Community Service

Volunteers from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and Boy Scout Troop 488 work on projects that enhance our community. See "Great Community Service Projects" on page 4.



Newtown Estates Community Association

Board of Directors

President: Donald E. Devaney Vice-President: Amy Dela Cruz Diane Kazama Secretary: Treasurer: Shizuko Hanaumi Directors: Sun Chong Dennis Hiu

Lynn Park Bob Young Dennis Yuen

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Administration & Bookkeeping Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

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8:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday – Friday Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Membership Application & **ID Picture Taking**

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Health Club & Athletic **Court Hours**

Monday – Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.

Swimming Pool Hours

Monday – Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Lap swim hours:

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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We have passed the midpoint in the NECA Board year, and it has been a wonderful experience working with the community. We've done

things a little differently than in the past, with improvement as our goal.

The various committees are doing outstanding jobs exploring new ideas. For example, there have been discussions for a new program, "Neighbors Helping Neighbors," which has drawn a lot of interest and which we hope to see develop. New programs are not easily integrated into what we do, but thinking outside the box impresses me and makes it rewarding to be part of the process. We discussed having a section of the Reporter dedicated to saluting outstanding volunteers and that is still being considered. It is surprising that many volunteers, the ones who really put in a lot of time and effort, like to remain "below the radar." They shun publicity.

We have started up our web page (www.newtownestates.org) under the leadership of Jenna Wong with guidance from Bill Coste and the Communications Committee. This is a

move in the right direction. Another concern the board is currently addressing is the excessive cost to rent our facility. We need to re-think the process from A to Z in order to reduce the price and remove unnecessary requirements. A copy of the Master Declaration of Covenant Conditions and Restrictions (MDCCR) has been posted on our web page.

Community feedback is important so that the board and the committees do not operate in a vacuum. Send your suggestions to any staff member. You may contact me at my home email. ddevanev@hawaii.rr.com

NECA Board elections are around the corner (August 2009). We will have four positions available, and we need fresh faces to serve, so please consider volunteering to be a board member. If you are interested in becoming a candidate, please call the Rec. Center at 487-3806.

Aloha.

Don

Don Devanev President

New Board Members

The Board of Directors is proud to present the three new Directors who were appointed to fill vacancies on the Board:



Sun Chong

Sun Chong is interested in NECA improvements: to provide clearer visibility of financial status and availability of funds: to minimize the red tape required for homeowners to make nonmaterial alterations

such as repair, maintenance, and home additions: to establish cost centers that operate in a selfsustaining businesslike manner, and to formulate a long-range financial plan to avoid the "unfunded obligation" situation. A NECA member since 2001, Sun Chong worked for the U.S. government for 43 years as a staff accountant, comptroller, and systems accountant.

Lynn Park



Lynn Park and her familv have lived in Newtown since 2004. She has been a Honolulu Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for more than 13 years and has also worked for several years as a

Deputy Attorney General, a Fair Hearing Officer, and an adjunct instructor for Hawaii Pacific University and Chaminade University. Lynn's husband Randall is a federal civil service worker at Pearl Harbor and serves as the President of Newtown Villas II. Their twin daughters, Brittany and Cassandra, are in their freshman year of high school. As a mother of teenage daughters, Lynn is particularly interested in bringing a younger, family-oriented perspective to the Board, as well as an objective and pragmatic approach to the Newtown community's current challenges.

Bob Young



Robert Young has lived in Royal Summit for 24 years with his wife Jean and two daughters. He has been a practicing attorney specializing in criminal and civil litigation for the past 30 years and is presently with the law firm of

Bevar and Jones. Robert serves on the board of the Volunteer Resource Center of Hawaii, the Lions Club, and Honpa Honwanji and donates his time to judge speech and debate tournaments for the Hawaii Speech League. His goals as a NECA Director are to cut costs, reduce intimidation of residents, maintain open meetings, engage in fruitful discussions of community issues, and cut out the wasteful spending of the prior administration.

