## **BTSCA Newsletter**

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## Dear Members & Friends,

Our June Newsletter covered Cuba Week, Plants for Peace Sale, the Peace Fair and the Library Restoration Committee. In case you missed it, you can read it on the website in the About Us link. Since then you received a letter stating that the board has decided to downsize. Maintaining a sister city relationship without being able to connect to our fellow sister city has made it very difficult to keep the doors of cultural exchange open. This issue will be brief. We're repeating the Library Restoration Committee news, as this is our continuing goal and news of Common Good Day. Enclosed is a ballot to approve/vote for those who have volunteered to continue to serve.

## **Library Restoration Committee**

Our fundraising efforts have accomplished close to \$2000 towards our \$5,000 goal of restoring the library, the primary focus of BTSCA at this time. Thanks to Gulf of Maine Books, many Spanish language books have been collected and stored there for the Trinidad Library. With each book donated, a colorful bookmark designed by Maine artist Paula Ragsdale Arsenault will be given. We are working towards a trip, hopefully in the near future to Trinidad, to assess the project, supplies and equipment needed and to bring down books. If you'd like to make a financial donation towards the library, visit our website, <a href="www.brunswicktrinidad.org">www.brunswicktrinidad.org</a> for a secure PayPal donation. Continue to check our website for any updated information on the progress towards our goal! And thank you to all who have made a contribution.

## **Common Good Day**

Common Good Day gave our garden its annual facelift on September 15. Three Bowdoin students volunteered to help Susan Weems and Bill Cooney weed, prune, and mulch the rose garden beneath the Dance of Two Cultures mural on Pleasant Street. Not only did they work hard on the garden, but also found much in common to talk about and have gotten together since then! The garden now looks fabulous and new friends have been made. Thanks to all who helped out, especially Bill Cooney for replacing the sad rose with a new one.