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Hawthorne Empowerment Coalition

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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION PERFORMING ARTS OFFICE AND
PETER NERO & THE PHILLY POPS Present:

“Jazz in Recreation”

The Performing Arts Office’s Cultural Enrichment Program has partnered with The Philly Pops to sponsor this FREE PROGRAM “JAZZ IN RECREATION” to a limited number of students.

The artists/instructors will provide applied instrument instruction in workshop settings, ensemble training, music theory classes, and a survey of jazz history for selected middle school students, 10 to 13 years of age, in an cultural recreational setting.

A rotating schedule will allow students to experience all components of the

program. An end of the year concert event will be held for participating students to share their music with family, friends and other students. *The program is structured for 50 students for two days a week for seven months - Monday and Wednesday, 3:30 to 5 p.m. (following the public school schedule in regard to holidays).*

The classes are: two percussion classes,
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All Stars Talent Show Network Volunteer Kick Off

When: Wednesday, January 23, 2002

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Hawthorne Cultural Center,
12th & Carpenter Streets

For the past 18 years, the All Stars Talent Show Network has been creating environments for development and growth in our inner city communities by involving tens of thousands of youth each year, ages 5 to 25, in producing and performing in weekend talent shows in their neighborhood school auditoriums. The All Stars is internationally recognized as a highly successful, community-building program.

The All Stars is currently in all five boroughs of New York City; Newark, NJ; Oakland, CA; and **starting this spring, PHILADELPHIA, PA!**

Come and meet the National Producers of the All Stars Talent Show Network and find out what you can do! For more information, visit www.AllStars.org or call “Joslyn” at 215-214-8945.

Tax Tips You Can Use

- The child tax credit, for children under 17, goes up to \$600 this year. Your child must have been under 17 on 12/31/01
- The mileage rate for auto expense goes up to 34 1/2 cents per mile; make sure that you have receipts and a mileage log.
- In order to deduct church contributions and other charitable donations make sure that you have a receipt or statement before you file.
- Look out for those 1098-T forms that show the charges that have been paid for college tuition, under the Hope Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit programs these expenses may be deductible.
- Also, those of you who are paying college loans should receive a form 1098-E showing how much Interest you paid this year and this amount is deductible. If you don’t receive the form by February 1st call your college and ask them to send it to you.
- There is no limit on earnings from work for those 65 and older.
- Philadelphia City wage tax was reduced to 4.5385% beginning 7/1/2001 from 4.5635% for the first half of the year.

Most of you received a check from Uncle Sam this past summer and unfortunately **many of you who received them were not aware that this was not a gift but, an early refund.** This was done because of the changes in the tax law, the lowest rate went down to 10%, and the desire to get money into the hands of taxpayers in order to stimulate the economy. The good news is that you received \$300 to \$600; the bad news is that you may have a smaller tax refund this year.

Happy April 15th!
Sunny Payne

Questions? Call 215-864-9848 Monday thru Friday between 11am-5pm

Next HEC Meeting

Tuesday,
January 22, 2002
at

“The Arts Bank”, 7:30 P.M.

From the President:

Ahhhh... A New Year! The Opportunity of New Beginnings! I find these thoughts soothing, as they are something special to look forward to every year. A chance to finally organize my home office. A chance to lighten my load. A chance to make amends. A chance to change things that are not working for me. A chance to do more with my life. Doing always works!

We, the members of HEC have a lot to do still. Last year we made an effort to put all of our basics in place in order to establish ourselves as a bona fide neighborhood association. As I look back, I think we have been pretty successful in doing that. We were happy to report we have office space, a bank account, a developing web-site, new business members, new community partners, a new monthly newsletter, a new meeting location, a completed draft of by-laws in the pipeline for discussion and ratification soon, developing committees, a fine group of dedicated neighbors who get together every month to plan for the community they live in. We are well on our way to seizing the opportunity to shape what our neighborhood becomes.

Why then is there so much more to do? Here's the short version:

- This is only the beginning.
- With each accomplishment comes follow-up and associated ongoing tasks.
- Our vision for the community should always be in a state of growth, one that constantly gets better and bigger with each fait accompli!

The basics are now in place. So let's just do the rest.