ERAL MANAGER'S REPORT



The past few months have gone by quickly, and we are now into our third quarter of operations at NECA. Board of Directors, our great staff, and our wonderful volun-

teers have accomplished a lot, but more remains be done to improve the facilities and keep operations going smoothly.

We welcome back Richard Shiroma to Buildings Operations, Richard is a retired engineer who has worked for Newtown Estates for many years. He has a wealth of information on the history of the building and its operations and will work with our maintenance staff to ensure that the facilities are well maintained.

The basketball court equipment will be installed shortly and will be welcomed by Coach people who make such good use of our basketball courts.

ANNUAL MEETING: It seems like we just had our annual meeting, but here we are planning for this year. The Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. There will be four (4) vacancies on the Board of Directors this year - three seats for three-year terms and one seat for a one-year term to compete the term of a director who recently resigned with another year left in his elected

CANDIDATE PROFILE/ APPLICATIONS:

Any Homeowner of Newtown who would like to run for a position on the Board can submit a candidate profile/application form. Each candidate must fill out the application and submit a profile listing qualifications, education, work experience, and a statement as to why he or she would like to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. If you would like to submit an application, please contact the Newtown office at 487-3806, pick one up at the Recreation Center office, or download the form from our website, www.newtownestates.org (Forms).

Applications must be turned in by May 25, 2009, for information to be published in the Newtown Reporter. All applications must be received by June 29, 2009, for candidates' names to be placed on the annual meeting ballot. Nominations from the floor will be accepted on August 12. Thank you.





Meet your Neighbor: Alton Motobu

served as a director of the Ke Kumulani Homeowners Association (4 yrs), AYSO

coach and referee (5 yrs), and Scout volunteer (11 yrs), the last five as Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 488. Alton is an IT Analyst with the State of Hawaii, has been married to his wife Debbie for 25 years, and has two children: Cherie, 22, and Scott, 18. What makes Alton remarkable is that he is one of the few people in Hawaii who has swum between islands multiple times.

How did you start channel swimming? In 1988 I gathered a group of my friends and swam from Lanai to Maui. Since then, I have swum the channels between Kahoolawe and Maui, Lanai and Molokai, Maui and Molokai, and Maui and Lanai. My last crossing was from Maui to Kahoolawe in 2006.

How do you train for such swims? It takes about six months to prepare for long ocean swims, and at the training peak, I swim about 25miles in a one-week period -- five days of four miles in the pool and one day of about six miles in the ocean. I have sometimes swum for two hours non-stop at the Newtown pool - about four miles.

What are your personal favorite accomplishments? Since 1980, I have completed 27 Waikiki Roughwater Swims, 22 Double Roughwater Swims, a marathon and I finished sixth in my age group in the 1987 Tinman Triathlon. My favorite single race was

the 1986 Blue Water Classic, which starts from Makapuu Beach, goes out and around the lighthouse point, and ends near Sandy Beach.

You were a Scout leader at Newtown for 11 years - how did you get involved in Scouting? I believe in the principles of Scouting character, leadership, and physical fitness. In 1998, when my son was seven, he became a Scout and I became a volunteer. In 2004, I agreed to serve as Scoutmaster of Troop 488.

Why are you stepping down as Scoutmaster now? Five years is about the normal life span for most Scoutmasters. Preparing for troop meetings, camps, hikes, and community service projects takes energy, commitment, and time. It's time to pass the torch, but I will remain active as a merit badge counselor for swimming, lifesaving, and physical fitness. I encourage all boys and their fathers to join Scouting.

Will you have enough to keep you busy? I coach cross country for PAC-5 of the ILH from July to October and track and field from February to May. The rest of the year I swim and train for races. I am also on the board of directors for the Hawaii Swimming Hall of Fame, which recognizes outstanding swimmers from Hawaii.

My daughter will graduate with honors from Santa Clara University in June, and she is planning to become a school psychologist. At Mid-Pacific Institute, she was an ILH all-star canoe paddler. My son will graduate with honors from Mid-Pacific Institute in May. He was an ILH all-star in cross country and track and field. We are lucky to have such terrific kids, and I am most proud to be their father.





