this event. The MLK Community Service Day is open to all members of the community and we urge you to attend. For more information please contact Zoe @ [zantonopoulo@gmail.com](mailto:zantonopoulo@gmail.com)

## Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day

at the Houghs Neck Community Center

1193 Sea Street, Quincy, MA.

on January 18, 2016 from 12:00 to 3:00 pm

- 1) Coat Drive;
- 2) Letters to Troops;
- 3) Valentines for Seniors along with Building an Herb Planter; and
- 4) Creating Birthday Goody Bags for Homeless Children.



Contact: Zoe Antonopoulos, the Event Coordinator

[zantonopoulo@gmail.com](mailto:zantonopoulo@gmail.com)

Register as a family or group on Facebook or Eventbrite

<https://www.facebook.com/events/533490606800984/>

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from  
*Craig Leaman*

**In Loving Memory of  
Donald S. McCarthy Sr.**

you are my hardest good-bye  
1-4-3  
*Eileen*

**In Honor of  
Mark Jones**

on his January Birthday  
Love from  
*Kathy & Dave DiBona*

**In Memory of  
Maurice (Moss) Houlihan**

on his 3rd Anniversary  
from the  
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**Our Sympathy and Condolences are  
extended to the friends and families of:**

**Virginia (Nason) Bergstrom**, 91, passed on December 16th. She lived in Houghs Neck for 86 years before moving to Harbor House in Hingham. She worked for Raytheon for 38 years. A life member of the Womens Auxiliary V.F.W. Post #613. Wife of the late Edward Thor Bergstrom. and mother of Judith Kulturides, Linda Eaton, the late Robert Smelcer. She also has 9 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and a great-great granddaughter. Donations may be made to the Houghs Neck Congregation Church, 310 Manet Ave. Quincy, MA 02169.

**Robert J. Wade**, age 89, died December 26th. Robert was born, raised and educated in Taunton. He left Coyle High School at the age of seventeen to join the U.S. Navy during World War II. He served as a Seaman First Class aboard the USS Arenac APA-128, an amphibious attack transport in the Pacific Theater where he operated a 26 LCVP, a landing craft vehicle personnel boat. He and his crew participated in the support effort following the invasion of Okinawa and received the World War II Victory Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Area Ribbon with one battle star. Following the war, Bob returned to graduate from Coyle High School and also the Franklin Institute of Technology, earning an engineering degree. Robert was a structural engineer for the former Tucker

Concrete Form Company in Malden and also worked for the J.F. White Construction Company. He was a member of the American Legion in Naples, Florida and the Quincy Lodge of Elks. Husband for 49 years to Mary Ellen (Hassett) Wade, and father of twin daughters, Geraldine M. Piturro and Kathleen E. Gullins of Quincy and the late Richard J. Wade; grandfather of six and great-grandfather of eleven. Son of the late John and Margaret (Collins) Wade. and brother of Eileen Sherry and Clement Wade the late Donald Wade. Donations may be made to the Germantown Neighborhood Center, 336 Palmer Street, Quincy, MA 02169

**Edna Mae Taylor Olson**, 102 years of age, of Albemarle, passed away December 28th.

Mrs. Olson was born October 30, 1913 in Hyde Park, Massachusetts to the late James and Annie Clark Taylor. She was also preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Frank Olson as well as two sisters and five brothers. Mother of Fran Donna, six grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren; one adopted son, Kenneth Blunt of Rock Hill, SC.



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### 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.

*The future of Houghs Neck thank's you in Advance for your Generosity.*

## Our first home. The kid's college tuition. Our daughter's wedding. He planned for everything.



Including making his funeral arrangements ahead of time. I'm thankful that he took care of the details in advance and saved me the added anxiety of having to make dozens of decisions at a difficult time. And because he paid for his services in advance, my family was not left with a financial burden, but with peace of mind knowing his wishes will be honored.