Happy New Year!
Raydell Fisher

The Hawthorne Family Center Truancy Program

The Hawthorne Family Center, one of three sites under the umbrella of United Communities of Southeast Philadelphia (UCSP), is the provider of an important community service which extends beyond, but certainly includes, the Hawthorne community. This important program began March of 1999 as Project START (Stop Truancy and Recommend Treatment) with only two case managers supported by a director. It has since grown to encompass a director of case management, a truancy coordinator, three case managers and two truancy specialists. It is also simply referred to as the Hawthorne Family Center Truancy Department of UCSP. As of November 5, 2001 Houston Family Center, a program also under the umbrella of UCSP, began a prevention program to address some of the truancy concerns in South Philadelphia too. Today, any school with truancy problems in the South Philadelphia area is referred to the Hawthorne Family Center truancy program by the courts. The program is composed of two main components: Prevention and Intervention.

Prevention

Upon missing 5 days of school, students are referred to the Hawthorne Family Center Truancy Department. This is a point of interception by the school system in an effort to prevent more serious problems and to keep students out of the court system. Students are required to complete the Comprehensive Support Process (CSP) composed of three tiers involving: (1) student and teacher; (2) student, teacher and parents, and (3) student, teacher, parents, a school administrator, and a provider. Students are then assigned to a Case Manager to deal with the family as a unit in an attempt to understand the root cause of truancy. This sometimes leads to participation in the Family Empowerment Project. The Family Empowerment Project has three (3) major components:

1. Intake and Assessment – a process where the case manager assesses the areas of concern for not only

the student but of the family as a whole;

2. Referral – a process that involves directing the family to the proper resources whether within the three agencies of UCSP or out to other community-based organizations.
3. Follow-up – the case manager follows the customer(s) until the customer(s) is able to sustain success on his own.

Intervention

Students are mandated by the courts to participate in the truancy program when they have missed up to 25 days of school within the school year. Students are assigned to community service and are then funneled to other programs such as Crisis Intervention, Parents as Teachers, or Rites of Passage. A community based program called FACES (Family and Children Supporting Educational Services) was developed to assist truancy students. FACES introduces students to opportunities they would not otherwise have. It provides not only mentors and

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Truancy Program:

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guidance for students, but it also enhances their educational scope by focusing on the future. It was noted that students in the inner city have not taken advantage of the many extra curricular activities offered in the public school system. Although such activities are offered in several of the schools in Philadelphia, it was noted also that too many students' attention was somehow diverted to unproductive or delinquent activity. FACESSES fills in the gap by exploring avenues to attract students to specific areas of interest and then creating a base of support for them to build upon. Linking students with community organizations, community schools and partnering agencies is a vital part of this endeavor. Various partnering agencies in and around the community help to get children acclimated to a higher level of thinking and performance including:

1. Boy Scouts of America Learning for Life (for younger children). Here students learn different techniques to help them during the formative years. A group meeting is held on the third Thursday of each month from 4-5 p.m. The Boy Scouts of America provide speakers who come and work with the children, teaching them self-respect, respect for others, self-esteem, self-sufficiency, and character building. They focus on games, with responsibilities and consequences, which demonstrate how to make good choices and get along with others.
2. The Explore Experience (for maturer 14, 15 and 16-year-olds). Here students will be placed in businesses to give them hands-on experience. One such placement was with WDAS Radio with on-air personality, Tamlin Henry. In the future there will be placements with organizations or corporations such as Price Waterhouse Coopers, The Carousel House and Temple University. In these types of settings, the teens will actually work with professionals and be assigned to mentors for a year. This portion of the program is being developed

in order to meet the program's overall goal of getting young people involved in activities and experiences that will be lasting. They will have skills that can be transferred to the job market when they are no longer engaged in the community service aspect of Project START.

3. Houston Center is also a participant in the FACESSES Program. There students are involved in a Teen Educational Development Program (TED). This program provides a place for students to come in the evenings to do homework, work with other students from different backgrounds; complete projects involving cultural diversity and gain access to support groups.
4. The Life Skills Center on Broad Street is also a resource for students who need tutoring assistance.

