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## “BOWIE HIGH SCHOOL GIVES BACK” DAY OCTOBER 24, 2009

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Pride and ownership are two key elements that make up a strong community. Members of Citizens on Patrol know that as well as anyone. This is why you will often see those blue C.O.P. vests at numerous public events and community outreach projects.

Members such as Marvin Sutton (Manhasset), Martin Royal (Briar Hill), Bonnie Bilodeau (Countryside) and Gina Golderman (Countryside) always take time to give back to the community. On October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, some of Arlington’s finest members of the community helped organize and participate in “Bowie High School Gives Back Day.”



**L to R, Bonnie Bilodeau, Principal Wilmoth, Martin Royal, Gina Golderman and Marvin Sutton.**

Large groups of students partnered with community members and school staff. They gathered at Bowie High School to clean up the surrounding community. After morning donuts, nine teams were formed. The teams



**Bonnie and Gina pose with their team.**

were given maps and assigned particular areas to collect litter previously left behind by neglectful individuals.

Projects such as these enhance relationships within the community. Most importantly, these efforts teach our future leaders the importance of respect for the environment. Thankfully, we have fantastic community leaders within C.O.P. to help pass these lessons along.