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**Our Sympathy and Condolences are extended to the friends and families of:**

**William P. Murphy Sr., Esq., 64,** of Houghs Neck, where he was active in many civic and humanitarian causes, died December 26th. after a lengthy battle with Multiple Sclerosis. Son of the late Mary (Fennelly) and Paul H. Murphy, Sr. He graduated Quincy High School, Class of 1969 and received a bachelors degree in Liberal Arts from Northeastern University in 1974. He received his JD from New England School of Law in 1976. Attorney Murphy worked as a Claims Adjustor Supervisor and retired from Hanover Insurance Company. He also provided legal services to his friends and neighbors in Houghs Neck for many years, and selflessly continued to do so despite suffering the debilitating effects of MS in his later years. He was a former board member of the Manet Community Health Center and served on the Quincy Commission on Handicapped Affairs and the Houghs Neck Scholarship Committee. Also a member of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Father of William P. Murphy Jr. and grandfather of Gianna. Brother of Dr. Paul H. Murphy Jr. the late Mary Welliver and Professor Charles W. Murphy. Donations may be made to National MS Society, 101A First Ave, Waltham, MA 02451, or online at [nationalmssociety.org](http://nationalmssociety.org).

**REMEMBER WHEN**

Hi, My name is Mark Silva, my mother, Beverly Traynor grew up in Quincy during the 1930's/40's/50's. While cleaning out the family house in Randolph a few years ago, I came across the attached picture of Don Kelley in a folded cardboard frame. It appears he was the organist at the Bay View Roller Way in Hough's Neck. The picture is dated 1953. Apparently Don has a crush on mom (who was about 16 at the time) as it was signed "To Beverly with love, Don". The note in mother's handwriting under the picture noted the year, his name and where the picture was taken.

I thought it might be of interest to those living in the Hough's Neck area and possibly bring back memories.

Best, Mark Silva



HOUGHS NECK COMMUNITY CENTER  
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JANUARY 2016



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**Gentle Yoga** with Christine Way Cotter Mondays Yoga Stress Relief. Mondays 7-8pm call 617 472-7550

**Paint Night** Wednesday Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. All ages \$10pp. See HNCC FB for our painting

**Book Group** January 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm Boston Girl call for details 617 833 8575

**AA Program** Every Saturday 3-5pm. This meeting is for women only



**Kid's Programs**

- Kid's Cooking\* Wednesday Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 3-5
- Movie night Friday January 8 & 22
- Games & treats Monday January 11<sup>th</sup> 3pm
- Nuts & Bolts \* Wednesday Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> 3-5
- MLK day Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>
- Free Playgroup Tuesday Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> 10-1130
- Jewelry making Tuesday Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> 12:30
- Paint Night\* Tuesday Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> 6-8pr
- Sewing Class \* Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>

\*\*\*\*Please sign up in advance\*\*\*\*



**Youth Program** January

**Kids in the Kitchen** Wednesday January 6<sup>th</sup> 3-5  
A social cooking group encouraging children to eat healthy & try new foods. Age 4+Fee \$3. Drop off.

**Movie Pizza Legos** Friday January 8 & 22  
3-5 Pizza, drink Legos & movie \$3. Big screen TV  
This is a Drop off for Ages 5+. Movies are rated G / PG

**Games & Treats** Monday, Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> 3-4:30 Age 5+.

A social time with friends enjoy a snack & a game. free  
**NUTS & BOLTS** Wednesday, January 13th 3-5  
A cooperative building project, metal model monster truck & Hot Rod Age 6+ Please sign up is a must, Fee \$2

**MLK** Monday January 18th January 18<sup>th</sup>

**Free Child's Playgroup Friday**  
January 26<sup>th</sup> 10-11:30 Age 0 – 6. This playgroup includes Social, snack and a holiday craft. Drop in with an adult.

**Free Jewelry Making** Tuesday Jan, 26th @ 12:30  
A new selection of beads. Make a some holiday gifts  
Necklace, Earrings, & Bracelets. Age 6 & up.