The Dixon House, the Hawthorne Cultural Center, the Hawthorne Empowerment Coalition, the American Legion and many others have joined a growing list of resources. The goal is to have a resource list with more resources available than the young people who need them.

Although statistics are not available at this time, more students have begun to participate in projects made available to them. They seem more interested in finding what they can do to stay out of trouble as they are guided toward focusing more on academics. The program works to give each student an increased curiosity and a hunger for learning about the many positive things they don't know about or have not been exposed to. The goal is to engage them in interesting career paths, entrepreneurship, role models, and community service instead of hanging out on the streets, doing what they've always done – which will only lead to trouble. They are given a solid foundation to help them make the right choices that could ultimately lead to a brighter future.

The most important link in this chain is family involvement. The family is needed to promote continuance of the habits and skills the students developed in the truancy program. The family is needed to continue to push the students for-

ward when the program has ended and the student has returned successfully to regular attendance. The family must serve as primary reinforcement when the program and its resources are no longer with the student on a daily basis. It is extremely important for the family unit to support the student going forward.

The challenge for the community is not only doing what it can to keep children in school by partnering with the program to provide positive opportunities for our young people, but to encourage more parental participation. Parents need to know they are welcome to attend the truancy program's monthly South Philadelphia Stakeholders Meetings. Currently the meetings are well attended by community representatives, the courts, case managers, police and clergy. More parents are needed. Although monthly meetings are currently held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m. (usually a different community center or school in the South Philadelphia area), meeting coordinators are willing to change the time to accommodate interested parents if necessary. The meetings are an informative open forum for parents and community leaders as they work together to enable the program to combat truancy problems in our area. Your participation and input is greatly needed. Come and get to know the truancy program staff:

Stacey Skiffer,

Director of Case Management

Crystal Johnson,

Truancy Coordinator

Shelly McNear,

Truancy Case Manager

Terreque Dessus,

Truancy Case Manager

Norman Day,

Truancy Case Specialist

Shawn Cooper,

Truancy Case Manager

The next South Philadelphia Stakeholders' Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 14, 2002 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Hawthorne Cultural Center, 12th & Carpenter Streets. All parents and concerned citizens are invited. Please come. Dinner will be served! To RSVP or for more information contact: Crystal Walker at 215-925-8617.

TELEPHONE RESOURCE LIST

Water Department – 215.685.6300

- abandoned car/trash in waterways
- collapsed streets (due to water/sewer main break)
- flooded intersection
- open fire hydrant

L & I Services and Operations – 215.686.2463

- abandoned or dangerous building
- auto repair in public
- dead animal in abandoned building
- public buildings appearing to be fire hazards
- trash-strewn lot

Streets Department –

Engineering – 215.686.5516

- broken alley light

24-hour number – 215.457.8220

- broken street light

Traffic/Sanitation – 215.686.5560

- broken traffic light
- dead animal in house
- missing/broken street sign
- uncollected trash or recyclables

Maintenance – 215.686.5508

- hazardous sidewalks
- snow/ice on roads

Health Department

Air management – 215.823.7583

- car and building alarms
- foul odor
- loud noise

Vector Control – 215.685.9719

- rats

Postal Service – 215.895.8331

- damaged mailbox

Police Emergency 911

- belligerent homeless person
- open drug dealing
- prostitution

Environmental Response Unit – 215.686.3082

- illegal dumping
- dog doo doo
- leaflets on doors/windshields
- overflowing dumpsters
- unshoveled sidewalks (snow)

Abandoned Vehicle Hotline – 215.683.2277

PGW Emergency Line – 215.235.1212

- gas leak

Philadelphia More Beautiful – 215.685.3969

- general block clean-up

Philadelphia Anti-Graffiti Network - 215.685.9556

- graffiti

Philadelphia Parking Authority – 215.683.9600

HEC Has New Web Site Address

The domain name for the new HEC website, currently under construction has been changed to:

<http://www.hecphilly.org>

Be sure to visit if you are curious about the development of the site. Your comments, questions, and recommendations are welcome. Look for more information about when the site will be up and running, its webmaster, value-added benefits to be built in for newsletter advertisers, and more in upcoming issues of THE SOURCE.

