



SIXTEEN ACRES CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.  
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MARCH/APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER

**What “crazy” weather** we are having but cheer up March 20<sup>th</sup> is the official first day of Spring.

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We hope you had the opportunity to attend the February 16<sup>th</sup> association meeting and hear our new City Councilor Marcus Williams inform what it is like being councilor for Ward 5 and future plans for the city. Also, WWLP Sy Becker, provided a wonderful recap of his experiences being a newscaster and Oscar picks. Special raffle items were enjoyed by many.

**March 15<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00 pm Neighborhood Crime Watch meeting. At 6:30 pm coffee/social time. At 7:00 pm, the association’s guest speakers for the evening will be Judy Bordenuk and Larry Lareau, representing 16 Acres Garden Center on Wilbraham Road. There will be a presentation on plants, lawn care, floral arrangements and gardening tips and what services are available to their customers. This garden center is a very special part of the 16 Acres area.

The 16 Acres Civic Association By-Laws have been revised and all paid up members will be provided a copy to review. The By-Laws committee will present the revisions and a vote will be taken by paid up members, to adopt or not, the revisions as presented. We encourage your participation. The Scholarship committee has adopted the Scholarship application form for an award of \$500. for two 16 Acres area (as defined in the by-laws) college students to be awarded in June 2016. Copies will be available at this meeting. The application form provides all of the details.

**April 19<sup>th</sup>** - 6:30 pm coffee/social time. 7:00 pm the guest speakers will be Big Y Cooley Street Manager Mike Whitehead and Fresh Acres Manager Roger Gouin. Big Y is celebrating their 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary with big plans for special events, opportunities to win gift cards, the opening of the Big Y gas station in Wilbraham on Boston Road corner of Stony Hill Road, and provide more information pertaining to this year’s celebrations. Most of the civic association members are patrons of both of these fine stores and it will be very nice to meet the managers of the markets we like so much. Applications for the 16 Acres Civic Association Scholarship awards will again be available.

The association website 16acres.org is a source of information regarding newsletters, a copy of the By-Laws, membership dues application form, scholarship award form, etc. Please remember this avenue of communication..

The Board Members are seeking ideas for speakers for future meetings. The board appreciates your interest in this association and wants to keep the meetings timely with topics you would like to see discussed. Please see a board member with your ideas.

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