

**SALEM H.O.P.E.  
Networking Breakfast Meeting**

**Thursday, June 14, 2007  
9:00 A.M. Sharp**

*To be held at:*  
**Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries  
45 Congress St., Shetland Park, Salem, MA**

*All social service agency representatives are welcome.*  
**PLEASE RSVP ATTENDANCE TO BETH MOULTON @ 978-825-5000 X-266**

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AGENDA

- 9:00 I. Welcome & Group Introductions – Salem H.O.P.E. Chair Jennifer Buchanan
- 9:05 II. Agency Welcome - Jessica Brayden
- 9:20 III. Information Exchange - All attendees present - 1 minute per agency please  
*Bring any new brochures!*
- 9:55 V. 51<sup>st</sup> Salem H.O.P.E. Newsletter (to be issued in August)  
*Bring in your announcements, job postings, event notices, articles etc.  
for August, September, October & November  
or e-mail them to [jguy@salem.com](mailto:jguy@salem.com) - Deadline 8/2/07*
- VI. Next meeting dates (tentative):  
*Thursday, September 13, 2007 – Salvation Army  
Thursday, December 13, 2007 - Seeking host agency*

*Networking & Refreshments*

Directions to Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries:

Enter Shetland Park at the small guard gate. Pass the guard gate and continue straight to the end of the parking lot. You will be facing the ocean. Turn right, driving along an L shaped building.

Morgan Memorial Goodwill is located in the corner of the building (look for the blue awning). Parking is free, and the facility is handicapped accessible.

# Salem H.O.P.E.

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## Boys & Girls Club Hosted Spring Meeting

The March, 2007 Salem HOPE meeting was hosted by the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Salem. Representing the agency was Ann Marie Tanzella, Director, along with Jodi Goldenberg. Present were Salem HOPE Chair Jennifer Buchanan, along with Heather Gilfillon of Salem District Court Probation, Jane Guy of the City of Salem DPCD, Christina Jordan of Project Bread, Jill Elashkor of MediClerk/Wellspring House, Kathy O'Brien of Independent Living Center, Lee Hartmann of NSCAP, Jacqui Williams of Department of Public Health, Andrew Gary of the Family Self-Sufficiency Program, James Lister of the Plummer Home, Pat Michaud of Community Enterprises, Karen Gerring of Salem YMCA, Any Kraus of North Shore Rape Crisis Center, Marsha Finkelstein of HealthQuarters, Deric LePard of Catholic Charities, Beth Moulton of Goodwill Industries, Chris Hatch of Salem Community Child Care, Pamela Foye of Anchor to Windward, and Major Scott Kelly and James Labbe of the Salvation Army.

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Ms. Buchanan welcomed the group and introduced Ms. Tanzella.

Ms. Tanzella stated that the Salem Boys and Girls Club is 138 years old, the oldest club in Massachusetts and the second oldest in the organization. There are 4000 clubs world wide. "Girls" was added to the name in 1990. The Club has five core programs – 1. Character & Leadership, 2. Education & Career Development, 3. Health & Life Skills, 4. The Arts, and 5. Sports, Fitness & Recreation. Member ships is \$10 per year for youth ages 8 to 18. They have licensed child care programs for ages 5 to 12 for \$60 per week held at the Club and at Witchcraft Heights School. They offer transportation for schools to the Club at \$50 per month. They have nearly 300 new members and are expanding their hours soon, which will include opening on Saturdays. They are increasing programs for teens to get them out of gangs and are working with the Police Department in this regard. Jody Goldenberg is the new Program Director. They will be holding their single largest fundraising event in September.

Ms. Goldenberg described several programs including, Power Hour homework help, Torch Club Program, Newsletter Program, Girls Secrets, 3 traveling basketball leagues, Passport to Manhood Program and Keystone Program.

Ms. Hatch stated Salem Community Child Care offers Child Care on Congress Street and at the Bentley School. They have a toddler, preschool, kinder and after school care. They will be moving their school age program from Shetland Park to Lafayette Street.