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Great Community Service Projects

Two volunteer groups recently completed projects which enhance the quality of life in Newtown Estates. NECA appreciates the time and effort that went into these projects and applauds the spirit of community service they represent. Thanks to both of these great groups of volunteers.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

On Saturday, March 21, 2009, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, under the leaderships of Bishop Shane Kaopua and Newtown resident Wade Wasano, donated their services to clean the area surrounding the back of the Recreation Center and the playgrounds of Alphabetland Preschool. The hardworking volunteers raked leaves, trimmed branches around the tennis courts, weedwhacked the border of our greenbelt area, weeded the playground areas and exterior of Alphabetland, and hosed down the steps leading into the preschool. They even hauled away cut

branches and took trash to the city dump!

Boy Scout Troop 488

On January 25 and March 1, scouts, leaders, and parent volunteers worked to restore Kilinoe Street Park. The Scouts were taught the basic skills of painting, such as safety, equipment, and types and uses of paint, and used this opportunity to work toward earning a Painting merit badge. The wood, paint, paint thinner, and paintbrushes were supplied by NECA. In Phase I, the adults and senior Scouts removed the old wooden border around the sandbox, constructed a new border with new wood, and installed the new border. The junior scouts cleaned and painted the picnic table and the wooden signpost. In Phase II, the adults and Scouts cleaned the playground and exercise equipment with scouring pads and rags to remove dirt, rust and mildew. They then sanded all areas to prepare it for painting, and painted everything from the monkey bars to the base of the poles in primary colors.

NECA Mission Statement

On Saturday, March 28, 2009, former DOE administrator Dr. Diane Matsuoka, Ed.D., conducted a workshop for the Personnel Committee and invited members of other committees, staff, and Board members to participate in developing a "Vision" that Newtown Estates Community Association can use as a guide for decision-making purposes. The workshop participants came up with this draft: "We the Newtown Estates Community Association are committed to the caring and enhancement of the quality of our community living."

Those in attendance learned that "our values shape our vision; our vision shapes our practices; and our practices shape our outcomes." Dr. Matsuoka said that the "essence" of our vision is our belief -- our conviction of who and what we are. Those who participated in the workshop were Board President Don Devaney, Board Treasurer Shizuko Hanaumi, Board Director Sun Chong, General Manager Richard Yamasaki,

and Newtown residents Lillian Funamura, Ernest Hanaumi, Gordon Matsuoka, Darryl Mizusawa, and Violeta Soriano. Dr. Matsuoka will conduct another workshop on Friday, May 29th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. for NECA staff, committee members, and anyone else in the community interested in attending. The purpose of the second workshop will be to integrate the diverse stakeholders in reviewing the draft vision and to insure that a consensus is reached. Persons interested in attending can contact Richard Yamasaki at the Newtown Recreation Center at 487-3806.



NECA Staff

Some of our hard-working staff were not pictured in the last issue of the *Newtown Reporter*:

RIGHT: Tiffany Seiki smiles behind the front office desk. BOTTOM RIGHT: Austin Kamimura (left) and Jerry Ha work in the front office. Jerry also helps with maintenance. BOTTOM LEFT: Jared Young fields a phone call.







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BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board Action

The Board recently:

- Approved the replacement of the termiteeaten counter and cabinets and replacement of the sink in the Recreation Room
- Approved the replacement of the basketball backboards, rims, nets, and safety pads
- Accepted with appreciation Arnold Limatoc's donation of two ping pong tables to be used by all residents in the Recreation Room when the room is available
- Approved the hiring of Attorney Valerie Kato of Ning, Lilly, and Jones to review the Alphabetland Preschool five-year lease before Board approval
- Approved the replacement of pool storage doors and frames
- Authorized Hawaiiana to move excess funds from NECA's operating account to a higher interest-bearing account
- Dissolved two ad hoc committees: Operations Review and Recreation Center Improvement
- Approved the transfer of Smith Barney money market funds to other federallyinsured banks which offer a higher interest rate
- Approved that NECA staff be CPR-trained

Budget and Finance Committee

On March 24, 2009, the Budget and Finance Committee invited Graham Pearce, a representative from Smith Barney, to speak on his investment strategy for the capital improvement funds held in our accounts at Smith Barney. He prepared a portfolio review of NECA's accounts. Mr. Pearce emphasized the need for discipline and maintaining a ratio of 20% equity mutual funds, 10% cash, and 70% fixed income.