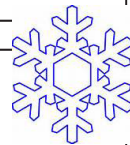
**Paint Night** Tuesday January 26th 6-8pm  
All ages \$10pp. See HNCC FB for our painting

**Kids Sewing** February 3<sup>rd</sup> 3-5. An intro to the sewing machine. Make a valentine owl, cat or minion pillow. \$4

**Call Cynthia for details & sign up needed**

**NUTS & BOLTS  
BUILD A MONSTER TRUCK ...**

Wednesday, January 13th 3-5  
A cooperative building project, monster truck & Hot Rod  
Age 6 & up Please sign up is a must, Fee \$2



**Looking to Volunteer**

Youth Art Helper Needed to assist with youth art  
**Bingo Caller** – for Senior program  
Wednesday 12:30 -3pm

*Volunteer support keeps our center open*

**Free Playgroup & Craft**

Tuesday January 26<sup>th</sup> 10 -11:30  
Social Playgroup for children 0-6yo.  
Bring a snack we will provide the craft

**A Big Thanks: Atherton Hough Carolers**

60 5<sup>th</sup> grade. singers performed a wonderful lunchtime concert.  
**All my wonderful Volunteers.** Lunchtime helpers, Youth art volunteers, bingo callers, blood pressure nurse, landscapers & painters



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7TH ANNUAL

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CHILI COOK-OFF!

Who will win the title of "Quincy's Champion Chili"?



SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2016  
2 - 5 P.M.  
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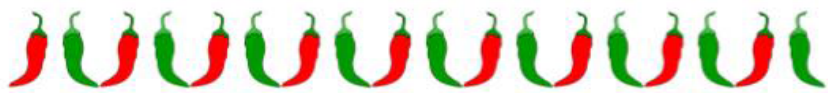
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Sample up to 20 different chili recipes and vote for your favorite!  
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Admission: \$5 per person

There is no fee to enter chili!  
To enter or for more information, call  
617-688-4044 or email [chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com](mailto:chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com) by January 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sponsored by Hough's Neck Congregational Church



7<sup>th</sup> Annual

"CHILI BOWL" CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, January 23, 2016  
2-5 p.m.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete this form and return it to:

e-mail: [chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com](mailto:chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com)  
or mail to: Houghs Neck Congregational Church, 310 Manet Ave., Quincy, MA 02170

Category (check one):  Individual  Restaurant

Name:

Address: City: State:

Phone #: e-mail address:

Server (check one):  I/we will provide a server  We need a volunteer server

Signature (typed is acceptable):

Cook-off Information

There is no fee to enter chili in the cook-off. The only requirements are as follows:

Amount of chili: We recommend participants bring/provide 3 gallons of chili.

Equipment: Participants should bring their own apron, serving utensil and crockpot or chafing dish. (Electricity will be provided for crockpots.) Servers' hair should be pulled back and secured. Plastic gloves will be provided.

Heating requirements: Board of Health regulations require that chili be served at a minimum of 140 degrees.

Set-up time: Cook-off set up is between 1:15 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. The cook-off opens to the public at 2 p.m. and the judging will close at 4:30 p.m. Winners will be announced at 4:45 p.m.

For more information, call at 617-688-4044 or [chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com](mailto:chilicookoffhncc@gmail.com)



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Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:30am to Noon ~ Friday office is CLOSED

Saturday and Sunday by appointment

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. Julie Berberan is the Prefect for more information contact her at [julieberberan@aol.com](mailto:julieberberan@aol.com)

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

**Our next meeting** will be held after the 8:30 Mass on January 17th. In the St. Thomas Aquinas Hall. We will be discussing the maintenance and other projects around the parish.

**Eucharist Adoration** MBS 4:00 - 7:00 PM, First Friday MASS @ 7:00PM

**Rosary** @ OLCG 7PM every Wed. All confirmed male members of the parish are invited.

**Nativity at MBS** the Holy Name Society purchased the new Nativity Statues for the Lawn at MBS. The old figurines were damaged while in storage in the boiler room when a steam valve malfunctioned. The new Nativity should last for many years.

PARISH NEWS

**The Parish Nurses** program will sponsor the Monthly Blood Pressure clinic after the 8:30 Mass on Sunday February 3, 2016. Stop by and have your Blood Pressure checked. Certified Nurses will check you pressure and let you know how you are doing. This is a free service of the Parish Nurses and is open to all, free Coffee, Donuts & Conversation.

