

MHCA Newsletter

Memorial Day Weekend Edition

Marshfield Hills
Community Association



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The MHCA sponsors social and civic activities aimed at maintaining the quality of life in Marshfield Hills. We are over 150 families strong and growing. We welcome new members at any time.

Memorial Day Weekend in the Hills

It's time to gear up for the Memorial Day Weekend events in Marshfield Hills!

Events:

North River Arts Society Festival of the Arts:

Sat. & Sun., May 29 and 30, 10:00 am -4:00 pm

Memorial Day Parade: Mon., May 31, 9:00 am

Brooks' Park Dedication: Unveiling of the Rock Memorial: Mon., May 31 immediately following the parade

MHCA Activities:

Be sure to visit our booth (located on the Vose's front lawn at 142 Old Main Street)!

Volunteers from the MHCA will be on hand to register new members and answer any questions. We'll also be selling **helium-filled balloons** and delicious **home-made baked goods**, the specialties of our members.

New this year! Have your caricature drawn by renowned **Faneuil Hall Caricature artist, Mark Penta**, on Sun., May 30, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at the MHCA booth. Caricatures can be framed and make great gifts. Prices range from \$10 to \$30, depending on the number of people drawn and color versus black and white.

Marshfield Hills Memorial Day Parade

Mon., May 31, at 9:00 am. The parade begins at the GAR Hall and ends at the Cemetery. The Marshfield High School band plays, and our town's selectmen, clergy representatives, and other distinguished members of the community march in our parade. Please join us. Children are encouraged to decorate their wagons, bikes and strollers.

Taking home the prize

Congratulations to Mike Sleeper, Poster Artist for the 2004 NRAS Festival of the Arts. Special thanks go out to Mara Washburn for designing the poster print of the artwork. Be sure to pick up a print for your home at the North River Arts Society booth.

Call for Volunteers

MHCA is in need of ambassadors to "man" our booth, sell balloons and sell baked sale items at the Festival. Please contact David Vose at davidvose@adelphia.net or 781 319 9819.

Calling all bakers. Please consider baking an item for our annual bake sale. Contact Laurel Egan-Kenny at laurelek@verizon.net or 781 834 3308, to sign up or for more information.

Ideally, items should be dropped off to the MHCA "booth" at the Vose estate between 9:00 and 10:00 am, Sat. or Sun., May 29 or 30. Of course, we will gladly accept your baked items at the MHCA booth at any time, on either day.

Or, if you don't bake and would like to contribute, please contact Megan Peck, Peck620@aol.com, 781 834 9214, baker extraordinaire. She will turn your "dough" into cookie dough or batter for that matter.

Brooks' Park Dedication

Immediately following the Memorial Day ceremony at the cemetery, there will be a Brooks' Park Dedication Ceremony at the playground behind the Fire Station. After a few words from The Singers and The Reverend Dr. Ginger Brasher Cunningham, a clown will entertain the children (and adults) followed by a playtime at the park for the kids.

MHCA Scholarship

The MHCA scholarship committee is pleased to announce that its community service scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to a deserving high school senior in Marshfield. The honoree will be formally announced at the Marshfield High School Awards Ceremony in May, so until then, it's mums the word! Over 80 candidates submitted their applications for consideration! While the review process was tough, the criteria for the award, outstanding community service throughout one's high school career, made our choice very clear! The individual chosen, while we cannot disclose the name, exhibited an extensive and well-rounded commitment to serving the community. More details to come.

Spring Social Success



This year's Spring Social, with a Martini Bar theme, was both well received and attended – with a sold out crowd of 130. Drawing nearly twice the numbers expected, our neighbors and friends thoroughly enjoyed their evening "out" at the North Community Church Hall, fully transformed with décor and mood lighting to rival any Boston club. The sounds of music, laughter, and chatter filled the hall until the wee hours of the morning, as old friends reunited and new acquaintances began. And, on top of it all, this was the first year we profited from the event. Many thanks to Heidi Nizolek, Maureen Deluca and Christy Stofko for making the gala event a resounding success.

Summer Street Development Update

The Conservation Commission hearing was continued again until Wed., June 2 at 8:30 pm. The next Planning Board meeting, with results from a traffic study, is still on for Mon., May 24 at 8:30 pm. The Conservation Commission meeting is equally important in determining whether the applicant can meet all the performance standards for building in close proximity to wetlands. The Heritage foundation is also recommending changes to the project to protect wildlife in the area.

Written comments from residents may be addressed to Angus Jennings, Town Planner, Marshfield Town Hall, 870 Moraine Street, Marshfield, MA 02050 or via email at Ajennings@townofmarshfield.org.

Residents and members are urged to attend the next scheduled Planning Board hearing Mon., May 24, 2004, at 8:30 pm, at Marshfield Town Hall.