Ms. Elashkor stated that the MediClerk Program is offered in 3 cycles per year for 13 weeks. During that time 12 students are trained in computers in partnership with the North Shore Medical Center.

Ms. O'Brien stated that the Independent Living Center is run by and for people with disabilities. They have expanded to five new cities (Melrose, Wakefield, North Reading, Reading and Malden). Their [20<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Breakfast](#) is being held Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at the Best Western Hotel and Suites on Pickering Wharf in Salem. Their [website](#) provides information on this and other workshops and [housing forums](#).

Ms. Williams stated that she is the Director of Outreach at the Department of Public Health. A new commissioner has recently been appointed. On June 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be a youth at risk conference.

Ms. Jordan stated that Project Bread has an initiative to increase participation in federal food programs. In this regard, Mayor Driscoll, Senator Berry and Representative Keenan will be co-hosting a meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> on Summer Meals Program.

Mr. Gary stated that the Family Self-Sufficiency Center stated that they offer three levels of ESL and have a short waiting list. They are starting a citizen prep class this summer.

Mr. LePard stated that Catholic Charities offers a Diapers & Wipe Program, Healthy Families Program and Father's Support Program. They have a family counseling and guidance center behind Liberty Tree Mall and offer utility and homeless prevention assistance.

Mr. Lister stated that he is the Executive Director at Plummer Home and that they work primarily with DSS providing group care for adolescents. They offer a pre-independent living program for four youth in an apartment at the Plummer Home.

Major Kelly stated that Salvation Army offers a variety of social service programs including rental assistance, food pantry, utility assistance and youth and adult character development. They have recently opened their new facility and are developing a 12-week youth at risk program.

Mr. Labbe stated that he is the Director of Youth Programs and Services at the Salvation Army. They offer Sunbeams, Girl Guards, Adventure Corps (all similar to Girl and Boy Scouts programs), a gym, teen fellowship on Friday nights and back to school supplies. Participants are not required to be Christian. They are also looking into having a summer drop in program with meals and snacks. Their goal is to fill gaps in the community, such as after school drop-in for homework.

Ms. Finkelstein stated that she runs the Teen Outreach Program for HealthQuarters at the High School and Charter School. It includes peer leadership program and it works toward reducing risk factors of teen pregnancy and drop-out rates.

Ms. Kraus stated that she is an intern with the North Shore Rape Crisis Center which offers free services for survivors of rape and their families. They have a 24 hour hotline. They also have girl empowerment groups, including one at Collins Middle School.

Ms. Michaud stated that Community Enterprises works with people with disabilities including job coaching and on the job training.

Ms. Moulton stated that she is a placement specialist at Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries located in Shetland Park. The agency is over 110 years. They are a training facility for persons

with disabilities to enter or re-enter the workforce. They perform vocational valuations for MA Rehab. and have a computer lab. They have two full time job coach positions open.

Ms. Guy stated that the City of Salem's Draft FY08 Action Plan for Housing, Community and Economic Development will be available for public comment on March 28<sup>th</sup> for a period of 30 days. She stated that participants are encouraged to e-mail submissions for the quarterly newsletter to [jguy@salem.com](mailto:jguy@salem.com).

Ms. Gerring stated that the Salem YMCA offers fitness, child care, a teen center and summer camp. They have a new membership program called "Membership for All". They also have a 4 Weeks of Fitness Program.

Ms. Foye stated that Anchor to Windward has moved to Salem at 600 Loring Avenue. They work with special needs adults and adolescents. They have a game room, computer courses and peer support. They are private, non-profit and are looking for referrals.

Ms. Hartmann stated that NSCAP has three offices, two in Peabody and Salem Cyberspace in Salem. They are offering free tax preparation service, fuel assistance and ESL.

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## Boys & Girls Club Programs & Services

### **The Learning Center**

Our learning center is a place where members can gather to involve themselves in a wide variety of education and technology programs including our popular "Power Hour" afterschool Homework Help program. Members who participate in daily homework sessions and additional educational activities are rewarded with incentives including pizza parties, educational materials and field trips.