**Religious Education** Has started up at both locations. Contact the parish office if you want your child to grow with Christ through religious education classes.

**Second Annual Holy Trinity Parish Christmas Concert** was held on Sunday December 13, 2015 at 4:00PM at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Thanks to the choirs, the instrumentalists, and all that attended. [www.holytrinityquincy.com](http://www.holytrinityquincy.com) ~ facebook: holytrinity quincy

**Curbside collection of Christmas trees is on your regular trash day for 2 weeks from January 4 through January 15. Please remove all decorations. Do not use plastic bags. These items will not be collected.**

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## HOUGHS NECK GARDEN CLUB

The Houghs Neck Garden Club will meet on February 3rd when Betsy Grecoe will make a presentation on "Chocolate: From Tree to Table" using digital images, discussion and demonstration from which we will learn about America's favorite treat, including its history. Members and their guests will enjoy a taste-testing of some chocolate treats and take home an information booklet with some tried and true recipes. Grecoe, a lecturer for 20 years, is also a floorcloth maker and past president of the Tewkesbury Garden Club.

The meeting will be held in the Community Room at Nut Island, 149 Sea Street, starting at 7pm with refreshments and a brief business meeting followed by the program at 7:30pm. Refreshments will be served by Elizabeth Goodman and Karen Walker.

The Club is a member of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts.

Find out more about us at <http://hngc123.wix.com/houghsneckgardenclub/>.

### Public meeting held December 15

On December 15 at 7pm in the lower level of the Houghs Neck Congregational Church a meeting was held to discuss the future of the Public Launch ramp and the Houghs Neck Maritime Center. Ward One Councillor Margaret Laforest, Lt. Gillan, of the Quincy Police Marine Division and CLE Engineering, gave a presentation on the proposed improvements to the launch ramp and the need to replace the present Maritime Center building. Due to the construction of the launch ramp it can only be used safely for a two hour window around high tide. The Building was built back in the 70's as a boat rental. Often ocean water floods the lower floor of the center. A proposal is to demolish the present building, have the area in front of the center dredged, build a launch ramp that will be wide enough to accommodate two trailers at time. One side for launching and the other for hauling. There will be docks on both sides of the ramp to tie the boats up while the trailer is moved out of the way or to retrieve the trailer for hauling. A new building will replace the present one but at this time there has been no decision as to where the building would be built. Quincy Police Marine Unit Lt. Bob Gillan, had submitted grants to the State Seaport Economic Council and have recently been awarded \$680,000 to fund the long needed repairs to the Public Landing Boat Ramp. There are additional grants being persuaded to complete the proposed plans. Public parking lot was discussed briefly, with some of the attendees expressing the need to review the plan for public parking and possibly use the spaces on Fensmere Ave.

## 2ND ANNUAL ATHERTON HOUGH PTO PL POLAR PLUNGE JANUARY 2, 2016

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Happy New Year and I hope you and your family had a happy holiday. In December, the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means held their annual revenue consensus public hearing. As a member of the House Committee on Ways and Means, I attended. The panels were from the Department of Revenue, the State Treasurer, not for profits that conduct independent analysis of the state economy and professors from various universities. Overall, the state revenue for fiscal year 2017 will be stable and the economy will continue to grow.

All groups agree that the State's economic growth will result in an income tax reduction for 2017. The current tax rate is 5.15%. Starting January 1, 2016, the tax rate will be reduced to 5.10%. This will result in the state projecting a loss of approximately \$74 million in revenue. The state income tax composes 57% of all revenue collected. The remainder of the collection will be; 23% from the sales tax, 17% from business and corporate taxes, and 3% from fees and fines. The House of Representatives is committed to working without the boundaries of our revenue projections and will not be implementing any new taxes in 2016.

