

**Tuesday**  
October 20, 2009 @ 7 p.m.

**Meeting**

**Blessed Mother  
Teresa of Calcutta  
Parish Hall**

*This Tuesday's Agenda*

**Preventing Crime &  
the Boston Police  
Neighborhood Crime  
Watch Unit**



Because of the recent rash of burglaries in the neighborhood, we have invited **Carolyn MacNeil** of the **Boston Police Neighborhood Crime Watch Unit** to address our concerns. In addition to keeping the porch light on at night, looking out for suspicious activities and calling 911 when necessary, what else can neighbors do to prevent crimes in neighborhood? Ms. MacNeil will have the answers.

**Police Reports**

**Officers Jack Loan and Richard Doherty** of C6, **Officer Michael Keane** of C11 and **Trooper Brian Dunn** from the **State Police** will present reports.

**"Paul's Triangle" Honors  
the Memory of Howell  
Street Resident**



On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, the people who transformed a weed filled vacant lot on the corner Washburn and Howell Streets into an attractive pocket park, came together to rejoice in their achievements so far. The group recognized and thanked CityRoots Coordinator **Karen Chaffee** for all her guidance and hard work, and also used the occasion to dedicate the park to the late **Paul Marklis**. Mr. Marklis dedicated many years to improving his neighborhood. The park will now be called "Paul's Triangle."

During the month of September many neighbors as well as their friends and coworkers spent many hours digging out the weeds and replacing them with Fragrant Sumac and Sweet Fern shrubs. The group built two rain gardens and planted shrubs that will serve as sound barriers as well as hide the guardrail on Dorchester Avenue. The Urban Ecology Institute CityRoots grant also provided a Redbud tree which is planted in the flatter section of the park.

We thank the **New England Regional Council of Carpenters** who are committed to building the log steps on the steep pathway that leads up to Dorchester Ave. The Carpenters will also be building a pergola over the diagonal footpath that runs from Washburn to Howell. Eventually there will be pavers installed in this footpath that will be decorated with perennials donated by a neighbor.

Source – CityRoots Dig-October 2009

**Update on the Regulator  
at Sharon's Park**



You will recall that on August 10, **National Grid** abruptly placed a concrete gas line regulator in the ground on the Mount Vernon Street edge of Sharon's Park. They did this without the knowledge or approval of this community. As of this writing, it appears that National Grid and this Association are in the process of agreeing to a settlement where the regulator remains in the same location. National Grid will contribute resources that will enhance the appearance of the regulator as well as give the Association mitigation that will be used to enhance other neighborhood green space.

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