The Committee asked General Manager Richard Yamasaki to review NECA's Reserve Study that he had compiled and analyzed. There was a concern for the accuracy and reliability of the figures presented. Hawaiiana Management Co. Ltd. has a Reserve Specialist who is CAI trained and he will do the calculations for us using their proprietary program at no cost to NECA.

Accountant Roy Hirashima has completed preparation for the FY2008 audit. NECA's auditor, Gregory Ushijima, will begin the audit during the first week of May and hopefully complete it by the end of May.

Communications Committee

The NECA website (www.newtownestates.org) is up and running thanks in large part to the efforts of Jenna Wong who is the designated Webmaster. It is still a work in progress, but will be completed in the months to come. If you have any suggestions regarding content or if you'd like to see specific community related items/articles included, please send an email to Newtown Estates (newtownestates@hawaii.rr.com) for consideration. Of note is the Bulletin Board, where topical notices will be posted. As a resident you may avail yourself of this site to post notices to the community in a timely fashion. For example, you may wish help in finding your stray animal or may wish to alert the community regarding a criminal matter (scam, break-in, etc.) or a hazardous condition existing within Newtown Estates. All submissions must be appropriate and be approved by the Board of Directors for posting. This website will be updated on at least a weekly schedule.

Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee sponsored a Mission and Vision Workshop for homeowners, directors, and staff on Saturday, March 28. There will be another session on Friday, May 29th, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Any interested community association members are encouraged to attend. See "NECA Mission Statement" page 4.

Have you noticed the staff wearing new NECA logo uniforms? Our staff now can be easily identified. They also have nametags so you can get to know them personally.

Program Committee

The Program Committee has arranged for a First Aid/CPR class to be held Saturday, June 20. Some Newtown employees will attend in order to obtain their one-year certification, and residents are also invited to attend. The cost for residents is \$75.00, which includes a take-home manual. See announcement on page 6.

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Newtown Graffiti Busters

Graffiti started becoming a problem in Newtown in 1995. Newspaper and TV reports state that Graffiti is often a sign that a gang is marking its territory, and with gangs come problems with drugs, violence, and numerous other crimes. In the

Nahele Park area, a small group of "graffiti busters" decided to keep their neighborhood graffiti-free. They ensured that graffiti would be painted out within 24 hours. The paint-outs didn't always look very nice but got the message to the vandals that they weren't welcome in that neighborhood.

Recently, more and more graffiti has appeared on bus stops, electric boxes, etc., on Kaahele up to Komo Mai, on Komo Mai between Kaahumanu and Kaahele, and down Kaahumanu to the freeway. A member of NECA's Neighborhood Security Watch Program and his friends obtained 40 gallons of paint from the city and are keeping the graffiti painted out on Kaahele between the freeway and Komo Mai. NECA thanks you - you know who you are!

Graffiti Busters realize there is graffiti in other areas of Newtown, but they can only do so much. They ask that YOU step up to the plate and help them out. Graffiti Busters use old leftover paint (it doesn't end up in a landfill) or they purchase inexpensive spray paint. They do not paint out graffiti on private property without permission of the owner. If your property gets graffiti'd, it is your responsibility to paint over it or clean it off, preferably after filing a report with the police department.