The State unemployment rate in November 2015 was 4.7%. Quincy's unemployment rate is slightly better than the State average at 4.5%. For comparison, the State unemployment rate in November 2014 was 5.0% and the national unemployment

rate for November 2015 is 5.0%. The United States dollar is growing in value globally. The panels all agree that the world economy will be facing some instability in 2017. This will be largely caused by unrest in the Middle East and the European and Asian economies are projected to slowdown in 2017. Despite the world economic challenges, the State's economy is moving in a positive direction overall and this will lead to an income tax reduction.

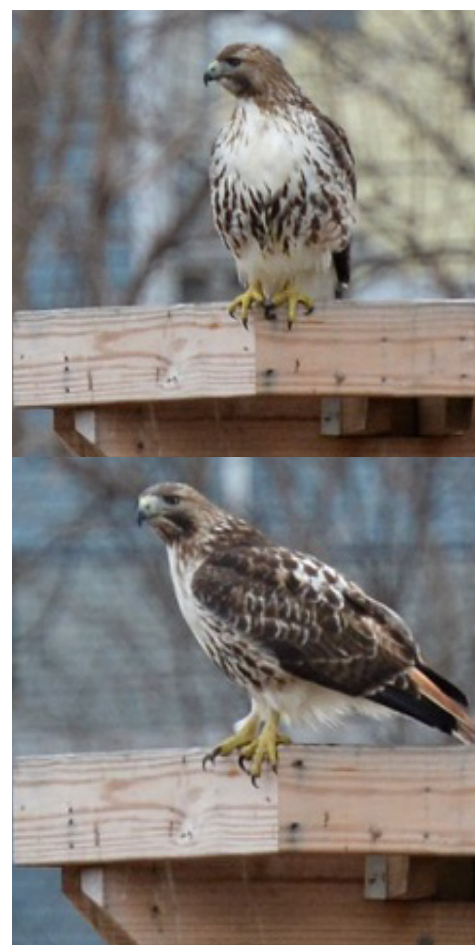
The projected State tax revenue growth for fiscal year 2017 ranges from 3.2% to 4.2%. 3.2% is a very conservative figure with 4.2% being extremely optimistic. The revenue projection includes the reduction of the state income tax but does not include any unexpected revenue such as large lawsuit settlements or large fines and penalties levied. Also, not factored in, is any revenue from the gaming industry. The gaming industry is still in development and the one existing facility at Plainville Racecourse does not have any historical projections because it has been open for about six months. The fiscal year 2016 projection is between 3.0% and 3.3% revenue growth and it appears that the State is going to meet those revenue goals, barring a major economic slowdown the first six months of 2017.

The result of the public hearing was that the State's overall economy will continue to grow but at a slow pace. State revenues should rise gradually. There is always the possibility of unexpected circumstances that may

change these projections. We work with the figures that we have today, and will make adjustments should things change in the future.

On a separate note, the State provided \$20 million in infrastructure and capacity building grants to 48 hospital and community health centers. Quincy's two community health centers, Manet Community Health Center and South Cove Community Health Center, received grant funding. Manet Community Health Center received \$116,904 and South Cove Community Health Center received \$119,358. The grant funding will allow these health centers to establish integrated health care delivery systems. MassHealth is moving to a patient accounting system that evaluates outcomes of best practices, health care cost containment and improved quality. This funding will help in the community health centers' program implementation.

I wish you a healthy, happy and prosperous 2016. Tackey

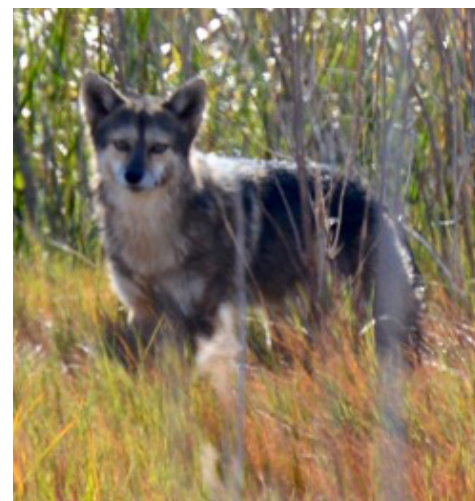


A very large red tailed hawk visiting the Platform in our "third" marsh... scouting for lunch. Free rodent control!