HEC Has Open Board Position

The position of Recording Secretary is again open. Soon after our most recent appointee, Trey Horrell, joined the Board, he regretfully informed us he would be unable to serve. Therefore we are looking for someone who: (1) has concern about quality of life issues in our community; (2) a desire to join the Board as a team member; (3) can make a commitment to attend general monthly meetings (and periodic Board meetings) to record and subsequently read aloud, HEC meeting minutes; and (4) has some knowledge of how to record minutes or will be willing to accept responsibility for learning how. You are eligible if you reside within the boundaries of the Hawthorne community and have attended at least three of four general meetings held so far under the leadership of the existing Board. (Your signature on monthly sign-in sheets will be used to verify proof of attendance.) If interested, please let contact a Board member at an upcoming general meeting or call (215) 546-4701.

State Police Liquor Control Enforcement Squad – 215.560.4111

- nuisance bar
- underage drinking

Fire Marshall – 215.592.5964

- suspected arson activity

PECO Emergency Services – 215.841.4141

- tree limbs in contact with electrical wires

OTHER HELPFUL NUMBERS:

Homeless Outreach Center – 215.232.1984

South Street Detail Mini Station – 215.922.6706

QVNA – 215.592.7488

Councilman Frank DiCicco – 215.686.3458

State Rep. Babette Josephs – 215.893.1515

Senator Vince Fumo - 215.468.3866

Information has been compiled from State Sen. Babette Josephs's website. For additional information, go to www.babette.org.

Jazz in Recreation

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10 students each; one voice/choir class, 20 students; one wind class (sax and flute), 10 students.

Instruments rentals and supplies will be provided free of charge from Philly Pops and the Department of Recreation.

The program started Monday, November 26, 2001 at the Hawthorne Cultural Center, 12th & Carpenter Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147. For information and registration, please call Ruth Glover Butler at 215-683-3681.

HEC meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month and are open to the public at:

**The Arts Bank
Broad & South Streets
7:30 p.m.**

*Next month's meeting is
February 12*

ADVERTISE IN The Source

Advertise to the Hawthorne Community

- Reach 500 Homes
- Reasonable Rates
- Space Available in the February issue

Next deadline: January 31st

Call (215) 546-4701 for rates

BEWARE OF MARDI GRAS 2002

The following letter was written by the President of Bella Vista United Civic, Inc., Vernon Anastasio. It is reprinted here with permission. The Board of Hawthorne Empowerment Coalition supports the efforts of BVUC and has joined forces with them and several other adjacent community groups to plan strategies to assure the Mardi Gras fiasco of 2001 doesn't happen again this year or ever. Residents of the Hawthorne community were negatively affected by last year's event and because we are working to improve the quality of life in the Hawthorne community, we are sharing this information with everyone. When an adjacent community has a problem, we all have a problem.

Dear Concerned Residents:

On behalf of the board of directors of Bella Vista United Civic, Inc., I write to you with bad news about this coming February. Once again, on the day before Ash Wednesday, there will be a Mardi Gras mess on South Street.

Our requests to our elected officials, including Mayor John Street, have been dealt with inadequately. While some actions have been taken, anything short of shutting this event (or the bars that host it) down on 2/12/02 is unacceptable.

Our communities, which suffered so greatly just one year ago, stand to suffer again at the hands of drunken hoodlums. But when all is said and done, again our neighborhood will be disrespected. And again we will have to fight back.

Legislation designed to force any bar to put up a million-dollar bond to pay for damage done to the property of residents has gone unsigned by the mayor. And even if he signs it, the bars that promote South Street's Mardi Gras have already found a loophole. They simply won't advertise on television or radio (a requirement for the security bond). Word of mouth and flyers will generate the masses again and the bars won't be responsible for any damage done to any property.

Because we don't want to do the advertising for them, Bella Vista, which was severely scarred by last year's Mardi Gras, will not go to the electronic media prior to the event. We have 115 volunteers ready to stage a press conference in protest, but we will not let our efforts be used to help these lawbreakers.

