HIGHLIGHT

The Newsletter of the High Street Hill Association

April 2005

Please Join Us for Your Neighborhood Association's

Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner

Monday, April 25th at Latvian Lutheran Church 58 Irving Street

6:00 PM Family Potluck Dinner
7:00 PM Musical Guests NOTE-A-FY, Girls A Cappella Group
7:15 PM Featured Speaker MYRA HARRISON, Olmsted National Historic Site

HSHA Annual Business Meeting to Follow

Those with last names beginning with A-F please bring a salad, G-M a main dish, and N-Z a dessert.

For almost fifty years the High Street Hill Association has worked to promote a sense of neighborhood and has been an advocate for the interests of its residents on a wide array of issues. At each monthly meeting we sit around a board member's kitchen table to discuss, debate and plan. Our Annual Meeting is a great chance to hear what we've been up to, meet old and new neighbors over dinner, and learn more about a wonderful historic site that's just down the street. There will be updates on the Muddy River restoration, the installation of artificial turf at Downes Field, the biolab at 2 Brookline Place and, from Assistant Director for Transportation David Friend, the Walnut Street traffic calming. We want to hear what you think. Please join us.



What's in Your Attic?

Do you have an old photo of a picnic in a park, a picture of your house before the porch was removed or perhaps items found during a renovation? The organizers of the upcoming celebration of Brookline's 300th Anniversary, are looking for photos, postcards and artifacts that describe Brookline's past and present. Staff from the Town's Preservation Division will scan each picture and return them to you. The archive, called the *Brookline 300 Neighborhood and Family Album*, will be online for all Town residents to enjoy. Be part of the legacy. For more info see www.brookline300.org.

Art & Architecture Open House Tour

For Pill Hill residents, the HSHA is planning an afternoon celebrating local art and architecture, featuring homes with significant art collections or architectural significance. Late September or October. Interested? Contact Marie Schick, 617-731-1838 or mschick@nni.com.

Almost Famous?

As part of our ongoing effort to build a picture of our vibrant neighborhood, we're looking to make a list on our website, www.highstreethill.org, of local authors, artists and musicians. We will provide links to their published materials. Please contact Rob Daves, 566-7334, or Tom Elwertowski at webmaster@highstreethill.org.

That Time of Year Again

Yep, it's the dreaded tax season. But it's also the dreaded neighborhood association dues season. In the last *Highlight* we listed just a few of the important things that the committed volunteers of HSHA have done for our neighborhood in the past year. But it takes support from you to continue the activities and the advocacy. Your \$10 per year dues brings quite a return. Please send a check made out to the High Street Hill Association to our treasurer, Jean Peteet at 100 High Street by using the stamped envelope attached to this newsletter. Thank you.

Waste Yes Want Not?

The **Brookline Household Hazardous Products Collection Day** is Sunday May 1, 2005. 9 AM to 2 PM at the DPW Transfer Station, 815 Newton Street. See the Town website for more info.

Don't Forget to Vote

Annual Town Election May 3, 2005

For Precinct 5 Town Meeting:

Richard Allen Robert DeVries Betsy DeWitt Tom Elwertowski Hugh Mattison Andrew Olins Betsy Shure Gross

Cast your votes at Lincoln School, 19 Kennard Road, from 7 AM to 8 PM.

Who's Who?

Candidates Night at the Brook House Wednesday, April 20, 2005, 7 PM Function Room, 2nd floor, 99 Pond Avenue. Presented by the Brook House Community Action Committee.

Candidates Night at Town Hall Thursday, April 28, 2005, 7 PM 6th Floor, Town Hall Sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Brookline.

Candidates Afternoon at the Senior Center Friday, April 29, 2005, 2 PM Brookline Senior Center, 93 Winchester Street. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Brookline.

Save the Date

Each year the HSHA holds its **Annual Picnic** on the Upland Road Green on Father's Day. This year's it will be held on **Sunday, June 19th**. As is the tradition, there will be a barbecue, pony rides for the kids and volleyball. If you have any ideas or would like to help out please contact Seth Hamot at 232-0434.



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