GAR Hall Renovation

The GAR Hall on Old Main Street is undergoing a feasibility study to formulate an architectural plan and preliminary analysis, including concept drawings and a cost estimate. The scope of services will include the full renovation and restoration of the GAR Hall in 3 stages. Ann Beha Architects have agreed to assist the NRAS with this project. Please feel free to contact Marsha Ballou, President of NRAS, with any questions at 781 837 7860.

MHCA Island Beautification

Did you know that MHCA has adopted an island, as part of Marshfield's "Adopt an Island" program? Our Island is at the corner of Prospect and Summer streets (on the hill.) Scott deGrasse would like to put a call out to **all gardeners, hedge trimmers, and landscape architects**. While Scott cuts the grass and performs other routine maintenance on the island, he would like some help with its beautification in time for Memorial Day. If you have a green thumb and would like to help out, please contact Scott at sdegrasse@franklinsports.com or 781 834 1991.

Marshfield Hills Fire Station Construction Update



Construction is ongoing at the Fire Station on Old Main Street. A renovation and enlargement of the historic Fire Station will help to update the aging building and accommodate larger trucks, respectively. The septic system is also being renovated. The above grade mound to the right of the fire station is a septic leeching field. While it is not visually appealing at the moment, the town plans to make it aesthetically pleasing by planting trees and constructing a defined entrance to the playground. Construction of the building and septic is scheduled to be completed soon.

Brooks' Park Update

You may have noticed this large boulder at the playground. On this very boulder will be mounted a bronzed plaque remembering Brooks Thomsen Singer, our friend and neighbor who passed away last August. There will be a dedication of this memorial after the parade on Memorial Day.

Be sure to check out our web site at www.marshfieldhills.org for more information and discussion forums relating to our community.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Planning Board Meeting, May 24, 8:30 pm - Town Hall
- NRAS Spring Festival of the Arts - Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30, 10 am to 4 pm - Old Main Street
- Marshfield Hills Memorial Day Parade - Monday, May 31 at 9 am at the GAR Hall
- Brooks' Park Dedication and unveiling of the rock memorial - Following the Memorial Day Ceremony - approximately 9:30 am at the playground behind the fire station

Special thanks to our members who have paid their 2004 dues. See list below.

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| Doug and Ann Aaberg | William and Mary Hahn | Ellen O'Connor |
| Richard Amorosi | George Harlow | Edward J. and Diana M. Pachla |
| The Andrew Family | Ernest and Elizabeth Harold | Megan & Brian Peck |
| Bob and Sherry Bechtold | The Hokanson Family | Amy and Jeff Picard |
| Clare Black | Mark & Janet Kastrud | Karl and Mary Lou Poppe |
| Georg and Anne Bohsack | Jay, Laurel and Kate Kenny | Leo & Susan Robinson |
| Thomas, Brigid, Owen and TJ Boyd | The Kirkland Family | Dr. Morgan Scheiber |
| John, Gail and Lily Brooks | Cynthia Krusell | Edmund and Roberta Shea |
| The Coggeshall Family | Pete & Marie Kurmin | David & Molly Singer |
| Brian and RoseAnne Concannon | Peter H. and Heidi E. Lange | John, Christy and Leah Stofko |
| Frances Connolly | Gordon & Barbara Leach | Brian and Gail Taylor |
| The Cooney Family | Walter and Marcia Littlefield | The Valentine Family |
| The Deegan-Nawn Family | The MacDonald Family | Michael, Jennifer and Gino Vitelli |
| Scott & Nuet deGrasse | John, Jennifer and Liam Manning | David and Margie Vose |
| The Dickinson Family | Paul, Lynn, Erin, Ryan, McElaney | Jim, Sandy, Ali, Taylor Walter |
| Brian and Irene Doherty | James and Marie Miller | Scott and Mara Washburn |
| John and Linda Eaton | Alden and Connie Mitchell | Brad & Julie White |
| The Gagliard Family | The Moriarty Family | The Wishmeyer Family |
| Ron and Cheryl Galante | Jim, Emily and Olivia Mozoki | The Will Family |
| Charles and Ginny Glickman | The Murphy Family | The O'Gara Family |
| Steve, Amber, Lydia and Betsy Gross | Linda and Donald Nelson | |
| The Gustafson Family | Todd & Heidi Nizolek | |

Don't forget to pay your dues! Annual membership to the MHCA is \$20 per family. If you haven't yet renewed your membership for 2004, please send in the following form along with your dues. Please make a check payable to **MHCA, PO Box 264, Marshfield Hills, MA 02051**. Your membership dues are in effect for one year, beginning January 1st 2004. Thank you!

NAME: Please list all family members. Include ages of children (optional)_____

ADDRESS (Include street address and mailing address, if different)_____

E-MAIL_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER (optional)_____ DATE_____ NEW__ RENEWAL__

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