Instead, the board of directors have retained legal counsel and are prepared to seek legal remedies the day after Mardi Gras if the evening even remotely resembles the Mardi Gras of 2001. They will hold any and all individual bars, any merchant, business association, individual board member or body of the special services district and the city itself liable for any inconveniences or damages, physical or otherwise, that they feel was caused by anyone directly or indirectly related to the Mardi Gras events on South Street on the night of February 12, 2002. No cost will be too great and no expense will be spared.

In addition, we have hired a public relations consultant who is assembling a team that will be dispatched early on 2/13/02 to all local television and radio stations for on-air interviews. Each will be trained to produce the same message...they will name political leaders, bars and south street business association leaders by name when placing blame for any damages that residents may suffer.

Friends on South Street, in city hall and in district businesses will need to understand that this isn't personal—merely a way to protect our community and defend the residents of our city.

Further, I have been informed that every elected public servant who failed to adequately respond to immediate neighbors' concerns and the concerns of neighboring communities will be targeted for defeat come the next election through an independent political action committee, not related to Bella Vista United, that is being formed.

The community strongly believes that increased city services on South Street for an event that is unwanted by local residents, while well-intended, is a serious act of disrespect for the community and the surrounding neighborhoods.

The police picked to patrol South Street for this mob scene are being pulled from other areas—where tax-paying residents live—who so desperately need police. A serial rapist roams the streets of Bella Vista and Queen Village! Instead of increasing patrols in residential areas to protect our neighbors, we'll have hundreds of new officers on every corner of South Street. New pedestrian lamps line South Street making it brighter than ever—while strangers lurk in the dark shadows of our neighborhoods (that HAVE NO pedestrian lites) looking for unsuspecting residents to prey upon.

Consequently, any increase in services that South Street is given for this event will be seen as redirected from the services of the neighborhoods and Bella Vista United will be seeking funds from local officials that equal whatever over-runs the city pays for additional sanitation, police, etc, for similar services for families that call Bella Vista home.

If they can spend it to serve the drunken kids of suburbanites, they can spend it to serve our neighborhoods.

In addition to informing you of their intentions, the board asks that every concerned resident keep their outdoor lights on during the night of February 12. They ask also ask that you NOT MOVE YOUR CAR (unless its into a garage) and attempt to return to the neighborhood later that evening. Intersections may be blocked and traffic may be congested. We have spoken to many residents who say they will simply spend the night somewhere else on the 12th of February...we do not recommend that. If you're not home, who will be there to protect your home or anything you have in front of your home (planters, lamps, etc.)?

They also ask that you call Mayor Street at 215-686-2180. or fax him at 215-686-2180 or write him at City Hall, Room 215, Phila PA 19107 and ask him to intervene on behalf of those who love the city enough to live here.

Thanks.

The following letter, written by Councilman Frank DiCiccio in support of the South Street Headhouse District Community Advisory Council's request for assistance from the City of Philadelphia to prevent the Mardi Gras fiasco of last year, is reprinted with permission. HEC, a member of the SSHD Community Advisory Council, is pleased to report the city and police have been very responsive in helping to plan strategies to make this year's Mardi Gras celebration successful, but uneventful, when compared to last year's disaster. As we go to press, the Mayor stated he will sign Bill 010690 ("Planned Events Legislation") into law but it was still on his desk waiting for his signature.

January 9, 2002

Honorable John F. Street
Mayor of Philadelphia
City Hall, Room 215
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Re: Bill # 010690 —“Planned Events Legislation”

Dear Mayor Street:

On December 20, 2001, the City Council unanimously passed the above legislation.

As you know, the City suffered a devastating blow from revelers desecrating public and private property in “honor” of Fat Tuesday last year. The following day, you and I walked down South Street and observed the destruction. We discussed ways to deal with this terrible problem. Together, we agreed to work proactively to help the people who suffered property damage and to work together to prevent the same disaster from happening again.

Since Mardi Gras last year, I have been working with public officials, with city agencies, and with various community groups toward solutions to this problem. The “Planned Events” legislation offered one solution: holding establishments, primarily for-profit entities, accountable for promoting planned events in the City.