Photos from Photographer Karen Walker



Just sharing these photos. I have noticed this coyote now for the past 2 nights...and now today during the day. Coyotes can be active any time, day or night, but tend to be nocturnal to avoid humans. I'm sure he is probably either looking for mice or rats, or a place to nap. Third marsh, under our osprey platform.



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## Tips to be a Good Neighbor



Quincy is rich in diversity, and its neighborhoods have always been the source of the City's distinct character. Many neighborhoods date back well over 100 years, while others have sprung up since World War II. Either way, protecting and maintaining a safe and vibrant neighborhood is vital. In this page, we've provided a few links and tips for how you can help keep your neighborhood safe, clean and orderly.

### Safety Tips for Walkers and Drivers

Use the sidewalk. If the street isn't designed for pedestrians, don't walk on it. Never walk on highways or in restricted zones.

1. You know those "walk" and "do not walk" signs? Don't jaywalk.

2. Don't make assumptions. Don't assume that a vehicle will stop for pedestrian you just because you are waiting to cross. Try to make eye contact with the driver before initiating crossing. If you're in a busy city, don't cross without looking both ways—even when you have the pedestrian "walk" symbol-as drivers do occasionally run red lights.

3. Do not walk long distances under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Just as you should never drive under the influence, do not walk long distances or in traffic-heavy areas when you are under the influence. Call a taxi or use public transportation.

4. Be courteous. When a driver stops to allow you to cross, give him or her a quick wave to demonstrate your appreciation.

5. You wouldn't drive distracted, so don't walk distracted. Stay aware of your surroundings by not texting, using headphones, or talking on your cell phone.

6. Drivers - If a pedestrian is in a crosswalk, State law mandates that you stop or yield for the pedestrian until he crosses. Crosswalks are clearly marked by white lines on the street or with signs alerting drivers of the oncoming crosswalk.

7. Obey speed limits! Following this simple rule can greatly improve safety for both drivers and pedestrians.

### Rubbish Disposal and Recycling

The City of Quincy provides curbside rubbish collection in residential neighborhoods. We ask that you place your rubbish on the curb in front of your home no more than 24 hours before your scheduled picktrash barrel up, and remove your trash cans from the curb within 24 hours of pick up. We will provide updates on the website should there be a delay in rubbish collection for a holiday.

The Quincy Health Department reminds you to secure your rubbish with tight fitting, durable lids. Doing so helps to prevent animals from getting into your rubbish.

We also provide 'Single Stream' Recycling Services each week. We do not provide residents with recycling receptacles, but you can simply affix a 'Single Stream Recycling' sticker to any rubbish barrel, deposit all of your recycled materials, and place it curbside

along with your trash. If you have any questions regarding recycling, please contact John Sullivan at 617-376-1953 or johnsullivan@quincyma.gov

### Public Safety

The Quincy Police and Fire Departments respond to a wide range of police patch emergency calls. In an emergency, always contact 911 first. In a non-emergency situation, you can contact the QPD's non-emergency number, 617-479-1212. Keep watch of your neighborhood, document any suspicious activity, and contact the QPD so that additional checks can be made in the area.

### Snow and Parking

The City of Quincy provides snow plowing services to all Quincy neighborhoods. When a snow emergency is declared, we have additional parking enforcement guidelines that go into effect, up to and including towing cars that are parked illegally. Residents must do the following to park on the street in a storm: 1) obtain a permit from the Quincy Police Department for ALL overnight parking throughout the year and 2) park on the even side of the street. We put these restrictions into place so that we can adequately clear snow from your street.

The City does not require that residents living in Residential A, B or C neighborhoods remove snow from their sidewalk, but we do kindly ask shoveling for your cooperation in performing this vital task. Even in inclement weather, the City is still filled with pedestrians. Businesses are obliged to remove snow from their sidewalks, and if you see a business in violation of this rule, please contact the Mayor's Office. And please help your elderly or disabled neighbors. In today's world fewer high school aged folks are looking to shovel, so our elderly or disabled neighbors often times have to try and perform the work themselves.

