

# N.P.C. NEWS



NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING COUNCIL NEWSLETTER SPRING 2008

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## Introduction

**Jerome Brown,**  
*NPC President*

Welcome to the spring edition of the NPC Leadership's Newsletter. The spring season is defined as a time of growth and renewal. For this season of spring, I would like to encourage city residents and community groups to organize clean ups and greening projects throughout their communities. I also want to challenge both residents and groups to think of hosting other community events this spring such as community yard sales and contests. In the 5th District, we will offer greening prizes for the block that has the most volunteers for Operation Clean Sweep. For more information about how to get involved, please contact your NPC representative!

As the Clean Wilmington Committee logo goes, "*Wilmington Wins When You Pitch In.*"

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## NPC HIGHLIGHTS

### *Wilmington Award Recipient*

Subira Ibrahim is a wife and mother of six children. A licensed cosmetologist by trade, she consults with Fresh Look Products, Inc. on product development, quality control and proper application of their line of hair care products. Subira started



*Subira, Ivey and Tariq Ibrahim.*

the West 34th Street Block Association and serves as block captain. She serves as treasurer of the Northwest Civic Association. She has been the program coordinator of the 1st District Neighborhood Planning Council since its formation. In all of these positions she has demonstrated tremendous leadership abilities, vision, commitment and integrity. Beautification and clean-up campaigns, streetscape projects and crime prevention initiatives have been implemented under her leadership

and through her work. She has served on committees for the Brandywine School District and other civic and community organizations. She represents the 1st District NPC on the Leadership Council for the City of Wilmington.

Subira Ibrahim is a perfect example of citizens dedicated to improving the quality of life for all people. She is truly worthy of receiving the prestigious Wilmington Award.

*Congratulations Subira!*

## THEN AND NOW!



*2205 N. Jefferson Street, vacant for five years.*



*Complete rehab with community space and apartments.*

**Wilmington**  
In the middle of it all

## NPC Leadership sponsors Breast Health Workshop



DBCC Volunteer Rita Goldsberry

On October 25, 2007, The Neighborhood Planning Councils in conjunction with the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition (DBCC) sponsored a Breast Health Workshop. **Rita Goldsberry**, a volunteer with DBCC, conducted an interactive breast health presentation, which included an open discussion on self examinations, early detection and

treatment. The presentation included some sobering facts:

- Among women, Delaware is expected to have 570 new breast cancer cases and 110 deaths from breast cancer this year.
- Combining all age groups, white (non-Hispanic) women are more likely to develop breast cancer than black women. However, black women are more likely to die of breast cancer than white women.
- Among men, Delaware is expected to have five new cases and one death this year.

Rita Goldsberry and other volunteers are available to conduct a healthy breast presentation for your community association, church or for a group of friends. For more information or to schedule a presentation, please contact the Delaware Breast Cancer Coalition at (302) 778-1102 or Toll Free: 1-866-312-DBCC.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 22, 2008 - Earth Day**  
The Brandywine Zoo, located at 1001 N. Park Drive, will honor Mother Earth and some of her animal friends at the zoo's annual celebration. Call 571-7850 and visit [www.brandywinezoo.org](http://www.brandywinezoo.org) for more details.

**May 3, 2008**  
**Wilmington Garden Day**  
The garden tour will take place in the City of Wilmington at various properties.

**May 3 and 4, 2008**  
**Cinco de Mayo Festival**  
The celebration will be held on the Wilmington Riverfront in the Tubman-Garrett Riverfront Park.

**May 8 - 10, 2008**  
**Wilmington Flower Market**  
The event will be in Rockford Park and will feature flowers, plants, crafts, rides and games.  
Call 995-5699 for more details.

**June 5 - 7, 2008**  
**Greek Festival**  
The festival will be held at Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 808 N. Broom St., Wilmington. Traditional food like dolmades, moussaka and spanakopita will be available as well as authentic Greek music and dancing.  
Call 654-4446 for more details.

**June 8 - 15, 2008**  
**St. Anthony's Italian Festival**  
St. Anthony of Padua Church, located at 901 N. DuPont St., will bring back its annual Italian Festival. The week-long event features a variety of music, games, rides and more. Call 421-3790 or visit [www.stanthony.net/org/festival](http://www.stanthony.net/org/festival)

**June 16 to 22, 2008**  
**DuPont Clifford Brown Jazz Festival**  
The festival is held in Rodney Square and other venues throughout the city. Jazz musicians and music lovers gather in Wilmington for the free festival.  
Call 576-3095 or visit [www.cliffordbrownjazzfest.com](http://www.cliffordbrownjazzfest.com)

**June 27, 2008**  
**Stop Violence Coalition**  
The event will be held on the Wilmington Riverfront at Tubman-Garrett Riverfront Park from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP SCHEDULE

WEEK	DATES	BOUNDARIES
One	March 31 – Apr. 4 Sat., April 5	West Center City and Browntown; Washington St. to Adams St., Lancaster Ave. to South Park Drive
Two	April 7 – 11 Sat., April 12	Union Park Gardens & Canby Park/ Hedgeville, Maryland Ave. to Union St., City Line to Lancaster Ave.
Three	April 14 – 18 Sat., April 19	West Side – Lancaster to Pennsylvania Ave. / Jackson St. to Union St.
Four	April 21 – 25 Sat., April 26	Bancroft Pkwy – Pennsylvania Ave. to Brandywine River / Jackson St. to Rising Sun Lane
Five	April 28 – May 2 Sat., May 3	Southwest – Lancaster to Pennsylvania Avenues, Union St. to City Line
Six	May 5 – 9 Sat., May 10	Boulevard – West 18th St. to 30th St., Market St. to Broom St.
Seven	May 12 – 16 Sat., May 17	Northwest – 30th St. to Rockwood Rd., Market St. to Miller Rd.
Eight	May 19 – 23 Sat., May 24	Market St. to Edgemoor Ave., E. 12th St. to E. 36th St.
Nine	May 27 – 30 Sat., May 31	East Side/South Wilmington

Wilmington Wins



When You Pitch In!

## WHO TO CALL:



Constituent Issue	Number
Graffiti Removal, Potholes & Abandoned Vehicles	576-2489
Trash, High Weeds, and Housing Maintenance Issues	576-3030
Police Non- Emergency Number	654-5151
Special Pick Up	576-3878