### **Art & Crafts Center**

The Club's arts & crafts room offers instruction in a wide range of areas. Daily activities include cooking, painting, art contests, craft making, and even trips to The Peabody-Essex Museum for craft classes. Art work created by our Club members is displayed throughout the Club for all to enjoy.

### **Games Room**

The games room offers a pool table, table tennis, bumper pool, foosball, Hockey and a wide variety of board games. There are instructional pool classes, tournaments and special events weekly to give members a chance to try new games and improve skills.

### **The Torch Club**

The Torch Club is a leadership Club for members aged 8-12. Members elect officers and plan and implement their own activities and community service projects. Each Torch Club receives an official charter from Boys & Girls Clubs of America. Members interested in joining Torch Club should see Social Recreation Director Matt Carr.

### **Golf Skills Center**

The Club has an indoor golf room. The room consists of two driving tees where members can work on their swing by driving balls into a net. There is also an indoor putting range. The Club provides the

equipment and even brings in local golf professionals for clinics.

### **Tech Lab**

Our Tech Lab offers our members a variety of programming opportunities including Club Tech: an instructional computer program to instill and improve technological skills, and YouthNet: a national program with activities that promote safe and fun internet use.

### **Girls Secrets**

Girls Secrets Groups for girls aged 8-12 and 13-15. Girls Secrets participants gather weekly to discuss "Girls" issues and participate in a wide variety of activities. Please see Jennie Dibble in the Homework Room to join Girls Secrets.

### **After School Child Care**

In addition to our drop in programs, the Boys & Girls of Greater Salem offers a state licensed School Age Child Care Program at the Witchcraft Heights Elementary School and at our main facility on Hawthorne Blvd. The primary goal of the SACC program is to provide children a safe, fun environment with activities that promote the physical, social and emotional development of its participants. The SACC program serves children in grades K-5. Participants have the opportunity to socialize with children of various ages, backgrounds and abilities as they participate in educational programs, physical and recreational activities, arts and crafts projects and special events. Homework assistance is available and a snack is provided daily. Program hours are designed to be suitable for working parents, beginning at school dismissal time and ending at 6:00pm. Please contact the Roberta Reddy, ASCC Director at 978-744-0915 for application forms and additional information. State Vouchers are accepted for our Licensed Child Care Program.

### **New Spring Leagues!**

The Boys & Girls Club is offering new spring leagues including an inhouse baseball, kickball, flag football, and basketball league. We also have a 13 & Under Travel Soccer Team and 15 & Under Travel Flag Football Team

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## **Salvation Army Youth Programs**

### **Sunbeams**

Offered Wednesdays, 3:30 to 5 pm. For girls ages 6 - 11.

Recreational and educational program teaching a wide assortment of skills with particular focus on leadership and service (similar to the Girl Scouts of America's Brownies).

### **Girl Guards**

Offered Wednesday, 6:00 to 7:30 pm. For girls ages 12 - 18.

Recreational and educational program teaching a wide assortment of skills with particular focus on leadership and service (similar to the Girl Scouts of America).

### **Boys Adventure Corps**

Offered Wednesday, 3:30 to 5 pm. For boys ages 6 to 18.

Recreational and educational program teaching a wide assortment of skills with particular focus on leadership and service. (similar to Boy Scouts).

### **Teen Fellowship**

Offered Fridays, 7:00 pm

Recreational, sporting activities and fellowship offered to teens in the junior and senior high school grade levels.

### **Open Gym - September to June**

Offered every Weekday except Wednesdays, 3 pm-5pm. For ages 10-17.

Focus is on Basketball and teamwork. Snacks are provided.

### **Bridging The Gap**

Helping court-involved and at-risk youth ages 12 to 18. By enrollment only

Bridging The Gap is a 12-week prevention/intervention program to teach positive life skills to at-risk youth ages 12-17. The program is offered at no cost to the family. In addition to voluntary enrollment and self-referral, participants may be referred to our program from the Dept. of Social Services, the court system, schools, or other local agencies. The program aims to provide the teenagers with skills and community resources as well as the necessary tools for positive and successful decision-making. The program features group activities and discussions, peer guidance, and guest speakers. Areas addressed include anger management, substance abuse, education, and employment. Please call for details.