Now is your chance to let graffiti-doers know they aren't welcome in Newtown! Graffiti is not "artistic expression," it's vandalism. If you have time and want to help rid your neighborhood of graffiti, call the NECA Recreation Center (487-3806) and volunteer. This does not commit you to respond to any specific incident but gives Graffiti Busters a list of potential helpers when the need arises.

If you see graffiti in public areas of our community, please report it to the Recreation Center and they will contact Graffiti Busters.



NECA Programs & Activities

NECA Board and Committee Meeting Schedule

Please note: Dates and times of meeting may change without notice. If NECA members wish to attend a meeting, it is recommended they call the NECA Front Office 487-3806 to verify the schedule.

Board of Directors May 6 & June 3, 7:00 p.m.

Architectural Committee May 20 & June 17, 7:00 p.m.

Budget and Finance Committee May 26 & June 25, 7:00 p.m.

Building & Grounds Committee May 19 & June 16, 7:00 p.m.

Communications Committee May 12, 5:30 p.m.

Covenants Enforcement Committee May 20 & June 17, 6:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Committee May 13 & June 10, 7:00 p.m. Membership Policy Committee May 14 & June 11, 7:00 p.m.

Newtown Neighborhood Security Watch May 20, 7:00 p.m.

Personnel Committee May 21 & June 18, 7:00 p.m.

Program Committee May 28 & June 25, 7:00 p.m.

Classes, Seminars & Workshops

Please drop by or call the Newtown Front Office at 487-3806 or check the NECA website (www.newtownestates.org) for more information regarding the activities listed below.

Aerobics

Instructor: Cindy Okido Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Ballroom Dance

Instructors: Richard and Ruby Kazunaga For information, call the front office at 487-3806.

Judo

Instructor: Max Otani Mondays & Wednesdays 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Kempo-Karate

Instructors: Terri & Anthony Smith Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Mew! Line Dancing Instructor: Elena Lucas Tuesdays until the first week of June 10:30 - 11:30Sign up on your first class. No fee

Personal Training

Trainer: Aaron Sakai By appointment only Call 398-4181 or email aaron-sak@yahoo.com

Power Yoga

Instructor: Kiyoko Šieradzki Tuesdays and/or Fridays 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Thursdays 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Classes resume June 2. \$3.00 per class

Yoga

Instructor: Keith Howe Fridays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Session runs May 1 – June 26 Cost: \$27.00

Refund Policy: Refunds are not given within two weeks of the activity's start date. Exceptions may be made for medical situations in which a doctor's note is presented

NECA Sponsored Programs Meeting Schedule

Boy Scout Troop #488 Fridays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack #488 Fridays, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

NECA Senior Citizen Club

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Youth Baskethall

The front desk is now accepting registration for boys and girls, ages 6-17, interested in learning how to play basketball. The objectives of the league are to have fun, develop fitness, incorporate basic fundamentals, practice sportsmanship, and develop a positive self-image.

A fee of \$50.00 must be paid upon registration, \$25.00 for returning players who don't need a Newtown reversible jersey. Please pay the front office no later than June 8th. Sorry, no refunds will be given for cancellations from the league. For new participants, a permission form must also be submitted. Practice will start the week of June 15. Games will be held on Fridays, starting June 26 and ending July 31. The player's age on January 1, 2010, will determine the age division.

DIVISION	AGES	PRACTICE	GAMES
Mosquito	6-8	Tues./Thurs. 4:30-6:00 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Termite	9-10	Mon./Wed. 4:30-6:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
Pee Wee	11-12	Tues./Thurs. 6:00-7:30 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
Midget	13-14	Mon./Wed. 6:00-7:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Bantam	15-17	Mon./Wed. 6:00-7:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.

First Aid and CPR Class

Newtown will hold a First Aid and CPR class for those interested. The class is scheduled for Saturday, June 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the Arts and Crafts Room. The class will be 4-5 hours and the cost is \$75.00/person, which includes a handbook. The certification is from American Heart Association and is valid for two years. Please sign up at the Front Office. There is a minimum enrollment of 6 students and a maximum of 12. Newtown asks that you bring a mat and a small snack. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the front office at 487-3806.

