

Members and Leaders of Boy Scout Troop 7 honored by New Bedford City Council for their service to others



Great job Cub Scout Pack 7!

This past Thursday (April 10) Boy Scout Troop 7 New Bedford visited City Hall for a very special reason, unbeknownst to the boys of Troop 7, they were being honored for their service and dedication to the improvement of the community. With the families of Troop 7 and members of Cub Scout Pack 7 in attendance to in support of the occasion, Council President Lopes called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 and the Scouts in attendance lead the pledge of allegiance. Next, a resolution was introduced by Councilor at-Large Linda Morad recognizing troop 7 for their efforts in the city. Following a unanimous agreement for adoption, Council President Lopes joined Councilor Morad on the floor, read the proclamation, and presented it to Troop 7's Scoutmaster Cheryl Morrissette, the youth members, and leaders of Troop 7.

The proclamation thanked the troop for their efforts in organizing community blood drives, volunteering at GiftstoGive, and raising fund for the Shriners Hospitals for Children by volunteering at Haunting for Shriners. The council also acknowledged that Troop 7 works with boys not only from the south end but also all boys from the Greater New Bedford area including (but not limited to) those with disabilities, and that it is designated as a bully free safe-zone where all boys are made to feel welcome and are encouraged to express ideas and opinions and receive respect.

Morrisette accepted the award on behalf of the boys and leaders of Troop 7 with great humility, and explained that they do what they do not for acknowledgement or recognition, but to better the city and they will continue to do so. She also emphasized the importance of cooperation in the city to accomplish common goals. To read the full text of the proclamation visit www.troop7nb.org/proclamation. After the meeting, she (Morrisette) spoke to the press, and explained that being a female scoutmaster isn't always easy, but that she has a great team of adults to help her, and that seeing the kids succeed and grow into change makers makes it all worth it and that she wouldn't change it for anything in the world.

Boy Scout Troop 7 serves boys in the south end of New Bedford and the greater New Bedford area 11-18, Pack 7 serves boys ages 7(or going into first grade) -10. The mission of Troop/Pack 7 is to provide opportunities for families to participate in an affordable Scouting program, and thereby allow young men to grow into responsible, better-informed, and engaged citizens who are prepared to become the leaders of tomorrow.

Troop 7 meets on weekly on Tuesday nights throughout the School year at GiftstoGive 21 Cove St. New Bedford. Pack 7 Meets on Thursdays throughout the School year as well at GiftstoGive. During the summer months, Troop/Pack 7 attends a

variety of fun and educational activities (including a fun-filled week of summer camp) for boys to learn, explore new places, and make lasting memories.

To learn more about Boy Scout Troop 7 and Boy Scouts, please visit www.troop7nb.org, to learn more about Cub Scout Pack 7 and Cub Scouts, please visit www.pack7nb.org. You can also contact a leader via telephone (774) 263-5018, or email info@troop7nb.org. Finally, both organizations can be found on Facebook and Twitter @pack7nb, and @troop7nb.