### **June 25-August 17**

#### **Summer Fun Club**-Offered Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm -Ages 5-12

During the summer when school is out but parents must continue their full-time work schedule, we offer an exciting rewarding program. We offer recreational activities, music and drama, arts & crafts, computer work, literacy programs, field trips and Bible study. We also provide a nutritious breakfast, lunch and a snack for the children. There is a fee for this program. Please call for details.

#### **Teens Hanging Out**-Offered different days from 7:00 – 9:00 pm-Ages 13-17

During the summer, we come up with things to do during the early evening. We may just hang out in our teen lounge, which has a ping-pong table, TV, VCR, DVD player, foosball, board games or we may go see a movie or go on a field trip or participate in a scavenger hunt. You never know what we might have planned.

### **Camp Wonderland**

Kids need to get away from it all, too. Especially inner city kids. However, many families cannot afford to send their children to summer camp. For more than 75 years, Camp Wonderland has provided an affordable solution. Located on 110 acres in Sharon on Lake Massapoag; this accredited overnight summer camp introduces kids to the wonders of nature. The exceptional staff offers campers ages 6 to 16 a variety of healthy activities in a safe and loving environment. Last year, over 1200 campers from all over the Commonwealth enjoyed our Camp activities such as, Boating, Crafts, Native America village, Nature hikes, Pioneering, Playground, Sports area and Recreation hall. Ropes course and Swimming. The camp features a spacious dining hall, rustic cabins that house a total of 215 campers per session, and a health unit staffed with medical personnel on duty and always available. The following dates are for the 2007 camping season at Camp Wonderland.

<i>SESSION</i>	<i>DATES</i>	<i>CAMP</i>	<i>AGES</i>
One	June 26 - July 2	Community Camp	6-12
Two	July 5 - 11	Scouting Programs	6-14
Two	July 5 - 11	Music Conservatory	6-14

Three	July 13 - 21	Gospel Arts	6-17
Four	July 25 - 31	Community Camp	6-12
Five	Aug. 2 - 8	Community Camp	6-12
Six	Aug. 10 - 16	Community Camp	6-12
Seven	Aug. 20 - 23	Teens	13-16

**Starting in 2007-2008 School Year**

**Kids After School Program**-Offered Monday - Friday from 2:30 - 6:00 pm. For children ages 6 - 12. We offer a safe and supportive after-school program providing homework assistance, recreational activities, music & drama, arts & crafts, computer work and literacy programs. Snacks are provided. There is a fee for this program. Please call for details.

Transportation is provided for some programs. Please call for more details.

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**Meetings, Etc.**

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**Thursday, September 13, 2007 - Salem HOPE Fall Meeting – Salvation Army**

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*Being a mother is a hard job. It's okay to ask for help.  
 You are important....your health is important  
 1 out of 10 women feels depressed after giving birth. Depression is treatable.*

**Call the Parental Stress Line**  
**1-800-632-8188**  
*24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The call is private and anonymous*

**[www.postpartum.net](http://www.postpartum.net)**

[www.salem.com](http://www.salem.com) has [links to social service agencies](#) as well as information on [housing programs](#).

## **What is Salem H.O.P.E. ?**

Salem H.O.P.E. is a networking group of human service agencies that serve Salem residents. It is a free forum for agencies to learn about the services being provided by other agencies in order to fill in gaps, coordinate efforts and avoid the duplication of services. All human service agency representatives are welcome to attend the quarterly breakfast meetings held at rotating locations.

We need your announcements, notices and articles for this newsletter. Share your resources; advertise a job opening; seek out agencies to collaborate on a grant application; announce new programs; publicize your events, etc. Please e-mail your submissions or requests to be added to the newsletter e-mail distribution list to [jguy@saalem.com](mailto:jguy@saalem.com). Newsletter printed four times per year.

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