Easter Egg Hunt Winners 2009

(L-R): Milana Camilon, Jamie Nitta-Mcgrew, Ages 4-5 Garin Fukumistu

Ages 6-8 (L-R): Kaira Riingen, Nicholas Kwon, Riahna

Marie Cachola







Boy Scout Troop 488 News

By Chasen Hamasaki, Life Scout

Blue and Gold Dinner

On Friday, February 20, 2009 the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts joined together to celebrate the Blue and Gold, a dinner commemorating the founding of the Boy Scouts of America in 1910 and the Cub Scouts in 1930. The Boy Scouts presented a program on Water Rescue and demonstrated lashing an "H trestle," used to transport an injured person.

Camporee mementos were awarded to the Scouts and leaders who participated in the Kaala District's Great Adventure Race, and a plaque of remembrance was presented to outgoing Scoutmaster Alton Motobu in appreciation of his many years of dedication and commitment to Troop 488.

Court of Honor

A Court of Honor was held during our Blue and Gold dinner. Congratulations to Ryan Ebisu, who earned the rank of Eagle Scout (the highest achievement in Scouting), Jody Okamoto, who advanced to Life Scout, and Ethan Chow, who advanced to Tenderfoot. Merit badges were awarded as follows: For Coin Collecting: Matthew Howell, Ethan Chow, Jarett Lau, Jensen Lee, Chasen Hamasaki, and Jody Okamoto. For Camping: Jody and Jensen. Reading and Golf: Matthew.

Community Service Project - Phase II

Phase II of the Kilinoe Street Park Restoration project was completed on Sunday, March 1, 2009. Phase II consisted of cleaning, sanding and painting the jungle gym and exercise equipment. Scouts Travis Joe, Christian Tenguan-Horcajo, Ethan, Matthew, Jarett, Jensen, Jody, and Chasen participated and learned new skills. We hope everyone enjoys the bright primary colors in the park.

Hike

Troop 488 hiked the Aiea Loop Trail on Sunday, March 22, 2009. The hike consisted of classes on terrain features and compass reading. After the hike, Eagle Scout Ryan Ebisu gave a class on propane stove safety to the younger scouts. Participating Scouts were Ethan, Matthew, Christian, Jarett, and Travis, and 10 adults. A potluck picnic was held after the hike.

Aviation Merit Badge Class

On March 28, Ethan, Christian, Jarett, Matthew, and Travis completed all the requirements needed to earn their Aviation merit badge. The five Scouts attended an all-day class at the Pacific Aviation Museum on Ford Island, then shared a light dinner with Troop 68 from Wailuku, Maui, who had also attended the class.

New Recruits Welcome

Troop 488 welcomes new boys into the Troop year round. To join Boy Scouts, a boy must meet just one of the following criteria: (1) be at least 11 years old, (2) completed the fifth grade, or (3) achieved the Cub Scout Arrow of Light. Meetings are held on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the Newtown Recreation Center. Troop 488 also welcomes adult volunteers who can help with teaching scouting skills. For further information, contact Scoutmaster Walt Howell at 888-3619.

Family Camp Invitation

If you are interested in learning more about scouting or thinking about getting involved, you and your family are invited to camp with us at Bellows field on May 29-31 for a weekend of fun. For more information, please contact Scoutmaster Walt Howell at 888-3619.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Community volunteers recently formed a group to provide temporary assistance to our elderly and/or disabled neighbors. These nine volunteers call their new program "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." They will pick up groceries and toiletry items from nearby stores for any Newtown resident who is unable to drive or shop independently.

If you are interested in requesting this temporary service, please contact the Newtown

Recreation Center at 487-3806 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please give the office staff your name, address, and phone number. A volunteer will contact you and assist you in completing a participation form to set up the service.

If you would like to participate as a volunteer, please contact the Recreation Center and leave your name and telephone number. We welcome all interested parties.

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See www.newtownestates.org (Activities and Events), for more information about Kiyoko.

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