#### Fall 2012

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Athletes in Service & Service Days: *Moe Maloney* 

Free English Classes at the BCNC Monday 6:30-8:00pm Tuesday 6:30-8:00pm Wednesday 6:30-8:00pm Classes taught by BC students. For Allston –Brighton residents. No pre-registration necessary. Just drop in!

Free Tutoring If you are the parent of a child that *lives and/or attends school in* <u>Allston or Brighton</u> and needs a tutor, please go to our website to fill out the <u>Tutor Request Form</u>.

# How to find us...

On the web: www.bc.edu/neighborhood

Via the phone: 617.552.0445

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Our Hours: Monday-Friday: 12noon-5:00pm

# **Boston College Neighborhood Center**



# Program Updates from BCNC

During the fall months, the Boston College Neighborhood Center has been a hub of activity! We've been busy at our store-front office in Brighton Center starting up our service programs. Please visit our website at www.bc.edu/ neighborhood to read more about all of these programs. Here's a glimpse of what we've been up to:

**Tutoring Program:** Over seventyfive BCNC volunteers are working with elementary through high school aged students for **weekly one on one tutoring** on the Boston College campus. The BCNC volunteers mentor students as they help with homework and teach study skills.

BC Chapter of Strong Women, Strong Girls: Thirty Boston College undergraduate women mentor over ninety third, fourth and fifth grade girls at the Edison K-8, Gardner, St. Columbkille Partnership, St. Mary's of the Assumption & Winship Schools, the Jackson Mann Community Center and the West End Boys & Girls Club.



Read Boston Program: Over eighty Boston College students are fulfilling their federal work study through paid tutoring at the following schools: Winship School, Jackson Mann K-8 School, Edison K-8 School, and St. Columbkille Partnership School. This is the second year the BCNC's Read Boston Program is collaborating once again with The Steppingstone Foundation's College Success Academy at the Edison & Jackson Mann K-8 Schools. Through this collaboration, Boston College tutors work students in the CSA afterschool program which is designed to increase the number of Boston students graduating from four-year colleges. To learn more about the CSA program, please visit www.tsf.org/csa.



**ESOL Program:** Over a dozen BCNC Volunteers are **teaching English** to non-native speaking adults and children who live, work or attend school in the Allston Brighton community. Classes are currently held three nights a week at the *Boston College Neighborhood Center.* 

Upcoming in 2013

Athletes in Service: Through the BCNC sponsored H.E.A.R. and Food for Families Programs, student athletes mentor children and serve families in the Allston Brighton and Newton communities several times a month. Learn more on our website.

Service Days: Each semester, hundreds of BC students volunteer in the Allston Brighton community. On Saturday, October 20th these volunteers could be seen helping out at the *Ringer Park* Annual Clean-up and on Sunday, October 21st, helping out at the Oak Square Y's annual Road Race. On Halloween, volunteers were tending to trick or treaters in Brighton Center. Over 500 witches, pumpkins, ladybugs and super-heroes came through Brighton Center for the Annual Trick or Treat! On Saturday. November 3rd many more volunteers will be seen at the following organizations: Brighton-Allston Branch Library, Brighton Congregational Church, Brighton Main Streets, Commonwealth Housing Development, Covenant House, Faneuil Branch Library, Faneuil Gardens Housing Development, Honan Allston Library, Oak Square Y and St. Columbkille Partnership School.

## <u>Allston Brighton/Boston College</u> <u>Community Fund</u>

Over twenty community organizations submitted applications for the \$3,000 Project Grant for Fall 2012 cycle of the Allston Brighton /Boston College Community Fund. **The next cycle will be Spring 2013**.



### Free Tax Program

The Boston College Neighborhood Center, in **partnership with the Boston Col**lege School of Management will once again be offering free tax assistance to qualified residents of the Allston Brighton community. Stay tuned to our website for more details!

