

## BROOKLINE COMMUNITY AGING NETWORK (WWW.BROOKLINECAN.ORG)

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## **BrooklineCAN HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING AND EXPO SEPT 16**

BrooklineCAN (Brookline Community Aging Network) is holding an Expo and annual meeting on Monday, September 16, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Senior Center, 93 Winchester Street, Brookline.

The Expo and annual meeting provide an opportunity for BrooklineCAN members and prospective members to learn about its accomplishments. BrooklineCAN's mission is to advocate for and support older residents in remaining a vital part of the community.

Light refreshments, including wine, will be served and prizes given away. This is an opportunity for people of all ages to meet their neighbors and learn more about the activities of BrooklineCAN.

The Expo, which begins at 5:00 PM, will include exhibits by BrooklineCAN's committees, founding partner organizations, and members of the BrooklineCAN Professional Service Provider Group. The annual meeting is for members and anyone who is thinking of joining BrooklineCAN.

The annual meeting portion, which begins at 6:00, will include the presentation of awards. Brookline resident <u>Sally Abrahms</u>, will receive the Community Service award for her reporting on aging issues for AARP and other publications. Carol Caro and her team will receive the Innovative BrooklineCAN Project award and Karin Wannamaker and the Service Referral Committee will receive the Outstanding Membership Service award.

The mission of BrooklineCAN is to help older residents remain in their homes and be fully engaged in the life of the community. Its mission is as much about advocating for a more livable Brookline for people of all ages as it is for supporting elders.

At the reception, you can learn about the Network's goals and services, offer ideas for additional programs, and discover how you can help yourself, your neighbors and help to make Brookline an even more livable community.

The Brookline Community Aging Network is a town-wide initiative that welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds who wish to support older residents in remaining a vital part of the community. The Network's website, <a href="www.brooklinecan.org">www.brooklinecan.org</a>, is the focal point of the organization.

Annual Membership is \$25 for an individual and \$40 for a household.

Membership benefits include a <u>monthly newsletter</u>, information about preferred contractors and <u>service providers</u>; educational forums; and involvement in an intergenerational <u>volunteer network</u>. In addition, members have the opportunity to join <u>advocacy efforts</u> on issues related to independent living.

To RSVP or for more information, call 617-730-2777, email <a href="mailto:info@brooklinecan.org">info@brooklinecan.org</a>, or visit the website at <a href="https://www.BrooklineCAN.org">www.BrooklineCAN.org</a>.