

## Around town: Being thankful

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### PCIS GREEN TEAM GRAND PRIZE WINNER

The Green Team is an interactive educational program that empowers students and teachers to help the environment through waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection provides resources to help Green Team members learn how to reduce waste and rewards classes that successfully complete one or more of the suggested activities.



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Pictured here are participants of the Green Team, an interactive educational program that empowers students and teachers to help the environment through waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting.

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Congratulations to Warren Phillips and class – grand prize winner in the Green Team drawing for a participatory environmental performance by Jack Golden, entitled “Garbage is My Bag.” In a congratulatory letter from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs and Department of Environmental Protection, Phillips and his class were thanked for their outstanding efforts to increase recycling and pollution prevention in school and around the community. “We appreciate your enthusiasm and efforts to teach our youth how they can make a difference for the environment,” they said. A Certificate of Recognition as Environmental Eagles to commemorate the students’ membership in the Green Team, and the actions they have taken to increase environmental awareness in their school and community, was received by the class. In addition, they received 28 Green Team wristbands to thank them individually for their efforts.

The Green Team Web site is [www.thegreenteam.org](http://www.thegreenteam.org). If you have specific information you would like included, forward it to Chelsea Warywoski, Green Team coordinator, at [recycle@thegreenteam.org](mailto:recycle@thegreenteam.org) or 800-278-7661.