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Join Us at Our Annual Celebration and Support the Friends of the Blue Hills!

7:00 - 9:00 pm Canton Town Club, 300 Bailey Street, Canton Thursday, October 4

Please join us for this Annual Celebration and support the Friends of the Blue Hills, our Community Partner Honorees, and everything we have accomplished together over the past year! Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, silent auction, and much more! Tickets are \$35 each if purchased by October 1 and \$40 each at the door. Tickets can be purchased in advance on our website: www.FriendsoftheBlueHills.org/ Celebrate 2018.

Keynote speaker: Ellen P. Berkland

We will also honor our 2018 Community Partners:

Jessica Baumgart & Ben Houston Jeremy Comeau

John Erickson-Sunrise Erectors

Melissa Nelson

About the Speaker



Ellen P. Berkland, M.A., R.P.A.,

Trail Maintenance Volunteers Pitch in at Broderick Stable



At one of the monthly trail maintenance events, Friends of the Blue Hills' volunteers helped clear brush along the perimeter of the fence at Broderick Stable this summer. Shown above are Jim Green, a Friends of the Blue Hills board member, and his sons James and Daniel. Join us at the next trail maintenance event on Saturday, September 15. Visit friendsofthebluehills.org/trailsmaintenance for other dates and details.

Fishin' for Forty...?

We're not so good with wordsmithing, and we need your help to celebrate our 40th! What's a good theme reflecting 40 years of caring for our park? Any ideas for special activities - like a scavenger hunt? Let loose your inner creative spirit! Let us know at info@friendsofthebluehills.org.

has been a practicing professional archaeologist in New England for over 30 years. Before joining the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) as staff archaeologist, Ellen served as the Boston City Archaeologist for 15 years and prior to that tenure, worked on almost all of the Big Dig archaeological campaigns. Ellen helps the public understand the rich history of people who lived before us. She helps protect evidence of these people, as well as other cultural resources, that lie buried beneath half a million acres of land in the Commonwealth.



Photo by Mark Millikin of Brockton

Fish Fest a Hit with Aspiring Anglers

Hundreds gathered at Houghton's Pond in July to learn a thing or two about fishing...and try out their new-found skills on a perfect summer day. The Friends of the Blue Hills were on hand at Fish Fest, an annual event sponsored by the Department of Conservation and Recreation and MassWildlife.



Scott Dayer, from Milton, took the opportunity to fish with his children, Caroline and Jack.



Ayla (left) and her sister Amarissa, from Randolph, took a break from fishing to make sun visors, which came in handy on a sunny day.

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Visit us on the web at www.FriendsoftheBlueHills.org or call 781-828-1805 for membership, maps and schedule information. P.O. Box 416, Milton, MA 02186

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Enter to Win a Gourmet Dinner with Spectacular Views

When you enter our Dinner in the Blue Hills Raffle, you have a chance to enjoy the best of the sea and the hills: dinner for six from acclaimed restaurants Siros and Port 305 in Marina Bay-Quincy, served at the top of the Blue Hill Observatory!

You and five guests will enjoy an unforgettable meal with spectacular views of the ocean and the Boston skyline in the heart of the Blue Hills Reservation. The executive chef from Port 305 will prepare and serve a three-course meal in an elegant setting on the rooftop of this historically significant landmark. After dinner, you will also receive a private tour of the oldest continuously working observatory in the country.

Tickets are \$15 each or 3/\$35 and can be purchased online on our secure website: FriendsoftheBlueHills.org/Raffle2018. Some restrictions apply, so please visit our website for more details.

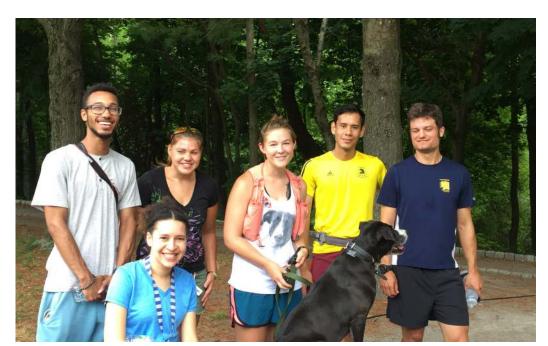


Last year's winners enjoyed a picture-perfect dinner at the top of the Blue Hills.

The winning ticket will be drawn at our Annual Celebration to be held on Thursday, October 4. You need not be present to win...but you have to enter to win, so buy your raffle ticket today!

"We all had an amazing evening and have already bought tickets for next year!" Daniel O'Connor, 2017 Dinner Raffle Winner

Millennials Hit the Hills and Grab a Glass



A group of 20-somethings participated in the Boots N Brews hike this summer. The event pairs a two-hour hike in the Blue Hills with a beer tasting afterwards. A perfect combination!

(Shown left to right) Shawn Washington, Augusta Dalir, Eugenia Kelly, Tess Harvey, Victor Velazquez, Jeremy Shaw, and Sky Girl on a leash! For more information on events in the Blue Hills, visit FriendsoftheBlueHills. org/news-events.

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Buy your tickets today for our Annual Celebration!

Thursday, October 4, at the Canton Town Club Please join us for this special evening of food, friends and festivities. Watch for your invitation in the mail!

For more information, please visit FriendsoftheBlueHills.org/Celebrate2018.

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