### Permits and Licenses

Permits are required for a number of reasons ranging from a block party to home construction to marriage, birth or death certificates to dog licenses. The City Clerk's Office issues all death certificates, DBA licenses and dog licenses. The City Clerk also serves as the Chairman of the License Board. building permit

When you pursue an addition to your home, consult with the Office of Inspectional Services first. You will most likely have to apply for a building permit, and you may also be subject to additional requirements through the Historic Commission, Conservation Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals.

Dog licenses are valid for one year and cost \$10.00. You must provide up to date vaccine information for your dog, and you can apply for a license in person at the Clerk's Office, or mail it in to them.

If you have any questions regarding licensing, please contact 617-376-1134.

### Construction

Once you have obtained the necessary permits, you must make sure that construction does not commence before 7 a.m., and that it finishes before 6 p.m. Please be sensitive of your neighbors.

### Neighborhood Upkeep

Help keep your neighborhood looking good! There are basic standards of maintenance to which all Quincy residents are held. Generally speaking, keep your lawn mowed, your fences in safe condition, and do not let refuse or junk build up on your property. If you notice that a neighbor's property is potentially in violation of City Code, contact Inspectional Services at 617-376-1456 or the Health Department at 617-376-1272.

Residents are not allowed to have unregistered vehicles parked at their property. If you have an unregistered car in your driveway, either register the car or remove it from the property. Not only are they an eyesore, they also can pose a hazard to the neighborhood.

Pets - Please be courteous to your neighbors and clean up after your pets. Keep dogs leashed at all times.

### Elderly Residents

The Kennedy Center is the finest senior center on the South Shore. Completed in 2009, the Kennedy Center is home to various meeting and activity rooms, a gymnasium and media center. The City also provides transportation services for both medical and non-medical appointments. The Medical Transportation Program is free of charge. kennedys The Trans-Van program is

a fee for service program providing transportation to church, movies, CVS, library, social functions, etc. A one year pass costs \$80, and the program is subject to limited availability. Contact Elder Services at 617-376-1245 for more information.

The Health Department also sponsors a number of clinics and events designed for senior citizens. To visit the health department homepage, click here, and you can contact the health department at 617-376-1272.

### Noise

Noise is a part of life, but excessive noise is both a nuisance to your neighbor, and could potentially violate City ordinance. Noise is defined and includes sounds produced by loud music, barking or howling animals, truck deliveries or operations, commercial landscaping equipment and/or construction equipment.

In Residential neighborhoods, noise may not exceed 75 decibels (DBA) noise between the hours of 8AM to 5PM on weekdays; 9AM to 5PM on weekends and Holidays. Noise may not exceed 65 DBA after 5PM. (DBA is a measure of sound made by a handheld instrument) Noise levels in some areas of the City such as Marina Bay have additional restrictions.

The Noise Ordinance allows higher DBA levels for permitted construction activities, with restrictions. Certain activities are exempt from the Noise Ordinance, such as the noise created by residential landscaping equipment (during allowed daytime hours), licensed sports or entertainment events.

A fine of \$100 per day can be assessed for any violation of the Noise Ordinance. Complaints may be made to the Quincy Police Department, or online to the Constituent Services Web site.

<http://www.quincyma.gov/Government/OCS/neighborhoodtips.cfm>



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16" X 16"



MBS Church Tote Bag  
16" X 16"



HN Can Koosie's ~ \$3.00

### Wood Buildings 15.00



Houghs Neck Congregational Church  
7-1/4" X 4-3/4"



Atherton Hough School  
7" X 3-1/2"



Houghs Neck Fire Station  
6" X 4-1/4"



Great Hill Towers  
8" X 3"



Quincy Yacht Club  
8" X 3-1/2"



New Louis Cafe



Harvey's Wharf  
6-1/5" X 4"



Most Blessed Sacrament Church  
5-1/4" X 6"



Oval HN Sticker ~ \$2.00



NECKA Sticker ~ 2.00



Large Bumper Sticker ~ \$1.00



HN History Book ~ \$10.00  
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