Planned events, like Mardi Gras, attract large numbers of crowds that spill outside of the safe-occupancy limits of the sponsoring establishments and that require a substantial increase in City personnel. In fact, the City paid for over 300 police officers to respond to the growing crowds at Mardi Gras last year, up substantially from the 100 police officers the previous year. This cost the City about \$200,000 for police personnel. We also paid for additional City personnel and for residents who suffered property damage. My fellow City Councilmembers and I passed this legislation because we knew it could help to cover some of these costs to the City.

With this legislation, we place the responsibility and the accountability for these events in the hands of the for-profit entities that promote them. We ask that these promoters work with the City to obtain a planned event permit, to develop a comprehensive crowd management plan, and to negotiate a reasonable bond (or security deposit) before promoting their events. As a pro-business politician, I don't want any businesses to lose money, particularly those in my district and those on South Street. I believe that this legislation will not hurt businesses promoting these events, unless they choose to ignore the City and decide to promote their events.

The City's special events' law requires similar permits, plans, and bonds for anyone wanting to use public property for planned events. But this law does not cover events like Mardi Gras. The “Planned Events” legislation fills this gap in the special events' law by giving the City more authority over large scale, primarily for-profit events that directly impact public and residential properties. We want businesses to work with the City before promoting these large events – a reasonable request, I think, considering the amount of money they earn at these planned events.

This year, people again will journey to South Street for Mardi Gras, with or without this legislation in place. I continue to work with the city agencies and with various community groups to develop strategies to deal with Mardi Gras on February 12, 2002. We will make sure that same destruction does not occur again. But we need the additional assurance that establishments on South Street – who refuse to work with the City, but benefit from promoting Mardi Gras— will not help to attract these large crowds without a response from the City.

On behalf of all Councilmembers and the community groups in my district, we ask that you sign this legislation right away. We can not allow businesses in the city to plan, to promote, and to operate these large events without working with the City first. We ask that you sign this legislation before City Council reconvenes on January 29, 2002.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Frank DiCiccio

cc: Community Advisory Council

HEC Corporate Sponsors

No Corporate sponsor(s) yet

HEC Business Members

- R & A Auto Repair
- Gennaro's Pizza
- Pennyfeathers
- A & L Organizational Services, Inc.

HEC Community Partners

- Hawthorne Cultural Center
- University of the Arts
- Philadelphia High School for the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA)
- Hawthorne Family Center of United Communities of Southeast Philadelphia
- Avenue of the Arts, Inc.

Ready, Willing & Able Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on February 1, 2002 at 10:30 a.m. to commemorate the Grand Opening of The Doe Fund's *Ready, Willing & Able* Philadelphia facility. A new, positive, and innovative program has now come to Philadelphia at the 1211 Bainbridge Street location. The following officials and dignitaries will be present, along with program staff and participants, to celebrate:

- The Honorable John F. Street, Mayor of Philadelphia
- The Honorable Estelle Richman, Managing Director of the City of Philadelphia
- The Honorable Robert Hess, Deputy Managing Director for Special Needs Housing of the City of Philadelphia
- The Honorable Frank DiCiccio, Philadelphia City Councilman, - First District
- George T. McDonald, President of The Doe Fund

This is an important event that members of the community have worked hard to bring to fruition. Therefore, it is appropriate for as many available members of the Hawthorne community to plan to attend. We hope to see you as we formally welcome *Ready, Willing & Able* —Philadelphia to our community.

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To celebrate the grand opening of The Doe Fund's *Ready, Willing & Able* Philadelphia facility, The Doe Fund would like to invite our friends and neighbors for dinner and a tour of the residence

Thursday evening, January 31st

from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

1211 Bainbridge Street

Town Watch Training

Bella Vista Town Watch will be hosting citywide Operation Town Watch Trainer, Art Potts, for a two-night training session. It will be held in the small meeting room of Palumbo Recreation Center (10th & Fitzwater Streets) on **January 23rd** and **January 30th**.

Members of the two Hawthorne community town watch groups (Hawthorne Neighbors Town Watch and Avenue of the Arts Town Watch) who have not completed training are invited to attend, as well as those who wish to join one of the town watch groups after completing training.

The training will last a full two hours each night, concluding on the 30th with photo badges and certificates being issued. Attendance at both evenings is required for official certification.

Please RSVP to 627-0057 or info@bvtw.org